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By yelling so shrilly in front of him and losing their composure, it showed that the girls were not of high social standing.

No matter how much a wealthy heiress would like a man, she would not be so discourteous in front of him.

Nan Chen hated these noisy women the most, so he did not even deign to give them a simple nod.

"It's really Sir Chen! Wow, I finally get to see him in person!" yelled another girl.

"Get out."

These words were uttered not by Nan Chen, but Ouyang Qi.

The girls exchanged confused glances, not knowing who Ouyang Qi was talking to.

Ouyang Qi was not referring to any single person. What he meant was for all the girls to leave first.

He only called the girls over for fun. Now that Ning Ran had arrived, they were no longer important.

However, as Ouyang Qi did not want to embarrass them too much, he said, "Everyone, please leave first. I have something important to discuss with Mr. Chen today. Let's meet another day."

However, not a single one of the girls budged.

It was such a rare opportunity for them to see Nan Chen in person, so they were naturally reluctant to go.

A girl sneakily whipped out her phone, wanting to snap a picture of Nan Chen and show off to others that she managed to see the man in person.

Yet, Nan Chen shot a glare at her, his gaze as sharp as daggers. Even though he did not utter a single word, the girl was intimidated and quickly kept her phone inside her bag.

“Please leave. Let’s meet another day, okay? Please.” Ouyang Qi clasped his hands together.

Although the girls were unwilling to go, they did not dare to offend him either.

Just by being acquainted with Ouyang Qi, they could eat good food and have a fun time with him.

Since he was a spendthrift, he was willing to spend a lot of money to buy access to all sorts of high-class restaurants and entertainment venues. These were what the girls desired.

They knew that Ouyang Qi was someone they could not afford to offend, hence, they had no choice but to obey his instructions.

The girls left one by one, shooting Nan Chen a reluctant glance before they exited the room.

For some reason, Ouyang Qi felt hurt. I invited the girls over, but why are they staring at Nan Chen like they can’t wait to pounce on him?

Isn’t he just a teeny bit more handsome than me? What’s the big deal?

After the girls left, Nan Chen glanced at Ning Ran. “I’m not wrong, right?”

Ning Ran was confused. What did he say? What’s not wrong?

“I said that many people want to use Mr. Ouyang to climb up the social ladder. I’m not wrong, right?” Nan Chen reminded Ning Ran.

She kept her silence. Looks like he’s really not wrong. After all, I’ve seen it with my own eyes.

“Why are you here, Mr. Nan? Please take a seat.” Ouyang Qi rubbed his palms together.

“Are you unwilling to see me here?” Nan Chen asked.

Ouyang Qi chuckled. “Oh my, am I that obvious?”

Nan Chen snorted coldly.

“Although I don’t really want you to come, now that you’re here, you’re my guest. I’ll ask the waiters to bring these dishes away. Let’s order a new round of food and have a drink together!”

“Sure.” Nan Chen actually agreed.

This made Ning Ran very puzzled. Doesn't Nan Chen despise Ouyang Qi to the core? Why is he willing to drink with him?

So, when men claim that they dislike another man, it's not actually true? As long as they can drink together, they can toss all resentment to the side?

Nan Chen was not shy either. He ordered some expensive dishes and even a bottle of wine that was priced exorbitantly.

“Is it your treat or mine?” Ouyang Qi stared at the opened bottle of red wine.

“Of course it's your treat. You're the one who reserved the spot in the restaurant, after all,” replied Nan Chen.

“But I didn't invite you. I invited Mimi. Also, I don't intend to drink such expensive wine. Although my father is rich, I'm not going to treat you to a bottle of wine that's so costly,” lamented Ouyang Qi resentfully.

Raising his head, Nan Chen looked at the waiter. “Can I return this bottle of wine?”

“I'm sorry, Sir. Since the bottle's already opened, it cannot be returned,” replied the waiter fearfully.

“You've heard him, right? He said that we can't return it, so we have no choice but to drink it.” Nan Chen remained expressionless.

“Then, you foot the bill. It's exceeding my budget, so I can't pay for it. My father's been imposing a limit on my spending recently. If I squander money excessively, he'll cancel my credit card again.”

Ouyang Qi sounded genuinely concerned when he said that.

Furthermore, Ning Ran was sitting beside him. A wealthy man like him would be reluctant to be embarrassed in front of such a beauty.

“Are you using a credit card?”

“Not in the past. However, I'm using a credit card now. My father is upset with me for spending too much money, so he's limiting my spending. But this is only temporary. Once I'm placed in charge of the company, I'll become a genuine wealthy man!” declared Ouyang Qi.

“It'll pose no problem, then,” said Nan Chen.

“What do you mean?”

“Your card is from the bank run by your family, right?” asked Nan Chen.

“Yeah.”

“Since you’re the rich heir of the family, just call the bank and tell them to raise the spending limit. You can spend now and pay back later in installments. Since your father is so rich, money won’t pose a problem to you. So don’t worry and spend as you like! You’re still going to foot the bill,” said Nan Chen calmly.

“Nan Chen, you’re crossing the line! Why do I need to pay for such an expensive wine in installments? I’m Ouyang Qi. My father is Ouyang Dou. How is it possible that I’ll have to pay in installments?”

“You don’t want to do it then?” Nan Chen glanced at Ouyang Qi.

“No, I don’t!”

“Fine, I’m not going to drink then. Keep this bottle for yourself. Let’s go.” Nan Chen stood up.

“What do you mean? You opened the bottle, but now you’re leaving the mess to me?” Ouyang Qi started to panic.

“You’re the one who reserved a spot in this restaurant saying that you’ll treat us. Since you’re refusing to foot the bill, it’s only natural that I won’t eat anymore. If I have to pay for the meal, I’d rather dine at a restaurant that I actually like. There’s no way I’d come here,” stated Nan Chen as he frowned.

“B-But T-The wine...”

“I’m not drinking it. Save it for yourself. I’m leaving.”

Ning Ran was impressed.

So Poker Face has a trump card up his sleeve! But how did he know that Ouyang Qi has a spending limit? Also, how did he know that Ouyang Qi will invite a bunch of girls over to dine with him?

How expensive is this bottle of wine such that Ouyang Qi is refusing to pay for it?

“Wait, don’t go! Just eat and drink whatever you want. I’ll pay the bill. Damn it!” Ouyang Qi relented bitterly.

“Alright then.”

Nan Chen plopped back down on his chair instantly, as if he did not plan on leaving in the first place.

“How much is this wine?” asked Ning Ran curiously.

“This is our restaurant’s best wine, with a price tag of two hundred and eighty thousand. Since Mr. Ouyang is a member here, we can give a twenty percent discount for him.” The waiter replied politely.

Ning Ran was struck speechless.

Damn, Poker Face is ruthless! No wonder Ouyang Qi is unwilling to foot the bill!

Nan Chen took a sip and nodded in satisfaction. “This wine is not bad!”

Biting her lips, Ning Ran suppressed her urge to complain.

This bottle of wine cost almost three hundred thousand, but it’s only ‘not bad’ to you?

Ouyang Qi quickly took a sip too. Since he was the one paying for it, he decided not to let Nan Chen take full advantage of the wine. Hence, he was determined to drink more.

One sip of that wine is equal to a few thousand!

What should I do with my spending limit? Ugh, I have no choice but to get Ouyang Qing to foot the bill.

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After some drinks, Ouyang Qing’s face was flushed, giving her an extremely alluring look under the light.

“Ms. Ouyang, you mustn’t drink too much. Although I’m not a gentleman, It doesn’t mean that I like to make girls drunk,” reminded Nan Xing with a smile.

“4th Young Master, you look exactly the same as Chen. Both of you are equally dashing.” Ouyang Qing flashed him a bright grin.

“You’re being too polite, Ms. Ouyang. You call my brother Chen, but you refer to me as 4th Young Master? Aren’t you being too distant?”

“Then, what should I call you? Mr. Nan?”

“Just call me Nan Xing. Actually, I was born just a few minutes apart from my brother. Hence, if you call him Chen, you can call me Xing too.”

“No!”

Ouyang Qing refused flatly, for this was something she would never accept.

When she called Nan Chen “Chen”, it was actually her way of acting cute toward the man.

Hence, it was impossible for her to call Nan Xing so intimately.

The reason was simple—her objective was to marry Nan Chen.

