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Chapter 1471 - Burning Bridges

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"Yunxuan is my best friend, how could I not know what kind of person she is? Don't think you can hide it so well that I can't catch you..."

Helen seemed quite excited and said, seemingly proud of her intelligence too.

However, when she said this, she looked at Qin Fang with a rather peculiar expression, as if she was very interested in him, leaving Qin Fang no choice but to retreat.

This foreign beauty was indeed stunning, especially those sapphire blue eyes which were exceptionally gorgeous; anyone who saw them would be a little moved, Qin Fang included.

But this beauty was also fierce to the point that made Qin Fang embarrassed; some of her words had almost made Qin Fang flee instantly...

"Miss Helen, let's talk about the cooperation this time..."

Qin Fang didn't want to continue chit-chatting with this beauty who once loudly proposed to hang out with Qin Fang and Chu Yunxuan, so he naturally switched the topic to official business.

"Alright, let's discuss business then..."

Helen nodded, went to the bedroom, and brought back a document, then started discussing the cooperation matters with Qin Fang.

Chu Yunxuan has significant influence in drug research development, but management isn't his strong suit, so he just sat quietly by the side, watching Qin Fang and Helen discuss.

This negotiation was simply the first simple cooperation intention between Helen and Qin Fang, initially laying out a general framework.

Regarding the specific details, they would have to wait until these intent outlines were roughly fixed, then let the professionals from both sides negotiate...

After all, these details involve crucial issues like both parties' cost inputs, profit allocations, which decide how much profit goes to whom, so these must be meticulously calculated!

But naturally, someone would be in charge of these matters, Qin Fang and Helen obviously wouldn't stand there arguing red-faced themselves.

Just at this moment, when Qin Fang and Helen were about to start discussing, Helen's phone suddenly rang...

Helen didn't check the number, just gave an apologetic smile to Qin Fang and directly hung up, as was the essential courtesy in business situations.

But just after hanging up, when Helen was about to continue, the phone rang again...

However, Helen straightforwardly cut off the call again.

Yet the phone rang again soon, seeming to indicate something urgent.

"You should answer the call first..."

Qin Fang smiled, and said to Helen immediately, the urgency of this call aside, their matter wasn't pressing at this moment, suggesting Helen take the call first.

Helen nodded, gave an apologetic smile to Qin Fang, glanced at the number on the phone, and furrowed her brows slightly, yet hesitated before getting up to take the call.

Qin Fang didn't mind, just sat there and chatted quietly with Chu Yunxuan about trivial topics like where to have dinner and where to stay tonight...

"What?"

In the middle of their conversation, they heard Helen on the phone suddenly raise her voice a few pitches, almost shouting.

Bang~~

This stunning, fierce beauty even violently hung up the phone and then smashed the expensive phone on the ground, faintly mumbling words like "shit" and "fuck"...

Witnessing such a scene, Qin Fang and Chu Yunxuan were both stunned, unable to comprehend what kind of situation made Helen react so strongly.

Especially Chu Yunxuan, who has known Helen for many years, seemed to be witnessing Helen this angry for the first time!

However, before she could inquire, Helen had already come over.

"Qin, I'm sorry... we might need to pause our discussion temporarily!"

Helen said with an extremely apologetic look, and her face still carried obvious anger.

"What's wrong? What happened?"

Qin Fang felt it was a bit strange too, everything was fine a moment ago, but how did things change with just one phone call?

"It's all because of some fools at the headquarters... They said this cooperation affects the future profit trajectory of the entire group, so the headquarters will send the highest level negotiation team to discuss with you... So we can only pause for now, even if we reach a conclusion, the headquarters might not accept it..."

Helen tried her best to appear composed, striving to keep calm, yet her anger hadn't completely dissipated.

After listening to Helen's explanation quietly, Qin Fang also found this thing a bit odd, but couldn't say much; the reason seemed quite reasonable and even showed respect to him...

But upon closer analysis, you can see that this actually indirectly stripped Helen of her power. No wonder she's so angry.

This collaboration was initiated by Helen from the beginning, and she's been arranging and overseeing everything since. But now, as it was about to enter the negotiation stage, someone suddenly inserted themselves into the picture, taking away the power that should have belonged to her, and it seems they're planning to directly exclude her from the negotiation team.

This move by Reid Pharmaceuticals' headquarters is truly quite sneaky and quite despicable... it's like burning bridges after crossing them!

"Don't worry, let's conduct our negotiations... If your headquarters doesn't acknowledge it, then neither will I!"

However, Qin Fang remained quite calm, signaling Chu Yunxuan to comfort Helen while he smiled and said this.

The prescription for the Heart Nourishing Pill is in their hands. They are the true main body of the negotiation and naturally have the right to decide who to negotiate with.

What's more, the prescription is in Qin Fang's hands. He can give it to whomever he wants and cooperate with whomever he wants... Reid Pharmaceuticals merely has a slight initial advantage, and that's only because of Helen.

If not for Helen's involvement, Qin Fang wouldn't care about Reid Pharmaceuticals at all...

For the clinical trial of the Heart Nourishing Pill in the United States to pass, Helen put in a lot of effort, to the extent that even Qin Fang feels he's somewhat indebted to her.

Now that Helen has been set up, Qin Fang naturally wants to help her regain her footing... Otherwise, how would he repay her favor?

"Really?"

Helen was taken aback, and then her face lit up with joy, yet she still looked at Qin Fang with some disbelief, seeming to really want to know if he was serious.

"Of course it's true... You're Yunxuan's dear sister; if I don't help you, who will?"

Qin Fang wasn't particularly interested in the power struggles within these big families, nor did he want to get involved, but just focusing on the matter itself, he didn't want the negotiating party to change from Helen, someone familiar, to a stranger he had never dealt with before...

"Mwah~~"

"Qin, you're just so nice... I'm finding myself falling for you a little!"

As soon as Qin Fang said this, Helen's face immediately broke into a radiant smile, and then she gave Qin Fang a big, passionate kiss on the cheek, even saying something that left Qin Fang stunned once again.

"Helen, why don't you come be Qin Fang's concubine too, then we can keep each other company..."

Standing by, Chu Yunxuan saw her best friend feeling much better and couldn't help but tease, entering a joke without any seriousness.

"Concubine... is that like a lover? That doesn't sound bad... I could consider it! Why don't we... have a threesome now..."

Helen's Chinese wasn't particularly proficient. Although she had become much more fluent, certain vocabulary still left people speechless.

The term "concubine" seemed to be one she had heard before and vaguely knew a bit about its meaning, so she started speaking joyfully right away, even actively pulling in Qin Fang and Chu Yunxuan, shouting about having a threesome...

Though Chu Yunxuan was quite bold, especially in front of Helen, she was still somewhat overshadowed. At least, Helen could suggest having a threesome casually, while Chu Yunxuan, upon hearing it, blushed, even though she knew it was just playful talk...

"Don't... can't I just stay out of trouble?"

Qin Fang was also at a loss, immediately striking a pose as if to escape, finding the boldness of this foreign beauty too outrageous, even for someone as macho as he is...

"Alright, enough with the jokes, let's get back to business..."

After some laughter, the group didn't take the previous words seriously—it was all in jest. However, it was time to return to the main topic.

"Helen, what's the story here? This matter has been entirely your responsibility, so why the sudden change in personnel?"

Chu Yunxuan, though not versed in business matters, recognized the peculiarity of the situation, sensing an air of conspiracy.

"It's just some people getting envious..."

Talking about this, Helen couldn't help but show a trace of anger, her tone a bit sour.

"I reckon it's definitely Alex's doing..."

Yet, her mind was still pretty clear. After a brief reflection, she guessed who might have been the orchestrator behind this conspiracy.

"That bastard brother of yours?"

Upon hearing Alex's name, Chu Yunxuan surprisingly knew who it was and even used such a term to describe him... bastard.

Just hearing this word implies that Alex isn't any good...

"Who else could it be... he must see the vast future market for this drug and wants in for a share! He might even want to kick me out so he can lead the negotiations himself..."

Helen nodded, obviously quite unhappy, though her tone suggested she felt rather helpless about it...

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Although there was a small internal problem at Reid Pharmaceuticals, Qin Fang still reached a preliminary cooperation agreement with Helen about this partnership.

Overall, Qin Fang would provide the technology, while Reid Pharmaceutical Group would provide the funds and equipment, in exchange for the sales rights in Europe and America.

Regarding profit-sharing, naturally, Qin Fang would take the majority, about seventy percent, while Reid Pharmaceutical Group would only get about thirty percent but would still receive considerable benefits.

After all, Reid Pharmaceuticals is a globally renowned enterprise, possessing strong backup forces, abundant funds, complete infrastructure, and well-established sales channels... these are all things Qin Fang lacks.

The reason Helen agreed to only take thirty percent of the shares is because she sees this cooperation very clearly and knows that even without collaborating with Reid Pharmaceuticals, Qin Fang could still choose other large-scale pharmaceutical groups to cooperate with...

However, Helen was also a bit worried.

This cooperation was initially smooth, but suddenly her troublesome brother intervened, fearing that this originally easy-to-secure partnership might face some changes because of it.

Because the prospects for this cooperation were very promising, the profits were extremely considerable, even a business guaranteed to make big money.

Given her troublesome brother's pathetic brain cells and his self-righteous personality, he might make some very unwise decisions for a tiny bit of interest...

This was why Helen was furious and smashed her phone when she heard the decision from the headquarters. She had already faintly guessed this possibility at that moment.

"Qin... the negotiating team from the headquarters will come over tomorrow, I'm worried..."

