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Chapter 1111: From Heaven to Hell

"This is bad, this is bad, something's happened, something's happened..."

Just as the senior nurse was confronting Li Feng and the young nurse, a very urgent voice of a woman suddenly sounded outside the ward.

The tone was extremely tense and frantic, as if she had come across something very terrible.

Everyone in the ward was familiar with this woman's voice, because it belonged to the female doctor who had gotten involved with Li Feng.

Li Feng, the young nurse, and that female doctor had been messing around together lately, and one could even recognize their moaning, let alone their normal speaking voices.

Before her words had even ceased, a beautiful female doctor in a white coat rushed in, luckily the head nurse had stepped aside early, otherwise she might have been bumped into.

"This is bad, this is bad, something's happened, something's happened..."

The female doctor charged in without paying attention to how the door of the ward had been opened, nor noticing the presence of the head nurse standing aside, her face covered with boundless shock and anxiety.

"What's there to make such a fuss about, look at how scared you are..."

The young nurse retorted angrily, clearly holding the female doctor in contempt, and of course, she deliberately glanced at Li Feng while saying this.

Though she and the female doctor had both hooked up with Li Feng, and the two appeared like best friends when hanging out with Qin Fang, they were actually competing against each other for favor.

Li Feng's sickness was quite severe, and he might never recover in his lifetime, but the problem was his status was not ordinary at all. If anyone could get together with him, their future life would definitely be much better than just being a young nurse.

If it was just her, the young nurse's heart would be somewhat settled. But with this female doctor also in the picture, the young nurse inevitably had to think strategically.

This female doctor was very pretty, about as attractive as she was, and not a bit less coquettish either. Just when the young nurse had the chance to get more intimate with Li Feng in this woman's absence, not only was she interrupted by the head nurse, but now this woman too had shown up, no wonder her complexion was displeasing.

But she could only express her frustration that much, seeing no change on Li Feng's face, she didn't dare to say more, fearing that if Li Feng got upset, her own status would be in danger.

"What happened?"

Seeing the female doctor's panicked expression, Li Feng also vaguely felt that something serious might have occurred. Although he wondered what could make the female doctor so reactive, he couldn't anticipate anything, so he stopped the young nurse's clamor and asked the female doctor.

"Li... Li... The Li Family... gone... all gone!"

The female doctor's breath slightly steadied, but she still seemed very agitated, it took her a while to squeeze out a few words and convey the rough idea.

"What do you mean 'The Li Family is gone'? What are you talking about?"

The female doctor was stuttering, and although Li Feng barely understood what she said, he didn't connect it to the Li Family he belonged to, and responded quite displeasedly with a rebuke.

If it wasn't for the female doctor's Xiao medicine skills being so captivating, he would've had her thrown out long ago...

"I... I... The Li Family... The Li Family..."

Already terrified and unable to express herself clearly, the female doctor was chastised by Li Feng and now found herself more inarticulate than ever, stammering for a while without being able to say a complete sentence.

"Let me do the talking!"

It wasn't until now that the head nurse, who had been standing aside as if watching a monkey show, began to speak. She had thought that the female doctor would explain things clearly, but was proven to be nothing more than a disappointment...

And such a disappointment, together with the young nurse, had already driven several doctors and nurses out of the hospital... With that in mind, the head nurse could only express her helplessness.

"Mr. Li, your medical and hospitalization bills have been used up, and you even owe the hospital 420,000 yuan in treatment fees. Now, on behalf of the hospital, I'm asking Mr. Li to settle this account first so that the hospital can continue your treatment..."

After calming her emotions a bit, the head nurse slowly stated, not directly mentioning the situation with the Li Family, but first demanding the outstanding medical fees.

Private hospitals offer great service, high standards, and state-of-the-art equipment, naturally, the fees are also quite steep, especially for someone like Li Feng who demands the highest class of ward and enjoyment, the daily costs are astronomical to the average person...

In fact, if it were an ordinary person enjoying such services at this hospital, the fees would be far more significant than this. This amount is already in arrears—after deducting the sum initially left by Li Rui and already discounted.

"What!!! Rebellion, rebellion, rebellion..."

Li Feng hadn't had the chance to react, as he was baffled by the head nurse's words, not yet coming to his senses, but the young nurse beside him jumped up immediately, oblivious to any unintended exposure, and with her pale, snow-like arms outstretched, she pointed at the head nurse and began to vehemently quarrel...

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"Do you know who he is? The Li Family's Second Young Master... And you dare ask him for money? Do you know who his elder brother is? Believe it or not, with just one word from him, by tomorrow your entire family could be dead without a place to be buried..."

This young nurse was shouting aggressively. Witnessing such a scene, she naturally wanted to seek justice for Li Feng, so that her status in his heart would become even more significant.

At least much more important than that foolish doctor who just stands there doing nothing...

"Of course, I know who he is! And I know who his elder brother is, what he does, but so what? Falling sick, being hospitalized, seeing a doctor... does that mean you don't have to pay? Do you think this hospital is owned by the Li family?"

Looking at this attractive young girl with a perfect figure, the head nurse, like looking at a fool or a lunatic, wasn't worried at all. Instead, she calmly rebutted, as if Li Feng's status and background meant nothing to her.

With such a direct statement, the young nurse was left speechless, her face turning red, then pale, then white – as if she had learned the art of face-changing without a teacher.

It seemed the head nurse wasn't satisfied with just that and, without waiting for Li Feng or the young nurse to speak up, she immediately continued to rant.

"Oh, my mistake, the Li family is no more now, even if the hospital used to be owned by the Li family, it must have been seized by now... Hahaha!"

These words were very direct. Li Feng was barely recovering his senses when he heard this statement, and it was as if it struck at his Achilles' heel. Suddenly, his mouth slightly agape, he wanted to say something but found himself speechless.

"Bullshit, what do you mean the Li family is gone, how dare you spread rumors? Young Master Feng, hurry up and call someone, drag this crazy woman out and skin her alive, flay her flesh, and dump her in the Yangtze River. She actually dares to curse the Li family... Eh, what's with that expression on your face?"

The young nurse clearly hadn't noticed the odd expressions of the few people in the room, as she furiously cursed at the head nurse; she even spoke harsh words just to gain favor with Li Feng...

But looking at the head nurse's fearless demeanor, and then at the doctor who had once attended to Li Feng, who was hesitating to speak, the young nurse finally began to think something was amiss. She could not help muttering to herself as she looked at the doctor, even though she still didn't believe that anything had really happened to the Li family...

"The Li family... is finished!"

At this point, the doctor's emotions had completely stabilized. Watching the young nurse's rant, like a madwoman, her own expression was quite strange. Once upon a time, she had been just like the nurse, because the Second Young Master Li, Li Feng, had their backs.

But unexpectedly, the grand Li family was gone in the blink of an eye, completely vanished like smoke into thin air, becoming a thing of the past...

"Is what you're saying... all true?"

Li Feng's face turned deathly pale in an instant, disbelief still filling his eyes as he asked the doctor while rapidly taking out his phone to make a call.

One call after another, some were shut down, some went unanswered, and others were dismissively hung up right after connection...

Until he dialed the number of an underling he thought was reliable, someone who had mooched quite a bit off Li Feng.

Although Li Feng was now down and out, the underling still shared what he knew and even implied he was there for Li Feng in desperate times, but Li Feng had already abruptly hung up the call...

To be precise, the phone silently slipped from his hand, fell to the ground with a crack, and shattered, but Li Feng seemed completely unaware of it.

At this moment, Li Feng was entirely changed, as if soulless, with an air of devastating desolation about him, his normally handsome face now covered in the color of death.

"What? The Li family is really finished... You've become a pauper?"

By now, the young nurse had also figured out what was going on. Looking at Li Feng's pale face, she let out a sharp scream and started cursing furiously.

And swiftly, while cursing loudly, she jumped up to find her clothes and hurriedly got dressed, ignoring Li Feng, who had become penniless.

"Turning his face was like flipping a book..."

The head nurse secretly despised the young nurse in her heart.

The young nurse just walked away, muttering curses the whole time, obviously harboring great hatred for Li Feng, as if they had been sworn enemies before.

As for Li Feng, his face was deathly pale, and his expression had become wooden, as if he had not heard a word of what the young nurse had said, not even making a sound after she left.

"That... Young Master Feng, I still have some money in the bank... I can borrow a bit more, it should be enough... enough to cover the medical fees..."

Looking at the small man in front of her, the female doctor also couldn't help but feel a pang of pity for him. Compared to the young nurse, she was much more reliable. She didn't plan to just walk away; she was willing to offer her own savings to help pay Li Feng's medical fees. This kindness was indeed quite special.