After marrying Nan Chen, Nan Xing would be her brother-in-law. It was inappropriate to address him in such an intimate manner.

Thus, this was a no-go for her.

Naturally, Nan Xing knew what was on Ouyang Qing’s mind. However, he feigned indifference and asked why.

“There’s no why. I only want to call Nan Chen by his nickname, and no one else. I’ll just call you Nan Xing. Let’s not dwell on this topic anymore.”

“Sure. Then, do I call you Ms. Qing, Ms. Ouyang, or Ouyang Qing?”

Well, it would be perfect if you could call me your sister-in-law. I won’t like anything other than that.

Of course, those were just her inner thoughts; it was impossible for her to articulate them out loud.

“Anything’s fine with me,” said Ouyang Qing as she smiled sweetly.

“How ridiculous of us. We’ve drank for so long before discussing how we should address each other. Come on, let’s toast!” Nan Xing raised his glass.

“Cheers!”

“Oh, by the way. Do you have a girlfriend, Nan Xing?” Ouyang Qing suddenly asked.

“No. Are you going to introduce one to me?”

“Sure. I have a lot of beautiful friends. If you’re willing, I can introduce some to you.” Ouyang Qing was trying to get closer to Nan Xing.

Now that she had become one of the investors of Ning Ran's new movie, she had already gained the upper hand.

If she could introduce her friend or relative to Nan Xing as his girlfriend, she could plant an ally in the midst of the Nan family.

With so many people helping her, she would have a higher chance of victory when competing with Ning Ran. At the very least, this was what she thought.

"Sure, I'm single now anyway. What kind of girls are you planning to introduce to me?"

"Hmm... Since you're a very attractive bachelor, I need to think about it. Of course, I'll introduce you to the girl whom I deem the prettiest and most exceptional."

"Well, thanks in advance."

"Don't worry. I'll definitely introduce you to a girl whom you'll be happy with. She'll have high educational qualifications, beautiful looks, and good family background."

While they were chatting merrily, Ouyang Qing's phone suddenly rang.

Her brows furrowed the moment she glanced at the incoming call. What does my useless brother want now?

"Please excuse me, I need to take this call."

Ouyang Qing grabbed her phone, walked outside, and accepted the call.

"What?" Her tone was very cold.

"Where are you, Qing? I'm facing some troubles now. You have to come over and help me," pleaded Ouyang Qi.

"I'm out eating with a friend. What happened? Just spit it out," snapped Ouyang Qing impatiently.

"I'm eating with a friend too. Do you remember how I pissed Dad off some time back, so he limited my spending as a form of punishment..."

"What are you trying to say?" Ouyang Qing could vaguely guess what Ouyang Qi's subsequent words would be.

"Can you come over and pay the bill for me? If that's too troublesome for you, you can transfer me the money too!"

"I don't have any money," replied Ouyang Qing, frustrated.

“Hey, how can you say that? Everyone knows that Dad dotes on you the most. He lets you use all those funds freely! You’re not like me, who can’t even afford a meal worth hundreds of thousands...”

“Hundreds of thousands? How many girls are you paying for?”

Ouyang Qing knew her brother well, especially the fact that he often took girls out to eat.

“Not a lot. I won’t tell you the specifics. I’m going to send my location to you. If it’s convenient for you, come over. Otherwise, just transfer five hundred thousand to my account.”

“Five hundred thousand? You’re having a meal that cost five hundred thousand? Ouyang Qi, you’re such a shameless spendthrift. Do you think that just because our family runs a bank, you can spend to your heart’s content?”

Before Ouyang Qing could finish her lecture, however, Ouyang Qi hung up the call.

When she received Ouyang Qi’s location, she was stunned. Isn’t this the restaurant I’m at right now?

Is this place so expensive? Why didn’t I know about that?

Ouyang Qing called her brother again. “Which suite are you in?”

“You’re willing to come over? I knew that you’ll definitely help me! I’m in the Sky Suite...”

This time, before Ouyang Qi could finish speaking, Ouyang Qing hung up first.

When Nan Xing noticed her unhappy expression, he asked, “What happened?”

“It’s my brother. He might have been scammed by someone. I’ll go over and take a look.”

“Ouyang Qi? He got scammed? Hah! I think there’s a higher possibility that he’s the one doing the scamming,” said Nan Xing as he laughed.

“He’s in the same restaurant as us. I’ll be back shortly,” said Ouyang Qing.

Nan Xing stood up. “Since he’s here, let me go with you.”

As Ouyang Qing was afraid that her brother might embarrass her, she did not want Nan Xing to tag along.

“There’s no need for that. I’ll just pop over and see what’s going on. Just wait for a while. I’ll be back soon.”

“It’s fine. Let me tag along and see what’s happening. I want to know which brave soul had the audacity to scam Ouyang Qi. After all, he is nicknamed the Nine-Fingered Prince—a man notorious in the streets. Who is bold enough to scam him?”

“Don’t laugh, okay?” Ouyang Qing’s smile faded.

Nan Xing instantly looked serious. “I won’t. I definitely won’t spare anyone who dares to scam my friend in Flower City. Let’s go and take a look together.”

Since Nan Xing had already said that, Ouyang Qing was not in a position to refuse further.

With that, both of them headed to the suite Ouyang Qi was in.

When they entered, they were utterly stunned.

Never in a million years would Ouyang Qing imagine that Nan Chen was the one scamming her brother.

Neither did Nan Chen expect Nan Xing and Ouyang Qing to show up.

When Nan Chen asked Nan Xing to stall Ouyang Qing at the hospital earlier, he did not imagine that his brother would go a step beyond his task and took her out for steaks and red wine.

“Nan Chen?” exclaimed Ouyang Qi as he stared at the man standing beside his sister.

He soon realized his mistake and corrected himself. “Nan Xing? Why are you here?”

Ouyang Qing reacted in time and called out sweetly, “Chen, you’re here too! Good evening, Ding.”

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“What are you talking about?” Nan Chen frowned.

“Ouyang Qi said that you’re a scammer!” Nan Xing tattled on him in front of Nan Chen, not even hesitating for the slightest bit.

“I didn’t!” Feeling indignant, Ouyang Qi instantly denied.

“You did! You called your sister and said that you were being scammed!”

“He didn’t say that he got scammed. I did,” explained Ouyang Qing quickly.

However, her explanations made things seem even weirder.

“I was just spouting nonsense because I wasn’t sure what’s going on. How is it possible for Chen to be a scammer?”

“So, what’s going on?” Nan Xing was truly confused.

“I didn’t realize that you’re dining with my brother, Chen. If I had known, I would’ve joined you all,” exclaimed Ouyang Qing in feigned delight.

“It’s not too late either. Let’s sit together and have a drink. Nan Chen ordered all the wine in the restaurant, which is why I can’t afford the bill...”

Unknowingly, Ouyang Qi revealed what happened.

An embarrassed look crossed Ouyang Qing’s face. After all, the Ouyang family was one of the wealthiest families around, yet her brother could not even afford a single bottle of wine. This utterly humiliated her.

On the other hand, Nan Chen could not be bothered to explain, looking like he had nothing to do with what was happening.

“Let’s not talk about this. Come, sit down and have a chat!” invited Ouyang Qi.

With that, Nan Xing and Ouyang Qing sat down at the table.

“Chen, when did you ask my brother out for a meal? Why didn’t you invite me too?” asked Ouyang Qing.

“We didn’t plan to meet. I’m just here to settle some matters,” replied Nan Chen.

“Settle some matters? What matters?” Ouyang Qing was puzzled.

“Your brother keeps harassing her, so she begged me to resolve it for her.” Nan Chen shot a glance at Ning Ran.

Both Ning Ran and Ouyang Qing were taken aback.

“My brother is harassing Ding?”

“Yeah, non-stop. Unable to stand the harassment anymore, she’s about to report him to the police. However, since the Ouyang family and Nan family are so close, I thought

that it might be humiliating for Mr. Ouyang if a police report was filed. So I came to give him a warning,” explained Nan Chen.

Ouyang Qing felt even more embarrassed now.

“Ouyang Qi, how could you...”

“I didn’t! Nan Chen is accusing me. I’m just pursuing Mimi, not harassing her!” yelled Ouyang Qi in defense.

