

Chapter 1771 - 1771 Betrayed

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As soon as the man, who went by the name Peter, arrived, he was seized by the people who had emerged behind him.

There were several of them, some even pointing guns at him!

He didn't dare move.

He was puzzled as to how he had been exposed.

What had gone wrong?

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He had all sorts of questions in his mind, but no one could give him an answer.

However, he soon heard the conversation coming from behind.

Perhaps because they thought he was a foreigner and not very proficient in Chinese, the two people were talking without restraint.

Although their voices were low, his ears were sharp enough to hear what they were saying.

“This fugitive is so stupid, he’s using a passport like this! Isn’t he committing suicide?”

“That’s right! It says in the passport that he’s a bad guy, so let’s arrest him.”

“Luckily our colleague responsible for checking wasn’t overreacting, otherwise he would have escaped!”

“Right. We should thank the person who gave him the fake passport!”

“True...”

These words made the man’s face turn red with an awful look.

Was there something wrong with his passport?!

How on earth did a passport contain such information?!

No wonder the staff member had a strange look on his face when he entered. So this was the reason!

“Hurry up and move!”

The people behind urged him in English to keep moving forward.

The man walked on, but his mind was racing with a thousand thoughts.

The passport was given to him by He Xuan.

To avoid any issues, He Xuan had delivered it to him in person!

It was precisely because it was delivered by He Xuan that he didn't suspect anything.

If he was caught, He Xuan wouldn't benefit at all!

Oh, wait a minute!

Thinking about it from He Xuan's perspective, perhaps it would be better for him if he got caught!

The man's thoughts kept racing, and his face sank.

One thing was certain: he had been tricked!

No matter who did it, he was now caught and there was no denying it.

Clenching his teeth, he was filled with hatred as he thought about it.

Soon, he was taken back to the police station and brought to the interrogation room for questioning.

The questions ranged from where he got the guns, what he was doing in Huaguo, to what his plans were.

The question seemed routine and not unusual at all.

However, something struck the man as strange.

“I... I’m not the person you’re looking for! Besides, I don’t even look like the person you’re searching for!”

Since he was caught, none of the police officers had shown any suspicion about his appearance.

It was too peculiar!

“Heh!” One of the policemen across from him snorted. “You may not look the same, but do you really think you can fool us like that?”

He picked up a cup with something that looked like water inside.

“Alright, wash your face clean with this! I would have forgotten if you hadn’t brought it up!”

As the man sniffed the scent coming from the cup, he was stunned.

The liquid inside was indeed a solution used to remove masks!

Although the smell wasn’t quite the same, there was no mistaking it!

However, who else in this world would know about this besides He Xuan and his godfather?

Not even his buddies knew about the mystical properties of the mask, much less have access to such a substance!

Did He Xuan really betray him?!

Chapter 1772 - 1772 Man with a Thousand Faces

1772 Man with a Thousand Faces

The bottle of liquid almost caused a meltdown of the man’s psychological defense.

However, he still held on, thinking that maybe it was just a misunderstanding or he was just being paranoid.

Still, when he was pressed and heard the police calling “Xuan” on the phone, he could no longer keep his cool.

Xuan? It had to be He Xuan, didn’t it?

How could they know his name if they didn’t know him?

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He Xuan’s identity here was a secret that no one should know about.

Now, with the police being so certain and having caught him, it could only mean that he had been exposed and the action had been foiled.

The man had a thousand thoughts on his mind.

Perhaps he really had been betrayed by He Xuan.

He Xuan would have betrayed him because he didn’t want to be implicated by him.

He Xuan was a law-abiding citizen here, and being with him, a bad guy, could lead to him being caught and thus invite more trouble.

If he was caught, He Xuan could present himself as a witness and cut ties with him!

The more he thought about it, the more reasonable it seemed.

The man couldn't help but grit his teeth.

During the interrogation, he couldn't hold back anymore and disclosed the whole situation.

Why should he be the only one to face the music?