"Get lost..."

At this moment, Li Feng had completely lost the arrogant demeanor he had before, replaced by a deep desolation and unwillingness, along with disbelief that hadn't yet dissipated.

Hearing the tone of this woman, who had once been intimate with him, sounding like she was giving alms, Li Feng suddenly felt a profound sense of humiliation.

There was a time when he had given charity to someone in the same way...

But now, that person had not only failed to fall but instead had climbed to an even higher place, a height so lofty that he could not even look up to it.

And what about him...

The great Li Family was finished, and so was he.

Without money, without power, Li Feng had nothing left... Even his body was battered and broken, unable to even be a normal man.

He had always considered himself superior, never taking anyone seriously, as if the whole world revolved around him.

Even when being treated in this hospital, he had lived more comfortably than anyone else, not looking like a patient at all. It was as if this place was a top-notch nightclub, enjoying the allure of uniforms every day...

But now that the Li Family had fallen, all his past glories had vanished, and he had become a poor wretch who had been beaten down, owing the hospital hundreds of thousands in medical bills...

Even the young nurse who had just been affectionate with him, seemingly a sweet married couple, had turned on him in an instant and abandoned him on the spot...

All the past vows and sweet nothings had now become vicious curses and foul-mouthed tirades...

In the end, Li Feng was swept out of the hospital.

Tossed out like a dead dog, although no one had laid a hand on him or beat him up, the humiliation he faced when such a living person was thrown out was incredible.

But it seemed that Li Feng was not affected at all, his expression utterly wooden, as if he had lost his soul. Even though the female doctor felt sorry for him and expressed a willingness to keep accompanying him, what she got in return was a very ruthless—"Get lost!"

Chapter 1113: Mom's Maternal Home

Li Feng's situation really isn't worthy of sympathy; it might even be said that he got what he deserved.

Even when Qin Fang heard about it, he just smiled indifferently and had no intention of further troubling Li Feng, the ruined man.

Perhaps once their enmity was profound, but now Qin Fang had taken his revenge. Li Feng's descendants were ruined and the grand Li Family had been brought down by him...

Even Li Rui, who Li Feng relied on heavily and who was once the most powerful in Ninghai, is now hiding somewhere, silently licking his wounds...

Though they say a snake that isn't killed might bring endless calamities,

this depends on the kind of snake. Someone like Li Rui is definitely a ferocious and highly venomous viper, whereas a good-for-nothing like Li Feng is at most a harmless grass snake, and a toothless one at that...

Having lost the Li Family, all his money and power, Li Feng had nothing, knew nothing, and quickly became a homeless vagabond. Even when trying to beg, he was severely bullied by his peers and was soon beaten black and blue...

The once Second Young Master Li met such a miserable fate, maybe this was also a form of retribution. After all, when he was arrogant and unruly, barely considering others, the things he did were utterly unscrupulous. Even this ending was letting him off easy...

The matter of Li Feng had thoroughly concluded; nobody would pay attention to such a person anymore, Qin Fang included, as he had other matters to attend to.

What matters?

After the turmoil of this half-month, the time had come for the New Year, and school was already on break. Qin Fang was now busying himself with New Year's preparations.

If it were a normal year, this New Year would just be a simple one for the Qin mother and son – eating meals, having fun, and that would be it.

The house was usually quite desolate, especially during the New Year because there were hardly any relatives the Qin Family could visit, nor did they have many relatives coming over...

It was mainly because there didn't seem to be anyone left on Qin's side, and his mother, Qin Qing, never mentioned her family. In nearly twenty years, Qin Fang hadn't seen anyone from his mother's maternal family come by, so he had always thought that there was no one left on his mother's side...

This year's situation was much better. Several women around Qin Fang expressed their desires to go home with him for the New Year, like his fiancée Tang Feifei, and Wen Yan, who had already received her parents' approval...

Of course, there was also Tao Xiaojuan, who had always maintained contact and was close to his family...

Xiao Muxue originally wanted to stay as well. Although her parents had passed away, she still had her grandma and grandpa. She hadn't visited them in half a year, and during the New Year, she didn't want the two old ones to be too lonely, so she decided to go back.

There were other women like Su Xiaoxiao, Chu Yunxuan and others who had their own families but were indeed intending to follow Qin Fang back, it's just that they were not yet very familiar with Tang Feifei and the others, so that had to be put on hold for now...

"What? Go to Hong Kong..."

Only when Qin Fang told his mother, Qin Qing, about the New Year plans, he heard a piece of news that left him completely astonished.

"Mom, why go to Hong Kong? Are you planning to take a trip for the holiday?"

Facing his unpredictable mother, Qin Fang couldn't help but make a light joke in his surprise.

"Don't give me that smooth talk! I'm taking you to meet your grandparents and your uncle..."

But then Qin Qing said something that made Qin Fang even more stunned, his jaw dropping open for a long time unable to close it.

"That... Mom, you're not joking with me, right?"

Qin Fang was obviously still in disbelief, considering he had never heard his mother, Qin Qing, mention her family in nearly twenty years, and her family had never visited. How could they suddenly come up now?

And moreover—in Hong Kong!

"If I tell you to go, just go. So much nonsense... Hanging up!"

It seems that Qin Qing didn't want to elaborate, simply notifying Qin Fang, evidently the decision was unchangeable.

However, this kind of response from Qin Qing was clearly not satisfactory to Qin Fang.

Despite not having any contact for almost twenty years, to the extent that Qin Fang didn't even know such a family existed, now suddenly being told to spend the Spring Festival there, how could Qin Fang not seek a clear explanation?

In order to understand the full details, Qin Fang almost immediately drove home and started questioning his mother, Qin Qing, about the matter.

"Oh, you child... alright, alright, I'll explain it to you slowly!"

Qin Qing seemed to have finally decided to reveal the truth to Qin Fang, and therefore began explaining everything in detail to him.

Qin Qing originally didn't have the surname Qin but Qu; her real name was Qu Qing, the fourth daughter of the wealthy Qu Family on Hong Kong Island, previously idolized and fervently pursued by many wealthy young men from Hong Kong Island.

However, more than twenty years ago, Qu Qing suddenly vanished from Hong Kong Island as if she had evaporated, and no one knew where she went, not even the Qu Family People, which became a mystery.

In reality, the eighteen-year-old Qu Qing, through a serendipitous encounter, met Qin Fang's father, Qin Tiannan. They fell in love at first sight and soon pledged to spend their lives together...

However, at that time, Qin Tiannan was just a young spirited but penniless newcomer to Hong Kong Island, whereas the Qu Family was among the top ten wealthiest families on the island, and Qu Qing was a goddess pursued by many local elite young men—how could they easily forgive passing her to such a poor guy from the Mainland?

So, the Qu Family People, including Qu Qing's parents—who were the heads of the Qu Family—and Qu Qing's two brothers, all sternly opposed to this relationship, even using some "special means" to interfere with Qin Tiannan...their goal was to break up the couple.

But Qu Qing and Qin Tiannan both had very stubborn personalities; the more intensely their relationship was opposed, the stronger their rebellious spirits became... and their relationship with the Qu Family consequently became increasingly tense.

Qin Tiannan's stubbornness was evident as he preferred to struggle on his own rather than under the watchful care of the Tang Family, where he could have easily prospered.

The pressure from the Qu Family only fueled his fighting spirit; in not wanting to be looked down upon by the Qu Family, he worked even harder to earn more money to prove his capabilities...

But one night, Qin Tiannan went out for work and never returned... Qu Qing waited for him the whole night in their rented room but he did not show up, and when she called the place where Qin Tiannan was supposed to work, she was told that he never came in that day...

Qin Tiannan had disappeared, without any trace, and after waiting over ten days with no news, as if he had entirely evaporated from the human world, and coincidentally with the Qu Family urging her to return home, someone carelessly mentioned that "Qin Tiannan won't be coming back", which infuriated Qu Qing...

At that time, they had already broken ties with the Qu Family, and relationships were utterly strained. Hearing such a thing at that moment, Qu Qing naturally believed it was the Qu Family who harmed Qin Tiannan, so she stormed into the Qu Family house and caused a scene...

Although the Qu Family People all claimed they were not responsible, Qu Qing, overwhelmed by anger, didn't listen and immediately declared her severance from the Qu Family. By then, she had discovered she was pregnant and fled by boat to the Mainland that very night...

With Qin Tiannan missing and no news ahead, Qu Qing despised the family that raised her, even detesting the surname so much that she changed her name from Qu Qing to the current Qin Qing.