“But she said that she can’t stand it anymore. Your harassment has already affected her daily life. She’s my company’s signed artiste. Your actions not only affect her but are also damaging my company’s interests. No matter what, I should still warn you,” cautioned Nan Chen coldly.

“What the heck? That’s not harassment! I’m just pursuing her.” Ouyang Qi felt extremely wronged.

“Well then, let’s ask the person in question, shall we? Is he harassing you?” Nan Chen looked at Ning Ran.

His glare was as sharp as daggers, evidently threatening her.

This was not a simple question. Implicitly, he was asking her to make a choice between him and Ouyang Qi.

If Ning Ran chose Nan Chen, he might not reciprocate.

Yet, if she did not, Nan Chen would definitely make things very difficult for her. This was a fact she was certain of.

As such, this was not even a multiple-choice question—it was a rhetorical one.

Nan Chen had already drafted the perfect answer. What Ning Ran had to do was to articulate it.

Furthermore, Nan Chen knew Ning Ran’s current state of mind. In front of Ouyang Qing, she would not be foolish enough to speak on behalf of another man, especially since the man in question was Ouyang Qing’s brother.

Ning Ran was not stupid either, so she nodded in affirmation.

That was the only choice she could make. Only a fool would choose to deny.

Nan Chen silently glanced at Ouyang Qi, then back at Ouyang Qing.

Now that the facts were clearly laid on the table, there was no need for him to explain further.

“I’m sorry. If my brother did anything to offend you, I…”

“It’s got nothing to do with you,” interrupted Nan Chen calmly. “Even if we made a police report, it shouldn’t implicate you in any way.”

“A police report? Didn’t you say that you won’t be filing for one?” asked Ouyang Qing in surprise.

Ouyang Qing was particularly sensitive to a potential police report because the Nan family was the most powerful family in Flower City.

If the Nan family claimed that they had no resources or connections to the police, no one would believe them.

As such, if Nan Chen really filed a police report, no one would know how the case would be dealt with.

In fact, it might be handled in a manner that Nan Chen desired.

No matter how embarrassing Ouyang Qi was, he was still the Ouyang family’s sole son. If something were to happen to him in Flower City, it would undeniably cause a negative impact on the Ouyang family.

Ouyang Qing would not be scared at all if someone else threatened to file a police report. However, since Nan Chen was the one saying it, she became fearful.

Nan Chen’s implicit message was that he was planning to target the Ouyang family. After all, Ouyang Duo previously used the Vietnam project to bully Nan Chen.

Now that the tables had turned and Nan Chen had settled the Vietnam project, it was time for him to settle old scores.

Still expressionless, Nan Chen jabbed a finger in Ning Ran’s direction. “She’s the one who wants to file a police report. Considering the Nan family’s relationship with the Ouyang family, I stopped her. However, I have not convinced her yet. It’s still uncertain whether or not she would file a police report.”

Ning Ran was stunned. When did I ever say that?

Although Ouyang Qi kept stirring up things, honestly speaking, none of his actions had harmed Ning Ran in any way.

His actions did not affect her daily life either, so what he did could not really be considered harassment. It was not so severe to demand a police report.

Despite that, Nan Chen suddenly made the issue sound more serious than it really was. Ning Ran did not know what he was planning, all she knew was that she had no choice but to play along.

Since she was oblivious and had no guts to ask Nan Chen, she could only cooperate with him.

Ouyang Qing glanced at Ning Ran with an obvious glint of hatred flashing across her eyes.

This woman got some tricks up her sleeve, huh? Not only did she have Nan Chen's children, but she's also seducing Ouyang Qi now. What is she planning to do?

"Chen, my brother always crosses the line. Please forgive him..."

"I don't want to alert Mr. Ouyang about this. But since you already know, please inform him about this," interrupted Nan Chen.

"Okay. I'll definitely tell my Dad to be stricter on my brother. I'll get him to leave Flower City tomorrow!"

Ouyang Qing was a smart woman, so she immediately understood Nan Chen's implicit message.

"What? No! I didn't do anything wrong, so why are you doing this to me? I didn't harass Mimi at all! I'm pursuing her like a normal man!" whined Ouyang Qi.

Ignoring him, Nan Chen turned around to look at Ning Ran. "Now that your problem is solved, you should treat us to this meal, right?"

Ning Ran was taken aback. Are you joking?

That bottle of wine cost more than twenty hundred thousand. That's a few years' worth of living expenses for me. Yet, you're telling me to foot the bill now?

There's a whole bunch of wealthy people crowding in this room. Shouldn't you be the ones paying for the meal? Why should a broke person like me pay for it?

"Hey, I'm a victim here. Why should I pay for the meal? Also, I'm broke!"

Ning Ran suddenly realized that the best excuse for not footing the bill was to say that she was broke.

“I’ll pay for it. Just take it as my way of apologizing to you and Chen.” Ouyang Qing was a sensible woman and she knew what to do.

Nan Chen and Ning Ran did not refute anymore. If someone was willing to pay, there was no need for them to say anything further.

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As she was sitting in Nan Chen’s car and was in no position to argue with him, she had no choice but to suppress her urge to speak.

Nan Chen kept glancing at his phone as if he were waiting for a call.

Is he expecting a call from a beautiful lady, so he’s prohibiting me from disturbing him?

Who could it be? Could it be Ouyang Qing?

Hmm... Upon second thought, it’s not very possible. After all, they’ve just parted ways on a very unhappy note. It’s not possible for him to miss her already, right?

Even if they’re in their honeymoon phase, they still won’t act so clingy, right?

Just then, Nan Chen’s phone buzzed.

He picked up the call. Strangely enough, he even put the call on loudspeaker.

“Hello, Mr. Ouyang.”

“Chen, there’s no need to speak so formally with me, Aren’t you calling me uncle anymore? Do you no longer acknowledge me as your uncle?”

It was a call from Ouyang Duo, but Ning Ran had no idea who he was.

She spotted him once during Nan Zhengde’s birthday banquet, but she was not acquainted with him.

“Of course, I do. Please speak.”

“I’ve already asked for the board of directors’ approval regarding the Vietnam project. Since Vietnam is not the main country we’re investing in, and we believe that the Nan Corporation will do a better job than us, we’re willing to cooperate with you,” said Ouyang Duo.

“What’s your condition?”

“We’ll just follow your arrangements. Besides, I didn’t spend a lot on that piece of land, so I’ll just give it to you as a gift,” offered Ouyang Duo.

“Thank you, uncle. My gratitude to Sunshine Corporation’s board of directors as well for approving this.”

Nan Chen finally called him uncle.

“That’s settled, then. I’ll ask my subordinates to contact your men about the specifics of the contract. Those are insignificant details, so let’s not meddle with it. Let the rest deal with it.”

“Okay, I’ll follow your plan,” replied Nan Chen.

“Well, that’s all I wanted to talk about. I’m flying to Europe tomorrow, so I’ll go and sleep now.”

“Sure. Good night.”

After the call, Nan Chen leaned backward and heaved a deep sigh.

“I thought that you’re waiting for a woman’s call. I didn’t expect it to be from a man. He sounds quite old too, judging from his voice,” remarked Ning Ran casually.

Nan Chen eyed Ning Ran disdainfully. “What are you thinking about half the time…”

“Nothing much. Who is he?”

“He’s Ouyang Duo.”

“Another person from the Ouyang family?”

“Yeah. He’s Ouyang Qing and Ouyang Qi’s father, the chairman of Sunshine Corporation.”

“I know him!” exclaimed Ning Ran.

“How?”

“I saw him on the television and also during Grandpa’s birthday banquet.”

Nan Chen rolled his eyes in greater disdain. Here I am wondering how much she knows about him. Turns out that she’s claiming to know him just after seeing him on television.

“Hmm, there’s something off!” Ning Ran whirled around and stared at Nan Chen.

“Why are you looking at me?”

“There’s something strange about you.”

“What?”

“Your actions tonight must have something to do with this call!” declared Ning Ran as she pointed at Nan Chen as if she had a sudden revelation.

“Put your finger down,” commanded Nan Chen coldly.

Ning Ran withdrew her hand quickly. It was indeed quite rude to point at others.

However, since Nan Chen did not deny it, it meant that Ning Ran’s guess was correct.

“No wonder you suddenly wanted to follow me to the meeting. So you had an ulterior motive all along! You’re such a manipulator!” accused Ning Ran.