Sure enough, he didn't dare to disclose much, apart from what the police needed to hear and that he could afford to reveal.

After all, the whole situation with He Xuan's godfather was more complicated.

If he revealed everything, they would seek revenge on him once he got out of prison!

So, he had to be cautious.

However, the floodgates had opened, and it would be easier from then on.

Han Rui was relieved to find out that the man had begun to open up at the police station.

In fact, he didn't reveal too much, which was fine because it wasn't yet the perfect time for him to spill everything.

All he had to know was that he was betrayed by He Xuan.

Later, when something happened to He Xuan, he could provide even more information.

Han Rui also figured out that there weren't many people left to deal with him, and many of them had left the country.

So the crisis at his home had been resolved

That was great news!

Han Rui went back and told Xia Xibei and Qiao Yanjue about it.

How he wished he could scream with joy!

He was delighted to know that his teammates had nothing to do with this. Otherwise he would have been very upset.

"There's something else I want to tell you about," Xia Xibei said.

“What is it?”

“You said you’ve never seen Jin Ji’en before?”

“Yeah,” Han Rui nodded. “He’s the kingpin, not someone I can come into contact with.”

In fact, when he was undercover, he had prepared himself for a long-term battle.

In order to infiltrate such a large organization, it would take several years to gain their complete trust and access to their inner workings.

He had only been a member for just over half a year, and although his boss valued him, he didn’t have the qualifications to deal with matters of high importance.

He had a long, long way to go before he could meet the big boss, Jin Ji’en.

“If I’ve done it the usual way, I wouldn’t be able to see him for at least another couple of years,” Han Rui said.

“Well, there’s a chance for you to see Jin Ji’en’s true colors right now. Would you like it?” Xia Xibei said.

This made Han Rui gasp in disbelief, “What did you say?! Are you kidding me?!”

What did she mean by a chance to see Jin Ji'en's true colors right now?!

After all, the reason that Jin Ji'en could remain on the loose till this day was because he was a man with a thousand faces!

Chapter 1773 - 1773 True Colors

1773 True Colors

Jin Ji'en had managed to keep his true identity a secret for a long time, thanks to rumors that he had many faces.

No one knew which one was his real face.

As a major drug lord, it was not unusual to change his appearance while moving around in public, but Jin Ji'en was clearly better at it than others.

Some even speculated that his name could be fake too.

After all these years, all people knew was that his influence and the goods he controlled kept increasing in amount, but no one could find out who he really was.

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Even the international police had been trying to locate him for years with no success.

In addition to his many faces, he seemed to be able to vanish without a trace.

With these advantages, who could possibly find him?

Without finding him, there was no way to solve the problem at hand.

Han Rui had already prepared for a long-term fight, and he had mentally prepared himself for the possibility of returning empty-handed after several years.

Now Xia Xibei was telling him that she knew Jin Ji'en's actual identity?

That had to be a joke!

"Don't joke with me, you don't even know who Jin Ji'en is!" he said, shaking his head in disbelief.

In his opinion, Xia Xibei must be joking, because how could an ordinary girl like her possibly know about such a person?

Well, her performance was far from ordinary.

"I'm not kidding you," Xia Xibei said, shaking her head.

Qiao Yanjue also nodded and said, "This is not something to joke about."

He pulled Han Rui to the couch and said, "We didn't know about Jin Ji'en before, but based on what you said about his many faces, we have confirmed his identity."

Right as Han Rui mentioned Jin Ji'en's many faces, they were completely convinced of their speculation.

Who else could possibly be capable of that apart from Jiang Rongguang?

"Are you actually serious?" Han Rui was in a huge dilemma.

He was surely hoping that they weren't joking, but it was... Too much to believe!

They didn't have the same status as him, so how could they possibly have come into contact with Jin Ji'en?

"We had some conflicts with a person before, and found that something was amiss after looking into it. Now it seems... It may be related to your end of things," Qiao Yanjue explained their relationship with Jin Ji'en in a few words.

Han Rui was still in disbelief after listening to him. Was it really just a coincidence?