Although she hadn't interacted much with Qin Fang, Helen had already seen the extraordinary traits of this man. After some thought, she expressed her concerns, which were also a pre-arranged hint.

"Don't worry, I know what I'm doing..."

Qin Fang smiled. He had witnessed enough backstabbing for petty gains and failures due to greed.

He had the technology in hand, placing him in an absolutely advantageous position. Collaborating with the Reid Group was just to save time and effort in developing the market...

If anyone acted inappropriately, Qin Fang wouldn't hesitate to exclude certain people, and it wouldn't be impossible to switch to another company if necessary!

Qin Fang was confident, and although Helen was also considering the group's interests, she was helpless, hoping that the company's think tank wouldn't make decisions like her troublesome brother...

In the end, Qin Fang didn't get to have a threesome with Chu Yunxuan and Helen Dayangma...

Even as Helen kept teasing Qin Fang, it was mostly just talk, with no actual actions taken...

Considering the negotiating team from Reid Group would arrive the next day, and with Qin Fang having no place to stay in Jiangzhou, and Chu Yunxuan not wanting to return to her aunt's house, they booked a suite at the Jiangzhou Hotel.

A strong and energetic young man, paired with a mature and experienced woman who hadn't tasted passion for months, full of fire and chemistry, the night was filled with sweat and sounds of intimacy...

On one of the floors of the tall building, a naked beauty leaned against the giant floor-to-ceiling window while the equally unclothed man behind her worked diligently...

The flashing lights outside, reflecting on this City That Never Sleeps in the East, intensified the emotions of the young couple, continuing their escapade into the night...

Ultimately, the two fell asleep in each other's arms, in a state of intimacy and unity, but their bodies still glowed with a faint aura, maintaining their cultivation even in such a state...

The night passed without a word.

It wasn't until noon the next day that Qin Fang and Chu Yunxuan got up.

Not because they were lazy, but simply because with Qin Fang's vigorous energy, a morning snuggle extended all the way to noon.

If not for Chu Yunxuan being unable to withstand Qin Fang's strong physique and vibrant energy, the action might have continued...

Midway, Helen called to ask if they wanted to have breakfast together, but upon hearing Chu Yunxuan's panting over the phone, she tactfully hung up.

It wasn't until noon that Chu Yunxuan fled into her room, indicating that the action had finally ended...

"Is he really that strong?"

As her best friend, Helen couldn't resist teasing Chu Yunxuan, but the answer shocked her, even as someone who had seen many European and American hunks.

"He's trained in martial arts, his physical strength far surpasses that of ordinary people..."

Chu Yunxuan shook her head with a wry smile.

Without experiencing it firsthand, one wouldn't know how strong that man is. Ordinary guys might be small fry compared to him, he's like a nuclear weapon.

The abundant True Qi supported his body, and his strength was astonishingly formidable. Combined with the fact that Joyous Zen itself provides exceptional assistance to men, even though Chu Yunxuan herself possessed Joyous Zen True Qi, she still felt weak all over due to Qin Fang...

"Martial arts? Martial Arts Expert? Kung fu?"

Upon hearing this, Helen immediately showed an excited smile and even cheerfully struck a pose.

The Dragon Country's kung fu has long been renowned globally. Although it has become quite fantastic and unrealistic due to cinematic embellishments, foreigners think of one thing when they hear 'Dragon Country'—kung fu!

Helen was no exception. When she decided to befriend Chu Yunxuan, aside from sharing the same major, it was because she thought that Chu Yunxuan from the Dragon Country might know kung fu.

The result, naturally, was quite disappointing. Chu Yunxuan was just an ordinary girl; having some combat skills was good, but it was only limited to military boxing, and she learned Karate together with Helen...

"Yes, kung fu... He's very powerful!"

Compared to Chu Yunxuan from many years ago who knew nothing, she now had some foundation, her Inner Strength had achieved some accomplishments, and she was more than ten times more powerful than before.

"Really that powerful?"

Helen was still a bit skeptical. Kung fu in the movies was too illusory; it was either wire-fu or special effects, just too fake.

Moreover, she had spent a fair amount of time in the Dragon Country, meeting some who practiced combat and Sanda, but they were just normal combat techniques and she had never seen those legendary Martial Arts Experts!

"Of course..."

Speaking of this, Chu Yunxuan nodded very proudly.

"Actually, he taught me some. I'll show you..."

Thinking it over, Chu Yunxuan felt that merely talking wasn't intuitive enough. She looked around and picked up an ashtray from the table.

This ashtray was just a regular wooden one, but made from solid wood, quite sturdy, and even average men couldn't break it.

Yet, Chu Yunxuan held it in her hand, pinched it with her fingers, then gently snapped it, easily breaking off a corner of the ashtray...

"Hmm?"

Helen was suddenly shocked, immediately took the ashtray from Chu Yunxuan's hand, checked it all over, seemingly seeing if there was any crack.

She even tried to exert force, but the ashtray didn't move an inch, not responding at all...

Chu Yunxuan smiled, took back the ashtray, and with a pinch, crack, crack, crack... just like that, she crushed a once fine ashtray into many wooden fragments!

"Too... too amazing!"

Helen knew how strong Chu Yunxuan was before, not even as strong as Helen who always kept herself fit and exercised, her physical condition was much better than Chu Yunxuan.

But now, even though Helen didn't know what kind of martial arts Chu Yunxuan practiced, the increase in her strength far exceeded before.

"Yunxuan, this kung fu... Please teach me?"

Helen immediately embraced Chu Yunxuan tightly, pleading with her eyes filled with earnestness.

Others might not know, but Chu Yunxuan knew well. Helen, due to having part Dragon Country heritage, naturally felt very close to the Dragon Country, especially in her love for Dragon Country kung fu, even once joking about marrying a Dragon Country Martial Arts Expert...

Of course, it was just a youthful jest that even Chu Yunxuan didn't take seriously, but Helen was indeed passionate about learning kung fu.

Otherwise, she wouldn't have learned Karate, Taekwondo, Sanda and so on; she had learned almost every combat skill she could find, yet remained only a half-baked student.

"This... I'm afraid not! This is Inner Strength; it can't be taught so easily!"

Chu Yunxuan responded hesitantly.

Inner Strength is not like other combat skills. It's said that many in the Martial World have spent their entire lives merely standing at the threshold, unable to cross in.

For instance, Qin Fang's senior sister Cai Qing practiced her external techniques up to Level 5, but couldn't train her Inner Strength, leaving Qin Fang's master Cai Pingyuan lamenting the lack of successors!

"There really is Inner Strength?"

Unexpectedly, Chu Yunxuan's words instantly changed Helen's demeanor, her sapphire blue eyes immediately shining with excitement, asking eagerly.

Helen had been in the Dragon Country for quite some time, hired many instructors to teach her kung fu, learned various combat techniques, but never encountered anyone who knew Inner Strength. She nearly believed Inner Strength only existed in legends, a mere fabrication of the ancients...

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It's actually not surprising to see this kind of situation.

Inner Sect Experts aren't many, as they typically belong to martial arts sects.

And those experts are usually busy with cultivation, aiming to take that crucial step forward to reach the Master Level, so they can then accept disciples openly.

Those martial arts schools in the mundane world are mostly run by people practicing external martial arts or by those who are not even considered proper practitioners. They have only a superficial understanding of Inner Strength, so having them teach disciples is nonsense...

Generally, an Inner Sect Expert who can openly accept disciples takes inheritance very seriously, passing it only to formal disciples. How could they casually take on a disciple and teach them real skills?

Especially now, the martial arts schools that accept students are merely for collecting tuition; they don't even hold formal apprenticeship ceremonies. The ones taken on this way are not disciples, merely students.

That's exactly what Helen's previous experiences were like. She wasn't short of money, but truly learning real skills was absolutely impossible...

What's more, the cultivation of Inner Strength typically begins at a young age. At her age, her body is already formed, and even if she had the talent for Inner Strength, she couldn't achieve anything significant. Those masters would never pass on their legacy to her.

"Yes! There's really a way..."

Chu Yunxuan didn't believe in the existence of Inner Strength before. But facts have proven that not only does Inner Strength exist, but those legendary martial arts also exist.

She even knows that Qin Fang has learned a Light Body Technique. Although it's not possible to fly around as shown in TV dramas, simple feats like scaling walls or gliding close to the ground are achievable...

"How did you learn it?"

Knowing the existence of Inner Strength made Helen even more excited. Looking back, she quickly identified the crux of the matter and asked curiously.

"This..."

Chu Yunxuan was taken aback, and her expression became quite peculiar.

She's well aware of how her Inner Strength came about, it naturally developed through the joint cultivation of Joyous Zen with Qin Fang.

But can she really tell Helen this?

Knowing Helen's fierce passion for martial arts, Chu Yunxuan worried what kind of actions this wild girl might take if she found out. Even though Chu Yunxuan wouldn't mind having another sister, or even gaining an ally in Qin Fang's harem, the issue was... Helen was her best friend. Could she really drag her into this?

"Yunxuan, just tell me..."

Seeing Chu Yunxuan's hesitation, Helen's eyes lit up. Sensing a breakthrough, she immediately clung to Chu Yunxuan's arm, pleading playfully.

She even cheekily extended her hand to Chu Yunxuan's armpit, tickling her vigorously... No one knew this weak spot of Chu Yunxuan better than her.

"Ha ha ha ha ha..."

This was indeed Chu Yunxuan's Achilles' heel. Every time someone tickled her, she would go limp and helpless, just laughing uncontrollably.

"Stop, stop... I'll tell you! Isn't it enough that I'm telling you?"

Helen had hit Chu Yunxuan's weak spot, leaving her with no choice but to surrender powerlessly.