“It’s not an ulterior motive if I made it that obvious.”

“Anyway, it’s still considered an underhanded plot. You must explain it to me. You can’t just possibly use me without telling me anything!”

“Are you sure you’ll understand?” asked Nan Chen as he eyed her from the corners of his eyes.

“Are you underestimating me again? Why won’t I understand? You didn’t even try to explain it to me, how can you be certain that I won’t understand?”

“Fine. I’ll explain it to you then.”

Now that Nan Chen actually agreed, Ning Ran started to feel a little excited. After all, the man never cooperated with others, it was always someone else conceding to him.

Ning Ran put on a very cooperative look, but Nan Chen remained silent.

She became anxious. “Well? Say something!”

“This involves too many business affairs. You won’t be able to understand!”

“I’ll be able to! If you explain in layman terms, I’ll understand.”

“Then let me think about how I should explain a business acquisition to a primary school kid.”

"I'm not a primary school kid. I just didn't graduate from college. Truth be told, I was a top student in the past!"

Her words fell to deaf ears.

Before Nan Chen became the CEO, he interviewed a lot of people who claimed to be top students. Yet, when he actually hired them, he discovered that they were utterly incapable.

Nan Chen was a top student himself. However, he knew that there was still a drastic difference between any two top students.

Some were extremely good at their studies and were very capable as well.

Yet, there were some who excelled academically but fared horribly at work.

Hence, Nan Chen had always harbored doubts towards those who claim to be top students.

"Through certain tricks, the Ouyang family tried to dominate one of our major projects. Thus, I used my own tricks to settle that problem. With a few other tricks, I subsequently managed to turn the tables and take advantage of the Ouyang family instead."

Nan Chen summarized it in a very vague way.

Although his words sounded nonchalant, the "tricks" that he mentioned actually involved multiple rounds of counter-attacks and defensive tactics. Only Nan Chen himself knew how complicated they were.

"Is it the project that Nan Xing is responsible for?" asked Ning Ran.

It was Nan Chen's turn to be shocked. "You know about it? Who did you hear it from?"

Shucks! If I tell him, I'll be betraying Nan Xing. After all, he's the one who told me.

"I forgot. Anyway, the news has been making its rounds everywhere. It's not surprising for me to hear about it. Please, do continue."

"However, Ouyang Duo refused to admit defeat. Unwilling to let us take advantage of them, he planned on delaying it and observing our reactions. Hence, I decided to show him my stance on this issue. Forget it, you definitely won't understand."

"No, I do!" asserted Ning Ran proudly.

"Tell me, what did you understand?"

“You’re using the incident of Ouyang Qi asking me out and creating a huge ruckus out of it. By threatening to file a police report, you’re implicitly informing Ouyang Duo that you would turn against the Ouyang family anytime without showing any mercy. As they’ve plotted against you in the past, you’re holding a petty grudge against them and won’t let them off the hook so easily. In other words, you’re pressurizing him to give up on his wish to settle things peacefully. At the same time, you want him to understand that the only way to rebuild the two families’ relationship is to concede to all of your conditions!”

Delighted, she asked, “Am I right? Quick, tell me that that I’m right. Praise me for being so smart!”

Nan Chen glanced at the excited Ning Ran. So, she’s not actually dumb, huh?

It’s no easy feat to understand all these complexities.

“Let me correct you. I’m not holding a petty grudge. I am not a petty man.”

“Well, it makes no difference. Just ignore my adjectives and tell me if I’m right!”

After giving it a thought, Nan Chen nodded. “You’re basically right.”

“You’re damn right I am! I’m so smart and impressive! Oh my, I’m starting to admire myself!” declared Ning Ran loudly.

Shaking his head, Nan Chen was at a loss for words.

A village girl will always be a village girl. She’s so excited just because I gave her a couple of compliments.

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Celebrity Girl Is My Wife Chapter 435-Meanwhile, Ouyang Qi was forced to enter the Ouyang family’s car by Ouyang Qing. He was not allowed to leave on his own.

Not expecting Nan Chen to do something like this, Ouyang Qi regretted it terribly.

Up till now, he still could not understand why Nan Chen was so serious about it, even to the extent of letting Ning Ran report him for harassment.

Although harassment was something subjective and hard to prove, Ouyang Qi was the culprit in question. He knew that his actions were not so severe that they amounted to harassment.

“Qing, listen to me. I didn’t harass anyone. With such good looks and wealth, it’s a piece of cake for me to find a girlfriend. There’s no need for me to harass anyone. Please don’t tell Dad about this, okay?”

“I’ve already called and informed him,” interrupted Ouyang Qing coldly.

“Why? I really didn’t harass Ding Mi. In fact, my relationship with her is quite good. Nan Chen is setting me up on purpose...”

“Why did you provoke Nan Chen? Do you know how greatly your actions affected the Ouyang family?” Ouyang Qing yelled at her brother.

“Damn it! I really didn’t harass her. I just sent her some flowers. Can that be counted as harassment?” Ouyang Qi felt extremely wronged.

“Of course Nan Chen knows that you didn’t harass her. But didn’t you hear his threat to file a police report?”

“I did! But he’s just fussing over nothing. Since I’ve never done anything like what he said, I won’t be scared even if he does file for a police report!” Ouyang Qi was still unconvinced.

Ouyang Qing was furious. This useless brother of mine only knows how to woo women. His brain is absolutely useless!

“Don’t you know which city we’re in right now? Don’t you know which family is the most influential here?”

“Of course I do! We’re in Flower City now and the Nan family wields the most authority here. Do you really think that I’m a fool who doesn’t know anything?”

“You know all this and yet you still claimed that you’re not a fool? Do you know how easy would it be for Nan Chen to file a harassment report against you? It definitely wouldn’t be difficult for him to get some witnesses to testify against you. Furthermore, if Ding Mi accuses you too, it’s a strong case against you.”

Ouyang Qi was shocked. “Nan Chen won’t actually go that far, right? Besides, why would he need to do that?”

“The Nan family had a falling out with Dad previously. He almost forced them into a dire situation. As the Nan family still held that grudge, they used a useless piece of trash like you to their advantage! You can be sentenced to up to five years of jail for sexual harassment. Even if you aren’t jailed, you’ll have to be detained for a few days, if that happened, the Ouyang family’s reputation will be destroyed by you. Hence, Nan Chen is using this opportunity to pressurize Dad, forcing him to concede to his unreasonable requests. Yet, here you are, oblivious to everything!” shouted Ouyang Qing angrily.

"If you don't tell me, how would I know? What should I do now?"

"Dad has already agreed to Nan Chen's conditions. You're fine now."

"Damn it! Looks like I have to be wary about that rascal, Nan Chen. He's so shady. Argh, looks like I have to give up on Mimi. Since she's on the same side as Nan Chen, there's no hope for me anymore." Ouyang Qi sighed.

"No, you must find a way to make Ding Mi yours," asserted Ouyang coldly.

"Huh? She's about to sue me for harassment. Why would I still dare to approach her?" exclaimed Ouyang Qi.

"This is just part of Nan Chen's trick. It's got nothing to do with the foolish woman. She's definitely still kept in the dark, completely oblivious to Nan Chen's plan. Hence, you still have a chance. If you manage to make that woman yours, it'll be advantageous to the Ouyang family. You've never contributed anything to the family before. Now that there's a chance for you, you'd better put in some effort and woo her."

Ouyang Qi seemed to have realized something.

"I heard rumors saying that you like Nan Chen. But why are you dining with Nan Xing today? Could it be..."

"Shut up! How can you think of me like that?" rebuked Ouyang Qing furiously.

"No, I'm not judging you at all. I'm just curious. However, now that you explained it, I understand now. You want me to snatch Ding Mi away from Nan Chen's side so that you can..."

"Don't make it sound so unpleasant! I'm telling you to do that for the sake of the family!" Ouyang Qing was enraged again.

"I do like Ding Mi. But now that you're instructing me to do this, I find it meaningless now. Although I like spending time with women, I do it without any motives. I don't like getting involved in these shady schemes and conspiracies, nor will I exchange my feelings for profits," declared Ouyang Qi.

Ouyang Qing scoffed in fury. "Pfft! You make yourself sound so noble! In reality, you're just an incapable, spoilt brat! Without Dad, you're nothing. How dare you say such words? What have you ever done for the Ouyang family?"