"It's just a coincidence," Qiao Yanjue nodded confidently.

"Don't worry, it's not like we'll harm you," Xia Xibei added, "Our goal is the same: to catch the person."

If they didn't catch him, who knew how much trouble they would have to deal with in the future?

At the very least, they had to catch Ling Juan.

"Okay, then."

After some hesitation, Han Rui decided to believe what they said.

It didn't make sense for them to joke around like this.

"I made a drawing of Jin Ji'en's true appearance," Xia Xibei said as she took out the picture she had drawn earlier.

Han Rui was stunned for a second after seeing the man in the drawing.

"He's... Not even ugly!"

Jin Ji'en looked quite young in the picture.

"And isn't he already in his fifties? He doesn't look like it though!" Han Rui remarked.

“He must have some miraculous way of preserving his youth,” Xia Xibei said calmly, “We also found some leads that we can give to you to follow up on.”

Their previous attempts at keeping an eye on Jiang Rongguang had only yielded some of his assets on the surface level, with no specific information on his illegal activities.

However, Han Rui was aware of his illicit operations.

Combining their information should allow them to quickly locate Jiang Rongguang.

“Okay,” Han Rui nodded in agreement.

Chapter 1774 - 1774 Weapon of Alchemy

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After telling Han Rui about Jiang Rongguang, Xia Xibei and Qiao Yanjue gave him a bunch of things.

“Here, this is a gun I made for you...”

“A gun?!”

Han Rui held the wooden object in his hand, looking confused and bewildered.

“Are you sure this is a gun?! This? A gun?”

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It did look somewhat like a gun, with the grip and all, but... Where was the muzzle?!

This was some shabby craftsmanship!

Han Rui held the thing with a “you must be kidding me” look on his face.

“Of course it is,” Qiao Yanjue nodded with a serious look and then took the gun. “Come, let me show you how it works. You press here...”

Then, with a “pow”, a beam of light was ejected.

Han Rui looked over and was scared out of his wits!

There were three sandbags in the room, lined up in a row. Now, all three of them were smashed into pieces, with sand spilling out!

What the hell?! Was this a gun or a laser gun?!

Han Rui felt he really hadn’t really seen much of this world, otherwise, how could he have witnessed something so magical?

This was just too unscientific!

Qiao Yanjue handed him the thing.

“This looks pretty ordinary, but it can pass security checks and won’t arouse suspicion. Plus, even if you lose it, no one will suspect that it’s a gun.”

Han Rui was at a loss of words.

His face was twitching in disbelief.

Indeed, no one would suspect this was a gun, because it didn’t look like one at all!

If it weren’t for Qiao Yanjue’s demonstration, he would never have expected it to have such shocking power!

It looked more like a children’s toy!

He took the tiny item and turned it over, back and forth, and still couldn’t seem to wrap his head around how it worked.

When had technology advanced to this point?

“You know that the Qis are a family of ancient martial arts, right?” Xia Xibei interjected.

“I do know that,” Han Rui nodded, “But... What does that have to do with this?”

“It has everything to do with it,” Xia Xibei smiled. “This is a weapon of alchemy.”

“Weapon of alchemy?!” Han Rui’s eyes widened. “Are you kidding me?!”

He had heard of alchemy and such before, but... Wasn’t it a lost craft since a long time ago?

Although families of ancient martial arts still existed till this day, things like alchemy should have long been extinct with technology of the modern days!

The reason why ancient martial families were different from the others was not only because of their years of experience, but also because of the special set of skills that they learned.

With the development of technology, however, things like alchemy should have been replaced by modern machinery!

Han Rui felt like he was running out of brains, as he looked at the weapon of alchemy that appeared out of nowhere.

So this was how magical weapons of alchemy were?

Even though Han Rui had traveled to a lot of places and seen a great deal of awe-inspiring things in other nations, he still found this hard to accept.

“Anyway, don’t bother yourself with it,” Qiao Yanjue slapped him on the back. “All you have to know is you can use this. You never worry about how a gun actually works either, even if you’re using one, do you?”