With those words, Helen finally let Chu Yunxuan off.

Chu Yunxuan was evidently still a bit conflicted, but seeing Helen's insistent look, she could only sigh helplessly, then leaned over to Helen's ear, whispering softly about how she gained her Inner Strength!

Recalling the experience, Chu Yunxuan couldn't help but reminisce about the beautiful past, and even last night's fierce battle, which made her face blush a delicate rosy hue.

"Really?"

Helen listened quietly. Upon hearing about such a quick way to gain Inner Strength, her beautiful eyes widened in shock!

Smooch~~

Seemingly to celebrate learning this secret, Helen enthusiastically embraced Chu Yunxuan, giving her a sweet, affectionate kiss!

Thankfully, Helen was a woman; otherwise, Qin Fang would definitely be insanely jealous!

"Helen, we are best friends... so I just want to advise you, even though you can gain skills this way, I hope you don't get too involved yourself!"

Seeing Helen's excited expression, Chu Yunxuan increasingly felt that this girl really might harbor some ideas that she was unwilling to imagine.

"Hehe, got it, got it... I definitely won't compete with you for a man! At most, I'll just join you and accompany him for a romp... That way, I can learn Inner Strength too!"

Sure enough, Helen didn't hide anything about it, and actually said with a smile.

But with such a smile and tone, Chu Yunxuan felt slightly relieved. Knowing Helen well, she understood that Helen was just joking and didn't take it seriously.

"Three farts... I don't mind, but with a physique like yours, I'm afraid you can't even last one round!"

Since it was a joke, Chu Yunxuan also replied cheerfully, taking a jab at Helen's combat ability, which was less than five...

After a bout of playful banter, the matter was set aside for the time being, and the two of them went out together to the restaurant for a meal.

Qin Fang arrived slightly earlier than them. The restaurant at Jiangzhou Hotel was considered one of the best in Jiangzhou, attracting either the wealthy or those of significant status, making the seating quite limited. Qin Fang had to wake up early to grab a spot.

By the time Chu Yunxuan and Helen arrived, it was already half an hour after Qin Fang had left...

Qin Fang didn't say much about this half-hour wait; women are naturally dawdling. Delaying only half an hour was already giving a lot of face, considering how some can take one or two hours just to do their makeup.

Of course, Qin Fang couldn't possibly know that Chu Yunxuan and Helen had been passionately discussing all aspects of him in the room... especially certain abilities!

"Why are you looking at me like that?"

Qin Fang did notice one thing, though, and that was how Helen's gaze at him felt a bit off, seemingly increasingly interested.

Though not to an obvious extent, the keen-eyed Qin Fang could still catch a hint of longing in Helen's eyes, hence his question.

"Can't I just look? I'm just curious; you don't seem that robust, so how can you make Yunxuan float so between ecstasy and exhaustion..."

The bold and unrestrained Helen, indeed not holding back, boldly said this to Qin Fang.

Though spoken in a joking manner, it still made both Qin Fang and Chu Yunxuan feel a bit awkward.

"Helen, I'm going to rip your mouth off..."

Chu Yunxuan's face turned crimson, feeling utterly embarrassed by Helen's words. While it was true, it was something suitable for girl talk, not to be said in front of Qin Fang, making her too shy to even lift her head.

Qin Fang felt relatively better; after all, as a man, Helen's words were somewhat of a compliment to him. Though a bit awkward, it wasn't outright embarrassing.

On the contrary, it even inflated his pride in front of a foreigner... too bad the contest was with Chu Yunxuan and not Helen, or he could almost call it a national honor!

"Uh, probably best not to have such thoughts..."

The sudden thought startled Qin Fang a little, but he quickly dismissed it.

Fortunately, the restaurant had private booths with enough separation, and the soft music inside covered up any sounds, so there was no worry of others overhearing them.

Otherwise, it would have been even more awkward for them.

Luckily, Helen only said that one line and didn't go further. The group tacitly focused on eating, avoiding any more awkwardness.

"Qin, I heard you know kung fu?"

After a while, having had a simple meal, the atmosphere had eased a lot. Helen became lively again and looked at Qin Fang expectantly with a question.

"Mm, I know a little..."

Qin Fang, without much thought, nodded lightly and admitted.

"Is it impressive?"

Though she had known beforehand, hearing it from Qin Fang still excited Helen, prompting her to ask further.

"Well... It's okay, I guess!"

Qin Fang paused, then replied quite modestly.

It's actually hard to say whether his current strength is impressive.

Compared with experts at the same level as him, Qin Fang could be deemed unbeatable, having already defeated several grandmaster-level experts. Naturally, he wouldn't take peers lightly.

But compared to those true masters, he was relatively weak... not to mention Elder Alai of The Green Gang, a grandmaster-level expert. Without relying on the Traceless Snow Stepping Technique, he would have been gravely injured by him. Although he might survive, he would definitely suffer, with the difference being simply too great!

Grandmaster-level experts, in the martial arts golden age of the past, were merely stepping into the scene, only capable of opening a small martial arts school or a security agency at most. Only grandmaster-level experts had the qualifications to establish sects...

However, with martial arts in decline and the world's changes, many people found it impossible to cultivate inner sect skills, or advancing to higher levels became extremely difficult... This is what made even commonplace grandmaster-level experts become sought after!

In mundane society, the presence of a grandmaster-level expert could give rise to a martial arts family. While this family might not last very long, it could potentially grow over time, like how the Lei Family developed due to Elder Lei...

But true masters, such as grandmasters, great grandmasters, and even higher-level top experts, still exist within those ancient sects with longstanding heritage...

Chapter 1474 - Enemies Meet!

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"Can you teach me martial arts?"

Of course, Helen didn't know about these things. She finally discovered an Inner Sect Expert and naturally wanted to ingratiate herself, so she cautiously asked.

Her pair of sapphire eyes were filled with anticipation, but there was also a hint of worry... as if she was afraid Qin Fang would reject her!

Qin Fang was also taken aback. He subconsciously looked over at Chu Yunxuan and seeing that she didn't have any strange reaction, he gently nodded.

"I'll teach you a few moves when I have time! If you practice well, three or five people won't be able to get close to you..."

Qin Fang wasn't boasting. His National Arts Skill had reached the advanced level, just one step away from the grandmaster level, and his own cultivation was even higher. Teaching Helen some martial arts was not a problem.

"But... but I want to learn Inner Strength..."

However, right after Qin Fang spoke, Helen's eyes flickered, and she quickly added eagerly.

"Uh..."

This left Qin Fang looking surprised. He glanced again at Chu Yunxuan and saw that she too had a strange expression, which left him a bit puzzled.

"I'm afraid that's not possible... Inner Strength is trained from a young age. Your bones have already set, and you've passed the golden age for learning martial arts!"

Qin Fang shook his head in response.

Not to mention whether Helen had the foundation for martial arts, the age issue alone had already blocked her from the doors of Inner Sect martial arts.

It's like how Qin Fang was at first. If Cai Pingyuan hadn't discovered that Qin Fang possessed Inner Breath, he wouldn't have considered taking a disciple... Because Qin Fang was already eighteen or

nineteen, past the prime age, his progress was already much slower than others, meaning that even with cultivation, his achievements wouldn't be too high!

In the martial world, thirty is a threshold!

If you can reach the master level before thirty, you have a good chance of reaching higher levels in the future...

But if you haven't broken through to the master level before thirty, then you'll be stuck at that level for life. Although there might occasionally be some extraordinarily lucky anomalies, they are extremely rare.

Because of this limitation, the length of cultivation time is also crucial for martial artists since building a foundation to reach the master level indeed takes a significant amount of time...

Starting from a young age, for example at six or seven years old, means by thirty you would have been practicing martial arts for over twenty years...

But if you start late, like Qin Fang, who only began building a foundation at eighteen or nineteen, by thirty it would only be around ten years...

Not to mention someone like Helen, who's already twenty-five. Without considering anything else, just the foundation alone might mean she's already over thirty... that's simply impossible!

"Is there no other way?"

Helen clearly was not willing to give up, and curiously asked again.

It seemed she knew Chu Yunxuan had some concerns, so she didn't mention the third rate issue, just inquired if there was any other way.

"It's not that there isn't a way... it's just not suitable for you!"

Qin Fang shook his head in response.

There indeed are ways...

In martial arts novels, it's common for protagonists to consume spiritual treasures and instantly gain decades of power. This is not impossible.

These spiritual treasures naturally refer to spiritual medicines filled with Heaven and Earth Spiritual Qi.

In ancient times, spending a huge fortune could possibly buy some spiritual medicine... but for ordinary people, consuming spiritual medicine is akin to courting death.

Gaining decades of power might be an exaggeration, but if a spiritual medicine is fully absorbed, it indeed equates to decades of True Qi cultivation of an Inner Sect Expert.

The problem is, the meridians and internal organs of Inner Sect Experts have been honed by decades of Inner Strength, capable of enduring such level of True Qi.

But ordinary people cannot. With their fragile and narrow meridians, such violent spiritual energy rushing in results in only one outcome... meridians shattering, body exploding!

There is a way to tackle this issue, which requires at least a grandmaster-level expert to use their profound True Qi to first sort out and widen the meridians of the one consuming the medicine, allowing the meridians to hold more True Qi and withstand greater pressure!

But doing this is also extremely risky. First, it would harm the elemental energy of the grandmaster-level expert, potentially taking many years to fully recover, and secondly, it may not meet the desired requirements and could still fail...

So that's why Qin Fang said that although there is a way, it's not suitable for Helen!

Helen is indeed a young lady from a wealthy family with substantial assets, but it's not enough to risk a grandmaster-level expert's essential energy to help her expand her meridians...

