

## Genius 771

### Chapter 771 - A Lucky Break\_1

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Miao Qi, who had never experienced such humiliation, was furiously raging and wished he could tear Qin Fang and Lei Laohu into pieces, but Qin Fang was obviously unaware of this.

That night, Qin Fang actually had a relatively peaceful sleep, although there was a big trouble looming, it didn't affect him much.

However, the next morning, Qin Fang received a piece of news that he wasn't sure whether to consider good or bad.

"I'm really sorry, Qin Fang, it looks like you'll have to stay in Capital City by yourself. I have to go back to Ninghai with my dad..."

Tang Feifei called early in the morning, expressing her apologies very sincerely.

She had wanted to enjoy a few more days in Capital City with Qin Fang, but as a government official, it was only natural for Secretary Tang to return for his father's grand birthday. However, being an official of his stature meant that a lot of duties had piled up over these past few days, and he had to return to Ninghai.

As for Tang Feifei, Secretary Tang did not wish for her to skip classes like Qin Fang did, and as a father, he did not want his daughter to be taken advantage of by a young man too soon, so he decided to take her with him.

"It's okay, I'll settle things here in Capital City soon and then I can come back to Ninghai to be with you..."

At the moment, Qin Fang and Tang Feifei were truly in the midst of a passionate love, barely able to stand being apart for even a minute, but Qin Fang had matters that required his attention in Capital City, and even if he wanted to leave, he couldn't.

"I know, Sister Ning already told me. You have to be careful on your own and pay attention to your safety!"

It turned out that before Tang Feifei called Qin Fang, Ning Yumo had already contacted her in advance, briefly explaining the situation with Cai Qing to her.

Tang Feifei knew about Qin Fang's martial arts training with Old Master Cai, and with the complications involved, she expressed her understanding. She specifically instructed him to handle everything well but above all to ensure his own safety.

And so, Qin Fang could only bid Tang Feifei farewell over the phone with reluctance. While they were talking, Secretary Tang was already taking Tang Feifei to the airport, and unless Qin Fang could fly, he truly had no way to catch up and see her off.

With Tang Feifei gone, Qin Fang had some free time. Since there was time before he needed to visit the Lei Family, he planned to ask Ning Yumo out. Unfortunately, he was informed that Ning Yumo had accompanied Cai Qing to a temple to pray and make wishes, and they wouldn't be back until evening.

"Hello, is this... Mr. Qin Fang?"

Just as Qin Fang was getting extremely bored, he received an unexpected call from an unfamiliar number. It was a woman's voice, sounding somewhat timid as if she wasn't very familiar with him.

"Hello, I am Qin Fang..."

Although Qin Fang was a bit puzzled, he still replied politely. After all, the other person knew his name and number, so they might be acquainted.

"My name is Song Jia, I'm Rongrong's... Li Yuerong's roommate..."

The voice on the other end was still that timid tone, but she clarified her identity.

"Li Yuerong?"

Upon hearing this name, Qin Fang was briefly stunned, but he quickly remembered that this seemed to be the name of the beauty from last night whom Qiao Zhenfei and Lan Yue wanted to set him up with.

But...

"What's wrong with her?"

Qin Fang's face showed a hint of displeasure, certain that the phone call must have come from Qiao Zhenfei to Li Yuerong. Given Qiao Zhenfei and Lan Yue's intentions, such an action was not entirely unjustifiable.

However, the issue was that Li Yuerong making the call wouldn't have been surprising to Qin Fang, but having her roommate make the call seemed problematic.

"She... she was taken away!"

The person on the other end finally showed some normal emotional fluctuation, speaking with great urgency, and Qin Fang even faintly heard a hint of crying.

"Taken away?"

Qin Fang was taken aback. The other person said 'taken away,' but the tone suggested it was more of an abduction, otherwise the girl on the phone wouldn't be crying.

"Tell me exactly what happened..."

When it came to kidnapping, Qin Fang's first thought naturally went to last night's incident, namely, the trouble at Li Yuerong's family home. He suspected it might have something to do with the Boss sending people to Capital City, although this possibility was really not very likely. Those in the underworld knew that overstepping boundaries was a matter of grave significance...

"It was done by Shangguan Hao... he had people abduct Rongrong, and he even said... he wanted to..."

The girl on the line grew more and more frantic as she spoke, becoming almost incoherent toward the end, barely managing to convey a rough idea of the situation.

"Shangguan Hao..."

Upon hearing this name, Qin Fang's face suddenly took on a very strange expression.

He didn't know who Shangguan Hao was, but he had heard of the name, especially since it came up in a discussion with Lei Laohu the previous night.

Qin Fang's visit to the Lei Family was primarily to make Lei Peng give up on the marriage arrangement. Lei Peng's family and his maternal uncle were the biggest troublemakers.

According to Lei Laohu, Lei Peng's mother and her brother bore the surname Shangguan, a family with some status within the Heavenly Pool Sect. Lei Peng had a cousin studying at Capital Normal University whose name was Shangguan Hao...

In this world, there are indeed many coincidences. Qin Fang was destined to have some conflict with Lei Peng and the Shangguan Family, but before he could even confront this faction at the Lei homestead, the Shangguan had already come after him.

Although there was no real relationship between Qin Fang and Li Yuerong, after last night's matchmaking attempts by Qiao Zhenfei and Lan Yue, even if Qin Fang himself didn't entertain many thoughts on the matter, others might not see it the same way.

The girl on the phone had mentioned that Shangguan Hao, somehow learning the news that Li Yuerong was being kept by someone, had previously expressed his desire to be the one to take care of her. Unfortunately, he received only a slap from Li Yuerong, and it was Lan Yue who stepped in to smooth things over, thus the matter was dropped.

Although Shangguan Hao was arrogant, he wouldn't dare provoke Qiao Zhenfei too much, but this was different. Once the rumors that Li Yuerong was being kept, by someone other than Qiao Zhenfei, and not even a local from Capital City, surfaced, Shangguan Hao lost his reservations and brazenly took her away.

Qin Fang wasn't sure if Shangguan Hao's actions were related to the Lei Cai marriage situation, but from the looks of it, it seemed unlikely to have much connection. Qin Fang actually felt fortunate that Shangguan Hao had done such a foolish thing.

"It seems that even the heavens are helping me..."

This incident might be a disaster for Li Yuerong, but it was also an incredibly rare opportunity for Qin Fang. Without a second thought, he immediately set out with his men.

Chapter 772 - "Photography Enthusiast" \_1

Lei Laohu is quite decent, he almost gave Qin Fang an introduction to everything he knew about Lei Peng's side, including a few key people.

Although Qin Fang could not be sure if Lei Laohu was hiding anything, as far as the current matter is concerned, the information he knew was already enough for him.

Shangguan Hao himself is not really scary, his strength is negligible for Qin Fang. His talent for martial arts is too poor, even with the guidance of many masters from the Tianchi faction, his current strength is just a little stronger than ordinary people.

According to Qin Fang's estimate, it's at most Level 3, reaching Level 4 would be a miracle.

Shangguan Hao is the only son of Lei Peng's uncle Shangguan Tianling and was supposed to be the successor of the Shangguan family for this generation. Unfortunately, his terrible talent had doomed him early on to be unrelated to that position. Thus Shangguan Tianling placed his hopes on his nephew, Lei Peng.

Shangguan Hao and Lei Peng get along quite well. Shangguan Hao himself is not interested in martial arts and is not sad about not being able to inherit the family business. In fact, he is very happy and thus concentrates on being a wasteful young master.

With Shangguan Hao's descent into depravity, Shangguan Tianling rarely interfered with him and focused all his attention on Lei Peng, who has excellent talent. This is also the cause for the resurgence of Lei family's marriage proposal and Lei Peng's aggressive attitude.

Of course, wasteful young men like Shangguan Hao are usually low-key. Although lascivious by nature, he only dares to take advantage of girls without much background. Once there's the slightest bit of power and status involved, he wouldn't dare to touch them.

For instance, when Li Yuerong performed at the Blue Moon bar previously, although Shangguan Hao was already coveting her, knowing that Qiao Sanshao was behind the bar, he didn't dare make a move.

In fact, there were many wasteful young men at the teacher's college who had designs on Li Yuerong, but they were deterred by Qiao Sanshao's reputation and didn't dare take action. This morning, suddenly there was news that Li Yuerong was kept by someone, and that person was an insignificant gangster, which made these wasteful young men quite unhappy.