Han Rui was speechless.

That made a lot of sense.

As long as it worked, who would need to know the ins and outs of it?

Same with a refrigerator- who in the world would actually take time to learn about how it worked?

Han Rui nodded, “Alright then, I’m clueless anyway. But this thing shouldn’t be dangerous... Right?”

“It’s not,” Qiao Yanjue shook his head. “It won’t fire by accident. If you were to use it, you have to press this at the same time.”

He taught Han Rui the ways around it.

After some time, Han Rui nodded with delight, “It’s even better than a gun!”

Chapter 1775 - 1775 For Self-defense

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Qiao Yanjue raised an eyebrow at him, "Of course! I spent a long time working on this, you know!"

If it had been in the Land of Fantasy, crafting weapons would be a simple task.

After all, there were abundant materials and a different environment to work with.

In this realm, it was a bit of a headache.

Just looking for the right materials had taken him a lot of time.

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It was the hardest part of the process, as a lot of materials weren't available here.

Therefore, he had to revise his plan over and over again, and even had to use substitutes for certain things.

This wooden gun had cost him a great deal of effort indeed!

Fortunately, after making the first one, the second one was much easier. He just had to duplicate it.

Nevertheless, Han Rui needed it the most.

After all, he had to deal with a lot of danger and couldn't always carry a gun with him.

Besides, if he did, his identity would be easily exposed.

Who knew when danger would strike and if he had something to defend himself with?

"Oh, you can adjust the gears here too," Qiao Yanjue said again.

"Adjust... Gears?" Han Rui felt like he was having trouble breathing.

Wasn't this supposed to be a gun? How could he possibly adjust gears as if it was an electric fan?

"If you only want to subdue the enemy, press this button, and as long as you hit the enemy, they won't be able to move. If you want to get rid of a body, use this one instead. It will reduce the body to ashes..."

Once again, Han Rui's breath was taken away.

He felt as if his whole world had been overturned!

His buddy was way more brilliant than the scientists out there!

This gun was simply a combination of a regular pistol and a machine gun! The amount of things that it could do was insane!

“Where did you learn this?” he couldn’t help but ask.

If he were to tell him that he was traveling to another dimension, he wouldn’t doubt that either!

“From my master,” Qiao Yanjue smiled.

Without waiting for Han Rui to ask further, he said, “You don’t have to ask, you don’t know him anyway, and I won’t introduce him to you.”

It left Han Rui speechless.

Han Rui kept his mouth shut.

After understanding the functions of the gun, Han Rui felt himself charged with a sense of boldness.

He wouldn’t be afraid to deal with even dozens of terrorists right now!

The gun alone was enough to wipe them all out!

He felt like he could single-handedly hold off an army!

After sorting out the weapons, Xia Xibei took out several bottles. "These are medicines. This one is for stopping bleeding, and this one is for treating bones..."

Xia Xibei had prepared quite a comprehensive set of medications.

Unless one suffered fatal injuries and died on the spot, they could hold on until a doctor arrived.

As he held the weapon and the medicines, Han Rui looked at them with mixed emotions.

He took a deep breath and lowered his head, "Thank you!"

These were no ordinary items that could be found just anywhere. Xia Xibei and Qiao Yanjue had handcrafted them.

This showed how thoughtful they were!

Han Rui was deeply moved by their thoughtfulness.

Before this, his chances of getting injured during a mission was fifty-fifty.

Now, with these items, the probability of him getting hurt was significantly reduced.

These were all life-saving tools!

“What’s that for huh?” Qiao Yanjue punched him lightly. “As long as you come back alive! But it doesn’t matter, even if you get severely injured, we will save you!”

“Get the hell out of here!” Han Rui laughed and cursed, “That will not happen to me!”

Chapter 1776 - 1776 Saving Cui Tong (1)

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Xia Xibei and Qiao Yanjue had prepared many things for Han Rui.