Plus, Helen is unlikely to find spiritual medicine!

Spiritual medicines are scarcely seen today, mostly held by ancient sects. If a spiritual medicine is accidentally discovered, it would surely be fought over by many experts and forces, possibly leading to a bloody massacre...

This is not a joke because such things have indeed happened!

Moreover, just a few years ago, it was said that someone discovered a mystical herb in a secluded valley on the African savannah, a gathering place for a primitive tribe, located on their sacred mountain.

Somehow, this information got out, and numerous experts from the underground world flocked to that grassland, all vying for that mystical herb.

The result was predictable...

Countless underground world experts perished there, and even the innocent primitive tribe was completely wiped out, blood truly flowing like rivers, flooding the entire valley and creating a blood pond!

But later, the matter was left unresolved because no one knew who took the mystical herb away, and it never appeared again...

This shows just how incredibly alluring this mystical herb is!

Not to mention whether Helen could obtain it, even if she could, it would definitely not be a good thing for her as an ordinary person...

Even for Qin Fang, who holds such a superb spiritual medicine as Golden Dragon Saliva, he still tries to stay low-key, not daring to easily reveal it...

Currently, only he himself, Song Qingshan, Cai Pingyuan, and Su Xiaoxiao know, almost all considered his close companions who would never betray him.

Moreover, Golden Dragon Saliva is the source of power for the puppet person, making them an almost invincible presence against bullets and blades, and as long as Qin Fang doesn't agree, no one else can seize it!

"Oh..."

Looking at Qin Fang's helpless expression, Helen's mood was a bit downcast as well, seeming a bit disappointed, but she didn't elaborate further.

As she lowered her head in thought, her gaze occasionally drifted towards Qin Fang, revealing a conflicted look as if she was contemplating something.

As a result, everyone remained silent, and the atmosphere turned quiet...

"Huh..."

However, this silent atmosphere soon changed, sparked by a surprised sound from Helen. Her eyes revealed deep astonishment, even freezing in place.

Qin Fang and Chu Yunxuan both paused, curiously turning their heads to follow Helen's gaze, just in time to see a few people being escorted in by a server at the entrance of the restaurant.

Including the server, there were three people in total...

All three were foreign men!

Among them, Qin Fang recognized one, it happened to be Pete, whom he had met briefly yesterday, but the other two men were strangers.

However...

When Qin Fang turned his head back nonchalantly, he discovered that Chu Yunxuan's face had turned deathly pale.

"Yunxuan, what's wrong? Are you feeling unwell?"

Qin Fang immediately asked with concern, and promptly took Chu Yunxuan's pulse by holding her wrist, but her pulse was normal, showing no signs of illness.

"Ron..."

Chu Yunxuan didn't speak, her face ghastly white, but it was Helen beside her who said through gritted teeth, "That bastard dared to show up... I'm going to teach him a lesson now!"

Almost speaking as such, Helen immediately stood up, intending to rush over and hit him!

"Hmm?"

Qin Fang was taken aback upon hearing this.

Although he knew who Ron was and the harm Ron had done to Chu Yunxuan, he couldn't recognize him when they actually bumped into each other, as Chu Yunxuan always did her best to avoid recalling that man's face, so naturally, Qin Fang didn't recognize him...

But now that Helen said his name and looked so infuriated, how could Qin Fang not realize that Ron was the very person he needed to deal with?

"You sit down..."

Even though the enemy was right in front of him, taking revenge was clearly not something that required others' involvement, especially since Helen didn't have the capability, at most she'd just give a slap for some petty satisfaction.

But such a revenge would be too petty and too simple, not even close to satisfying the anger... So, Qin Fang simply wouldn't bother, saving his energy instead!

Qin Fang flicked his wrist, grasping Helen's departing wrist and easily pulling her back...

Helen, by instinct, tried to break free, but Qin Fang's large hand was as solid as a machine, remaining unmoving no matter how she struggled.

With Qin Fang applying a little more force, she involuntarily stepped back and obediently sat back in her original seat...

"What are you doing?"

Helen was a bit angry, immediately speaking with some fury, clearly dissatisfied with Qin Fang's actions.

"Don't interfere in this matter... What that guy owes Yunxuan, I'll make him pay back tenfold, a hundredfold!"

However, Qin Fang spoke with undeniable dominance.

Glancing slightly towards Ron, though not seeing him, Qin Fang spoke with grim coldness in his voice...

Chapter 1475 - Foreign Playboy Heir!

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Qin Fang originally had no intention of letting go of that despicable man Ron, who hurt Chu Yunxuan, but Ron had been hiding in the United States, so Qin Fang never had the opportunity.

Originally, Qin Fang planned to find an opportunity to go to the United States and conveniently deal with this Ron... but never expected this guy to deliver himself willingly.

If it were in the United States, that place isn't his turf, and at most, Qin Fang would just shoot a cold bullet to send this guy to the afterlife...

But now that he has come to the Dragon Country himself, Qin Fang's eyes flickered as he pondered how to make this guy suffer even more miserably!

Death isn't necessarily the worst thing! There are actually things much more tragic than death...

Qin Fang was considering this while also mulling over arranging his plan!

The reason not to let Helen go up and slap Ron a few times is not only because it wouldn't vent his anger but also because Qin Fang knew Helen couldn't succeed...

Those three just now, Pete and Ron are ordinary people, although they look a bit robust, they're not much to fear, but that third person is different.

This person should be Ron's bodyguard or the like, but he is indeed troublesome, although a foreigner, who hasn't cultivated any of the Dragon Country's Inner Strength, his power has reached Level 6, with a very solid killing aura... this already speaks to his strength.

In this world, great strength is not only measured by Inner Strength, Dragon Country is just one country on Earth, even by population, it's merely one-fifth, just a part of it.

This means that there are quite a number of international experts, besides the martial artists of the Dragon Country, there are also many other very powerful experts.

Just like the Underground World, several alliances jointly control most of the power in the Underground World, but there are still many who remain outside these alliances, and these wandering forces are not weak at all, even collectively stronger than any major alliance...

The reason they are called wandering forces is mainly that most are like lone wolves, who enjoy freedom and don't like to be restricted, thus are unwilling to join those alliances!

Among these experts, there are not many Dragon Country experts, but quite a number from other countries or regions... everyone has their own special skills, their own skills for survival, and their strength is not necessarily inferior to the Grandmaster Level, Grandmaster Level, or Great Grandmaster Level of Dragon Country martial artists...

As to how those people elevated their levels, Qin Fang is not sure, perhaps they calculate it according to another system...

But one thing is certain, starting from Level 6, essentially every level is a hurdle, and each time one crosses a level it equates to crossing a hurdle, their power also rapidly increases.

So seeing this Level 6 expert beside Ron, Qin Fang couldn't help being secretly cautious as well!

Qin Fang has killed many Level 6 Grandmasters so far, but most of these people were martial arts experts, such as Shangguan Tianling, Tang Nan, or Japan's Ma Shengye, Kondo Ryota, etc...

It seems that until now, among the Level 6 experts he's killed, there hasn't been one who reached Level 6 without martial arts, this foreign man seems to be the first!

Qin Fang isn't someone impulsive, he must give significant attention to these experts whose strength cannot be judged...

Dealing with Ron is certain, but how to deal with him, how to make Ron suffer more miserably than death, requires Qin Fang to gradually contemplate his move.

As Qin Fang was mentioning Ron here, Ron on the other side was also discussing Qin Fang's situation here.

"Ron, did you see earlier?"

After sitting down, Pete couldn't help but say a bit impatiently.

As a matter of fact, when Qin Fang went down to the restaurant to book a place, Pete had already known about it, even knowing exactly which spot they were seated.

He didn't show up earlier because he was waiting for Ron from the United States, then he directly brought Ron over...

Eating was one purpose, mainly it was to let Ron see Chu Yunxuan and Qin Fang!

"Hmm, I saw it..."

Ron nodded, his face seemed still quite calm, not showing any apparent emotions!

But in reality, he was raging inside... especially seeing Chu Yunxuan snuggling close to Qin Fang in that intimate posture infuriated him to no end!

"That woman is mine! No one else is allowed to touch her..."

Ron even roared in his heart like this, the resentment in his heart surging more intensely than ever!

Although Ron had been dating Chu Yunxuan for nearly a year, he never had any intimate contact with her.

It's not that Ron was lacking in certain areas; rather, Ron had exceptional self-control, and he was most afraid that he would soften during moments of passion or accidentally reveal his schemes in his sleep.

Therefore, throughout the year, he kept sweet-talking and deceiving Chu Yunxuan, but he never touched her, at most he'd simply hold her hand...

It's precisely because of this that he could abandon Chu Yunxuan without any psychological burden and take away the scientific research project she had meticulously prepared. This betrayal almost completely devastated her.

But more than a year later, when he saw Chu Yunxuan again, especially seeing Qin Fang and Chu Yunxuan in their "happy" state, his heart filled with boundless jealousy and hatred.

Almost with just that one glance, Qin Fang's position in his eyes instantly changed from "opponent" to "mortal enemy."

"I've conducted a simple investigation..."

Seeing Ron's bland demeanor, Pete slightly furrowed his brow, unsure of what was really going on in Ron's mind.

But he didn't mind, so he took out a file and pushed it in front of Ron, briefly introducing the situation.

"According to the information I received, Miss Chu is planning to cooperate with Reid Pharmaceuticals to jointly develop this new drug... This seems to be influenced by the private relationship between Miss Chu and Miss Helen!"

Ron nodded; during his relationship with Chu Yunxuan, he also had a good relationship with Helen.