For people like them, if they were outdone by someone more impressive, they would feel a bit better, but now they have been put to shame by what they considered a "nobody", which is a completely different matter.

Before others had a chance to act, Shangguan Hao used his more convenient advantage, directly snatching the person away...

Of course, before the abduction, there must have been a conflict with Li Yuerong, and some rather unpleasant words were said, leading to the scene where her roommate called Qin Fang for help.

As someone from the Shangguan family and a nominal heir of the Tianchi faction, Shangguan Hao might not excel in martial arts, but the bodyguards by his side are quite strong.

He always has two young men by his side with considerable strength, both are Level 5 experts. By status, they should be considered Shangguan Hao's senior brothers from the Tianchi faction, sent by Shangguan Tianling to protect his son under the name of "worldly training."

In today's society, with its material temptations, young people's willpower is relatively weak. Cultivating in such an environment is a completely different concept from cultivating in deep mountains.

After mingling with Shangguan Hao for some time, these two senior brothers also began to become similar to Shangguan Hao's playboy personality, and the three of them have caused a lot of trouble for many girls.

Naturally, Shangguan Hao leads the way and the two seniors clean up afterward...

The first time might still be a little stressful and worrying, but with familiarity, they also got a taste of sweetness, and it became more and more natural for them to do such things.

In a villa area near a relatively small lake on the outskirts of the capital, where the scenery is quite beautiful – much better than the urban jungle of the capital city – a tragedy is about to unfold.

"Junior brother, this girl is really top-notch, a rare find indeed. You can't forget us this time..."

"Yeah, this chick looks so fresh, just like a young bird. It's quite tender indeed! Of course, our junior brother gets to take her virginity, and we'll just clean up after and enjoy the soup..."

"Brothers, when have I ever let you down? This woman is so disobedient, she dares to give me no face, so today we're not only going to make her moan in ecstasy, but I've also prepared some 'tools' to record all her slutty acts. If she dares to disobey, I'll let her video fly all over the internet. That will teach her a lesson!"

Shangguan Hao gave the two DV cameras to his bodyguard senior brothers as he took some blue pills. Being an excessive playboy, his body was too frail, and without the pills, he wouldn't last long...

His two senior brothers were martial artists, usually last quite a while. He didn't want the woman he had coveted for so long to be wasted by those two beasts before he had enough fun.

"Yes, yes, yes..."

Regarding this, the two beast-like senior brothers have become used to it and disdainfully replied in agreement. They knew very well about Shangguan Hao's abilities, even with pills, he won't last long, so when the time comes, the real fun will still be theirs, although there won't be a chance for them to experience the first round.

After deciding on their sinister plan, the three of them immediately headed towards the room, their faces bearing an excitement, and Shangguan Hao, who was even starting to unbuckle his belt in anticipation...

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Li Yuerong is in despair as she looks around at her surroundings, a luxurious room with a European-style bed, her mouth gagged, and her limbs bound tightly, making any movement difficult.

Through the window, she sees open space instead of the steel jungle that's typical of the capital city, and she cannot see any skyscrapers.

Tears uncontrollably flowed from her eyes as she felt regret and despair...

She knew exactly what kind of person Shangguan Hao is, a man notorious at the teacher's college for harming many girls, some of whom even attempted suicide because of him. Li Yuerong had always kept her distance from such a person.

She used to be protected by the Blue Moon and was spared such calamities along with other girls without much background, but she never thought that she would encounter such a catastrophe here just because of something unrelated.

Back home, her brother Li Jun was captured by a gang boss. Although she had transferred the money to the gang boss early this morning in hopes that her brother would be released and she could avoid becoming the gang boss's mistress, she didn't expect the trouble to follow her here.

She remembered the young man who had selflessly helped her. He might not have been the most handsome, but his temperament made her feel comfortable and safe.

At the same time, she also recalled the words Blue Moon shared with her last night, causing her to feel even more regretful and embarrassed.

"I really should have listened to Sister Lan..."

This was her most genuine thought at the moment. Sister Lan had already made her intentions very clear last night, but she couldn't take that step.

But now, her insistence last night had inadvertently led to such an event. She didn't suspect that Blue Moon had anything to do with it because she knew exactly why Shangguan Hao acted so quickly against her.

"If only he could come to rescue me..."

Alone in the capital city for her studies, without reliable friends, and facing such a crisis, she felt as if she were better off dead. In such a moment, the only person she could think of who might save her turned out to be—

"I'll die with him if I have to..."

But Li Yuerong was also a spirited girl. Knowing there was no chance to escape and about to be defiled by a beast like Shangguan Hao, her eyes became more determined. She looked around, searching for anything that could be used as a weapon to die with the enemy.

Surprisingly, beside the bed, on the bedside cabinet, was a ceramic lamp that, if used to hit someone, would certainly be lethal.

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Just then, footsteps sounded outside the room, the villa's staircase was wooden, and the sound of three large men walking on it was unmistakable, along with the laughter of Shangguan Hao. Li Yuerong's heart trembled, and her body instinctively shrank at the sound.

In such fear and terror, the mind becomes very sensitive. As she looked around, suddenly her gaze froze as if she had seen something unbelievable, and against all odds, there seemed to be a spark of hope in her eyes...

#### Chapter 773 - Turning the Tables in an Instant\_1

Shangguan Hao led two senior martial brothers who were his bodyguards inside. His pants were already undone, exposing his flowery underwear that was a bit nauseating to look at. However, he seemed completely unconcerned.

Li Yuerong was still tied up on the bed. When she saw the three of them enter, her face instantly turned pale with fear, and her body instinctively squirmed, attempting to find a place to hide.

Unfortunately, her hands and feet were all bound, rendering her helpless.

"How's it feel? Beauty. Scared now? Too bad, it's too late!"

Seeing the terror on Li Yuerong's face, Shangguan Hao felt a perverse thrill, perhaps even more satisfying than the actual dirty deed.

Li Yuerong's graceful figure, struggling against the bindings, caused her clothes to wrinkle, revealing tantalizing glimpses of skin that made the three men present drool uncontrollably.

Shangguan Hao's member stood erect, although it was rather short. Nonetheless, the little blue pill he had taken began to take effect, pitching a tent in his floral underwear.

"You refused my advances, and now you'll pay the price. You resisted my courtship, but now you can't escape. Not only will I deflower you, but these two brothers will also have their fun. Hahaha..."

Shangguan Hao indeed lived up to his reputation as a scoundrel, speaking with the arrogance of a despotic landlord.

"Not only that, but I will also record the entire process. If you dare misbehave, I'll make sure all the men in Long Country see your lewdness. Hahaha..."

"You... why are you doing this? This is illegal..."

Li Yuerong's face contorted with anger and fear as she rebuked Shangguan Hao.

"Illegal? Hahaha..."

Shangguan Hao's face turned smug, "Naïve! So what if it's illegal? Who dares catch me? I have connections. Even if I kill you, no one will care!"

Privileged brats like him acted as if they were above everyone else, fearing no repercussions.

Li Yuerong, being an outsider with no power or connections in the capital, was utterly vulnerable against Shangguan Hao, who had the backing of the Lei family and the Heavenly Pool Sect's influence.

In the past, Shangguan Hao had caused many troubles, but they were all suppressed by those above, allowing him to roam free and embolden his arrogance.

"You... you'll die a horrible death!"

Li Yuerong was terrified, and after struggling to speak, she finally squeezed out, "Shangguan Hao, even as a ghost, I won't let you go."

"A ghost? I don't fear the living, let alone the dead. Hahaha... I don't have time to waste on you. Let's get started... soon you'll be screaming out in pleasure, calling me husband."

Shangguan Hao had lost his patience. He swiftly stripped off his clothes, revealing a gaunt, pale body, but between his legs, he was already rock hard, clearly excited.

"Don't... don't come near me..."

Seeing such a naked man, Li Yuerong was truly afraid. She struggled again, her voice trembling.

"Resistance is futile. Even if you scream, no one can save you..."

Shangguan Hao's classic villain line made some almost burst into laughter.

After uttering this line, Shangguan Hao lunged at Li Yuerong.

"Go to hell..."

But as Shangguan Hao lunged, his erect member was particularly conspicuous. However, Li Yuerong's frightened face suddenly displayed a strange smile.

Simultaneously, one of her tied arms slipped out of the cloth strips. She quickly reached for a black rubber baton hidden behind the bedside lamp...