In addition to basic weapons and medicines, they also gave him some listening devices.

These were all prepared by the two of them in the past few days, when they had time.

With their workload, it would have taken quite a bit of time to produce so many things at this time.

However, these were essential in order for Han Rui to investigate the Jiang Rongguang matter safely and smoothly.

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After getting these things, Han Rui looked at the two of them with a grateful and complicated expression.

“Thank you, I will take good care of myself!”

With so many things, he was also more confident about this mission.

The next day, Han Rui left.

When he left, Han Rui’s parents were still out traveling.

He just said goodbye to Han Chuo.

Seeing her Brother Rui come and go in a hurry, Han Chuo was worried but didn’t say anything.

She could feel that the awkward feeling she had all these days had disappeared.

She once again returned to her original peaceful life.

She found out that Xia Xibei had gone back to work instead of accompanying her to class.

This had been Xia Xibei's daily routine, but since she had been with her almost every day in class, she was a little uncomfortable now that she was no longer there.

It took her a few days to get used to it.

Instead, Xia Xibei contacted Cui Tong at this time.

"How are you so free to look for me?"

When she received the call, Cui Tong was very surprised.

Shouldn't Xia Xibei have a lot of work? How come she was free to find her?

"Where are you now? Have you come back yet?"

At that time, Cui Tong was abroad for an event and only took the time to answer the call, after which she was busy.

She didn't pay attention to what was happening in the Han family either.

"I just came back," Cui Tong answered. "I'm with Han Jiang."

Han Jiang? Xia Xibei's expression changed slightly.

"Do you have time to meet?"

"Sure. When?" Cui Tong's cheerful voice came.

Listening to Cui Tong's voice, Xia Xibei understood that her feelings for Han Jiang were getting more intense now.

It might be a little difficult to pull Cui Tong out of such feelings...

Moreover, Xia Xibei couldn't just rush up to her and say that Han Jiang

was not right and make her break up immediately.

When Cui Tong and Han Jiang first met, Xia Xibei had already said bad things about Han Jiang.

At that time, the two had just gotten together and their relationship wasn't deep enough, so it didn't matter what she said.

Now, Cui Tong and Han Jiang had been together for so long that their feelings were deeper, and Xia Xibei was now an outsider.

She was an outsider, so if she told her what to do with her relationship, Cui Tong would definitely be uncomfortable.

However, she couldn't just let it go and watch Cui Tong being ruined by Han Jiang,

At this time, she received another message.

Cui Tong's company was Chuan Yi Entertainment in the imperial capital.

Chuan Yi Entertainment was a large entertainment company with a very high status in Hua.

It could be said that many artists in the entertainment industry were from this company.

Only now did Xia Xibei know that the boss behind Chuan Yi Entertainment was actually He Xuan!

Although He Xuan was hiding quite deep, Gou Yi dug this up in his investigation.

It was even more surprising to her.

Chuan Yi Entertainment... Was started by He Xuan and Jiang Rongguang to launder money, right?!

Due to the nature of the entertainment industry, it was the easiest way to use these ways to launder money.

They made a movie and the money was laundered.

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That money wasn't clean, but after the money was laundered by the entertainment industry, it was clean.

Xia Xibei still remembered a bit.

Two years later, Chuan Yi Entertainment had a scandal.

One of the company's young female artists was sexually exploited by the company.

It was a big deal.

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That was not all.

Some of Chuan Yi Entertainment's male artists were also involved in making illegal videos.

The female leads in these videos were various girls!

However, this scandal was pushed down by Chuan Yi Entertainment before it became too big. Even the journalists who followed the story were soon nowhere to be found.

At that time, Xia Xibei also followed the gossip for a few days, but her company instructed her not to get involved in such things.

Chuan Yi Entertainment had a lot of power and quickly suppressed this kind of thing.

Only an insider like Xia Xibei would know how much power that matter represented.

The outsiders were just watching the fun, and when the matter was squashed, everyone just muttered and didn't pursue it any further.