She, a pregnant woman, persevered in the Mainland during an era when living conditions were far inferior to those on Hong Kong Island.

Despite times of hardship and danger, she kept enduring because she thought of the unborn child as the fruit of her love with Qin Tiannan.

Back then, people weren't as realistic as they are now, although living conditions were much tougher, but people were still very simple-minded; thus Qin Qing survived alone in the Mainland and finally settled in Ninghai, depending solely on each other with Qin Fang until now.

In reality, her life didn't need to be this difficult; initially, Qin Tiannan gave her a betrothal gift—a set of jade jewelry that Qin Qing later gave to Tang Feifei, Xiao Muxue, and Wen Yan. If she had sold these, although the prices at the time wouldn't have been great, they could have comfortably supported herself and Qin Fang.

But she didn't do that; she preferred to live in hardship and keep the jewelry set, believing Qin Tiannan would eventually come back.

Qin Tiannan had also mentioned to Qin Qing about the Tang Family, saying that in case of any hardships, simply return to the Mainland and seek help from the Tang Family. Although it was said in passing and he even gave her a bullet, she never intended to bother the Tang Family People.

Her union with Qin Tiannan was, in fact, entirely unofficial; whether on Hong Kong Island or in the Mainland, they had no legal standing...

Despite carrying Qin Tiannan's child, it was inappropriate for her to approach the Tang Family under such unofficial and irregular circumstances... she couldn't bring herself to do such a thing...

Thus, Qin Qing cut off her connections with the Qu Family, lived in Ninghai under an assumed name for so long, and never contacted the Tang Family People—Qin Tiannan was the only direct descendant of the Qin Family, hence there were no relatives left on the Qin side.

This is also why, for nearly twenty years, Qin Fang and his mother lived on their own in such isolation during festive seasons...

Chapter 1114: Going to Slap Faces for My Father!

Qin Qing narrated the events that happened twenty years ago, bit by bit. Although her tone was calm, only Qin Qing herself truly understood the myriad of emotions involved.

Although Qin Fang had not witnessed the incidents at the time, and it was impossible for him to have witnessed them, he could still imagine how difficult life had been for his mother, Qin Qing, back then.

As for the Qu Family, which could be said to have caused the destruction of his family, even though it was his mother's maiden family, Qin Fang had no good feelings towards them at all.

"Mom, since it's been so many years without contact, and the Qu Family hasn't come looking for you, why don't we just pretend we don't have such relatives? Why bother going back there?"

The more he understood this, the more strangely Qin Fang asked.

Qin Fang was also aware of some shady practices among these so-called elite society families. His father Qin Tiannan's sudden disappearance didn't have any evidence to pin on the Qu Family People, but he absolutely couldn't rule out the possibility...

If it really was their doing, they would be the sworn enemies of the Qin Family. Qin Fang not seeking revenge was already in consideration of his mother, Qin Qing; does he still need to go and try to curry favor, flatter, or butter them up?

"You child..."

Looking at Qin Fang, who had grown up before her, a maternal glow appeared on Qin Qing's face as she gently stroked his hair and sighed.

"Although it's been twenty years, at the time I indeed had no evidence to prove that your father's disappearance was related to them. However, a few years ago I ran into an old friend who had said that during those days of your father's disappearance, the Qu Family People were actually also making every effort to find him..."

"Because they were afraid I would worry too much and harm my health, they wanted to bring me back to live with the Qu Family, but that messenger..."

Qin Qing simply recounted some things Qin Fang was unaware of, hinting there might be some evidence proving the Qu Family had nothing to do with the incident. Perhaps they had slowly come to accept the fact that Qin Tiannan was their son-in-law... but it was precisely at such a moment that Qin Tiannan suddenly disappeared!

"I think they might just be putting on an act..."

Qin Fang did not believe that; he knew quite a bit about what kind of people these elite families were, and it wasn't impossible.

"You... forget it, let me put it this way! Initially, the Qu Family looked down on your father, and your father once said that after making a name for himself, he would fiercely strike back at them! Unfortunately... your father never got the chance, so now it's up to you to do it..."

Looking at her son in front of her, who didn't have a shred of fondness for the Qu Family, Qin Qing didn't offer a word of persuasion, although mentioning Qin Tiannan darkened her expression somewhat, but then she suddenly spoke cheerily.

Back in the days, when Qin Tiannan fell in love with Qin Qing, he had just moved from the Mainland to Hong Kong Island, carrying a treasure of enormous value, which he had always been careful to guard and never thought of selling. He gave it to Qin Qing as a token of engagement.

The Qu Family was completely unaware of this, otherwise, that set of premium jade jewelry alone was already quite valuable. If willing to sell, it would have been a sizable sum sufficient for Qin Tiannan and Qu Qing to live comfortably on Hong Kong Island...

However, Qin Tiannan did not do so. Naturally, to the Qu Family, Qin Tiannan was just a pretty-faced scamp deceiving their daughter and trying to take advantage of their family, and they immediately suppressed him fiercely.

Qin Tiannan was stubborn too, and instantly bucked against the Qu Family, confidently declaring so... Unfortunately, before he could make his mark, he had already mysteriously disappeared.

"Strike in place of father?"

Qin Fang, already used to his somewhat offbeat mother, didn't expect that this time the trip to celebrate the New Year was actually aimed at this affair.

"Hehe, I like this..."

In the past, the Qu Family, relying on their prominent family and business, looked down on Qin Tiannan who had nothing. As Qin Tiannan's son, it would naturally be fitting for Qin Fang to fiercely slap the face of the Qu Family on behalf of his father he never met!

Previously, his dad Qin Tiannan did not have the power to do so before his disappearance, but now his son Qin Fang did indeed possess this capability...

Perhaps Qin Fang's assets were still far from being comparable to the Qu Family, but they were sufficient for a face-slap!

"Mom, let's do as you say, this year you and I will go to Hong Kong Island and slap the Qu Family's face..."

Thus, Qin Fang agreed to his mother's request. Although he vaguely felt there might be more to it that he wasn't aware of, he still very much wanted to go through with slapping their faces!

Not for anything else, but just to vindicate his old dad!

"That's good, that's good..."

Looking at the indignant expression on her son's face, Qin Qing could only helplessly smile.

Towards that family which had deeply disappointed her, she indeed harbored hatred for a very long time, but she always kept it buried in her heart, never showing it outwardly.

However, time can dilute many things. Twenty years have passed, and the initial resentment had lessened considerably. She no longer harbored the same resentment towards that family.

Of course, it was still impossible for her to willingly return.

A few years ago, upon meeting that friend from Hong Kong Island, and learning some news about the Qu Family, she once had a moment of contemplation.

It wasn't to return to enjoy a life of affluent ease, but she just hoped that her son, Qin Fang, could have a better life...

But ultimately, she gave up and remained unwilling to return to that family.

Yet this year was somewhat different; she unexpectedly expressed a desire to return for the New Year, even making contact with the Qu Family in advance, which truly defied logic.

Even Qin Fang felt that there were hidden layers to this matter, yet although he could use the Mind Reading Technique on others, he couldn't probe into his mother's heart.

Twenty years had passed, and the truth about what happened back then had been thoroughly buried; who was right or wrong could no longer be clearly stated, not even by the Qu Family themselves.

But Qin Qing, also known as Fourth Miss Qu, Qu Qing, also suddenly disappeared just like Qin Tiannan; despite the Qu Family searching everywhere for Qu Qing, they found nothing.

The only information the Qu Family had was that Qu Qing had gone to Qin Tiannan's hometown—Mainland.

Of the people in the Qu Family, Qin Tiannan was considered nothing in that era under British governance; they looked down upon him and naturally did not care about where his hometown was located.

Additionally, they were unaware that Qu Qing was pregnant, and although they sent people to search the Mainland, the person they were looking for didn't match a pregnant Qu Qing, and this clue also completely broke off...

From the day, twenty years ago, when Qin Qing left the Qu Family and trekked far to the Mainland, Old Madam Qu—Qin Qing's mother and Qin Fang's grandmother—seemed to have gotten heart disease, her health constantly deteriorating. Even the substantial money the Qu Family spent could only stabilize the old lady's condition but not cure it completely...

This time, the old lady suddenly became critically ill, her life nearing its end. In her final moments, she constantly thought of the youngest daughter she hadn't seen in twenty years...

A few years ago, after meeting Qin Qing's friend from Hong Kong Island and learning about this situation, although he promised Qin Qing to hide the news from the Qu Family, at this moment, he immediately contacted Qin Qing to inform her of the situation...