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Shangguan Hao saw a flickering baton infused with a blue glow stab at his rigid member. A powerful electric shock hit his sensitive part.

Without hesitation, Shangguan Hao screamed his lungs out, clutching his crotch and curling up on the floor like a shrimp.

"Junior Brother..."

The two senior martial brothers who were filming with a DV camera realized something was wrong. They tried to help, but it was too late. By the time they moved in, a shadow had darted behind them, taking them out instantly.

When the three men fell, the threat to Li Yuerong vanished. She lay on the bed, visibly relaxed. Her revealing posture highlighted her perfect curves.

"Cough cough... put your clothes back on. I'll take these three away..."

The one who saved her was Qin Fang. He could have rescued Li Yuerong directly but had come for Shangguan Hao. Through their cooperation, they managed to subdue Shangguan Hao and his two capable bodyguards without much effort.

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With Qin Fang's current strength, defeating a Level 5 expert head-on was not too difficult. Even if the Level 5 expert had formidable power, if he couldn't defeat them, Qin Fang could still ensure his own safety.

Of course, such experts were rare. Out of those Qin Fang knew currently, there was only one person, his elder brother Qin Shou. Against other Level 5 experts, Qin Fang felt little fear.

Even when facing two Level 5 experts head-on, Qin Fang could easily ensure his safety. But to capture both at the same time, he'd need to resort to some tactics like the unexpected sneak attack he had just executed, taking them down with ease.

The Heavenly Pool Sect was a major force in the Northern Martial Arts World, stronger than many of the major martial arts clans, with many more outstanding disciples. After all, such major sects selected disciples with good potential from the secular world, whereas martial arts clans would choose from within their own families, and the comparability was completely different.

As far as Qin Fang knew, some martial arts clans even purposely sent clan members with good potential to be trained in these major sects...

Though Shangguan Hao's personal strength was average, his two bodyguards were quite strong. If it hadn't been so sudden, capturing both at the same time wouldn't have been easy for Qin Fang, even with the Stealth Art, a secret technique for invisibility.

"Ah..."

Now that the crisis was over, Li Yuerong instinctively relaxed, almost completely undefended. Suddenly hearing Qin Fang's statement, she couldn't help but let out a scream, subconsciously crossing her arms over her chest. But upon turning her head, she found that Qin Fang was already carrying Shangguan Hao away like a dead dog.

As for the two unlucky ones on the ground, they lay motionless, and if not for their breathing, one might have thought they were corpses.

This reaction caused Li Yuerong's face to flush red. Covering her face, she could distinctly feel the heat on her cheeks, she gazed with bashfulness at the retreating figure of Qin Fang.

But at this moment, she didn't lie back down. Instead, she immediately got up, untied the cloth bands around her feet, jumped down from the bed, and quickly put on all her outerwear.

After everything was sorted, she timidly walked downstairs.

Qin Fang relaxed in a chair downstairs as if he was in his own home, without any trace of unfamiliarity.

"He... Where is he?"

Li Yuerong looked around in surprise; she hadn't heard any screams nor saw Shangguan Hao. She couldn't help but ask curiously.

"I had someone take him away first. I'll escort you back..."

Qin Fang smiled. There were things he couldn't tell Li Yuerong. Knowing them wouldn't be beneficial to him. It was better for her not to know at all.

"Thank you..."

Li Yuerong stopped asking and gazed at Qin Fang somewhat shyly, lowering her head slightly and whispering a word of gratitude.

"There's no need to thank me. I did it because it was convenient..."

Qin Fang waved it off, speaking as if it wasn't a big deal.

While Qin Fang did save Li Yuerong, truthfully, he owed her thanks. If not for her, dealing with Shangguan Tianling and Lei Peng, the uncle-nephew duo, would not have been an easy task.

Now the situation was different. With Shangguan Hao in his hands, Qin Fang had plenty of ways to slowly deal with the two. Unless they truly didn't care about Shangguan Hao's life or death...

Of course, that likelihood was really slim. The adage goes 'tigers do not eat their cubs'; unless Shangguan Tianling were really that heartless, Shangguan Hao would prove to be quite useful.

"You've helped me twice now, I..."

Seeing Qin Fang dismissive, Li Yuerong felt even more embarrassed. She started to speak but stopped when she noticed Shen Liang carrying someone downstairs, then fell silent.

"Someone here will tidy up; let's go..."

In the Capital City, Qin Fang didn't have many people he could call on, only Shen Liang. But when it came to dealing with martial arts experts, Shen Liang wasn't of much use. Therefore, Qin Fang took care of the heavy lifting, while Shen Liang handled the aftermath.

As for Guard Chen Gang by Qin Fang's side, Qin Fang had no intention of letting him help with this. After all, Qin Fang's actions were somewhat beyond the bounds of the law, so it was normal not to involve Chen Gang.

This time, Li Yuerong didn't say anything; she just obediently followed Qin Fang and left. Qin Fang then drove with Li Yuerong back to Jingcheng District.

As for Shangguan Hao and his two bodyguard brothers, they were handled by Shen Liang. Qin Fang wouldn't get involved in the details for the time being, but one thing was for certain: Shangguan Hao would remain in Qin Fang's hands for now.

The car drove on the road in silence, but the atmosphere inside was a bit strange. Qin Fang concentrated on driving while Li Yuerong sat beside him like a demure wife, her head bowed looking at her legs, her pale face flushed with embarrassment... she exuded an exceptionally ambiguous aura.

"By the way, how's your brother's situation?"

Feeling the odd atmosphere, Qin Fang also felt a bit awkward and, with nothing else to discuss, casually asked.

"I've already transferred the money. As for what comes next, I don't know yet..."

Li Yuerong immediately responded in a low voice. Then, seemingly remembering something else, she emphatically added, "I will pay you back the money..."

"No hurry, you can pay me back whenever you have it. I'm not in a rush for that little amount..."

Qin Fang waved his hand dismissively, speaking casually, but Li Yuerong, who was already quite embarrassed, blushed even more when she heard this.

"I'll ask about your brother's situation later..."

As for Li Yuerong's brother's situation, it had been handled by Chen Da and the others on Qin Fang's orders. If it hadn't been for Li Yuerong's incident, he almost forgot that there was such a matter.

However, since the arrangements had only just been made yesterday and not much time had passed, Qin Fang figured the investigation would take time, let alone a rescue. He planned to call a bit later for updates. After all, having paid the money, the situation over there should be temporarily stable.

Li Yuerong didn't say a word, just nodded slightly.

"Shangguan Hao's case might take a few more days to settle down. His background is complex, so you'd better take a leave of absence and rest for a while. Staying at school could be dangerous..."

Li Yuerong was safe for now, but the trouble wasn't completely resolved. With Shangguan Hao missing, Shangguan Tianling would definitely send someone to investigate, and since Li Yuerong was the last to see Shangguan Hao, staying at school would surely be risky.

Shangguan Tianling was not someone to take lightly, at least according to what was learned from Lei Laohu. This man was quite formidable, not just an ordinary figure. Not only was he incredibly strong, but also his schemes were terrifying. Otherwise, the Lei Family wouldn't be held hostage by their uncle and nephew, unable even to decide on a marriage affair outright.

"Okay, I'll listen to you..."

Li Yuerong nodded obediently, her tender face flushed like blood, like a ripe apple that was just begging to be bitten.

Such a reaction made Qin Fang find it hard to believe that this docile and obedient beauty was the same strong and independent girl from the night before.

Of course, this wasn't to say that her character had changed, but rather that reality is the best thing at forcing change. In just two or three days, a girl who had lived in an ivory tower had experienced so many ups and downs that her previous outlook on life was completely shattered. It was not surprising that she had changed so much.

Qin Fang didn't have his own place in Jingcheng either, as he had always been staying at the Chang'an Club. After a moment's hesitation, Qin Fang decided to take Li Yuerong there as well. The club was a very special existence in Jingcheng, a place even the police dared not touch. Even if Shangguan Tianling was audacious, he wouldn't dare to capture someone at the Chang'an Club, unless he felt so confident he wasn't even afraid of the Qiao Family...

"Qin... Qin Fang..."

Just as Qin Fang brought Li Yuerong over, they ran into Su Yuan who was coming out of the door. Su Yuan's face immediately lit up with joy upon seeing Qin Fang and was just about to call out to him when she noticed the beauty, Li Yuerong, by his side, causing her to freeze mid-sentence.