Even though they had known each other before, their backgrounds and identities kept them from being very familiar, as their families were considered rivals.

It wasn't until he met Chu Yunxuan that their relationship slightly improved and they became more acquainted. Naturally, Ron knew Chu Yunxuan and Helen were extremely good friends!

With this relationship established, the cooperation becomes easier to understand...

Although Ron despised the Dragon Country people's fondness for networking, viewing it as highly irrational behavior, when he himself did business with Dragon Country people, he used the same approach... Even deceiving Chu Yunxuan involved this method!

"But yesterday, I received information that the heir from the Reid Group seems to be planning to interfere with this cooperation; I think... it might bring some changes!"

Pete continued.

Watching Ron unperturbed, Pete gradually revealed his trump card.

"Hmm? Interesting..."

The previous content had some value, but it was relatively limited, so Ron's interest wasn't very high. However, the later news made him pause slightly, showing a faint smile on his face, and his eyes changed a bit.

He pulled out a checkbook, quickly wrote a series of numbers, then tore it off and tossed it to Pete, simply instructing, "Continue gathering information. I want the latest, fastest updates... especially regarding the heir from the Reid Group!"

Reid Pharmaceuticals Group is a considerably large group in the United States; it ranks quite high in the pharmaceutical industry, with its company size ranking third in the nation.

However, there's something where the Reid Group surpasses the other two, which is that the heir of the Reid Group is Alex...

This man is truly a scion, a second-generation heir, and one of the most famous playboys in the United States. Almost every week, you'll see his name or photo in tabloid magazines.

This second-generation heir plays with an endless variety of things, limited only by your imagination; nothing is beyond him, from luxury cars to planes to yachts... he has them all in abundance. It's said he even plans to buy an uninhabited island in the Pacific Ocean to develop himself, intending to bring his women there to become king.

Of course, the expenditures of this second-generation heir are extremely large, nearly astronomical figures.

But oddly enough, he's the only legitimate heir of the Reid Group; Helen, although his sister, is half-sister and only has a share of the stocks, whereas the ultimate inheritance rights are in Alex's hands!

And everyone knows the relationship between the siblings is not good at all, one might say it's quite bad!

This is normal; the heir, Alex, is a scion with no skills, narrow-minded, greedy, and exceedingly lustful...

On the other hand, Helen, who has no inheritance rights, enjoys life all the same but has commercial talents far beyond Alex...

Most believe this cooperation is due to the good private relationship between Chu Yunxuan and Helen, making it possible to reach this cooperative intent; even if other companies knew, it would be hard to compete.

But if Alex were to step in, then things would become quite uncertain... Given his usual character, completely ruining this potentially lucrative deal is certainly not impossible!

Moreover, Ron is well aware that Alex has been harboring thoughts about Chu Yunxuan all along and even tried to make a move on her before; only Ron's presence prevented him from doing so to avoid a conflict...

Now with Alex representing the Reid Group to negotiate cooperation matters with Chu Yunxuan, the chances of a fiasco have instantly increased by more than thirty percent...

Chapter 1476 - First Meeting with Alex!

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Qin Fang and Ron, although both secretly plotting against each other, didn't end up in any confrontation during their first meeting. They just finished their meals and went back to their rooms.

After a brief rest, Qin Fang came out with Chu Yunxuan, as Reid Group's negotiation team had arrived in Jiangzhou and smoothly checked into the hotel.

Perhaps because the relationship between Alex and Helen, the siblings, was really bad, they didn't even want to stay in the same hotel together.

Reid Pharmaceuticals' negotiation team stayed at the International Holiday Hotel, which is not far from Jiangzhou Hotel. It is also a five-star hotel, only slightly less upscale than Jiangzhou Hotel.

Qin Fang had already learned some of Alex's quirks from Helen, such as being lustful and narrow-minded... However, the siblings had one thing in common: they both sought the best in terms of life enjoyment!

Qin Fang didn't really care about these. With Helen leading the way, he went to the other party's hotel for a brief meeting.

As for the specific negotiation details, there's no rush, because Qin Fang had already called a negotiation team over from Ninghai...

After all, the general outline of the negotiation had been discussed with Helen, and it was more appropriate to leave the specific details to professionals. Qin Fang, as the big boss behind the scenes, if he had to personally handle such things, wouldn't he be overwhelmed?

As for Alex not being able to see the initial cooperation intention proposal he asked for, that's not something Qin Fang needs to worry about. Helen will communicate with Reid Group on it...

If it goes through, then naturally everything will be fine, and the negotiation teams on both sides will discuss and compete over the specific details...

If it doesn't go through, then it's simple: Qin Fang will immediately give up this cooperation, find new partners, and exclude Reid Group...

At the International Holiday Hotel, Qin Fang, Chu Yunxuan, and Helen met with representatives from Reid Group. Apart from the specific negotiation personnel, the team was led by a vice-president of Reid Group, with several professional managers working in coordination.

Of course, Qin Fang took a quick look, and it seemed the real voice of the team was still that of Helen's so-called disciple, Reid Pharmaceuticals' second-generation heir, Alex...

Alex was very handsome, with a bit of a Brad Pitt feel, but even more striking in appearance. The only thing uncomfortable to look at was the trace of lewdness always present in his smile, making it obvious he was a lecher...

As soon as this guy appeared, he immediately zeroed in on Chu Yunxuan like a fly, practically pouncing on her right away, showering her with all sorts of attentiveness, almost making Chu Yunxuan angry on the spot.

As for Qin Fang, he was directly ignored by Alex, as if he were air, not even bothering to spare a glance...

"I'm sorry, Mr. Alex, you're being quite rude. My boyfriend will get angry..."

Facing Alex, this eager beast, Chu Yunxuan wanted to get angry but couldn't, because this time the guy was just nagging without doing anything too extreme.

But Chu Yunxuan wasn't entirely helpless either, immediately taking Qin Fang's arm and expressing her anger.

"Your boyfriend?"

Only then did Alex notice Qin Fang who had come along, and couldn't help scrutinizing him.

The clothes and accessories he wore, such as his watch and tie, were naturally not Alex's criteria for assessment. After all, with Chu Yunxuan's status, purchasing high-end attire wasn't a big deal, and those external things were essentially meaningless.

The focus was more on observing Qin Fang's appearance, demeanor, and some intrinsic qualities, but Alex felt a bit let down...

Although there's a certain difference in aesthetic preferences between Western and Eastern men, generally speaking, some handsome men are recognized by both.

Evidently, Qin Fang seemed somewhat ordinary, at least in Alex's eyes, there was almost no difference between Qin Fang and other Dragon Country people...

"A man like this paired with a woman as outstanding as Chu Yunxuan is truly a waste..."

That was Alex's first impression of Qin Fang.

"Miss Chu, your boyfriend... tsk tsk!"

Alex was never one for being subtle; to those in opposing positions, he was never polite.

He was deeply interested in Chu Yunxuan, having had such thoughts from the first time he saw her, but unfortunately never succeeded.

Later, Ron's appearance made him temporarily give up, mainly because he didn't want to make things too tense with Ron... After all, neither of their identities were simple, and if they really fought, neither would come out well!

But when he heard about Ron betraying Chu Yunxuan, Alex intended to make a move on her, only to find out she had already flown back to Dragon Country and hadn't returned to the United States, forcing him to abandon the pursuit, especially since he had plenty of women around him...

Over the past year or so, Alex has almost completely forgotten about Chu Yunxuan, and at this moment, his perpetually annoying sister, Helen, suddenly proposed a cooperation project to the company.

This cooperation project was centered around a new drug, owned by the very person he had nearly forgotten—Chu Yunxuan. This unexpected news immediately caught his interest.

He then utilized his influence within the company to successfully snatch the negotiation rights from Helen and personally came to the Dragon Country.

This cooperation was naturally very important. Even someone as brainless as Alex knew that it was extremely significant for Reid Pharmaceuticals, and absolutely nothing could go wrong...

However, the moment he saw the dazzlingly beautiful Chu Yunxuan, his lecherous heart was instantly stirred, immediately buzzing around her like a fly!

"Please show some respect..."

Hearing Alex's words, Chu Yunxuan almost instantly bristled, quickly retorting in an extremely cold tone.

Alex always had a foul mouth, but when he spoke about Chu Yunxuan it was nothing. However, using that tone to speak about Qin Fang was something Chu Yunxuan couldn't accept.

"Yunxuan, it's alright..."

However, Qin Fang just smiled, indicating that he wasn't bothered at all.

Although Chu Yunxuan wanted to say something, she ultimately held back, but her gaze at Alex was filled with displeasure.

"Haha, Miss Chu, it seems your boyfriend is quite sensible..."

Alex didn't mind Chu Yunxuan's reaction; in fact, he expected it. He had long known that Chu Yunxuan had such a personality.

Ignoring Chu Yunxuan's anger, he sarcastically addressed Qin Fang's attitude.

Perhaps in his view, Qin Fang's reaction could only indicate he was conceding...

However, Alex might not realize that the reason Qin Fang wasn't engaging with him was simply that he did not want to entangle with a brainless fool. That would only lower his own intelligence to Alex's level.

"Alright, everyone stop talking..."

Fortunately, Helen didn't want such a tense atmosphere to arise even before the proper discussion began, and she immediately stepped in to mediate.

"Alex, here's a preliminary cooperation proposal from Qin Fang and Miss Chu, please take a look!"

Once she had calmed both parties, Helen handed over the preliminary cooperation proposal drafted with Qin Fang to the company's negotiation team.

She was quite tactful, considering she had been sidelined from the negotiation team, she didn't mention that the proposal was drafted by her and Qin Fang, only saying it was initially drafted by Qin Fang and Chu Yunxuan...