This is also why Qin Qing suddenly wanted Qin Fang to accompany her to Hong Kong Island for the New Year. Whether it was a slap in the face or not, was secondary; the main motive was that she wanted to see her mother.

Because if she missed this chance, she might never get to see her again in this lifetime...

Although the knot in her heart was not completely untied, at the end of the day, they were still blood-related mother and daughter, and filial duty came first; Qin Qing had no choice but to do this.

The reason why she was also taking Qin Fang was to let the old lady see her grandson one last time before dying, even though the old lady had looked down upon the boy's father back then...

Since the decision had been made, the next step was to make necessary preparations, such as passports and Hong Kong and Macau permits for Qin Fang and Qin Qing, and other miscellaneous items, which Qin Fang also quickly handled.

Regarding the matters in Ninghai, Qin Fang had also made some secure arrangements. Li Rui hadn't had any news yet, and the situation with Tiger was still unstable; hopefully, by the time he left for the New Year and returned, the situation back home wouldn't have completely changed.

Tang Feifei was now fully committed, as the proverb goes, 'follow your husband whatever his fortune or misfortune'. Although the two weren't officially married yet, being without a formal certificate was merely a legal procedure; their relationship was already settled.

Qin Fang briefly discussed these matters with Tang Feifei, and she readily agreed, although she initially wanted to return to Capital City to keep her father company.

However, her father had consumed the Heart Nourishing Pill Qin Fang sent, which alleviated some of his serious chronic conditions. As long as he was well cared for, living another decade or more was not a problem, so there was no need to worry about not spending this one particular New Year together.

Qin Fang initially planned to also bring Wen Yan, but in Ninghai there were three girls from the mountains with almost no knowledge about everyday life. Although Qin Fang had arranged for Xiao Qing to teach them, Wen Yan decided to stay behind to lessen Qin Fang's worries.

As for the other girls, they each had their own reasons and matters to attend to, and couldn't come along; in the end, only Tang Feifei, as the official wife, accompanied Qin Fang and his mother-in-law-to-be Qin Qing to Hong Kong Island.

Fan Ning, who had been drifting abroad, was just about to return to the country when he learned of this news and said he would also go to Hong Kong Island to meet up with Qin Fang...

Chapter 1115: Breaking into Hong Kong Island

Hong Kong Island is a bustling metropolis, even more so than Capital City and Jiangzhou.

It was once a British colony, only returning to the embrace of Dragon Country a little over ten years ago. When Qin Qing left, it had not yet returned.

This is a bustling metropolis, the world's third-largest trading center, a blend of Eastern and Western cultures, and one of the safest, wealthiest, most prosperous cities with the highest standard of living. It boasts the reputation of being the "Pearl of the Orient," "Culinary Paradise," and "Shoppers' Heaven."

Hong Kong Island combined the wisdom of the Chinese with the advantages of Western social systems, renowned for its clean government, good public order, free economic system, and sound legal system.

Although Qin Fang had never truly experienced these, TVB dramas were often watched back in Mainland, and though those shows might have been somewhat exaggerated, they also genuinely reflected the life in Hong Kong...

The institutions of Hong Kong are very comprehensive and far from comparable to those on the Mainland. Although now part of the same country, they are two completely different systems, sparking envy and resentment amongst many in Inland...

Thus, many from Inland now rush to Hong Kong to give birth, merely to secure a Hong Kong identity for their children...

Such acts have greatly irritated the locals of Hong Kong, some radical media even likening these people to locusts!

But this also reflects the vast differences in living standards between Hong Kong and the Inland...

This didn't have much to do with Qin Fang; his visit to Hong Kong, though officially for celebrating the New Year, was actually to confront that father he had never met before...

Regarding his mother's ulterior motives, Qin Fang did not delve deeper, trusting that everything would become clear once at the Qu Family's place...

Although Qin Qing had made contact with the Qu Family in advance, she did not inform them of her arrival time and means. Clearly, there was still a knot in her heart.

Qin Fang, Qin Qing, and Tang Feifei took a direct flight from Ninghai to Hong Kong Island.

"Hiss~~ It has been twenty years since I've been back... yet the air still feels the same as before!"

Once off the plane, Qin Qing couldn't resist taking a deep breath, sighing with evident emotion. Having left her homeland for twenty years, it was impossible not to miss this place.

After all, she was born and raised here and met the love of her life here, even though they were together for less than a year.

Qin Qing never regretted her decision, not in the past and not now... She had always been waiting for that man to return, firmly believing that he was still alive!

"Mom, let's not dwell on this for now. Where do we go? Directly to the Qu Family, or shall we find a place to stay first...?"

As Qin Fang collected the luggage, he asked his sentimental mother.

In fact, they didn't bring much with them, mainly because Qin Fang's Props Box could store many items, so they did not have to carry loads of bags...

"Let's find a hotel to stay in first..."

While she was worried about her ill mother, Qin Qing hadn't fully resolved her emotional issues.

At home, she felt she could let go, but once she set foot on the land of Hong Kong Island, she was overwhelmed by the memories and her heart became entangled once more.

In the end, she chose not to go directly to the Qu Family but decided to stay at a hotel and even thought of visiting the seriously ill elderly lady at the hospital before deciding whether to meet with the Qu Family People.

"Alright, no problem..."

Naturally, Qin Fang nodded in agreement and promptly followed his mother and Tang Feifei out of the airport.

"Young Master Qin..."

Upon exiting the airport, they saw Shen Liang approaching from a distance, bringing a car with him, and not just any car—a Rolls-Royce Phantom!

The price of such a car is certainly not cheap...

But since Qin Fang came to make a statement, he needed to show up with something impressive; it wouldn't do to just arrive unremarkably, as he probably wouldn't even be allowed through the Qu Family's doors.

Shen Liang had arrived in Hong Kong earlier than Qin Fang to pave the way, as Qin Fang's trip was not going to be a peaceful one. Without scouting ahead before making a move, it was easy to bungle things up and end up hurting oneself instead of saving face.

"To the hotel closest to the Peak... Um, the best one there!"

Qin Fang's family was already familiar with Shen Liang; Qin Fang didn't consider him an outsider and gave him a simple instruction before the group promptly headed to the Hilton Hotel.

The tycoons of Hong Kong Island generally reside in the Peak residential area. From there, one can overlook the entire scenery of Hong Kong Island, and naturally, it is the most expensive area on the Island.

It is said that any villa here would be priced in billions. Without substantial wealth, the rich cannot afford such a residence...

After all, these "villas" are practically small manors with much larger areas than average villas, equipped with gardens, swimming pools, and some even come with private golf courses... All requiring maintenance by professionals.

The cost of employing these professionals is exorbitant, beyond the means of ordinary people, and even those who are not so well-off cannot afford these services...

Chapter 1116: Breaking into Hong Kong Island_2

The Qu Family, as one of the prestigious families on Hong Kong Island, although their current reputation is not particularly prominent, their family wealth is considerably substantial. Naturally, they own a manor on the mountain top.

The reason Qin Fang chose to stay at the nearest Hilton Hotel in the mountains was not because it was close to the Qu Family, but mainly because Saint Mary's Hospital, the best hospital on Hong Island where Old Madam Qu resided, was close by.

The reason Qin Fang knew about this hospital mainly came from Shen Liang, who had come ahead of time to scope things out. Although the Qu Family was not a very prominent family, they were still one of the wealthy families on Hong Kong Island. The paparazzi in Hong Kong are notoriously tenacious, and Shen Liang simply spent some money to quickly find out about the Qu Family's affairs, naturally, Qin Fang also became aware of the critical illness of Old Madam Qu...

Although his mother, Qin Qing, had never disclosed it, Qin Fang could understand his mother's thoughts, which led him to make such a decision. However, he still maintained an appearance of "I know nothing," not wanting to burden his mother with unnecessary worries...

The Hilton Hotel is a top-tier global chain hotel, found in almost every bustling metropolis. As Hong Kong is one of the three major trade centers of the world, it's impossible for it to be absent there.

Qin Fang directly booked the most luxurious presidential suite, and despite the considerable expense, he did not even blink an eye.

Qin Qing, though having lived a rather difficult life in recent years, is after all a lady from a wealthy family. Originally, she was a rich girl who spent money like water.

Now, she also understood that her son, Qin Fang, had greatly changed; although not completely clear about the extent of Qin Fang's wealth, she vaguely guessed it was definitely not a small amount.

Being his mother, she naturally knew him the best. Without such substantial wealth, he wouldn't exhibit such a demeanor... Therefore, Qin Qing didn't say much, and when Qin Fang handed her a card, she accepted it without even asking!