"Su Yuan? Is that you... I was just about to look for you!"

Qin Fang was also taken aback, having not expected Su Yuan to still be here, but he recovered quickly without saying anything that would embarrass Su Yuan.

The issue with Su Yuan had been happily resolved, and she was very grateful to Qin Fang. Not to mention, she got along incredibly well with Tang Feifei. They had been spending time together these past two days, and Su Yuan had even arranged to work in Ninghai, which meant they could hang out more often.

However, Tang Feifei had returned to Ninghai earlier that morning quite suddenly, leaving Su Yuan without plans set in place. Qin Fang had only been exchanging sweet nothings with Tang Feifei during their phone call this morning and had forgotten to mention this issue.

And so they had this unexpected meeting...

"Do you need help with anything?"

Beauty meeting beauty doesn't always end with mutual affection like between Tang Feifei and Su Yuan; sometimes it sparks flames, like right now where even Qin Fang could vaguely sense a different kind of atmospheric disturbance.

"She's going to stay here for a few days. Help me take care of her..."

Qin Fang was about to make a trip to the Lei Family to help Cai Qing resolve her matters, and it might take a bit of time. As Li Yuerong was unfamiliar with her surroundings, having Su Yuan's assistance would be more convenient. Besides, women would get along better with each other. It certainly wouldn't do for Li Yuerong to continue living with Qin Fang.

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"Of course, that's no problem! How may I address this sister?"

A radiant smile immediately spread across Su Yuan's face as she heartily agreed and even proactively reached out her hand to Li Yuerong, in a gesture that was very cordial.

"My name is Li Yuerong, just call me Rongrong! This sister is really beautiful..."

Li Yuerong was a bit unclear about the relationship between Qin Fang and Su Yuan, but from what she could see, they didn't seem to be a couple—at least they weren't particularly intimate, even living in separate places.

"Rongrong, it's you who's truly beautiful, even I find myself charmed when I see you..."

Women love to hear compliments, and even though beauties often hear such flattery and are immune to it, the reaction can be different if the compliment comes from another beauty of the same caliber.

Su Yuan was a woman with a gentle nature. The special attitude she displayed earlier was mainly because she had just seen Qin Fang and Li Yuerong together, and Rongrong's compliment immediately delighted her.

In just a few exchanges, much of the hostility between the two women dissipated, and they quickly warmed up to each other.

"Su Yuan, I'll leave her to you. Try not to leave this place for the next few days. Just instruct others to prepare whatever you want..."

With Su Yuan there, Qin Fang was relieved of quite a few troubles. He immediately left Li Yuerong with Su Yuan and took on the role of a hands-off manager.

"Don't worry, I'll take good care of her..."

Su Yuan immediately assured him with a pat on her chest. The clubhouse was equipped with central air-conditioning, maintaining a constant temperature in the twenties, so there was no need to wear too many clothes inside. Su Yuan was wearing just a simple T-shirt that perfectly showcased her graceful figure. A light pat sent the ample treasures quivering, making Qin Fang's eyes tremble.

"Rongrong, I'm going for a spa treatment. Why don't we go together?"

Such a reaction immediately made Su Yuan's eyes smile with satisfaction, but when she turned to face Li Yuerong, her brow slightly furrowed, only to relax again as she invitingly suggested with a chuckle.

"I... I'll pass!"

Clearly not quite comfortable, Li Yuerong could tell that this was not an ordinary place. Coming from an average background, she had never been to such places or had spa treatments. Faced with Su Yuan's invitation, she was hesitant, her gaze involuntarily drifting towards Qin Fang.

"Come on, these services are all free. It would be a loss not to take advantage of them..."

But the more she acted this way, the more Su Yuan felt she couldn't let her stay. She could tell there was something off about Li Yuerong's gaze toward Qin Fang. If they were left alone, who knew what might happen.

"Feifei is my good sister, I definitely won't give you any chance..."

Of course, that was what she thought, but how reliable that thought was remained unknown.

"Go ahead..."

Qin Fang still needed to carefully plan his next moves. He did not want to inquire too much into these women's affairs, so he immediately waved his hand, signaling Li Yuerong and Su Yuan to go have some fun together.

As VIP guests of the Chang'an Clubhouse Jiazi Building, they could enjoy most services free of charge. Initially, Su Yuan was embarrassed, but she was persuaded by Tang Feifei. Now it was her turn to convince Li Yuerong.

So, despite still feeling quite hesitant, Li Yuerong couldn't resist Su Yuan's repeated requests, and finally accompanied her, while Qin Fang went back to his room to rest.

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The clubhouse's hydrotherapy hall.

Two fair and graceful bodies lay in a pool, with the water flowing and gently penetrating their bodies, bringing wave after wave of extreme comfort.

At first, Li Yuerong was somewhat shy, stiff and uncomfortable. But perhaps as she relaxed mentally, she too loosened up quite a bit.

Su Yuan was sizing up Li Yuerong, and Li Yuerong was doing the same to Su Yuan. Both were top-notch beauties. In such an environment, with almost no cover-ups, they could make the most comprehensive comparisons.

However, both women's figures were so perfect, their skin incredibly smooth and delicate. If there was a noticeable difference, it was probably in their busts—Su Yuan had the perky, shoot type, while Li Yuerong's were pear-shaped, both flawless.

In such a setting, the two women also became much closer quickly. Although not very intimate, their relationship was clearly much better than before.

"Su sister, are you Mr. Qin's girlfriend?"

Everyone has curiosity, and Li Yuerong was no exception. After everything that had happened, she found Qin Fang to be a very mysterious man. Seeing that Su Yuan had a good relationship with Qin Fang, she couldn't help but ask.

"Me? Of course not, we're just ordinary friends... It's Feifei who's his girlfriend!"

Su Yuan said cheerfully with a shake of her head. She was very close to Tang Feifei. Perhaps she felt a little competitive towards Li Yuerong's arrival, but she had no feelings of jealousy towards Tang Feifei.

"Feifei?"

Li Yuerong was slightly startled, still looking curiously at Su Yuan. She knew pitifully little about Qin Fang; beyond his name, she was completely in the dark.

"Feifei is also a great beauty! She is Qin Fang's official girlfriend. It just happens that she had to return to Ninghai today, but I'll go there in a few days too... When there's a chance, I'll introduce you to her. Feifei is really nice..."

Su Yuan introduced her cheerfully.

But she couldn't help playing a little bit of a trick.

She mentioned the relationship between Tang Feifei and Qin Fang, as well as her own relationship with Tang Feifei, even mentioning her own impending trip to Ninghai, clearly suggesting that her relationship with Qin Fang might be somewhat closer.

"I'm really curious, too, what kind of girl can capture Mr. Qin's heart... I definitely must meet her if I get the chance!"

Li Yuerong was genuinely curious. From the first time she met Qin Fang, he felt different from the usual rich young masters, and the events of today had proved just that.

Actually, on the way here, Li Yuerong had already shown her interest quite obviously. Perhaps if Qin Fang had made even a slight advance, Li Yuerong certainly wouldn't have rejected him. But Qin Fang acted as if he hadn't noticed anything, not exploiting the favor he had done her, and always considering her feelings... This had touched her heart greatly.

Chapter 776 - Dead or Alive?\_1

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Qin Fang was least willing to get involved in battles between women, especially since he had more important things to deal with—though it still concerned a woman's affair...

Almost an entire day had been worn away in the past two days; Qin Fang had only one day left to make his final preparations. Fortunately, he now had Shangguan Hao in his hands, and Qin Fang had plenty of ways to make this guy submit...

For a piece of trash like Shangguan Hao, Qin Fang's Yama's Eighteen Needles probably wouldn't need to be used in full. If he were to use the Evil-Scaring Needle, it would be even less likely that Shangguan Hao could endure it.

Of course, before all that, Qin Fang still had to take care of the things he had promised. Going back on his word wasn't Qin Fang's style, especially when it came to breaking promises to women.

So, when Su Yuan and Li Yuerong went for their spa treatments, Qin Fang took the opportunity to take care of that matter.

In Ninghai, a thousand miles away.

Gaoling County, located in the southern part of Ninghai, is a small county town with an average economic level, ranking towards the bottom among all districts and counties in Ninghai, despite its southern location.

But there is a saying that makes sense—troublemakers often come from remote and poor areas. Although Gaoling County can't be considered entirely remote and poor, it has indeed produced a troublemaker like Wu Liangde.