"I'm not a noble man, but I never exploit others' feelings! If you manage to make Nan Chen yours, kudos to your abilities! Otherwise, just give up. I won't partake in those underhanded plots with you. Hey, can you stop the car? I'm getting off in front." Ouyang Qi instructed the chauffeur.

“Don’t stop the car! I’m bringing you to Dad!”

“Anyway, I won’t cooperate with you. I suggest that you give up on Nan Chen. I’m a man too. I know how it feels like when a man likes a woman. When Nan Chen looks at you, there’s not even a hint of affection in his gaze. You stand no chance. On the other hand, you can give Nan Xing a shot...”

“Shut up! You’re being ridiculous. Why did Dad have such a useless son like you?” scolded Ouyang Qing.

“It’s true that I’m useless. You’re the elite here who’s so skilled at pursuing men. You’re even going to use such underhanded means to achieve your goals! Tsk. I’d rather not be such an ‘elite!’”

Ouyang Qing was so furious that she felt like she was on the verge of exploding in rage.

They argued all the way until they arrived at the Orchid Club. It was the Ouyang family’s headquarters and commanding center in Flower City.

The moment Ouyang Duo saw Ouyang Qi, he aimed a harsh slap on his son’s cheek.

As Ouyang Qi had expected the slap, he dodged in time. Ouyang Duo’s palm brushed against his cheek, failing to land a proper slap.

“You rascal! How did I have such a useless son like you?”

His insults were identical to Ouyang Qing, which showed just how much she took after their father.

“Well, you’re the one who had me. I wouldn’t know how, right?” rebuked Ouyang Qi as he clutched his cheek.

“You...”

Ouyang Duo was about to slap him again when Feng Jialing stopped him.

“That’s enough! What’s the use of hitting your son now?”

“Yeah, you’re the one who lost to Nan Chen, but you’re venting your anger out on me,” agreed Ouyang Qi.

“What did you say? You rascal!” Ouyang Duo was utterly enraged.

“That’s it! Stop fighting. It’s alright as long as he knows his mistake,” coaxed Feng Jialing.

“All of you, get out. I need to speak to him in private.” Ouyang Duo dismissed Feng Jialing and Ouyang Qing.

“Okay. Both of you, have a good chat. You’re family, after all. Don’t resort to violence so easily,” persuaded Feng Jialing.

“Mom, you must protect me. If he beats me to death, you’ll no longer have a son. Then, all of the Ouyang family’s assets will be dominated by your future son-in-law!” exclaimed Ouyang Qi.

Feng Jialing was infuriated too. What is my rascal son talking about?

“Don’t spout nonsense and communicate nicely with your father. It’s time for you to do something for the Ouyang family,” chided Feng Jialing.

After Feng Jialing and Ouyang Qing left, Ouyang Duo glared at Ouyang Qi. “I only have one thing to say to you. Either you make that woman who had Nan Chen’s children yours, or you destroy her. Anyway, we mustn’t let her become an obstacle that prevents your sister from marrying into the Nan family!”

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Celebrity Girl Is My Wife Chapter 436—Two days later, Sound of Thunder 2 was broadcasted on TV. At midnight that same evening, the show had officially began running on the internet as well.

The next morning, Nan Chen received information that Sound of Thunder 2 received the highest ratings among the shows of the same time slot.

The online view count for the show was more than a hundred million, and it was the top three trending topics on the Internet.

Nan Chen verified with Jiang Zhe that the data was not manipulated. The show did indeed reach the top three trending topics on the Internet.

With his first starring role in the TV show, Zheng Lunlun rode the wave and was the ninth trending topic on the Internet.

As for the twentieth trending topic, a fascinating question was raised where netizen was asking: Who was the actress in “Sound of Thunder 2”?

The name “Ding Mi” had been viral on the internet before but in a bad way.

It did not take long for the forgetful netizens to forget about the name, though.

That was why some celebrities pay money to manipulate internet search pop-ups. People would forget all about them if they did not show up on the internet from time to time.

When the TV show got popular, Ding Mi was mentioned by people once again, and old news got dug up.

All the netizens had to do was add a few extra details, and old news would become new again.

Many online accounts quickly took advantage of the surge in popularity to write up a bunch of articles about Ding Mi.

Some said she only got to replace Luo Fei as the female lead because a rich man took a liking to her.

Although no name was specified, those that were observant would know that the rich man mentioned was Nan Chen.

A topic as juicy as that quickly became the talk of the internet.

Many accounts followed up with new outrageous stories. Some even claimed that Ning Ran killed Luo Fei to get her role, which was why Luo Fei disappeared from showbiz.

The speculation got out of control, and many wondered if the show could keep running or keep up its popularity.

The news that the female lead of Sound of Thunder 2 was a murderer immediately topped the charts for the hottest internet search.

Media broadcast companies suspended the show when they received orders from relevant authorities.

The companies were getting anxious because they thought they had acquired profitable copyright. Nobody expected the female lead issue.

People even resorted to taking legal actions to get compensated.

The executives of Star Entertainment had already waited for half an hour when Nan Chen got to the office.

Star Entertainment was only a subsidiary of Nanshi Corporation, so Nan Chen rarely went there personally for meetings.

That day, even though the staff at the office seemed like they were working, they were actually eyeing the elevator expectantly to see Nan Chen himself.

The moment Nan Chen walked out of the elevator, everyone held their breath and pretended to work while keeping their gaze on the man from the corner of their eyes.

Waiting at the elevator was the CEO of Star Entertainment, who quickly walked up to greet Nan Chen. "This way, please. We're expecting you, Mr. Chen."

Instead of responding to the CEO, Nan Chen kept a poker face and strode towards the meeting room.

The minute Nan Chen stepped into the meeting room, the staff's chat group went into a frenzy.

"He's here! He's finally here!"

"He looks even hotter than on TV!"

"Oh my gosh! He's only three meters away from me. Three meters! I can almost smell him!"

"Come on. You could be a meter away from the man, and it still won't mean anything, the man probably won't even notice that you're there."

"Does it make it you feel any better to rain on my parade like that?"

"It does because I'm jealous of you! I can't believe I have to go on a business trip when Sir Chen is there!"

"Too bad!"

"Stop fooling around. The company's in a crisis right now, and I'm guessing they're looking for someone to blame. Who knows? It could be one of us!"

"I'm just a nobody. The top brass should be the ones answering for it."

"Whoever has the guts to take a photo of Sir Chen for me will get one week supply of milk tea. I need to post that online!"

"Forget it. Not even a year of milk tea supply will give me the courage to do that. I have no wish to lose my job over this."

In contrast to the chatty regular staff, the executives in the meeting room were dead silent.

Nan Chen just sat there quietly, minding his own business on the phone.

Naturally, nobody dared utter a word either.

The executives wondered why Mr. Chen was busy with his phone instead of giving them a good scolding.

Moreover, Nan Chen rarely brought his phone into the meeting room. It was almost common sense that phones were not allowed during a meeting.

Yet, he had been busy with his device for more than a few minutes, and everybody was looking at him doing just that.

Nobody dared move a muscle. They felt as if they would disturb Sir Chen on his phone if they made any sudden moves.

After a while, Nan Chen was finally done with his phone as he set it down on the desk.

Somehow, the meeting room became even quieter at that. There was pin-drop silence.

“Have you all seen what’s on the internet?” Nan Chen finally spoke.

Everyone simply nodded in response because nobody dared to speak.

Nan Chen then turned to the Director of Public Relations. “You, explain it to me.”

The director stood up. “According to our observations, some of the negative news articles were done very professionally. It’s almost as if they were deliberately trying to defame our artistes.”

“And how did you respond to them?” inquired Nan Chen.

“We’ve asked our lawyers to send cease and desist letters to some of the more influential accounts. They are to cease publishing articles that defame our artistes. In addition, we’re also preparing for some press releases,” answered the director nervously.

“Then people would just believe what they want to believe. Nobody knows for sure who’s telling the truth.”

Sensing that Nan Chen was dissatisfied with the solution, the executives kept quiet.

That was the standard operating procedure, and nobody knew how else to handle the matter.

“There’s no need for press releases. All you need to do is to find out who’s behind all this,” instructed Nan Chen.

“Understood, Mr. Chen.”

Although nobody knew why there was no need for the press releases, they dared not question it as it was an order from Nan Chen.