It was a black card from Citibank, and not just a regular black card but one with platinum borders. Although Qin Qing left Hong Kong Island quite early and didn't know the details of such black cards, she vaguely understood that this card seemed to be limited edition, apparently only available to tycoons who have deposits of over 100 million in the bank.

The 100 million here is not in RMB, but in US dollars...

Seeing this bank card, Qin Qing already had a rough idea about her son Qin Fang's wealth and felt there was no need to ask any further!

If only Qin Fang knew that his mother treated this black card as one of those limited edition cards, he might barely be able to suppress a laugh.

This card is indeed limited edition, but the Citibank logo on it is just a front; to be precise, the bank that issues it should be considered an underground moneylender.

The card is a joint issuance by the Underground Alliance, only members of the underworld forces that have been certified are eligible to get it, such as members of the Assassin's Alliance Three-Star Assassin and above.

Although Qin Fang earned a satisfying amount of points from killing Sinan, his rank within the Assassin's Alliance is still only that of a Two-Star Assassin, hence not qualified to have this card.

But he does have someone by his side who can claim it—Su Xiaoxiao of the Assassin Alliance Three-Star Assassin. This card is actually Su Xiaoxiao's, only borrowed by Qin Fang for usage.

Qin Fang himself does indeed have 100 million US dollars; converting it to RMB, it's just over six billion. The cash, checks, etc., he took out from Li Rui's safe alone were already worth this much, and Qin Fang's own assets are about two billion or so...

However, as these funds come from dubious sources, and Qin Fang is currently in the spotlight, even if he wanted to launder this money, he would have to be very careful.

Moreover, those kinds of black cards are purely for show. Qin Fang, who prefers to keep a low profile, might not even like such high-profile items...

If it hadn't been to outdo the Qu Family this time, he wouldn't have borrowed this card from Su Xiaoxiao just to flaunt his status. After all, customers can decide the appearance of such a card during customization according to their own preferences.

That is to say, if you wish, this card could even be made to look like a bank card from any bank on the Mainland, or even DIY your own design without any issues.

Su Xiaoxiao's just happens to be customized to look like this platinum black card from Citibank, but in fact this card is not registered in Citibank's database at all...

Of course, even if Citibank knew about it, they wouldn't dare say anything. No one dares to contend with the underground world... because it is a chaotic and dark world, and those who contend might find themselves with slit throats in their sleep one day!

"The child has grown up..."

Looking at the black card in her hand, Qin Qing couldn't help but silently sigh, happy for Qin Fang while also increasingly looking forward to that man's return.

"You guys go have fun on your own, I'll be fine just strolling around by myself..."

Having not returned for twenty years, everything once familiar had become strange, and the whole of Hong Kong Island had also undergone tremendous changes.

It was Qin Fang's first time on Hong Kong Island, while Tang Feifei had visited once before when she was younger, but her family was very concerned for her safety and didn't let her explore much before leaving.

Qin Qing sent Qin Fang and Tang Feifei out to have fun and then went out for a walk herself...

"Okay, mom, just be careful. Call me anytime if you need to..."

To facilitate communication among each other, they had all switched to new mobile phones. Qin Fang understood very well what his mother planned to do; she most likely intended to visit Old Madam Qu at Saint Mary's Hospital first, since she was her mother and critically ill – an understandable decision.

Of course, Qin Fang couldn't possibly refuse and readily agreed.

Qin Fang and Tang Feifei went out to have fun, since it was their first trip to Hong Kong Island and they definitely wanted to experience all its scenic spots; otherwise, it would have been like making the trip for nothing.

In order to avoid arousing his mother's suspicions, Qin Fang took Shen Liang with them, but secretly left two people behind for protection, as this was Hong Kong Island, not Ninghai, and Qin Fang had to ensure his mother's safety.

Therefore, Qin Fang had specially deployed a few people from Chen Da in advance, who came with Shen Liang. They had been secretly protecting Qin Fang and the others without revealing their presence, and naturally, Qin Qing was unaware of this.

As expected, shortly after Qin Fang and the others left, Qin Qing also departed the hotel, walking toward the direction of Saint Mary's Hospital.

From the Hilton to Saint Mary's Hospital wasn't very far, at most just two kilometers, obviously, Qin Qing had already checked the route beforehand...

Although she had left Hong Kong Island for twenty years and the island had changed immensely, the city planning done initially on Hong Kong Island was much more reliable than some cities inland, with the major roads having not changed too much. Relying on her memories from twenty years ago, Qin Qing was able to find her way to Saint Mary's Hospital.

Indeed, the news from over there confirmed this, as Qin Qing walked for about twenty minutes and found Saint Mary's Hospital...

The journey had been calm, and Qin Fang felt relieved...

"Don't worry, Auntie will be fine..."

Seeing Qin Fang end the phone call, Tang Feifei by his side comforted him with concern.

As the future daughter-in-law of the Qin Family, Tang Feifei also knew the purpose of the mother and son's visit to Hong Kong Island. Seeing Qin Fang's nervous and worried expression, she couldn't help feeling a bit heartbroken for him.

"Hopefully that's the case! Sigh, it's just that I'm worried about those people from the Qu Family..."

Qin Fang nodded slightly, knowing he might be a little too worried, but with his mother's unresolved heartache, if she were to confront the Qu Family people rashly, he was afraid that his mother might be at a disadvantage.

However, his mother clearly didn't wish for him to have a direct conflict with the Qu Family people, and it wasn't good for him to stay by her side at all times. Thus, he could only remotely control the situation and ensure his mother's safety...

Chapter 1117: Sudden Incident

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"Don't worry, everything will be okay..."

Gazing at Qin Fang's face, Tang Feifei spoke gently, reassuring him, "The security in Hong Kong Island is very good, and you've arranged for protection too, so there shouldn't be any problems concerning your aunt! Besides, the Qu Family wouldn't do anything to her, right?"

She could understand Qin Fang's feelings at the moment. After all, he and his mother had been dependent on each other for so long without any other relatives. Suddenly having the Qu Family as relatives—and not the harmonious kind—made it impossible for Qin Fang not to have some worries.

"That's true..."

Qin Fang nodded. He himself was well aware of this, but there were still some knots in his heart that he couldn't untangle. After hearing Tang Feifei's words, he also felt much more relaxed.

"Come on, let's go for a walk..."

Since his mother, Qin Qing, had arranged for someone to watch over things, Qin Fang didn't need to worry too much. After all, in terms of public security, Hong Kong Island was much better than the inland areas.

Although there were gangs in Hong Kong Island, the general ones were quite decent. Unless one went looking for trouble, they seldom interfered with the lives of ordinary people.

In this aspect, some of the underworld forces in the inland areas appeared quite unreliable.

Qin Qing had already gone to Saint Mary's Hospital to visit Old Madam Qu, who was critically ill. Qin Fang didn't have any particular thoughts about this grandmother he knew nothing about. And since his mother Qin Qing had no immediate plans for him to meet the Qu Family People, he couldn't be bothered and decided to take Tang Feifei out for a stroll instead.

There are plenty of fun places on Hong Kong Island, with Ocean Park and Disney being the most common destinations for tourists from the inland. Tang Feifei was no exception, and Qin Fang happily accompanied her to have fun.

At this season, the northern inland has already entered the cold winter, but the temperature in Hong Kong Island is still quite high, and Ocean Park is also quite lively.

Qin Fang accompanied Tang Feifei to see the strange and varied fish in the aquarium, enjoyed the dolphin performance, and they played on the Ferris wheel and roller coaster together...

In short, the two had a great time until Tang Feifei said she could no longer keep up and, coinciding with mealtime, they left Ocean Park to dine at a nearby hotel.

As a tourist hotspot like Ocean Park, the surrounding area naturally has no shortage of upscale hotels and restaurants. The one Qin Fang and his companion entered was quite high-end, and it was even a French restaurant.

French restaurants in Hong Kong Island differ from those in the inland; they are more authentic here. Most of the chefs are truly French, the flavors tend to be closer to the original French palate, and they are very different from the more localized version you find in the inland.

Some high-class French restaurants even use custom-made French utensils, the menu is written in French, and even the waiters are French... Of course, the accompanying red wine is an authentic French product as well.

Well-performing French restaurants generally require reservations, otherwise, you might not get a seat even after arriving. This was where Shen Liang, the assistant, turned useful. By the time Qin Fang and company decided to dine out, he had already taken care of everything in advance.

With just a bit of influence and the use of some gold yuan, Qin Fang and Tang Feifei successfully got a table and sat down.