In large international corporates, autocratic behavior is a very serious issue and can easily lead to suspicion...

Although Alex was displeased with his sister, he still obediently took the cooperation proposal when it was handed to him.

This collaboration was also crucial for the Reid Group; although the negotiation rights were in Alex's hands, before leaving, his CEO father had made it clear that this collaboration must succeed, even if it meant conceding some profits...

The clinical trials of this new drug were personally completed by the Reid Group, and the analysis of the drug's components showed that it was perfectly normal, with no harm or side effects.

If this new drug is mass-produced and sold, Reid Group could definitely use this advantage to capture a large portion of the market in Europe and America...

Currently, competition in the pharmaceutical industry is intense. Although the Reid Group is large, it ranks only third in the United States and barely makes it into the top ten worldwide.

However, in recent years, the fierce competition and lag in drug development have significantly held back Reid Group.

If they cannot advance further, they are likely to be surpassed by newcomers, which would be quite disadvantageous...

Partly for this reason, the CEO who cared for his son had entrusted this task to Alex so earnestly.

In doing so, this father was even willing to let his daughter give up such a good opportunity to prepare his son for taking over the family business in the future.

If this collaboration could be handled beautifully, rendering great service to the family and enterprise, then Alex's promotion would not attract so much gossip.

This poor father's intention reflects the universal heart of parents, except he seems to have overlooked his son's nature and forgotten that the owner of this drug is an outstanding beauty.

The moment Alex showed up, he almost immediately caused Chu Yunxuan's displeasure, nearly leading to a confrontation... This might not have been within the CEO father's expectations.

Chapter 1477 - An Outrageous Demand!

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Although Chu Yunxuan was extremely dissatisfied with Alex, considering this cooperation and mindful of her friend Helen's reputation, she suppressed her displeasure.

Alex and his associates received this preliminary cooperation letter of intent and read it very seriously, looking extremely cautious, even frequently huddling together to point and discuss...

This behavior was rather standard, making it seem quite reliable, which slightly eased Chu Yunxuan's mind and somewhat reduced her dissatisfaction. However, she didn't notice that Helen's expression was growing increasingly unpleasant.

As Alex's sister, though their relationship was very poor, it didn't prevent them from understanding each other's characters... So, when Helen saw Alex's performance, she had a very bad feeling.

If Alex's biggest flaw was being a womanizer, then being narrow-minded and petty would be the second.

"Mr. Qin, I've seen your cooperation intention, and I think some of the terms are too harsh and need modification..."

Just as Helen had anticipated, when this preliminary letter of intent was presented, Alex, the spoiled heir, definitely had to find fault with it.

Upon hearing Alex's words, Helen's expression changed slightly, but she was also somewhat helpless, only able to signal Qin Fang with a rather helpless look.

"Oh? Then I would like to see which terms need modification... and how they should be modified?"

Qin Fang wasn't bothered, giving Helen a knowing look, then asked with a smile.

That's how business is; although both parties had initially worked out a contract that both deemed reasonable, until a formal agreement is signed, either party has the right to propose modifications...

Of course, this modification also needs the other party's consent; unilateral changes are certainly unreliable...

After all, doing business involves negotiating over prices, so Alex's behavior was something Qin Fang had anticipated.

This letter of intent, though initially drafted by Qin Fang and Helen, had some leeway reserved in advance to allow Alex and his team to negotiate... Helen agreed with this, remarking that even if this part couldn't be secured, the Reed Group would still gain considerable benefits!

"Firstly, there's a big problem with the profit sharing. Your side is only contributing technology but wants 70% of the shares, while our Reed Group is providing funds and equipment and handling sales, yet only gets 30% of the shares, which is frankly too much..."

Alex immediately started to lash out, first criticizing the profit-sharing arrangement.

The 70-30 split might seem a bit exaggerated, but it wasn't as outrageous as Alex claimed, especially since Qin Fang had the Heart Nourishing Pill, which was the starting point of this cooperation. Without this formula, the cooperation simply wouldn't exist.

Moreover, the acquisition of materials for the medicine and some personnel arrangements were also handled by Qin Fang's side, which meant their investment was considerable too.

In comparison, while the Reed Group provided the production line for the medicine, and funds for building or acquiring a factory, it wasn't necessarily much more than that... So the 70-30 split wasn't excessive, and the Reed Group actually got a significant benefit!

If not for wanting to save time in developing overseas markets and directly utilize existing channels, Qin Fang wouldn't have even bothered with the Reed Group...

"Then how do you think the division should be?"

Qin Fang didn't waste any words, only asking plainly.

"Seventy-thirty..."

Alex was straightforward, even using a Dragon Country gesture to make a seven and three with his fingers, "But I get seventy, and you get thirty..."

As expected, Alex, notorious for being petty and greedy, opened aggressively with this proposal... He had just criticized Qin Fang's 70-30 split as excessive, yet his own offer was even more outrageous, even bolder than a lion's opening bid!

"Alex, you..."

Hearing Alex's proposal on the profit-sharing, Helen almost instantly stood up, pointed at Alex, intending to say something.

Although it's customary to initially ask high and negotiate down...

But both parties need to be in an equal position to negotiate, and it's a different story if one party has an absolute advantage.

This cooperation was never on equal footing; Qin Fang was the proactive one, holding the greatest advantage. In contrast, the Reed Group was the weaker side; adopting a humbler approach was the best choice...

But Alex suddenly made an outrageous demand, which wasn't negotiation at all; it was an attempt to force Qin Fang to directly abandon the Reed Group...

Even though Helen didn't like Alex and was quite hostile towards him, given that this concerned a major issue for the Reed Group, she had no choice but to speak up.

But then...

"Shut up! I'm the one in charge here, you have no right to speak..."

Alex showed no respect for his sister, almost immediately scolding her, and his words were filled with deep disdain and ridicule.

Despite Helen being older than Alex by a bit, in reality, there was less than a month's difference between them, just about ten days!

Alex's mother was the legitimate wife of Old James, the president of the Reed Group, while Helen's mother was merely a Chinese beauty who Old James met by accident during his wife's pregnancy. They quickly fell in love, and after a brief romantic encounter, she became pregnant...

Based on the timing, Alex was supposed to be the elder sibling, but due to Helen's mother's poor health, she had to give birth early, leading Helen to be born a few days before Alex. Thus, Helen became the elder sister instead...

Initially, Helen was nothing more than an illegitimate child, hidden from sight. However, her mother hemorrhaged and passed away after giving birth to her. Naturally, Old James couldn't let his daughter wander outside, so he brought her home and gave her equal status.

Interestingly, Old James's legitimate wife also died shortly after giving birth to Alex... This left no one to accuse Old James, and the biggest obstacle to Helen's entry vanished instantly!

With both mothers gone, the two children should have gotten along fairly well. However, when they were just starting to understand things, someone instilled certain ideas into them, leading to their rivalry...

The rivalry was fierce from the very start, and it grew even more intense as they got older...

Helen was personally strong and had a very fierce personality, which allowed her to hold an advantage at first. But when news spread that Alex had inheritance rights while Helen was excluded, there was a dramatic reversal...

Their father, Old James, always muddled things in the middle, never resolving the daughters' conflicts, and sometimes even fanning the flames... No one really knows what this father was thinking!

One thing was certain though; Helen's influence in the Reed Group was growing weaker... This collaboration was originally an important opportunity for Helen to elevate her influence, but it was mercilessly snatched away!

Though this made Helen furious, she was powerless.

She never expected Alex not to come here for the collaboration at all, but rather to sabotage it...

Alex's words left Helen fuming, making her wish she could smash his head open with a giant hammer to see if the brains inside had turned to crap...

"Continue..."

Yet Qin Fang remained remarkably calm, with even the smile on his face largely unchanged. He stretched out his hand, gesturing for Alex to continue speaking.

Such a reaction left everyone present stunned, including Helen, Chu Yunxuan, and even the aggressively demanding Alex...

Chu Yunxuan knew Qin Fang well enough to understand that he would never suffer such an obvious loss without a plan. However, he remained silent, clearly biding his time.

Although Helen was anxious inside, after being curtly rebuffed by Alex, she realized that any further words would be futile, so she too fell silent.

"Consider yourself smart..."

Alex felt great, convinced that he had already subdued Qin Fang, and immediately relished a sense of authority and grandeur.

"The second point... There's no need to establish another factory for this; our Reed Group has numerous pharmaceutical plants under its banner. As long as you provide us with the formula, we at the Reed Group can handle the rest..."

Perhaps because Qin Fang didn't react at all to the first point, Alex felt that he had already intimidated Qin Fang, or perhaps he thought Qin Fang was just a timid fool. Thus, his second point was even more excessive...

If the first point was an attempt to gain an edge in profit sharing, then the second point aimed to completely eliminate Qin Fang from the picture...

Reed Group indeed had many pharmaceutical factories, and Qin Fang did not deny this. In fact, these factories boasted the world's most advanced equipment, production lines, and even the best management personnel... They could indeed save a lot of effort in the production of the Heart Nourishing Pill!

But the problem was, once Qin Fang handed over the formula for the Heart Nourishing Pill to these people, it would essentially mean handing the pill over to the Reed Group...

By then, if the Reed Group turned their back, Qin Fang would be left with nothing and not even get the thirty-percent profit share...

Chapter 1478 - Parting on Bad Terms

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Don't think that crooked merchants are a specialty of Dragon Country; in fact, it's the same worldwide: there's no business without deceit...

Although the Reed Group has a pretty good reputation, that's necessary for the company's survival, but it doesn't mean they won't have sinister intentions...