“What about the show, Mr. Chen?”

“It’s only been suspended, and it’ll be back online soon. Besides, the suspension got people talking about the show. Bad publicity is still publicity. As for the accounts that are deliberately defaming Ding Mi, sue their pants off!” The last sentence was cold and unhesitant.

“Understood, Mr. Chen.”

After that, the rest of the meeting was no longer related to Ning Ran.

The executives reported on their work one by one. In general, Star Entertainment did considerably well in the year of recession.

“Given that the Sound of Thunder 2 ratings was at a record high, far exceeding than that of other shows of the same genre, we should hold a celebration party and invite more reporters,” suggested Nan Chen

The executives were once again baffled. Why are we celebrating when the show’s been suspended? But if that’s what Sir Chen wants, we’ll get it done. We’ll even make it a grand celebration!

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Celebrity Girl Is My Wife Chapter 437-It was indeed strange to celebrate a show that had been suspended, but Nan Chen was a genius. It was only natural that his thinking was different from most people’s.

Just when the people were coming up with negative speculations about the show, Nan Chen actually had the gall to hold a grand celebration party.

His idea was to send a message to the world and tell everyone that there was nothing wrong with the show or the actors and actresses. The suspension was temporary, and everything would return to normal soon.

As the lead actress, Ning Ran was required to attend the party.

As she was now waist-deep in bad publicity, it was rather stressful for her to attend an event like that.

However, Wang Xiaou reminded her, “When the going gets tough, the tough get going. To become a superstar, pressure is unavoidable.”

Ning Ran was unconvinced, though. After all, she had never been a superstar before, so there was no way she could know if it was really unavoidable. If this is really the case, the road to stardom is really damn hard in my opinion.

Ning Ran was wearing a black evening dress and stilettos, and they were making her uncomfortable. Even so, she couldn't do anything about it as she was requested by the company to look her best so that people would take her seriously. After all, there were many reporters at the event.

As always, Nan Chen, the bigshot, was fashionably late.

At that point, a lady in a waitress uniform approached Ning Ran. "Excuse me, Ms. Ding. There's a Mr. Ning Ziqiang who requested to see you, but our security stopped him. He's making a scene, so we're wondering if you could try talking to him?"

Ning Ran was shocked as she wondered what Ning Ziqiang was doing here. This event is too important. He can't mess around here, or the consequences could be disastrous.

Without giving it much thought, Ning Ran followed the staff member. After walking a distance, Ning Ziqiang was still nowhere to be seen, so Ning Ran stopped in her tracks. "Where exactly is he?"

"He's in a room just up ahead. We'll be there after making this left turn," replied the waitress.

"What does he look like?" Ning Ran suddenly inquired.

"He... He looks..." When the waitress failed to answer, Ning Ran immediately turned around and tried to make a break for it.

Unfortunately, two men in face masks cut her off at the back.

"Who are you, and what do you want?" Ning Ran took her phone out and was ready to call for help, but the two rushed forward to snatch the device from her.

Naturally, a lady like Ning Ran was no match for two men. Her phone was taken away in the end and turned off.

"Who the hell are you guys?"

Before Ning Ran could do anything else, one of the men knocked her out before carrying her on his shoulder. They brought her to a room with a camera set up on a table beside the bed.

There was a direct line in the room to do a live broadcast onto the display at the party.

“The boss wants you two to drug her and play with her. Make it as obscene as possible, but you have to watch the time because it won’t take long for people to find you. Evacuate before that happens,” instructed the fake waitress.

One of the men swallowed hard after checking out Ning Ran’s pretty face and exquisite figure under the evening dress. We’ve just hit jackpot! Not only do we get to enjoy such beauty, but we’re also paid to do so.

“Get started now. Remember to evacuate as soon as possible. If you’re caught, don’t let them know who your boss is.”

“What boss? We don’t even know who he or she is,” complained one of the men.

The fake waitress thought he said made sense, so she left without another word.

“You go first, chief. I’ll watch.”

“Let’s drug her first.”

“But she’s out now. How am I supposed to do it?”

“Just pry her mouth open. Isn’t that obvious?”

“Okay, chief.”

The shorter man grabbed the vial on the bed before approaching Ning Ran to pull her chin.

Just when the man was about to feed Ning Ran the drug, the supposedly unconscious woman suddenly tilted her head and bit his hand.

“Ouch!”

The man in pain took a step back as Ning Ran shrank to a corner. “Stay back! Or I’ll bite my own tongue and kill myself.”

Ning Ran did not actually give the threat much thought, for she had only seen the suicide method on TV.

She had absolutely no idea how to bite the tongue or if she would actually die from it. Not sure if I’ll ever get the chance to try, but I had to bluff. Let’s see if they’ll see through my act.

The men looked at each other before the shorter one asked, “What do we do now, chief?”

The taller man, who knocked Ning Ran out earlier, remained stoic and silent.

“Stop this now!” demanded Ning Ran before inquiring, “Who paid you to do this, and what are you planning to do with me?”

“We’re going to play a three-player game and do a live broadcast. We’ll be wearing face masks, but you don’t have to. As long as you do as you’re told, we won’t kill you,” explained the captors.

“Who asked you to do this, and how much are they paying you? I’ll double it!”

Ning Ran was only trying to stall. I’m the star of the show today, so Nan Chen will definitely notice that I’m missing. Once that happens, he’ll come looking for me.

“We’ve already gotten our money, and we’re men of our word.”

“That’s only because you have no idea what’s going to happen to you next. You’ll be sorry for keeping your word when you realize you can’t spend your money. You have no idea who I am, do you? I’m Nan Chen’s woman. That’s right. The legendary Sir Chen! He threw this party today for me. If anything happens to me, you’re both done for! Nan Chen’s not going to send you to jail because that’s not his style. He’ll break your limbs and make sure you’ll eat through a straw for the rest of your life. You’ll be buying wheelchairs with your money and…”

“Shut up!” shouted the taller man, who was also the smarter one. Evidently, he realized that Ning Ran was stalling.

“I’m only telling you this for your own good. You’ll definitely regret this if you go through with it,” insisted Ning Ran.

“Stop talking to her. Just drug her!”

“But what if she really kills herself?”

“This is not a TV show, and I don’t think she’s ready to die just yet. So just do it!”

With that, the man rushed towards Ning Ran, who screamed and dodged away.

However, she could only evade the two men for so long in the small room.

“Don’t do it. You’ll regret this.”

“Shut up and take the drug!”

Bang!

Somebody kicked the door and made a loud noise.

“Someone’s here, chief! What do we do?”

“Whoever it is, we can take him. Then we’ll go back to our business.”

Bang! Bang! Bang!

The door was finally kicked open, and a man in black rushed in.

Ning Ran was relieved to see Nan Chen, but her face fell when she noticed the man came alone empty-handed. How is he going to fight them like that?

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Celebrity Girl Is My Wife Chapter 438-“Take another step closer, and I’ll slice her face!” threatened one of the men with a knife to Ning Ran’s face.

Seeing that, Nan Chen stopped in his tracks.

“Squat down and raise your hands. Stay where you are and let us walk out,” demanded the captor, but Nan Chen did not back down or make way. Instead, he simply glared at the captor.

“Are you trying to test my patience? Make way or I’ll mess her face up!” The captor continued to threaten.

“Do it,” responded Nan Chen causing Ning Ran to gawped at him in disbelief. And here I thought my savior’s finally arrived. How could Nan Chen say that? If my face really got messed up, how am I supposed to live the rest of my life?

“No, don’t!” shouted Ning Ran.

“Did you hear that? She said ‘no’ because women treasure their faces. Her life will be ruined if her face got messed up.”

“How is that any of my business?” asked Nan Chen coldly.

Hearing that, the two captors looked at each other in puzzlement. “Who the hell are you? Why are you here if this doesn’t concern you then?”

“I’m Nan Chen.” The man introduced himself in a stone-cold voice.

“So you’re the one they called ‘Sir Chen?’ This woman mentioned that she’s your woman. She even warned us that you’d give us hell if we touch her, but you just said this is none of your business? Are you lying to us?”

Ning Ran blushed when Nan Chen glanced at her because she did say those things.

“Well, she lied to you,” revealed Nan Chen.

“What? She lied?”