"Order whatever you want, don't hold back..."

After sitting down, Qin Fang handed the menu to Tang Feifei and said.

"Ah, this seems to be... in French, I can't understand it... Why don't you order for us?"

Tang Feifei gently took the menu, but upon opening it, she was stumped. Her English was decent enough for normal conversation, but the menu was in French, and she was immediately lost... so she handed the decision-making power over to Qin Fang.

A boyfriend comes in handy in these situations. Even if there's embarrassment to be dealt with, he should be the one to take it on. Tang Feifei was very thin-skinned, after all.

"Waiter, two French couple sets, please..."

Qin Fang smiled and, unfazed by Tang Feifei's teasing expression, quickly browsed the menu and called the waiter over, speaking in a language that Tang Feifei couldn't understand at all.

As Tang Feifei wondered what language Qin Fang was speaking, she realized he wasn't just babbling nonsense; the French waiter actually nodded, took the menu, and left.

"Qin Fang, were you speaking... French?"

Tang Feifei was astoundingly surprised. She considered herself the person closest to Qin Fang, yet she had no idea he could speak French. She remembered that Qin Fang's English wasn't even that good.

"Of course... In fact, I know not just French, but English, German, Spanish, Italian as well. It's just that there's usually no opportunity to use them!"

Qin Fang's skin had thickened, and he declared immodestly, prompting a roll of the eyes from Tang Feifei, who evidently didn't quite believe him.

But overall, Qin Fang still gave her a very good impression, and she was quite happy about it, especially since language wouldn't be a worry anymore if they went abroad for fun in the future.

Only, Qin Fang couldn't tell Tang Feifei that this was due to an underutilized passive skill of his—Language Proficiency.

Although Qin Fang never put much emphasis on the Language Proficiency skill, he never underestimated its usefulness; he would often skim through language books when he was bored. He had some knowledge of various languages, even though this was his first time speaking French...

The restaurant served dishes quickly, and it didn't take long for the food to arrive. The plates they used were quite large, but the portions of food on them were indeed rather small.

Luckily, Qin Fang and Tang Feifei had anticipated this, so they didn't find it strange and immediately started eating.

It's no wonder this restaurant is so popular; aside from its status, the chef's skills are quite impressive. Qin Fang figured they were comparable to those of his apprentice Wen Yi.

Of course, compared to his soon-to-be Master-Level Cooking expertise, they were still a bit lacking...

Qin Fang rarely cooked these days, mainly because he was too busy to cover everything, only cooking a delicious feast for close women like Tang Feifei when he had spare time.

The food tasted great, and after playing around for so long and burning a lot of energy, their appetites were wide open, leading them to eat a bit more than usual. For Tang Feifei, who was always keen on maintaining her figure, this was quite a rare occasion.

"I'm going to the restroom..."

Having eaten and drunk a lot of soup to hydrate, she now felt the need and excused herself to Qin Fang before getting up to leave for the restroom.

"Wait a sec..."

As Tang Feifei was about to get up, Qin Fang suddenly called out, noticing a waiter with a tray walking behind her.

But he was a bit late to call out, and Tang Feifei didn't react in time as she had already stepped out...

Just then, the waiter passing by was tripped by Tang Feifei's step, losing balance and tilting forward. He couldn't hold onto the tray, which went flying out of his hands.

And then—

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The dish contained a bowl of soup, which, upon flying out, drenched a group of people sitting at the table in front...

Ahh!!!

Qin Fang and Tang Feifei clearly heard a woman's shrill scream.

"Who? Who did this?"

The woman, having been treated this way, became extremely agitated and started causing a commotion, making Tang Feifei even more embarrassed.

The waiter "taken down" by Tang Feifei had managed to straighten up, but looking at the roaring woman, the burly man was as frightened as a quail and dared not say a word.

Meanwhile, the woman doused in soup had approached from the next table, her face filled with anger. She was quite beautiful, but her expertly styled hair and her expensive fur coat were both splattered with soup.

"I'm so sorry, so sorry..."

Tang Feifei, greatly startled, immediately apologized proactively to the woman, not wanting the innocent waiter to suffer for something she was at fault for.

Born into an official's family, Tang Feifei was always very polite. Since she was at fault, her apology was particularly sincere. Although nobody expected such an incident, the fact remained that the woman had suffered an undeserved misfortune.

"Sorry? Is everything resolved with just an apology?"

The woman had initially intended to scold the waiter, but she hadn't expected someone else to be the culprit. She couldn't help but take a surprised look at Tang Feifei's beauty, noting she was much more beautiful and younger than herself...

Then she glanced at Qin Fang, who was sitting with Tang Feifei. He wasn't particularly handsome, and they were wearing matching couple outfits that seemed relatively cheap.

After all, Qin Fang and Tang Feifei were out for fun and dressed rather casually...

They say clothes make the man, and while many people nowadays dress down, there weren't many as understated as Qin Fang and Tang Feifei.

Seeing the ordinary attire of the couple and hearing Tang Feifei's fluent Mandarin, in stark contrast to her own Hong Kong Cantonese, the woman suddenly felt emboldened and her tone grew even less friendly...

Chapter 1118: Slapping the Female Celebrity in the Face

Qin Fang initially took a backseat, knowing the fault lay with Tang Feifei, he felt it was not his place to comment. After all, they would definitely compensate as required, and they couldn't just let the other party suffer a loss.

However, when the woman suddenly blurted out this line in such a stern tone, Qin Fang couldn't help but frown...

"I'm sorry, I'm sorry... I will compensate for your loss!"

Tang Feifei, typically gentler in nature, couldn't help but frown upon hearing the woman's tone. Nevertheless, she still proactively indicated her willingness to compensate.

The woman was wearing a fur coat, and although it was valuable, Tang Feifei didn't care about it. Setting aside her own distinguished background, just the fact that she accompanied Qin Fang on this visit meant she was there to put the Qu Family in their place...

The Qu Family was one of the Top Ten Wealthy Families of Hong Kong, a family with assets worth tens of billions. If she didn't bow down to them, why would she care about this small sum of money?

"Compensate? Can you really afford to compensate?"

Tang Feifei hadn't mentioned compensation, but once she did, the woman became frenzied, her mouth ranting on and on as if it were a cannon, one sentence after another bursting forth.

"Do you know how much I paid for this fur coat? Half a million... five hundred thousand, do you understand? Can you afford to pay that?"

"Do you know who styled my hair? It was A Long... the A Long from Happy Valley, do you know how difficult it is to get him?"

"..."

The more the woman talked, the more spirited she became, inflating her own status, ceaselessly belittling her opponent, Tang Feifei.

Looking at Tang Feifei, she was truly sincere in her apology, but as the woman grew increasingly outrageous, Tang Feifei's brows grew tighter.

"Feifei, you go to the washroom first..."

At that moment, Qin Fang, who had been silent, finally spoke. But the first thing he said wasn't to stop the woman's babbling, but to gently direct Tang Feifei.

"Hmm!"

Tang Feifei glanced at the woman and then nodded, giving a light hum, before turning to head towards the washroom. She had intended to go earlier but was delayed.

"You... you can't leave!"

As the woman was getting into her stride, she suddenly saw Tang Feifei ignore her and turn to leave, which only fueled her anger further. She almost instantly reached out her claws, attempting to grab Tang Feifei.

"Your last name is Chen, right? You seem to be a celebrity..."

Just then, as Qin Fang calmly sat there without intervening, he casually uttered this seemingly unrelated remark.

He didn't bring up the matter of compensation, not because he couldn't afford it, but rather because he was displeased with the woman's tone and attitude. Especially since she targeted Tang Feifei, Qin Fang saw no need to be polite with her.

"Gah..."

Yet it was this seemingly futile statement that made the woman's stretching claws freeze in place. Her complexion turned particularly ugly, and her eyes glared furiously at Qin Fang.

Qin Fang was correct; the woman was indeed a celebrity who had appeared as extras in a few movies and TV shows, having gained a slight bit of fame.

The paparazzi in Hong Kong are notoriously relentless, and they are known for their pervasive presence. Small gossip magazines are particularly unscrupulous, daring to expose any news or scandal, even fabricating stories out of thin air, making them sound believable and even creating "evidence" with photographs.

Therefore, privacy for Hong Kong celebrities is practically nonexistent. As soon as someone makes an appearance, they are immediately targeted by the paparazzi.

While these paparazzi can be a great tool for celebrities to generate buzz, they also play a significant role in ruining a celebrity's career if they wish to...

Woman surnamed Chen, also rather pretty, prettier than many of the popular female stars. If someone was willing to support her, she might well become the next sweetheart of the screen.