It all depends on whether it's worth it or not...

If the Heart Nourishing Pill formula is placed in front of them, Qin Fang can be 100% sure that the Reed Group will absolutely withhold his formula and then immediately tear up the cooperation agreement between them!

And what Alex said in this second term is basically this meaning...

"Alex..."

This time, Helen was really angry. The first term was already very excessive, and the reason Qin Fang didn't walk away must have been out of respect for her, Helen.

But bringing up this second term was fundamentally forcing Qin Fang to give up on the Reed Group. How could she not speak up? This is a big matter concerning the interests of the company group.

In fact, it wasn't just her; even the other members of the negotiation team looked extremely displeased. Although they had initially planned to give Qin Fang a hard time first, so the negotiations could proceed more smoothly, Alex's approach was just too harsh, wasn't it?

"Qin Fang..."

Chu Yunxuan, standing by, was also very angry. She could tolerate Alex pestering her and mocking Qin Fang, but the fact that this guy repeatedly pushed his limits, daring even to come up with such ideas, was typical of someone who left their brain at home...

However, Qin Fang held onto Chu Yunxuan's small hand, indicating for her to stay calm. His expression remained very calm, still looking into Alex's eyes, and then he said calmly.

"Is there more?"

This sentence was spoken in a very calm manner, as if he wasn't angry at Alex's repeated escalation, even making it seem as if he could continue to make concessions...

"The rest are just minor issues; let the people below handle them. That's all I have..."

Fortunately, Alex knew when to stop. If he continued, it would be too much, and even he would find it hard to continue.

Actually, these two terms were both extremely excessive.

The first one could be tolerated, at most; it would mean some loss of interest for Qin Fang. If it were the stronger side, there might be such possibilities.

However, the second term was definitely a strategy to undermine him. If Qin Fang really handed over the formula, Alex would immediately kick Qin Fang aside and claim the formula for himself...

With this second term, all other conditions became pale in comparison, so naturally, there was no point in mentioning them...

"So that's it... Yunxuan, let's go!"

Hearing Alex's words, Qin Fang nodded, unexpectedly stood up, and said this to Chu Yunxuan beside him, then immediately headed for the door.

"Uh..."

Alex was momentarily stunned, and his smile completely froze.

He originally thought Qin Fang was just a soft-hearted man; he just needed to easily manipulate him a few times, and he could do whatever he wanted with him...

At most, when Qin Fang heard his second condition, he would show some opposition or unwillingness, then Alex could settle for less, or even directly abandon the second condition; as long as he achieved the first condition, he would reach his goal...

But what he anticipated was off, and the result was beyond his expectations. Qin Fang didn't even give him a chance to speak and directly left with Chu Yunxuan...

Chu Yunxuan only reacted at this time, realizing why she didn't show any attitude earlier, appearing ambiguous. Now it made sense, as it was clear he didn't take Alex's words to heart, not even listening to them at all...

Alex was performing vigorously there, but Qin Fang, as an audience member, was just watching, seemingly seriously, but in reality, his thoughts were already elsewhere.

Poor Alex was working so hard to perform, only to be like a clown, completely played by Qin Fang!

This kid hadn't been reacting all along, only realizing what happened when Qin Fang walked away, making his handsome face immediately darken.

"Mr. Qin, Miss Chu..."

Alex was ignored and played by Qin Fang, losing face badly, but this didn't affect the decisions of the others in the Reed Group.

Before they came, the president had already instructed them, though Alex was in charge, when it came to such critical moments, they were authorized to set aside Alex's opinion and do their utmost to pursue this cooperation...

Seeing Qin Fang leaving like this, the deputy, Chad, finally reacted and hurriedly chased after them, trying to hold onto Qin Fang for further negotiation.

Alex naturally couldn't swallow his pride; in his heart, he hated Qin Fang so much, wishing he could just shoot Qin Fang to feel better. How could he possibly swallow his pride to ask Qin Fang?

"Negotiations require sincerity from both parties. Since your company has no sincerity, what's the point of me staying... Better to leave now, seek other partners, and save everyone the time!"

Chapter 1479 - Parting on Bad Terms 2

Qin Fang was unreserved in his criticism of Alex's unreasonable demands.

This kid doesn't have many skills, but his appetite is really unusually large. Wanting a big share is one thing, but to even want to take away the fundamental formula—there's nothing left to discuss. Alex's demands deeply touched Qin Fang's bottom line, so naturally, there was no need to be polite with him...

This cooperation proposal was already very sincere on Qin Fang's part, all due to Helen's face, otherwise, as the proactive party, he would definitely have demanded a steep price from the Reed Group, just like he did to those little devils before...

But Qin Fang didn't do that. Instead, he made the cooperation proposal extremely sincere, which in itself shows the great face he was willing to give.

If Alex could just sit down and discuss some minor points of disagreement, Qin Fang was not entirely against making some small concessions.

But with Alex's attitude, there was really nothing left to say. Qin Fang now didn't want to work with such an idiot.

That would only cause him to lose face badly...

Qin Fang even thought that if the Reed Group fell into this person's hands, it might be hard for them to maintain a foothold in the pharmaceutical industry, and declining would just be a matter of time!

"Mr. Qin, please calm down... Mr. Alex didn't mean it that way. You may have misunderstood; we can sit down and talk slowly..."

Richard, with a bitter look on his face, was inwardly cursing Alex for being brainless, but he still had to speak for him. After all, Alex was the sole heir of the company, and such face had to be given.

Otherwise, with Alex's pettiness, once he ascended to the CEO position, he'd probably strike against his enemies first...

"No need. I think your company had better quickly figure out their purpose for coming here. It's not impossible to restart negotiations, but I don't want to hear words like those again... some people best not show up again!"

Richard was in a tough spot, and Qin Fang couldn't care less. It could only be said that if he hadn't indulged Alex from the start, things might not have come to this.

But since he did not stop it and even had a hint of indulgence, Qin Fang saw no need to be polite to him. Even not teaching him a lesson was considered giving him a considerable amount of face.

However, before leaving, Qin Fang did not completely close the door on the opportunity; he left some room for negotiation... just that some people had greatly disgusted Qin Fang, making him really not wish to see them again.

To be honest, Qin Fang was clearly implying something with his words...

Restart negotiations, want to avoid seeing certain people...

All these indicated that Alex should be excluded, and the only person who could really communicate with Qin Fang was Helen.

This was fundamentally helping Helen rise to power while severely suppressing Alex...

Qin Fang didn't give Richard much of a chance and directly left with Chu Yunxuan. As for whether Helen could seize this opportunity to rise, it would depend on Helen's personal ability and how solid the backing of that unlucky kid on the ground was!

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The first meeting between Qin Fang and Chu Yunxuan with Alex, which was also the negotiation for cooperation with the Reed Group, ended with such a conclusion in this unofficial first round.

It can be said that the two parties ended without joy...

As to who exactly was to blame, everyone has their own belief!

Perhaps Qin Fang and his team thought they did nothing wrong, or maybe Alex also thought he was right... In any case, Qin Fang was no longer concerned about it.

"Yunxuan..."

Just as Qin Fang and Chu Yunxuan entered the hotel lobby and were about to leave, a man's voice suddenly pierced through, clearly reaching Qin Fang and Chu Yunxuan's ears.

Hearing this voice, Qin Fang didn't think much of it, but from his arm wrapped around Chu Yunxuan's waist, he clearly felt a tremor running through Chu Yunxuan's body.

Qin Fang followed the sound and saw a gentle and elegant young man swiftly approaching; it was Ron, the man who had previously harmed Chu Yunxuan!

"Yunxuan, do you remember me?"

Ron called out in a deep, magnetic voice, which sounded very pleasant, seemingly endowed with a kind of magical power.

Of course, it wasn't really magical power but simply that Ron's voice was indeed very distinctive, more alluring than even those radio hosts...

Maybe that's also the reason Ron could effortlessly attract women. His voice was just too unique, too enticing...

With that voice, if he were dressed as a woman, walking on a dark road at night and said a few sentences, he might end up pulled into some deserted alley... probably ending up with his backside opened up!

But given Ron's status and wealth, he obviously wouldn't do something like that, and Qin Fang hadn't found any tendencies of his toward betrayal...

"Sorry, I don't know you..."

Chu Yunxuan's body trembled slightly, her emotions somewhat agitated, and Qin Fang knew she hadn't completely moved past those past events.

But before Qin Fang could speak, Chu Yunxuan had already firmly rejected Ron and warmly took Qin Fang's arm, saying.

"Sir, please excuse us, I have a date with my boyfriend, and please don't block our way..."

The past events had inflicted considerable harm on Chu Yunxuan, unable to entirely forget even now.

However, it's evident that Chu Yunxuan clearly wasn't the same as before, and her feelings for Ron had long faded. The reason she couldn't forget that incident was mainly due to the severe shadow it cast on her, which couldn't be easily dispelled...

The best way to help Chu Yunxuan completely step out of the past is for her to witness the complete "disappearance" of Ron, the culprit!

Not the type of disappearance where he's gone, but a thorough disappearance...

Qin Fang was already very clear about dealing with Ron, even not planning to spare his life. But whether to let Chu Yunxuan witness it still called for consideration, after all, the scene might be quite bloody, and he feared it might cast another shadow on Chu Yunxuan...

"Hello, I am Ron, from the United States..."

Ron appeared reluctant to pressure Chu Yunxuan further, thus saying no more to her, instead turning to Qin Fang with enthusiasm.

Not only did he introduce himself, but he also warmly offered a gold-plated business card... with just a name, a position, and a phone number on it, nothing else.