Wu Liangde, by status, is just an ordinary citizen, but there's no one in the whole county who isn't afraid of him. For over ten years, he has been notorious and unchallenged in Gaoling County, his name not yet to the point of stopping a crying child, but anyone who mingles in the county knows to respectfully call him "Brother De" or "Master De."

Wu Liangde, who started as a bricklayer, climbed to his current position step by step, getting his hands quite bloody along the way. Others have tried to take his place, but they all ended up dismembered, planted with lotuses... and he has even done such gruesome acts in front of many people.

Over a decade has passed; the former Brother De became Master De, but his notoriety has only grown. Even the head of the county police department calls him brother, reportedly playing cards with him several times a month.

Naturally, the businesses he's involved in have grown larger—from initially contracting for construction, sand, and materials, gradually moving into the entertainment industry, owning dozens of bath centers, KTVs, foot massage parlors, and even dabbling in the irregularities of prostitution, gambling, and drugs...

And such a person has even become a representative of the county's People's Congress. Now, isn't that ironic?

People call him Master De to his face, but behind his back, they call him Grandpa Lack-De. The only thing he lacks is virtue...

Like any notorious local tyrant, Wu Liangde surely has no shortage of women around him, but as he's aged, his body and energy have waned, leaving these women without "moisture" for long periods. Naturally, a few of them couldn't resist straying...

In the underworld, the biggest taboo is to sleep with another's wife, and those who do are usually chopped into cripples and slowly killed off...

Unfortunately, Li Jun, Li Yuerong's brother, accidentally slept with someone else's wife, and he didn't know beforehand that this woman he had stumbled upon was actually Master De's mistress.

Even more unfortunate, after their first tryst, they secretly met several more times, but, unluckily, Master De caught them in the act, and things got quite out of hand...

Master De was notorious for his ruthlessness; even with age, his heart never softened. He was always brutal and unsparing towards those who displeased him...

This time, faced with a cuckolding incident, Master De was driven to the brink of rage, almost completely destroying his mistress on the spot.

Li Jun was meant to be destroyed along with her, but one of Master De's underbosses suddenly suggested that Li Jun had a very young and beautiful sister, even procuring a photograph...

Actually, the underboss was Li Jun's boss; Li Jun usually hung around with him. The underboss had his sights on Li Yuerong for a while, but since she was studying in Capital City and rarely came home, he never had a chance. Now, he saw an opportunity to stand out and perform.

Master De was old, and certain aspects of his capabilities were declining, but his lust had not diminished at all. In his entertainment venues like bath centers and KTVs, he was always the first to sample the new girls, especially the young ones—he insisted on being the first to deflower them... one could see just how lascivious he was.

Now, even though beautiful women were increasing in number, when it came to a fresh and refined beauty like Li Yuerong, the old lecherous Master De couldn't help but be stirred.

Even if he hadn't encountered the issue with Li Jun, discovering a beauty like her would lead him to send people to abduct her...

He had committed such acts more than once or twice; at least three of his mistresses had been obtained in this way.

Master De had a dedicated building in the county town, serving as the headquarters for his company. Decorated lavishly, its scale and presence was formidable, comparable even to the county committee and government buildings hundreds of meters away.

"Liu Zi, how has the situation been handled on your end?"

Master De sauntered into the lobby and was suddenly reminded of the situation, promptly asking a subordinate beside him.

"Master De, things seem to have gotten a bit tricky," the lackey remarked with a frown. "That girl somehow scraped together a million and has already transferred it to the company account..."

His sidekick, who was also Master De's concubine's nephew and his military advisor, immediately expressed his concern, clearly indicating such an outcome was not what they had hoped for.

"Hmm?"

Master De's face darkened immediately, and he turned to glare at Liu Zi with a particularly ominous look in his eyes, obviously very displeased.

"What did you tell me before? Why has it come to this?"

In Gaoling County, nobody could afford to be on the receiving end of Master De's wrath. When he was in a mood, his temper was utterly unpredictable. Don't expect your value to him to save you—if he got upset, he could easily chop you into pieces there and then.

Of course, if there was one person beside Master De who would be an exception, it would undoubtedly be Liu Zi. It could be said that Master De had been able to act as the emperor of Gaoling County for over a decade because of Liu Zi's tremendous contributions. Liu Zi was Master De's most trusted confidant...without a doubt.

"I'm not entirely sure myself. From the way the kid spoke, it seems the girl got to know someone powerful in Capital City, and the money came from that person..."

There was no need to finish the sentence, as Liu Zi's implication was crystal clear.

"Damn it, no respect..."

Master De burst into rage. No one in Gaoling County had dared to disrespect him like this. His already wrinkled face flushed with an abnormal crimson.

"That girl thinks she can settle the matter just by paying the money? Dream on! Go make arrangements, chop off one of that kid's hands, and send it to his family..."

When Master De got angry, someone was bound to suffer, but this time, it wasn't one of the lackeys around him; it was Li Yuerong's brother, Li Jun.

As Qin Fang had said, it wasn't simply a situation that could be resolved by paying money. People like Master De lacked nothing—money was just a number to him. It didn't matter whether it was a million, ten million, or a hundred million; it all had little significance to him.

Master De cared more about his face than anything else. If word got out that someone cuckolded him and got away with just paying a million, then his position as the boss would be unstable. His numerous mistresses would likely be snatched away before a few days had passed, and his head would be green with the sign of cuckoldry.

"Master De, we can discuss this matter later; some guests have arrived at the company..."

Liu Zi nodded subtly, yet he didn't rush to carry out the order. Instead, he spoke with cautious care.

"Guests?"

Master De was taken aback. During his decade of dominating Gaoling County, there were few who could be considered honored guests. As for those bigshots within the county, they weren't guests—they were insiders...

"Where from..."

This thought led Master De to realize that the guest was not a local, and he immediately inquired further.

"From Ninghai, Lord Tiger's men..."

Liu Zi immediately responded with utmost care.

"Tiger's men? What do they want coming here?"

Master De's brows furrowed at once. Gaoling County was indeed under Ninghai's jurisdiction, but the outskirts and the city center were entirely different worlds. He was the emperor in Gaoling County, but in the city, he was nothing.

In Ninghai, the most powerful was unquestionably Li Rui, with an extraordinary background and many strong henchmen, far beyond what Master De could compare with.

Besides Li Rui, it would be the south city's Tiger, supported by the powerful Tang Cheng from the Ninghai elites. Tiger's power and the experts under him were also not to be underestimated.

Moreover, Gaoling County was situated in the southern part of Ninghai, which made it barely within Tiger's territory. Normally, Tiger wouldn't bother with a suburban county like this. He was mainly concerned with offending Li Rui, but veterans like Master De still wouldn't dare to dismiss Tiger lightly; otherwise, Tiger would surely send men to sweep through his territory first...

Previously, Tiger had ignored such remote areas as Gaoling County, so his unexpected dispatch of men naturally put Master De on edge. Accustomed to being a ruler, though, he may have been wary of Tiger, but he was not afraid. He led a group of men onto the elevator and went directly to meet Tiger's men...

"Boss, do you want him dead or alive?"

Meanwhile, on the top-floor conference room, a burly man was on the phone, just inquiring with this question. And this man was none other than Chen Da, one of Qin Fang's men...

Chapter 777 - Who's more overbearing!\_1

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Of course, this was no coincidence, but a meticulously designed operation plan.

Qin Fang had assigned this task last night, and Chen Da led his men to Gaoling County overnight, spending the entire night investigating and setting up surveillance around Master De.

All of them were special forces veterans, and with Qin Fang's ample financial backing — coupled with advanced equipment sourced from the killer trading platform's black-market System — they were well-equipped. Although they couldn't compare to the gear used by National Security, they were still much more capable than the average police force.

Qin Fang's top lieutenant, Wei Suo, played a significant role this time. Arriving here, he easily hacked into Gaoling County's traffic management surveillance system, taking complete control of the local traffic situation without much effort.

The others split up, posing under various identities to infiltrate industries under Master De's control for investigation. Occasionally, they even used kidnapping tactics to abduct some of Master De's lower-ranking leaders, successfully extracting useful information from their captives...

A night's worth of effort was not in vain, as they had gathered enough intelligence and data. It was only then that Chen Da, under the guise of one of Tiger's men, arrived at Master De's company.