Especially recently, she had ingratiated herself with a scion of a wealthy family and was currently in a passionate relationship with him. The wealthy Young Master had already promised to make her famous, and if any unfavorable scandals broke out at this point, her path to stardom would clearly become rockier...

Although Qin Fang wasn't aware of these details, he understood that stars in Hong Kong are most afraid of the paparazzi. They usually take meticulous precautions before stepping out and generally do not dare stir up any scandals, particularly those of unsavory nature, which are avoided at all costs...

Therefore, many stars in Hong Kong actually don't behave well in private. The reason scandals don't surface is mainly because they are careful in public.

Unexpectedly, a casually made comment turned out to be effective. The woman suddenly fell silent, the words she had intended to say stuck in her throat.

"We will compensate however much is necessary, and not a penny less..."

As he spoke, Qin Fang took out a checkbook from his pocket, swiftly wrote a string of numbers, then tore it off with a rip, pinching it between his fingers.

This is a Swiss Bank draft that is universally accepted around the world, and it can be cashed normally here on Hong Kong Island as well, so there is no issue with exchanging it.

"This sum of money should be sufficient to compensate for your loss..."

Qin Fang pinched the check between his fingertips, allowing the woman to see the string of numbers, and spoke in a very calm voice.

The woman was a female celebrity, and although not very famous, she had still been in contact with many wealthy people, so she was able to distinguish the authenticity of the check.

Even though she was surprised that a man from the Mainland, dressed so ordinarily like Qin Fang, could be so wealthy, the series of digits indeed greatly appealed to her.

Qin Fang was right, converted into Hong Kong dollars, this amount of money definitely exceeded a million, and the cost of her fur coat and hair damage, at most, only amounted to a few hundred thousand. It was definitely sufficient compensation, even more than enough...

With such an amount of money right before her eyes, and it being offered to her, she naturally had no objections, and the anger from before immediately vanished like smoke.

A smile appeared on her beautiful face, and she immediately reached out to take the check from Qin Fang's hand...

"Wait a moment..."

But just as her fingertips were about to touch the check, Qin Fang's fingers deftly twisted, neatly avoiding the woman's hand.

"If you want this money, no problem... However, there is one condition. When my girlfriend returns, you must apologize to her!"

Having just spoken so refreshingly and causing Tang Feifei to feel depressed, Qin Fang, as her man, how could he let this woman off so easily? He spoke with a faint smile on his face, his tone remaining very even.

The way he spoke was casual, but it was like a heavy slap had fiercely struck the woman's face, instantly making her expression turn exceedingly ugly.

The surrounding guests had already been paying attention to the commotion here earlier. Seeing the woman's aggressive demeanor, they truly felt discontented at heart, but since it was none of their business, they preferred not to intervene too much.

Now that Qin Fang had so easily slapped the woman metaphorically, many felt greatly relieved...

"You..."

The woman's face was extremely ugly, quietly staring at Qin Fang's smiling face, which seemed to be mocking her, making her look even more on the verge of losing her temper.

"What's the matter?"

Just then, a handsome young man in a suit walked over with a look of surprise, staring at the soup-drenched female celebrity and asking.

He was clearly with the female celebrity, but had just left for a moment when she had been splashed with soup; he was not present at the time. After taking care of his business, he had only just returned.

"Young Master Liang... He! He... bullied me!"

As soon as this man appeared, the woman seemed to find her backbone, her eyes suddenly lit up, not caring about the soup on her body, she threw herself into the man's arms, teary-eyed and coquettishly complaining to him.

Seeing her clingy, extremely gentle demeanor, compared to the shrew-like attitude she displayed before, even Qin Fang, who had a high tolerance, couldn't help but feel a chill.

The handsome guy also couldn't help but frown slightly, gently pushing away the woman whose clothes were still stained with soup, a look of displeasure on his face.

As for whether he was unhappy about his expensive Armani suit being ruined or his woman being bullied, only he knew.

"You bullied her?"

The handsome guy stepped up to Qin Fang and looked him in the eye quietly, his facial expression unchanged, but his tone of voice was different.

"What do you think..."

Ever since this man appeared, Qin Fang had been aware of him, his smile turning sullen, and his tone carrying a hint of change as well.

"From the Mainland?"

The handsome guy, hearing Qin Fang's Mandarin, slightly raised his eyebrows, a hint of arrogance appearing on his face, "Seems like you're not someone of minor importance..."

At that point, the handsome guy stopped speaking in Cantonese and switched to Mandarin, which he spoke quite fluently, indicating he had spent some effort learning it.

"Nothing special, just an ordinary citizen..."

As the saying goes, a good drink is less with good friends, and excessive words with those incompatible. The impression this handsome guy gave Qin Fang was not a good one, and Qin Fang didn't feel like saying much to him either.

"Is that so?"

The handsome guy sneered instantly, his gaze shifting to the Swiss Bank draft in Qin Fang's hand, "If ordinary citizens from the Mainland can have Swiss Bank drafts, then I'm really at a loss for words..."

Chapter 1119: Second Young Master Qu? Slap Slap~~

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"Young Master Liang..."

The woman, seeing that the person she had found was not taking her side, immediately became displeased. She cooed like a spoiled child, seemingly trying to remind this handsome guy.

"Men are talking; women should not interrupt..."

This handsome guy called Young Master Liang might look refined, but his temper did not seem small at all.

He now seemed to be interested in Qin Fang and wanted to inquire about Qin Fang's identity. The woman's interruption immediately annoyed him, and he rebuked her sternly, darkening his expression.

"Oh..."

The woman instantly shrank back, responding softly and daring not speak any further. Her eyes, however, grew even more sullen, with faint traces of anger and resentment.

As for whether her feelings were aimed at Qin Fang or Young Master Liang, that remained unknown. In any case, neither of them took her seriously.

"I am..."

After scolding the unruly female celebrity, Young Master Liang turned his head to face Qin Fang, preparing to introduce himself.

"No need, not interested..."

But Qin Fang didn't give him the chance. Without waiting for him to finish, he waved his hand and interrupted, leaving Young Master Liang's following words stuck in his throat and his face turning alternately red and white.

"She is your girlfriend, right? My words still stand. I can compensate for the loss, but she must apologize to my girlfriend..."

Qin Fang had no desire to mess around with Young Master Liang. Considering the time, Tang Feifei should be returning soon, and Qin Fang planned to cut through the mess and resolve the conflict directly.

"Apologize! Why should we apologize... It doesn't seem like we're in the wrong here!"

Young Master Liang's expression turned particularly unpleasant after Qin Fang's move, although he had not inquired about the sequence of events. But by looking at the woman's demeanor and Qin Fang's offer of compensation, he could roughly guess what had happened.

Since the fault seemed to be on Qin Fang's side, and now that Young Master Liang found Qin Fang quite disagreeable, the matter was easier to handle. No matter what impolite thing his side had done, he absolutely would not allow his side to apologize.

"Hmph, the Qu Family People, all the same behavior..."

Seeing Young Master Liang's reaction, Qin Fang couldn't help but let out a cold snort in his heart.

It could be a case of enemies meeting on a narrow road. Qin Fang hadn't yet gone to the Qu Family to cause trouble, but he had already run into Qu Family People while eating out. The man in front of him, Young Master Liang, was indeed called Qu Yuanliang, and Qin Fang's Scouting Skill had already detected this, so there was naturally no need to listen to him introducing himself.

Although the cause of the incident was Tang Feifei's fault, the woman's subsequent actions were too rude, which made Qin Fang quite dissatisfied.

As for Qu Yuanliang, he seemed to have nothing to do with this issue, but who would have thought he was a Qu Family Person, and his posture did not appear to be about handling the matter in a calm and peaceful manner.

"If that's the case, then this compensation..."

Qu Yuanliang was ready to stubbornly hold his ground, and Qin Fang was not in the mood to play along. Wearing an indifferent expression, he reached out and briskly tore up the cheque.

The woman, upon seeing a cheque worth a million Hong Kong dollars torn to shreds, felt as if her heart was bleeding...

For a little-known starlet like her with meager income, earnings came only from sporadic jobs. Without those gigs, she would be left hungry.

Moreover, she needed to spend on various clothing, shoes, bags, makeup, hairstyling, SPA, and so on—all considerable expenses...

This sum of a million Hong Kong dollars would have allowed her to live comfortably for quite some time.

She was almost ready to shout "I apologize," the allure of that cheque being immensely powerful. But in the end, she managed to restrain herself, swallowing the words that had reached the tip of her tongue.