Looking at the design of the card, this was obviously not used by Ron in the United States, but a specially customized set for Dragon Country, and the craftsmanship seemed very meticulous, likely costing quite a bit.

In truth, such a wealthy young manler had no need to use these business cards to showcase himself; it would only make people feel he was too tasteless...

Yet Ron's performance was somewhat intriguing, at least Qin Fang felt that way...

"Qin Fang... just an ordinary person, no need for business cards!"

Although the two were in a state of hostility, it wasn't just that Qin Fang was hostile towards Ron; Ron was clearly hostile towards Qin Fang too, evident from the intense glow on him, comparable to any of Qin Fang's arch-enemies!

Don't be deceived by Ron's smiling face; he seemed gentle and kind, but in reality, he probably hoped more than anyone for Qin Fang to fall soon so he could take his place...

Still, when it's about facade, it should be maintained when necessary, to not lose one's dignity in front of an enemy...

Even if this foe might soon be out of the picture, Qin Fang couldn't afford to make the same mistake as Alex's complacency...

Chapter 1480 - Wu Jian's Invitation!

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Qin Fang and Ron's first meeting was relatively relaxed. Although both of them were eager to destroy the other, at least they didn't start a fight in front of everyone.

"Yunxuan, long time no see, how about having a meal together?"

Ron seemed to have forgotten how he betrayed Chu Yunxuan back then. He even had a sincere smile on his face as he asked enthusiastically.

Judging by his demeanor, someone who didn't know might think he and Chu Yunxuan were really good friends!

"No need, I have other things to do..."

Chu Yunxuan shook her head and straightforwardly declined Ron's invitation.

The events of those years caused her significant harm. Even though meeting Ron again, Chu Yunxuan no longer resented him as she once did, it was impossible to be as close as before...

"If that's the case, then another day..."

Ron didn't mind and nodded, seemingly unwilling to press further.

Then they parted ways and went about their own business.

"Brother Liang, keep an eye on Ron for me... but make sure to stay safe, your safety is the most important!"

When Qin Fang left the hotel, he instructed Shen Liang, who was following secretly. Ron had a strong animosity towards him, and Qin Fang felt uneasy not keeping an eye on him.

It's not that he was afraid Ron might attack him, even if Ron sent his skilled subordinate, Qin Fang was confident he could handle it.

Qin Fang wasn't worried about Ron himself; it was mostly because Ron might target Chu Yunxuan. There had been prior incidents, proving Ron to be cunning and treacherous. Qin Fang had to be cautious this time.

Although Chu Yunxuan had learned some skills, she was still too weak, especially since Ron had a grandmaster-level expert. Even Qin Fang would need some effort to deal with him, so it would be easy for them to target Chu Yunxuan...

Of course, the expert by Ron's side was formidable, perhaps with strong counter-reconnaissance abilities. Ensuring Shen Liang's safety was also crucial, which is why Qin Fang emphasized it; he didn't want to lose a good assistant like Shen Liang over this!

"Don't worry, I know what I'm doing..."

Shen Liang had already noticed the bodyguard beside Ron, definitely a top-notch expert, naturally increasing his own vigilance significantly.

He had been with Qin Fang for quite a while, and had encountered some masters. Although his skills hadn't greatly improved, his insight and vigilance were far stronger now.

Qin Fang even had the ninja Qin Zi spar with Shen Liang, training until Shen Liang could evade the ninja's surprise attacks. Only then was Qin Fang comfortable letting Shen Liang operate independently.

Now that Ron's bodyguard was more formidable, being extremely cautious was necessary...

Knowing Shen Liang could handle it, Qin Fang said no more, leaving the hotel with Chu Yunxuan to return to the Jiangzhou Hotel!

Qin Fang and company returned to the hotel, but Helen didn't come back with them; she stayed with Alex.

Alex's exorbitant demands made Qin Fang abandon this cooperation, causing a significant impact. Helen naturally seized the opportunity to hit back at Alex hard...

She stayed to report the matter to headquarters, to her father! What decision they'd make depended on her father, Old James, but that had nothing to do with Qin Fang. If Reid Pharmaceuticals sincerely wanted to continue the partnership, Alex would have to be ousted... that was Qin Fang's minimum requirement!

With things over there, Qin Fang didn't bother to manage; instead, someone arrived to surprise Qin Fang slightly.

"Cousin..."

That affectionate call immediately brought a smile to the once stern-faced Chu Yunxuan. Naturally, it was because the person calling her was none other than Wu Jian, who had nearly lost his life not long ago.

"Hmm... didn't I tell you to rest at home? How did you get out?"

But after the smile, Chu Yunxuan immediately put on a fierce face and said quite unceremoniously.

"I'm fully recovered. The doctor said I should get out more..."

Wu Jian mumbled in grievance, seemingly quite afraid of Chu Yunxuan.

"All right, all right, Wu Jian is fine, perfectly healthy..."

Qin Fang patted Chu Yunxuan's hand with a smile, seeing through Wu Jian's condition with his scouting skill, confirming he was indeed fully recovered.

After Qin Fang gave Wu Jian a Blood Replenishing Pill, the effects of the Bloodthirsty Grass had been entirely neutralized, and his depleted vitality was fully replenished.

They told him to continue resting mainly because he was somewhat weak, but over the past few days, he had completely recovered. Going out was no problem, and he was as healthy as could be!

"All right then... I won't scold you today!"

With Qin Fang speaking up, Chu Yunxuan stopped reprimanding her cousin, instantly making Wu Jian feel much more relaxed, as this cousin put a lot of pressure on him.

"Younger Brother Qin, I'm really grateful. If it weren't for you, my life would probably be over..."

Wu Jian had naturally noticed Qin Fang next to Chu Yunxuan long ago and immediately realized that this was his lifesaver. Now that Qin was also speaking up for him, Wu Jian was extremely excited.

"Call him Brother Qin..."

Chu Yunxuan immediately corrected him, her tone somewhat angry, clearly displeased with Wu Jian's form of address.

"Uh... Brother Qin!"

Wu Jian obediently complied, but in his heart, he thought, "He's not even as old as I am..."

Qin Fang was not yet twenty, while Wu Jian was already twenty-four, so naturally Wu Jian was older than Qin Fang, and it's no wonder he was mumbling to himself.

Of course, he just kept those complaints to himself and dared not speak them out loud.

But he soon realized that his formidable cousin seemed to have an unusually close relationship with Qin Fang, even with hints of an ambiguous relationship.

"Could it be..."

Wu Jian wasn't completely clueless, and upon realizing this, he immediately showed a cunning smile, as if he had discovered some sort of secret.

However, some things are better left unsaid, it's enough to know them in your heart; saying them out loud might not be appropriate...

Especially since Wu Jian was aware of Qin Fang's identity to some extent, for instance, Qin Fang was the Tang Family's son-in-law, whose fiancée was the Tang's most favored eldest daughter, Tang Feifei...

But now his own cousin had this kind of relationship with Qin Fang, leaving Wu Jian feeling very conflicted and quite helpless...

If it were any other man, Wu Jian would probably have told his mother or aunt about it to advise his cousin Chu Yunxuan, but the issue was Qin Fang was his lifesaver, and reportedly had even avenged him... Wu Jian wasn't the kind to repay kindness with enmity, so he certainly couldn't play the bad guy!

"By the way, did you come here for something?"

Titles didn't really matter much, whether older or younger was fine; Chu Yunxuan was a bit curious about what Wu Jian came to find her for.

"Actually, it's nothing much, I came to find Brother Qin..."

Wu Jian laughed, then explained his intention, which was surprisingly because of Qin Fang.

"Looking for me?"

Qin Fang was taken aback, a bit unclear about what Wu Jian meant, as the two of them weren't exactly familiar.

"Of course! Brother Qin saved my life, so naturally, I want to express my gratitude, and I've arranged a meal at Happy Gate Entertainment City hoping Brother Qin will do me the honor of joining..."

The debt of saving one's life is no small matter. Wu Jian, despite his young age, handled things with a certain method. Had he not been tricked back then, he wouldn't have almost lost his life.

Now, that Young Master Liu has been dealt with by Wu Ling, and even his family has been eradicated... The reason for such a great enmity with Wu Jian was merely just over a woman, it seems.

"Then you go ahead... I'm a bit tired, I'll head back to rest..."

Upon hearing Wu Jian's reason, Chu Yunxuan nodded. She also understood her cousin's character, arranging a meal as a form of thanks was quite normal, so she agreed immediately.

However, she did seem a bit tired, although whether that was because she didn't rest well last night or due to Ron's appearance, only she knew...

"Yunxuan..."

Qin Fang couldn't help but frown a little, about to ask about it.

"I'm fine, a good sleep will do me well, you guys should go have fun..."

But Chu Yunxuan waved her hand, understanding Qin Fang's concern and offered a simple explanation, then suggested Qin Fang go have dinner with Wu Jian.

"Brother Qin, my sister is fine... She's been a strong woman since she was a child; she can take care of herself, but you must agree to this meal today for me!"

Wu Jian also chimed in to persuade Qin Fang, directly grabbing his arm to pull him outside.

"I'm really okay..."

Chu Yunxuan consistently assured, showing a hint of a smile despite her tired look, which made Qin Fang feel a bit worried.

"Okay then... I'll go, but I'll call you later..."

Qin Fang eventually nodded, agreeing to go for the meal with Wu Jian, albeit planning to check-in with Chu Yunxuan later.

"Alright, go ahead..."

Chu Yunxuan nodded, bid farewell to Qin Fang and Wu Jian, then went upstairs to rest, while Qin Fang proceeded to Happy Gate Entertainment City with Wu Jian.