“She’s not my woman. She’s just an artiste contracted to my company. If you ruin her face, she’ll be worthless to us because she can no longer make money for the company. I’m only here to stop you from ruining my company’s property. That being said, if you insist on hurting her, I could always find another artiste to replace her, but she’s right about one thing, though. I will give you hell for doing that.” With that, Nan Chen continued to move forward.

“Stay where you are, or I’ll ruin her face... Argh!”

When Ning Ran noticed her captor was distracted by Nan Chen, she took the chance and stomped on her captor’s foot.

The timing couldn’t have been better for her to be wearing those “lethal” stilettos.

While her captor squirmed in pain, Ning Ran broke free and stepped aside before Nan Chen rushed forward to kick the man.

The kick staggered the captor, but he went after Ning Ran instead of his attacker.

The man raised his knife and was ready to stab Ning Ran. Even if I can’t finish the job, I can still hurt the girl. We’ll have a chance to escape once Nan Chen tends to the injured girl.

It was cunning of the captors to distract Nan Chen by attacking his weakness.

Seeing that Ning Ran was about to get hurt, Nan Chen leaped forward like a wolf protecting its cubs.

Nan Chen’s sudden movement made it difficult for him to avoid getting cut by the knife, but he managed to get in front of Ning Ran, who shrank behind her protector like a frightened kitten.

“Let’s bail, chief! He’s got some moves, and his men will be here soon if we stick around.”

“Make for the exit!” The other man agreed that the mission was a failure and that it was time to leave.

Nan Chen watched the two escape but did not give chase as he was injured.

“Are you okay? Oh my! You’re bleeding!”

“It’s not a big deal. Just a scratch.”

“But you’re bleeding! Should we go to the hospital?”

“No, we still have a party to attend. Nobody can know that I’m hurt.”

“Why?”

“The last time the reporters reported my injury from playing soccer, the stock prices of several listed companies under Nanshi Corporation plummeted, and it cost us billions.”

When Ning Ran heard that, her mouth fell open. “My goodness. Your health is worth that much? Enough to affect stock prices?”

“I’m at the helm of Nanshi Corporation. It’s only natural that my health would affect the stock prices.”

“Fine, but what do we do about your bleeding?”

“Get Qiao Zhan over. He knows how to stop the bleeding and bandage my wound. When you get out there, act normal so that nobody gets suspicious,” instructed Nan Chen.

“Why pretend to be okay after all that has happened?”

Nan Chen patiently explained, “The people behind this are out there waiting to see you make a fool of yourself. You being fine would be a terrible blow to them because it meant whatever they planned had failed, and they’ll look disappointed. You might even find who those people are if you look hard enough. Now go get Qiao Zhan. I’ll follow soon enough.”

“Then why didn’t you bring Qiao Zhan with you in the first place? You wouldn’t have gotten hurt if he were here.”

“Those men intended to humiliate you. Do you want people to see how embarrassing you are if you happen to be stripped naked?” asked Nan Chen coldly.

Realization dawned on Ning Ran upon hearing his words.

It turned out Nan Chen came alone because he was worried that she would be embarrassed, and it made sense. Had Ning Ran regained consciousness a second later, she would have been drugged, and Nan Chen had considered the possibility of that scenario.

If a group of people swarmed in and saw Ning Ran undressed, her image and reputation would be ruined. I didn't expect Poker Face to be this thoughtful. He took a risk by coming to my rescue alone.

A warm feeling surged within Ning Ran upon that thought. At that moment, she felt grateful for Nan Chen.

Meanwhile, almost all of the guests and reporters had arrived at the party and were waiting for none other than Nan Chen himself.

As the main investor of Sound of Thunder 2 and the boss of Star Entertainment, Nan Chen was required to give a speech, but everybody knew he hated it.

He had always been a man of few words, and it just seemed silly and meaningless to him to read from a manuscript.

That was why he only gave a speech if necessary for a grand occasion. Otherwise, he would not waste time doing it.

The party that evening was not that grand, so Nan Chen had the CEO of Star Entertainment give the speech.

People were at a loss when Nan Chen vanished after appearing for a short while. They were unsure if they should wait for him because nobody knew if he was coming back. On the other hand, they were worried that they would lose their job if they started the speech without the boss. Should we call him? But what if he's busy? No, we can't do that.

In the end, everyone decided to wait until Nan Chen reappeared.

Just then, Ning Ran appeared in her glamorous dress with a big smile plastered on her face, looking like the stunningly elegant star of the event that she was.

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Celebrity Girl Is My Wife Chapter 439-There were many reporters at the scene, and they were allowed to take pictures and videos freely. As such, the moment Ning Ran appeared, many began to focus their cameras on her.

Being taught by Wang Xiaou to smile in front of the camera no matter what, Ning Ran maintained her composure and continued flashing her brightest smile even when there were numerous cameras aiming at her.

As one of the investors in the new show who worked closely with Star Entertainment, Ouyang Qing was also one of the attendees at the party.

Her smile faded the moment she saw Ning Ran. She then whipped her phone out and sent a text.

Not long after, she received a reply and a look of disappointment was written all over her face.

However, it did not take Ouyang Qing long to recompose herself and grab a drink from a waiter before approaching Ning Ran. "Congratulations, Ding! Your show's a success."

Recalling Nan Chen's words about how the perpetrator would be on the scene and that she could find that person if she looked carefully, Ning Ran stared intently at Ouyang Qing for a while.

The woman looked beautiful with her bright eyes and a sunny smile, and there was nothing odd about her.

Ning Ran nodded politely. "Thank you."

"Is Chen not coming to such an important event?" asked Ouyang Qing deliberately.

"I think he should, but I'm not sure."

"Right? But I haven't seen him yet. That's why I asked."

Ning Ran said nothing else but smiled in response.

Just then, the CEO of Star Entertainment began to give his speech because he was notified that the event should carry on without Nan Chen.

The speech was basically what people wanted to hear, like thanking the production team, other staff members, business partners, and acquaintances in the press.

The CEO was in the middle of the speech when he noticed that everyone had shifted their focus to somewhere else.

That was because Nan Chen had appeared and had stolen the spotlight.

Looking as stoic as always, Nan Chen walked over with a great presence.

He seemed normal, but only Ning Ran knew about his bleeding wound, which he told her not to worry about.

Instead of stealing the CEO's thunder, Nan Chen simply stood there and listened to the speech because according to standard procedure, he did not have to do it himself.

Even so, seeing Nan Chen in the audience put a lot of pressure on the CEO, so he invited the man onto the stage afterward. "Mr. Chen took time out of his busy schedule to join us today. Let's welcome him to give us a few words."

Naturally, there was a burst of applause from the crowd, but Nan Chen's brows drew together. I thought we agreed that I wasn't going to give any speech.

The persistent applause left Nan Chen no choice but to get on the stage.

Before he could even open his mouth, however, another round of applause sounded because the crowd was dazzled by the man's features. The stage light highlighted his exquisite features, fair complexion, and slender figure.

Like Prince Charming from fairytales, the man seemed to be in a league of his own.

After standing for a few seconds, Nan Chen took his own sweet time to say a few words. "This is a celebration."

Everyone waited for him to say more, but he did not, and that marked the end of his speech.

It wasn't until the audience saw that Sir Chen had left the stage that they finally believed he was done with his speech. The crowd was stunned for a while.

The man did not say much, but his message was loud and clear.

The party was a celebration and not a work report or a wrap-up meeting.

There was not much to be said. Nan Chen wanted people to have fun, and he did not see a need for unnecessary speeches.

Many already knew that was his style but had never witnessed it before.

Instead of being disappointed at the brevity of the speech, everyone was overjoyed.

Had Nan Chen stayed on the stage and talked for half an hour, the audience would have been bored. That was awesome! It took him less than ten words to officially start the party.

Ning Ran was worried about Nan Chen's wound, but she could only look at him from far away because of the crowd around him.

At that moment, a few reporters came over to give Ning Ran a toast and expressed their desire to ask her some questions.

That was why the reporters were allowed at the event. To report and tell the world that the people behind Sound of Thunder 2 were celebrating and that the show would return soon. As such, Ning Ran was naturally inclined to answer the questions.

All the while, Wang Xiaou kept watch on Ning Ran and reminded the reporters to mind those who were there for the celebration.

After all, the company held a party, not a press conference.