Xia Xibei was very distressed by the incident!

She knew that Chuan Yi Entertainment was a disgusting company that was glamorous on the outside and dirty on the inside!

However, Cui Tong was also a member of Chuan Yi Entertainment!

With her background, she would not be involved in it, but if this kind of thing came to light, she couldn't completely disassociate herself from it.

It would be troublesome if she was affected by the scandal.

Thinking of this, Xia Xibei couldn't help but shake her head.

She would ask someone to investigate Chuan Yi Entertainment, mainly because of what she heard earlier.

When He Xuan added fuel to Wang Tianze's idea, he said he could start with the entertainment industry.

At that time, Xia Xibei understood that he was definitely involved in the entertainment industry.

However, at that time she did not know which company He Xuan was actually from.

Now that she has found out more, she understood that there were already signs of this kind of thing!

Although Xia Xibei didn't know much about He Xuan, the person who could work for Jin Ji'en — Jiang Rongguang's godson — was definitely not a good person.

Moreover, based on what he said to Wang Tianze before, he talked so outrageously.

It was clear that he was not a good person at all.

That was why Chuan Yi Entertainment was rotten, from top to bottom, and from the inside out.

Thinking of this, Xia Xibei couldn't help but sneer.

The next day, she met up with Cui Tong.

When she saw Xia Xibei, Cui Tong immediately rushed over happily and hugged her, "Beibei, I missed you so much! It's been a long time since we've seen each other!"

The two of them had their own work and rarely had the opportunity to meet.

"Yeah, it's been a long time," Xia Xibei hummed. "When I asked you to meet up before, you were either working or seeing your boyfriend. You still have the nerve to say that!"

Cui Tong was a little embarrassed but laughed again, "Oh, you also have a boyfriend, you should understand! Besides, I don't want to disturb you guys either!"

She made faces at Xia Xibei, who gave her a pat on the back.

The two of them joked for a while before getting to the point.

“By the way, what did you want to see me for?”

“Nothing much, I just wanted to talk to you.” Xia Xibei had a normal face. “I haven’t seen you for a long time, I miss you.”

“Fine, you’re being so sweet!” Cui Tong rolled her eyes.

“By the way, you are at Chuan Yi Entertainment now, right?” Xia Xibei asked.

“Yeah,” Cui Tong nodded. “Why? You want to jump ship?”

“How is that possible?” Xia Xibei shook her head. “When is your contract up?”

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“The contract?” Cui Tong nodded without suspicion when asked. “It expires at the end of the year, so there are just two months left. We’re already discussing renewing it.”

Renew it?!

Xia Xibei’s heart skipped a beat, and her face turned pale, “Don’t renew it!”

Her reaction was so agitated that it startled Cui Tong, “What’s wrong? Why not renew?”

After years of cooperation with the Chuan Yi company, they had a good understanding of each other.
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Moreover, their collaboration had been quite enjoyable.

It wouldn’t be bad to continue staying here after the contract expired.

“Because I’m here to poach you,” Xia Xibei immediately adjusted her expression and said with a smile.

“Poach? To your company?” Cui Tong was surprised.

“Yes!” Xia Xibei nodded. “As you know, although our company is small, it has great potential for development!”

Cui Tong nodded in agreement.

Previously, the SY Company somehow obtained the rights to a few novels and adapted them into low-budget web dramas.

Although all of the dramas were low-budget, two of them took off and earned them a lot of money, which also propelled their actors into stardom.

Although those actors didn't develop as rapidly as Xia Xibei did, the company had mapped out good futures for them.

If they could film a couple more shows, they would be able to secure their footing in the industry.

When the two web dramas took off, others also noticed the potential of web dramas.

So, everyone started looking for various novels and buying the rights to adapt them.

However, they discovered that many of the good novels' rights had already been bought up by none other than the SY Company!

If they wanted to film those novels, they had to buy them from the SY Company.

However, the rights that were originally bought for tens of thousands of yuan could now cost several million or even tens of millions of yuan!

The increments were insane!