Qu Yuanliang—she knew who he was all too well. Coming from one of the Top Ten Wealthy Families of Hong Kong, the Qu Family, she had not easily ingratiated herself with him. Offending him over a mere million Hong Kong dollars would certainly be a loss greater than the gain; she might as well not bother working in this industry anymore...

The relations between the Ten Great Families were typically very good, generally avoiding any significant conflicts. Blackballing a celebrity, a minor issue, was just a matter of mentioning it in passing.

Let alone someone like her, an insignificant starlet...

A million Hong Kong dollars might be a lot, but compared to a future career, it seemed trivial. If Qu Yuanliang could make her famous, not just a million but tens or even hundreds of millions of Hong Kong dollars could be within reach!

Looking at the major players in the Hong Kong Island entertainment scene, which one of them was worth less than a billion? Their annual earnings were calculated in tens of millions...

Moreover, this woman had other ideas in mind...

Many female celebrities in Hong Kong Island enjoyed mingling with wealthy heirs, and if the opportunity presented itself, marrying into a wealthy family was naturally their preferred choice.

Whether or not they were happy, at least their future life would be very comfortable. If they could have a few sons, then there would be little to worry about for the latter half of their lives.

Even if they ended up divorcing, the alimony would be an astronomical sum, more than enough for the second half of their lives. This was a common aspiration among most female celebrities.

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This woman was no exception; getting involved with Qu Yuanliang, she might have harbored such intentions. Although the possibility was really slim, given that Qu Yuanliang was notoriously a playboy...

"Unwilling to compensate? That's also fine... It gives me a perfect reason to rightfully sue you... Maybe you have some status on the Mainland, but this is Hong Kong Island..."

Seeing Qin Fang's actions, Qu Yuanliang suddenly laughed, the kind of laugh that was very joyful, even a bit unrestrained.

"Please do..."

Qin Fang couldn't be bothered to continue talking with him and calmly replied with one sentence, while casually stretching out his hand, signaling that it was time for the other to leave.

The expression on Qu Yuanliang's face stiffened a bit. He was almost ready to turn hostile, yet Qin Fang seemed to have an even worse temper and didn't seem to care at all.

"We shall see..."

As for money, Qu Yuanliang didn't really care, but today, Qin Fang had publicly refuted him, and many people around had seen it.

Although he ultimately didn't reveal his own name, there were indeed people among those guests who recognized him. If word got out, it would be embarrassing for Er Shao of the Qu Family...

However, acting like this woman and making a public spectacle was also out of the question. At last, Qu Yuanliang looked at Qin Fang with a gloomy expression and threw out these very brusque words before immediately leaving with the humiliated female celebrity.

"I'll be waiting... Remember, my surname is Qin!"

Qin Fang hummed in indifference, and as Qu Yuanliang turned around, he specifically emphasized the reminder.

"Surname Qin?"

Hearing Qin Fang's words, Qu Yuanliang couldn't help but pause slightly in his steps and subconsciously repeated it. However, he didn't say much more or stay longer, promptly leaving with the female celebrity.

The surname Qin had been a taboo for the Qu Family for the past twenty years.

Because Qu Family's Third Miss, once the number one beauty of Hong Kong Island, Qu Qing, seemed to have been taken away by a man surnamed Qin from the Mainland. Although this man surnamed Qin later mysteriously disappeared, the relationship between the Qu Family and Qu Qing was completely severed, and Qu Qing even went far away to the Mainland, never to return in twenty years.

This was a huge mystery on Hong Kong Island. Aside from the direct descendants of the Qu Family, almost no one knew the truth, and even Qu Yuanliang had only vaguely heard about it without understanding the specifics.

Although there were recent rumors that the aunt, who had almost no impression of, might come back to visit her critically ill grandmother, Qu Yuanliang didn't associate Qin Fang with Qu Qing.

Despite Qin Fang sharing the surname Qin and coming from the Mainland—

The main point was that it seemed the Qu Family didn't know that when Qu Qing left Hong Kong Island, she was already pregnant, and naturally, they were unaware of Qin Fang's existence!

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"Is the issue resolved?"

Not long after Qu Yuanliang left, Tang Feifei came back. Seeing that the woman was no longer there and peace had been restored, she couldn't help but ask out of curiosity.

"Yeah, it's resolved..."

Qin Fang smiled and said, although there had been some unexpected changes, at least this matter was temporarily closed for now.

As for Qu Yuanliang mentioning about sending a solicitor's letter, Qin Fang didn't take it seriously. Not to mention that Qu Yuanliang probably wouldn't do such an unreliable thing, even if he did, Qin Fang wouldn't care. If it really went to court over this trivial matter, at most, he would have to compensate for damages.

Moreover, whether the court would even accept such a trivial case was still a question mark.

"How was it resolved?"

Tang Feifei was obviously more interested in this. That woman's spitting fury had been too intense, and for someone with a gentle disposition like Tang Feifei, it was a bit too much to handle.

"It wasn't hard! That woman just wanted money, give it to her and it's all settled, right?"

Qin Fang smiled. He would handle this matter himself and didn't want Tang Feifei to be bothered by such trivialities. So, he spoke with an indifferent tone.

"Oh, that's good ... Glad it's solved!"

Tang Feifei didn't inquire further, resolving issues with money was no big deal to her, she wouldn't fuss over such an amount, as long as the issue was handled.

"Hehe, the desserts here are quite good, want to try some..."

Qin Fang smiled, pointing at the dessert that had just been brought over and suggested.

"Are you trying to fatten me up into a little piggy... I'm on a diet, you know?"

With the trouble resolved, Tang Feifei's mood lightened considerably, her smile brighter than ever. Hearing Qin Fang's suggestion, she playfully pouted.

In fact, Tang Feifei's figure was perfect and she didn't need to diet at all, it's just that girls always have their reasons, and claiming to be on a diet is a common one.

"Then it can only mean you've lost your taste..."

Qin Fang didn't mind, he picked up a pastry and began to taste it, occasionally letting out praises like, "Mmm, it's really good..."

Watching the delicately made dessert, Tang Feifei seemed tempted. After some hesitation, she finally couldn't resist the craving and gave in.

"Is it really good? Then let me have a taste..."

And so, Qin Fang and Tang Feifei put the recent troubles behind them, happily enjoying the desserts and chatting away, their time filled with ease, tenderness, and affection...

Truly an enviable sight!

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Qu Yuanliang was not the kind to have a broad mind. The likes of wealthy playboys and spoiled heirs seldom do.

When faced with something humiliating, although not necessarily vengeful by nature, he inevitably felt smothered by an urge to retaliate that he could not express.

Today, Qu Yuanliang had just such an experience. Leaving the place, his heart felt stuffy and his face was gloomy. The actress accompanying him also walked with her head down, lacking even the courage to utter a word.

Having been with Qu Yuanliang for a while, she knew his temper well enough to choose silence as the best option, lest Young Master Liang's anger turn towards her...

After all, if it came down to it, it was due to her involvement that Qu Yuanliang suffered the indignity in today's events.

"Sanshui, do me a favor..."

The more he thought about it, the more uncomfortable he felt, so Qu Yuanliang immediately took out his phone, dialed a number, and briefly instructed on a certain matter.

It wasn't until he received a satisfactory response that he felt slightly relieved, his expression turning deviously sinister.

"Mainland brat, don't think you can be so arrogant just because you have some money! This is Hong Kong Island, my turf... Hmph, just you wait..."

Without a doubt, the narrow-minded Qu Yuanliang could not let it go. Having lost face, he felt compelled to regain it; otherwise, where would Second Young Master Qu place his dignity? He promptly arranged for someone to deal with Qin Fang.

These sorts of tasks, he surely wouldn't undertake himself. There were plenty of gang members in Hong Kong Island skilled in such petty matters...

For scions like Qu Yuanliang, these gangs were often eager to curry favor, as he was seen as a deity of wealth.

For instance, the embarrassment Qu Yuanliang encountered today with Qin Fang would normally result in just taking a cheque and leaving, thus ending the matter.

But not for Qu Yuanliang. Merely a million Hong Kong dollars was enough to 'slap' his face; such a 'cheap' face was unacceptable to him, and naturally, he was deeply dissatisfied. Hence, he enlisted those gang members to target Qin Fang.

As long as they didn't kill the person, even if they ended up crippling him, it wouldn't matter too much. With some money, the gang member responsible could take the blame...

For these wealthy heirs, taking the fall and getting locked up was an eagerly embraced responsibility by many. There was no worry of him not paying, plus a hefty sum for settling down was usually paid upfront...