He was not alone; the rest were ready below the company building, while he himself confidently led someone up the stairs.

The person he brought was no ordinary individual. Wearing a pair of sunglasses and looking quite imposing was Qin Shouxiong, whom Qin Fang had deliberately left behind in Ninghai.

Chen Da had been injured and his capabilities were severely diminished. Yet even in his prime, Qin Shouxiong could take him down numerous times with just one hand.

Having him as Chen Da's bodyguard meant that even an abundance of Master De's men would be futile...

As for the possibility of Master De daring to use a gun?

There was virtually no chance of that...

Just when everything was ready and they were waiting for Master De to show up, Qin Fang's call came through at the perfect time. Chen Da reported the situation here and asked for Qin Fang's further instructions.

From the intelligence gathered, it was clear that Master De had been a tyrant in Gaoling County for over a decade, utterly devoid of conscience and steeped in heinous acts. If Qin Fang were to measure his Sin Points here, he would find the numbers horrifyingly high... With dozens of direct or indirect deaths on his hands.

Such a terrifying figure, if brought to court, would deserve a sentence of two hundred years or more. But for over a decade, he was untouchable by the law, having never been apprehended. This indicated his cunning and complexity, including the likely intricate web of protection behind him.

"Take the man into custody, quickly stabilize the situation, and I'll handle the rest..."

Qin Fang, no longer the naive youngster he once was, understood that Master De's longstanding impunity in Gaoling County, despite his countless crimes, meant the situation was incredibly complex.

He intended to save someone, but Master De was particularly tough to deal with. Simply attempting to dominate him with Tiger's strength would not be easy.

If mishandled, there was a significant risk of Master De siding with Li Rui, which would be extremely problematic.

Tiger was already at a disadvantage, desperately resisting the powerful Li Rui from his corner in the south of the city. The situation was perilous, with Master De previously maintaining neutrality and never venturing into the city district. But if Master De were pushed towards Li Rui, and they struck from north and south, Tiger would find himself caught between two enemies, suffering heavy losses.

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"Uncle Ye, I'm really sorry to bother you, but there's something I'd like to ask for your help with..." Qin Fang had made a name for himself in Ninghai City District, but he was just known as the son-in-law of the Tang Family, and there were very few people he could genuinely call on.

In the end, after much deliberation, Qin Fang decided to seek help from Ye Heng. Now that Ye Heng had been promoted to Secretary of the Municipal Political and Legal Affairs Committee, the city bureau was filled with his people, and the police stations in several surrounding counties were also under his leadership.

"Xiao Qin, you just go ahead and do what you need to do; I'll take care of any trouble that comes after... Just to let you in on a secret, I've just come back from Secretary Tang's office, and he mentioned something about Gaoling County..." Qin Fang didn't expect that before he could finish explaining the situation, Ye Heng agreed to Qin Fang's action plan without hesitation, even offering to take care of the aftermath themselves.

It was only when Ye Heng truly shared the details with Qin Fang that Qin Fang understood what was going on.

Qin Fang was uncertain partly because he feared uncovering too many cases of governmental corruption, which might cause unnecessary trouble, especially since his father-in-law-to-be was the top

leader in Ninghai and was on the cusp of a promotion. It would be problematic to stir up significant issues at this time.

Ye Heng was someone brought up by Secretary Tang, considered to be one of Tang's trusted followers. Qin Fang's father-in-law-to-be couldn't possibly say certain things to Qin Fang, but it was different coming from Ye Heng.

"I understand, Uncle Ye..." With Ye Heng's assurance, everything that followed would be much easier. Qin Fang quickly expressed his thanks and then hung up the phone, immediately sending a message to Chen Da's side.

While Qin Fang was in contact with Ye Heng, Chen Da finally met the infamous Master De, who had dominated Gaoling County for over a decade.

"To have such distinguished guests visit and not be able to receive you from afar, my apologies, my apologies..." As soon as Master De entered, a radiant smile spread across his plump face, giving off the impression of a very amiable old man, with his somewhat rotund belly making him appear like Maitreya Buddha.

But who could know how much killing intent was hidden behind that smile!

"We're hardly distinguished guests, just looking to see Master De was indeed not easy... Perhaps our Brother Hu's face is just too thin..." Qin Shouxiong stood to the side, motionless like a statue, and it was Chen Da who took care of speaking, the conversation laced with barbs from the start.

"Audacity!"

"Courting death..."

The kind of followers one has reflects the leader!

Having dominated Gaoling County for over a decade, those who were close to Master De were considered his confidants, many of whom had followed him for years, developing a disposition of ruling as lords. If anyone dared to show them the slightest disrespect, they would be immediately beaten to death with a barrage of sticks.

Although Tiger was considered a top dog in Ninghai City District, these men wouldn't dare to be so brazen if they went to Ninghai. However, on their own turf, they couldn't possibly diminish their own authority.

When Chen Da spoke like this, the people around Master De were not only enraged, but some with particularly volatile tempers were also ready to pull their weapons.

Of course, not everyone was so aggressive and belligerent. Aside from Master De, there was at least one person who seemed relatively calm—that was Military Advisor Liuzi. However, the glint in his eyes flickered with an unusual light...

Chapter 778 - Bullying the few with the many\_1

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Master De's men were seething with rage, one after another, and some had already quietly made their way toward Chen Da's side, forming a surrounding situation as if they were about to enclose Chen Da like wrapping dumplings.

Chen Da remained his calm self, and since Qin Shouxiong was wearing sunglasses, it was hard to tell any change in his expression, but one thing was apparent – his expression had not changed at all from beginning to end.

"Hold on..."

But at the critical moment, it was Master De who spoke up. After all, he had been mixed up in the Martial World for over a decade. Even though he had been the local tyrant for so long, he wasn't completely dismissive of everyone else.

It is said that even the fiercest dragon doesn't cross the river, and Tiger wouldn't have sent his men so brazenly to his territory without reliance. At the very least, the reactions of these two men in front of him indicated so.

"Gentlemen, I have known Tiger for many years, and by the rules of the underworld, even he has to call me senior when he sees me. You—"

Master De's chubby face revealed a ferocious look, and his tone became a lot tougher.

This is how it is for those mixed up in the underworld; you simply cannot show weakness to the other party. Otherwise, if you lose momentum, you end up disadvantaged, especially in a situation like this.

Unfortunately for him, he was addressing the wrong people. Chen Da and Qin Shouxiong were not true underworld figures. They were there to rescue someone, to capture someone. They couldn't care less about turf wars.

"Tsk, tsk, Master De truly is deserving of his name. Truly, the old blade is not yet dull... But today, my companion and I didn't come to Gaoling to engage in such nonsense with Master De..."

Chen Da had no time for idle chitchat with Master De and immediately made clear his intention. "I heard Master De just captured a kid named Li Jun. This person has some ties to Brother Hu's friends, and Brother Hu has sent the two of us to express his hope that Master De would do him the favor and let the person go..."

"Hmm?"

Master De's face shifted slightly, his pudgy cheeks trembling involly, clearly not expecting Chen Da to be there for such a matter.

For an average person, a simple notification to Master De from Tiger would suffice, and Master De would most likely do the favor. That way, no one would lose face, and Tiger might even owe him a favor.

But this matter was related to Li Jun, and Chen Da's words clearly indicated that Li Jun was captured by Master De. It was likely that the reason for the capture was also known...

If Master De released Li Jun, then the embarrassment of him being cuckolded would spread, which was definitely not something Master De wanted to see.

"What if I don't release him?"

Faced with such a situation, Master De naturally wouldn't give in and asked rhetorically with a strange tone, while also giving several meaningful glances.

"Not release him? I'm afraid that's not for you, Master De, to decide..."

Chen Da sneered, his gaze changing, no longer calm but filled with deep mockery. It wasn't clear whether he was mocking Master De's overconfidence or the fact that he had been cuckolded.

"Looking for death!"

"Bring out the weapons..."

Just like that, not only did Master De's face turn incredibly embarrassed, but his minions couldn't tolerate it either.

Their boss being disrespected and ridiculed not only made the boss lose face, but also them as subordinates. Plus, having thrown their weight around in Gaoling County for so many years, no one had

dared to show such disrespect before. In an instant, they were filled with fury and immediately two of them charged with fists ready to subdue Chen Da.

Bang bang~~

Although Chen Da's abilities had greatly diminished due to his injury, he was once a Level 5 military expert on par with Tang Cheng. Even now, weakened as he was, he still had the skills of a Level 3 or 4.