That was an incredible return on investment!

As a result, the SY Company's development got better and better, and its momentum in the industry was strong.

Many youngsters wanted to join the SY Company and become their trainees, hoping to become the next big star.

Cui Tong didn't expect that Xia Xibei would come to poach her.

"As you know, our company offers great conditions. Don't worry, as long as you come over, we can easily negotiate the contract."

Xia Xibei took on the demeanor of a boss as she negotiated.

"Such a good deal?" Cui Tong raised her eyebrows. "I could ask for anything?"

"Dream on!" Xia Xibei gave her an eyeroll. "But I can guarantee you that we offer better things than Chuan Yi."

Hearing this, Cui Tong couldn't help but stroke her chin.

If that were the case, it seemed like a good idea.

Although Cui Tong was a rich young lady who wasn't short of money, she wasn't one to throw money in the water.

Being a celebrity was somewhat like a business.

Who wouldn't want to make more money?

Moreover, the SY Company had Xia Xibei!

Her path of development didn't overlap with Xia Xibei's, so she didn't have to worry about competing for resources.

She had quite a reputation too. If she joined the SY Company, she might not be the most popular, but she would have no problem being the second or third in line.

It sounded like a great deal.

After some thought, Cui Tong nodded, "That's a good idea. I'll go back and discuss it with the others. I'll give you an answer later."

"Okay," Xia Xibei nodded.

Then she looked outside. "The weather is so nice today. Let's go for a walk!"

Cui Tong was startled, "Go for a walk? Are you crazy?"

Chapter 1779 - 1779 Saving Cui Tong (4)

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Cui Tong was taken aback by Xia Xibei's proposal.

After all, they were both major celebrities. Wouldn't they be surrounded by onlookers if they went out like this?

Xia Xibei chuckled and reminded her, "Are you forgetting something I have?"

Cui Tong suddenly remembered Xia Xibei's magical masks.

Xia Xibei had given her a few before, but had since claimed that it was out of stock.

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She had to use them sparingly, only when she had no other choice.

However, she had run out of them despite her efforts to save up.

So, she had completely forgotten about this solution.

"You refused to sell me more. If I had one of those masks, I could go out shopping! I haven't gone out shopping for ages!"

Cui Tong looked at her with eyes full of grievance.

Cui Tong was a girl and it was her nature to love shopping, but she couldn't go out freely because of who she was.

Xia Xibei refused to sell her more masks, which was really annoying.

With an innocent look, Xia Xibei said, "I don't have a lot left either."

Before Cui Tong could ask more, Xia Xibei urged her, "Well, do you still want to go out?"

"Of course!" Cui Tong nodded instantly. "We still have plenty of time, which is perfect!"

She hadn't had a chance to go outside for so long!

Now that she had the opportunity, she definitely wanted to go out!

So the two of them found a place and changed their faces before striding to the shopping mall.

Xia Xibei accompanied Cui Tong to several shops, and her feet started to hurt.

It was simply terrifying!

She had to respect Cui Tong's stamina for shopping.

Xia Xibei wasn't very fond of shopping. She occasionally went out for a walk, but had never been as crazy as Cui Tong.

Xia Xibei's scalp was tingling at how enthusiastic Cui Tong was.

Usually, Cui Tong's clothes were either provided by sponsors, prepared by her assistants and managers, or sent over by the shops.

She just had to pick and choose, and never had to buy anything herself.

Moreover, she didn't have much of a chance to go shopping freely in public.

Ever since becoming a celebrity and gaining popularity and income, you had to sacrifice your privacy and time.

Today was a rare opportunity to stroll around, so she sure had to enjoy it!

She was so happy trying on the clothes, while Xia Xibei was outside texting on her phone.

When Cui Tong came out looking satisfied, Xia Xibei put away her phone and smiled brightly,

“Which one are you getting?”

“This one, this one, and this one...”

Cui Tong picked out a couple of clothes and handed the rest to the sales assistant, saying, “I’ll take everything except these!”