“Ms. Ding, we’ve got the permission from the organizers to talk to you,” explained one of the reporters.

“Okay,” responded Ning Ran with a nod and a smile.

“For starters, let’s talk about how you feel after you’re done with the shooting for the show.”

The reporter started with a mild and common question that allowed the interviewee to get creative without touching on the core issue.

“I’m honored to be a part of the show. The director and other colleagues were very professional. I’ve learned a lot from them and gotten much better at what I do, and I can’t thank them enough,” responded Ning Ran with a textbook answer.

“Will you continue to star in shows of the same genre?”

“I had a wonderful time doing the show, so yes, definitely. I’m also willing to try out different genres, but it ultimately depends on the company’s arrangements. I have faith in them and my talent agent.” Ning Ran was smiling as she continued to answer a few more easy questions from the reporters.

Just when she was about to excuse herself, a reporter suddenly asked a sensitive question. “People on the internet are saying that you’ve killed Luo Fei to steal her role. Is that true?”

Wang Xiaou was shocked because the reporters at the party were supposedly instructed only to ask specific questions.

That sensitive question was definitely not one of them.

Moreover, that reporter seemed strange to Wang Xiaou because she had never seen him before.

Ning Ran continued to smile after recomposing herself. “The director and investors are the ones who arrange roles for the actors. This is common sense. It’s ridiculous to think that a small-time actress like myself could get rid of an A-lister, and even more so to

think that I killed her. We live in a law-governed society where we take facts and the law into considerations. Murder is a serious criminal offense, so naturally, the police will go after the murderer and bring him or her to the judge for prosecution. I'm still standing here, aren't I? I believe this alone tells you just how ludicrous these rumors are. My dear friends in the press, you're smart, and I know you have great discernment to guide you away from these vile, deceiving rumors."

Upon hearing Ning Ran's answer, Wang Xiaoou breathed a sigh of relief because she was worried that the former could not handle the question.

It turned out she had no need to be as Ning Ran was more than capable of dealing with the situation.

In fact, Ning Ran's response was almost perfect.

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Celebrity Girl Is My Wife Chapter 440-Ning Ran was also relieved. She had to admit that she had been stressed out lately because of this.

She never expected the show to be a hit or to get so much unwanted attention because of it. I thought only the famous would have this kind of problem. I'm not even that famous yet, and people are already giving me a hard time.

"There were also a lot of rumors about you and your father on the Internet, Ms. Ding. How do you explain yourself for not supporting the elderly?"

Ning Ran's sense of relief was short-lived as another question popped out.

To make things worse, it was a much harder question to answer.

"I've already explained this to the press, and I don't want to talk about it again," responded Ning Ran with a colder tone. To ask a question like this on such an occasion... This reporter undoubtedly had malicious intent. After all, this is a celebration, and we're all supposed to enjoy ourselves, but that's apparently not what this guy wants. I see no reason to treat him kindly.

"You don't want to talk about it? Or are you just too afraid to talk about it?" The reporter continued.

"You can say whatever you want. I couldn't care less!" Ning Ran got angry, and her smile disappeared. Even though I'm the artiste and he's the reporter, it doesn't mean he can keep prying into my personal matters, there are lines that should never be crossed. If he wants to keep pushing me like that, I'll show him that I'm no pushover.

“Alright, that’s all for now, everyone. This is a party, not a press conference. We’re all here to have fun, not to find faults. Please excuse us. We have some other friends to chat with.” Wang Xiaou defused the tense situation before pulling Ning Ran away.

“Wait! Why are you running away? Are you trying to hide something?” The relentless male reporter blocked off Ning Ran and Wang Xiaou’s path.

He’s really crossing the line now!

“Move aside. You’re a guest here, so please mind your manners,” reminded Wang Xiaou with a darkened face.

“If I may ask one last question?” insisted the male reporter.

“Sure, ask away.” Wang Xiaou controlled her anger because she had to avoid a conflict if possible, even though the reporter was obviously a troublemaker.

After all, Ning Ran was an actress, and society would usually side with the reporters whenever there was a skirmish between artistes and the press.

In everyone’s opinion, reporters are always the weaker party in a skirmish, and they would always assume the artistes to be the bully. However, it was the opposite most of the time.

As a talent manager, Wang Xiaou was well-versed in dealing with the press. She gave Ning Ran a look, gesturing to the actress to calm down.

Ning Ran took a deep breath and swallowed her anger.

“There’s also a rumor suggesting that Ms. Ding and Luo Fei are actually sisters because Ms. Ding’s mother had a baby with another man...”

“You leave my mother out of this!” roared Ning Ran.

Just then, a waiter happened to pass by with glasses of wine on a tray. In the next moment, Ning Ran picked up a glass and splashed the wine onto the reporter’s face.

Her action stunned the reporter, and soon many gathered around them to see what the commotion was about.

“Ding Mi just splashed me with wine! Look, I’ve got wine all over me!” The reporter shouted to attract everyone’s attention, and many took their phones out to start recording.

Wang Xiaou stepped in front of Ning Ran. “This is just a misunderstanding.”

“There is no misunderstanding. This scum spoke ill of my mother, so he deserved that!” Ning Ran stepped out.

“The female lead of the show threw wine at the reporter. What a savage!” Someone commented with a loud voice, and it turned out to be the fake waitress who brought Ning Ran to the captors before.

When she interacted with Ning Ran earlier, she avoided looking directly at Ning Ran. As such, Ning Ran never got a chance to see her face.

“I don’t think Ms. Ding’s that kind of person. She’s pretty friendly.”

“I agree. That reporter must’ve crossed a line.”

“Don’t the artistes at Star Entertainment have any self-restraint? Why would she do that on such an event?”

There were a lot of discussions, and the crowd was sharing their thoughts until Nan Chen came along.

Although he was busy socializing, he had been keeping his eyes on Ning Ran.

Nan Chen was not worried about Ning Ran because he thought Wang Xiaoou could handle the situation, but seeing that more and more people gathered around the two, he decided it was time for him to step in.

“This woman thinks she can do whatever she wants to me just because she’s shot to fame!” Even though the male reporter complained persistently, he was actually glad that he got a chance to humiliate Ning Ran. His goal was to infuriate the actress, and he managed to achieve it.

Someone gave the reporter a paper towel to wipe himself, but he refused because he wanted to keep looking like a victim so that people would side with him and accuse Ning Ran.

“What’s going on?” Instead of asking Ning Ran, Nan Chen asked Wang Xiaoou.

Wang Xiaoou started to get nervous because Nan Chen had reminded her that Ning Ran was inexperienced with the press, so he wanted her to protect Ning Ran and keep her from making mistakes.

Lo and behold, things still got out of control in the end.

“I’m sorry, Mr. Chen. It’s my fault...”

"This has nothing to do with Ou. I'm the one who threw the wine." Ning Ran was not about to let Wang Xiaou be responsible for what she did. I alone will face the consequences.

"You threw wine at him?" Nan Chen stared at Ning Ran.

"Yes, because he besmirched my mother."

"I was just asking a question. I did not besmirch anyone!" The reporter tried to defend himself.

"Yes, you did! Everyone heard it."

"If she said that you did, then it must be true." Nan Chen stated coldly and gave the male reporter no chance to respond.

"But Mr. Chen... "

"It must be your fault if she threw a drink at you," continued Nan Chen.

Ning Ran was shocked because she thought Nan Chen was going to blame her. She never expected that the man would choose to side with her.

"You're being unreasonable, Mr. Chen. I only... "

"Get this man out of here," ordered Nan Chen before a few security guards grabbed the reporter.

"You... You can't treat me like this! I'm a reporter, and I have the right to ask questions!" The crowd fell silent as they watched the reporter being dragged away in a humiliating fashion.

"You deserve respect, and you should show the bullies that you're no pushover," said Nan Chen to Ning Ran.

Still in a daze, Ning Ran could not figure out why Nan Chen was supportive of her. He's siding with me in front of so many people. This is definitely not Poker Face's style. What's the catch here?

"Okay," responded Ning Ran with a nod. "I'll throw a drink at anyone who thinks they can bully me. There's no way I'm staying silent about it!"

The director, Wang Yan, was standing aside with sweaty palms. Thank God I didn't bully her on the set.

Ouyang Qing, who was standing not far away from the crowd, was clenching her fists so hard that her nails almost dug into her palms.