Master De's two underlings were too eager to show off and didn't measure their strength before taking action, resulting in Chen Da simply swinging his leg and effortlessly sending the two flying.

Smack smack smack~~

As Chen Da laid the two men down, there was no sign of joy on his face, as if it was an all too simple matter. Contrarily, Master De started clapping his hands.

"It's said that Tiger came from the military, and he has many high-level military experts under him. I had my doubts, but now, I have no doubts anymore..."

Master De's fat face jiggled, looking greasy and shiny, and his tiny eyes had squinted until they were almost invisible. His gaze toward Chen Da grew even murkier.

"I won't deny it, you are quite skilled. Among my men, if we're talking about one-on-one fighting, there really aren't many who could match you! But..."

Smack smack smack~~

At this point, he smacked his hands twice more, and then one could see a handgun suddenly appear in the hand of a henchman standing behind him.

"Even if you're strong, can you be stronger than my bullets? The matter with that kid named Li, no matter if an unknown nobody like you comes, or even if Tiger himself came... Hmph, if you don't know what's good for you, I'll take you down right now!"

Master De was clearly very angry, and even raised his hand, as if merely by lowering it, the gunman would immediately open fire.

"Master De, are you opting for punishment over toasting? Then we won't be polite anymore..."

But Chen Da seemed not to see the gun at all, acting more arrogant than even Master De, as if he held the upper hand.

"Clueless fools... Finish him off!"

Master De's plump face turned even uglier. At that moment, he dispensed with the niceties and simply waved his hand, signaling the gunman to immediately shoot and kill Chen Da.

Bang~~

The gun fired!

Ah~~

Simultaneously, there was a scream of agony.

However, the scream did not come from Chen Da or Qin Shouxiong, but from the burly underling who had just tried to shoot. His hand clutching his wrist, he howled in pain, blood streaming through his fingers, while the gun had already fallen powerless to the ground.

Everyone on Master De's side was dumbfounded, none of them could understand how things had turned out this way. Could bullets shoot backward?

Obviously not!

The shooter was none other than Military Advisor Liuzi, standing closest to Master De.

"Liuzi! What is the meaning of this?"

Master De's face changed drastically, his eyes filled with disbelief; it had never crossed his mind that the traitor would be Liuzi, whom he thought least likely to betray him.

But the reality in front of him was undeniable, and the faint smell of gunpowder lingering on Liuzi's handgun was the best proof.

"Master De, don't blame me, as they say, 'Man ascends to higher positions like water flows to lower ones'... I've been slaving away for over a decade under you, and I can say I helped you fight for half of Gaoling County's territory. And what did I get? When I finally liked a woman, you drove her mad..."

Liuzi's face was calm, but his words emanated a chilling sensation, especially the last sentence, which revealed deep-seated hatred.

"You..."

Master De's face turned extraordinarily ugly, as he genuinely was unaware of these things.

Dominating in Gaoling County for years, he had driven countless women mad; he could not remember which woman had a relationship with Liuzi.

Of course, even if he had known, he wouldn't care. Over the years, he had arranged for his underlings to play with countless women, without regard for anything else.

"Stop wasting words on him; we're taking him with us. The rest of them... you handle it!"

Chen Da glanced at the time, not wanting to delay things further, and walked directly towards Master De's side, ready to capture someone and immediately retreat.

"You dare!"

But Master De, who had been in the game for so many years, still had some desperados at his beck and call. Although Liuzi's gun had intimidated them, it didn't mean these people would not dare to act.

Just as Chen Da was about to make a move to grab someone, three desperados suddenly charged forward. These three were highly prized by Master De and were known for their reckless fearlessness.

"Idiots..."

Chen Da didn't even bother with the three, slightly shifting his feet to dodge effortlessly, while Liuzi whispered these two words under his breath.

While everyone was baffled, Qin Shouxiong, who had been standing still all this while, suddenly seemed to employ the Shift Position Technique, literally appearing in front of the three desperados, completely unfazed by the large knives in their hands.

Clang~ Clang~ Clang~

Three crisp striking sounds echoed through the meeting room, even creating a reverberating echo...

Thud, thud, thud~~~

Ah~ Ah~ Ah~

But before the echo had faded, the distinct sound of blades cutting flesh was heard... accompanied by three painful screams.

Chen Da shrugged innocently, looking at Master De with a half-smile, and Liuzi had a similar reaction; apparently, he seemed to have known all along that things would turn out this way.

As for Master De's side, it was entirely different; their eyes were wide in disbelief as they watched Qin Shouxiong brush off his shoulder, head, and arm – the very spots where the knives had struck...

Turned out, he was unharmed, his clothes at most nicked by a few slashes, but the three men who had struck him were not so lucky. The blades had bounced back, crippling them...

Of course, Qin Shouxiong's mission was not only that - his movement was meant to achieve the best effect. He immediately turned into a shadow, swiftly killing into the group of Master De's underlings.

The sounds of gunfire erupted again and again, followed by successive agonized screams, and of course, the snapping sounds of breaking bones were unavoidable.

In just a matter of seconds, Master De became the only person left standing, while all the other underlings lay sprawled on the ground, wailing in pain...

Chapter 779 - Perfect Resolution\_1

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"Master De, please..."

All these underlings had been taken care of. Master De, in his several decades of life, had long passed the era of calling for fights and killings. If it really came down to it, any young punk could beat him into an elephant's trunk... because his chubby face was already a pig's head.

After his wings were clipped, this old tiger without teeth naturally fell into complete decline.

Chen Da didn't just grab the man and leave; he allowed him to come on his own, giving this doomed gangster boss a last bit of face.

Seeing his own people disabled, and knowing that the opposition, with only two men, could inflict such a massacre, Master De understood that the game was up.

"Liu Zi, remember this! I will come back..."

But before leaving, he couldn't help but give a cold look to this suddenly traitorous trusted follower and left these ominous words, before walking toward the elevator, with Chen Da and Qin Shouxiong following behind...

"You won't be coming back..."

Although Master De was full of confidence, Liu Zi behind him just gently shook his head and muttered softly and calmly,

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"Boss, we've caught him... Yes, I understand what to do..."

Master De was naturally taken away by Chen Da. The city police and the provincial department were going to take over the situation here, and Qin Fang wouldn't need to intervene anymore. Such matters were tangled with the intricacies of political games, and Qin Fang, a mere commoner, certainly didn't have the qualifications to be involved.

In any case, one thing was certain, Master De had completely fallen, and he really couldn't come back anymore!

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In a basement of a bath center under Master De's control.

The lights were off, shrouded in darkness, blinding to the hand before the face, and occasionally the faint sound of mice could be heard—hardly a place fit for a human.

However, in a corner, there was indeed someone huddled there, with messy hair, dirty clothes, and dried bloodstains...

If there was a light shining, one could see the bruises on his face and body, clearly having been beaten before.

This person was none other than Li Jun, Li Yuerong's brother, and the instigator of this whole incident, though he obviously knew nothing about what was happening outside.

Squeak~~creak!

The door to the basement opened, people filed in, and soon found Li Jun, who was nearly done for, and took him out...

After being led to a good meal and a bath, and clothed in clean, new clothes, Li Jun regained the look of the handsome young man he once was.

"Brother Niu, I really didn't expect... it would be you sending me off... But I guess it's better than dying of hunger..."

The one who had come to pick him up was a small-time leader with whom Li Jun had mixed for some days; their relationship was pretty good and they were quite familiar with each other.

"Sending you off? Dying of hunger? What are you talking about... I'm here to set you free, not to talk about death."

Brother Niu looked at Li Jun oddly, realizing he wasn't joking, and said this with great surprise.

After the incident, everyone thought Li Jun was done for, but to everyone's shock, today brought an unbelievable turnaround, and the only one who knew the details was that Li Jun had encountered a very influential benefactor.

"So... you are letting me go?"

Li Jun couldn't believe it. Knowing what kind of person Master De was, everyone in Gaoling County knew what to expect from him. Li Jun had already been regretting his fate.

But unexpectedly, just as he was in utter despair, he was suddenly told that he could go. It was simply too confusing for him.

"Could it be my sister..."

Li Jun was young, but not dumb, and immediately thought of a possibility, causing his handsome face to turn completely pale.