The sales assistant’s face lit up with a smile with all those clothes in her arms.

They had a wealthy customer here today!

Despite her ordinary looks, she had an amazing figure!

Most importantly, she was willing to spend!

Although she was the only one making purchases, it was way more than what the other customers could afford!

The sales assistant was excited to help package the clothes, while Cui Tong was still beaming with excitement.

“Shall we continue shopping?” She asked.

“I’m a little hungry,” Xia Xibei held her back. “Let’s grab something to eat first.”

“So soon?” Cui Tong gave her a sidelong glance. “Alright, you do tend to get hungry quickly.”

She then gave the sales assistant an address to have the clothes delivered.

Since she had bought so much, the store offered free home delivery!

With that settled, the two of them headed upstairs to the food area and picked a quiet restaurant.

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After entering the shop, Cui Tong still looked enthusiastic.

“Let’s continue shopping after we finish eating. I have so many more things I want to buy!” she said, still full of energy.

It was a rare chance to come outside, so how could she not make the most of it?

“Okay,” Xia Xibei nodded, “However you want to shop today, I’ll accompany you.”

“Tsk tsk...” Cui Tong looked at her, “How are you so kind today?”

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She was actually willing to be her shopping companion for an entire day!

“Consider it a bribe, just remember to sign a contract with our company later,” Xia Xibei said with a frank smile.

“Hmph! So you do have a scheme up your sleeve!” Cui Tong laughed and chided good-naturedly.

As the two joked around, their food arrived.

While they ate and chatted, Xia Xibei suddenly pointed at something and whispered, “Is that...”

“What?” Cui Tong looked in the direction Xia Xibei was pointing.

Then she was stunned, because she saw a familiar face across the room on her right!

It was her boyfriend Han Jiang!

“And that woman is...” Xia Xibei asked again.

“That’s his younger sister,” Cui Tong said calmly as she recognized Han Hui.

“Should we go say hello to them?” Cui Tong said, getting up.

What a coincidence to meet here!

But Xia Xibei pulled her down and said, “Better not.”

“Why not?” Cui Tong asked.

“Look at yourself now!” Xia Xibei rolled her eyes at her.

Being reminded like that, Cui Tong finally realized that she did have a different face at the moment.

Even if she walked over, Han Jiang wouldn’t recognize her.

“Besides, we came out together today. You’re not going to ditch me and go hang out with your boyfriend, are you?” Xia Xibei looked at her with dissatisfaction.

“Of course not,” Cui Tong quickly smiled and said.

“Good, or I’m telling you, we won’t be friends anymore!” Xia Xibei said with a pout.

“Don’t worry, I won’t do that!” Cui Tong quickly begged for forgiveness.

Anyway, she usually spent a lot of time with Han Jiang, so it didn’t matter if she missed this opportunity.

Moreover, even if she went shopping with Han Jiang, it wouldn’t be much fun.

He was a man who didn’t enjoy shopping at all, and he wouldn’t want to keep her company.

Since that was the case, there was no need to go over.

“Okay, let’s eat your food quickly!” Xia Xibei picked up a piece of food for her.

“Okay,” Cui Tong nodded.

However, she was very interested in knowing what was happening over there.

Although it was his sister Han Hui who was sitting across from Han Jiang, their conversation piqued Cui Tong’s curiosity still.

As she thought of it, she moved to the chair on the outside, bringing herself closer to Han Jiang.

They were seated in proximity now, with only a narrow aisle separating them.

Cui Tong leaned towards the aisle and narrowed the distance between her and Han Jiang, allowing her to hear their conversation clearly.

Xia Xibei did not know what to say as she watched her.

She quickly put a finger to her lips, making a “hush” gesture.

Xia Xibei rolled her eyes in an impolite manner, but said nothing and continued to eat her food with her head down.

Cui Tong listened carefully to their conversation, not even paying attention to her own food.

She soon heard their conversation, but it was clearly not what she had wanted to hear.

The smile on her face disappeared after listening to what they were saying.