Although he was idle and neglectful of proper occupations, he had a good relationship with his sister. Li Yuerong would sometimes use her earnings to help him out. But this time, things had gotten out of hand. Li Jun was responsible for what he did, and he didn't want his family and sister to be dragged down...

He knew all too well what kind of man Master De was and had been deeply concerned that Master De would harbour ill intentions towards his sister Li Yuerong. However, he was locked up tight, completely oblivious to the outside world.

"Master Liu good..."

Liu Zi was Master De's military advisor, something Li Jun was aware of. Being just a lowly hoodlum, Li Jun would normally address Liu Zi with respectful salutations when they crossed paths.

"Don't be so formal, just call me Brother Liu from now on..."

However, Liu Zi didn't dare to put on airs now. In the past, he wouldn't even deign to give Li Jun a second glance, but things had changed. This kid had a powerful backer, and for such a trivial matter, he had brought down Master De, the local tyrant who had ruled Gaoling for over a decade. Liu Zi couldn't afford to offend him.

"Uh..."

Li Jun was even more stunned, starting to doubt whether the person in front of him was the renowned Liu Zi who stayed by Master De's side. But after carefully checking a few times, he confirmed it was indeed the same person.

"Don't just stand there gawking, Brother Chen is waiting to pick you up over there. Hurry home and let everyone know you're safe!"

Liu Zi didn't dare to delay him any further, as the person behind Chen Da was still waiting for news. He promptly pointed towards a car not far away.

"Brother Chen?"

Li Jun was still confused and had no idea what Liu Zi was talking about, but he obediently followed Liu Zi to the car. As he got into the Mercedes parked at the curb, he saw two men sitting inside, neither of whom he recognized.

"You are Li Jun?"

Sitting in the car were none other than Chen Da and Qin Shouxiong. With Master De's matter settled, they needed to wrap up the situation with Li Jun. They heard he had been starving for three days; had they been any later, they would probably have only found Li Jun's corpse.

"Quite a good-looking young man..."

Chen Da said with a smile. He had never seen what Li Yuerong looked like, but judging by Li Jun's handsome appearance, he could imagine what she might look like.

Their boss' quirks were well known among his men, and they had thought there might be something between Qin Fang and Li Yuerong, so they were naturally quite polite to Li Jun.

"Your problem has been taken care of. No one will bring it up again... It's not good to keep living like this, find yourself a proper job! If you run into any trouble, you can ask Liu Zi for help!"

While talking, Liu Zi courteously passed him a business card, and Chen Da also handed over one to Li Jun—both were simple cards with just a name and a number. Of course, Chen Da didn't forget to add, "If you don't wish to stay in Gaoling, you can come to Ninghai and find me..."

"Yes, yes..."

At this moment, Li Jun was like a yes-man, nodding continuously as if it was all he could do.

Chen Da didn't mind; in fact, he was even more polite than Li Jun, but Li Jun just hadn't realized it.

After dropping off Li Jun at the bottom of the Li family's apartment building, Chen Da and Qin Shouxiong left first. Li Jun's matter was temporarily settled, but they still needed to collaborate with the concerned parties on Master De's case.

But Liu Zi wasn't in a rush to go; he voluntarily stayed behind to chat with Li Jun for a bit.

Watching Chen Da and the others driving away, Li Jun felt bewildered.

"Brother Liu, this Brother Chen..."

After all the commotion, Li Jun still hadn't figured out what his relationship was with Chen Da. Chen Da had never featured in his memory before.

Yet, curiously, Chen Da showed him considerable kindness, even helping to quell this disaster for him...

"I can't say too much, just know that you've encountered a benefactor... Chen Da is also working for someone else, it seems your sister sought that person for help... If you want to find out the answer, you might consider visiting Ninghai..."

Liu Zi dared not speak too freely, but he also didn't want Li Jun, this nuisance, to stay in Gaoling County. With such a person around, his life wouldn't be too comfortable; he'd rather have Li Jun go make trouble in Ninghai, so any further issues wouldn't involve him.

Of course, this was just what he thought inwardly, as he didn't dare to show it openly. Otherwise, if Li Jun were to cause him any indirect trouble, it would be quite problematic for Liu Zi.

With Master De taken down, a storm seemed to be brewing in Gaoling County, which would likely ensnare many people. Liu Zi was one of the early ones to extricate himself. He had covered his tracks very well and could perhaps escape the storm unscathed. But if more chaos were to arise, the outcome might be very different.

Perhaps with the person behind Chen Da's intervention, he could navigate the storm more smoothly and succeed in taking over Master De's former territory.

Regrettably, he didn't have the privilege of direct communication. It seemed, however, that Li Jun might have such an opportunity. Liu Zi used to be Master De's military advisor, and he was certainly clever enough to have quickly grasped this key point.

"I will go..."

Li Jun furrowed his brows, feeling that things were definitely troublesome and might even involve his sister. Liu Zi knew a lot but hadn't fully disclosed things to Li Jun, such as the fact that Master De had been overthrown...

But regardless, the Li family was overjoyed to have Li Jun back alive. Almost the moment Li Jun entered the door, the family erupted into tears of relief.

Even Li Yuerong, far away in Capital City, brimmed with tears of excitement upon hearing the good news and was incredibly grateful to Qin Fang, almost to the point of breaking down crying.

However, when the Li family asked Li Yuerong who had helped her, especially regarding where the one million in cash had come from, the normally candid Li Yuerong suddenly hesitated. She struggled to explain clearly, leaving the Li family quite distressed and confused...

The relatively impetuous Li Jun almost immediately left home and headed straight for Ninghai City District, seemingly determined to find Chen Da and ask about the truth of the matter.

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Li Jun's matters had been settled, and others had helped him with the aftermath, so Qin Fang's attention naturally shifted back to Capital City.

The visit to the Lei Family was imminent. Cai Qing had already made contact with the Lei Family and arranged a meeting time. Qin Fang was to accompany Cai Qing on this appointment.

Lei Peng and his uncle Shangguan Tianling were the biggest challenges of this visit. Qin Fang had already prepared to confront them head-on, even preparing some preemptive measures as his trump card.

A day passed quickly, and today was the day to visit the Lei Family.

"Master, rest assured, I will handle this matter well..."

Before departing, Qin Fang's master Cai Pingyuan called to give him several instructions, emphasizing the safety of the two above all else, and mentioned that other matters could be discussed at a later time.

Qin Fang did not want to say much in response; the methods he had prepared were somewhat unsavory, and he did not wish for his master to worry, so he naturally chose not to speak of them.

"Let's go..."

After hanging up the phone, Qin Fang looked at Cai Qing beside him, who appeared rather tense and nervous, and said.

Cai Qing nodded and obediently got into Qin Fang's car.

The usually fierce Cai Qing was exceptionally calm today, like a gentle girl next door, giving Qin Fang a very unusual feeling.

Qin Fang really wanted to tease Cai Qing a few words, to bring back her naturally aggressive nature where she would curse when upset, but after some thought, he ultimately didn't have the heart to say it aloud, understanding her feelings at the moment.

The Lei Family was among the Martial Arts Clans with a particularly prosperous lineage, having suffered little loss even during turbulent times, with most of their members surviving and continuing to flourish.

The Lei Family was considered one of the local powerhouses of Capital City, with roots extending over a hundred years, making them a veritable Serpent of the land. It was said that the Lei Family had contributed significantly to the peaceful liberation of Capital City. Perhaps this was why the Lei Family had been able to preserve so many of its members.

Over the past century, as the Lei Family's descendants thrived, many outstanding individuals had emerged, such as the Seven Tigers of the Lei Family, whom Qin Fang was aware of.

Of course, there were other equally extraordinary descendants who entered politics, business, the military, or special departments of the country, extending the Lei Family's connections widely.

However, only descendants practicing Martial Arts were eligible to become the Family Head, as per the Lei Family's ancestral teachings of passing on the martial legacy.

Therefore, within the Lei Family, descendants who practiced Martial Arts had more say, and even though an issue like the marriage arrangement stirred up by a remarkable descendant like Lei Peng caused dissatisfaction among many family members, they could not really object.

Old Master Lei was advanced in years, nearly a decade older than the nearly seventy-year-old Cai Pingyuan, but because he had cultivated his Martial Arts to such a superb level, he didn't look particularly old.

Starting from the age of fifty, he rarely ventured out, mostly residing in the ancestral home to cultivate and seek further advancement in Martial Arts. It was at this ancestral home that Qin Fang and the others were to negotiate the marriage arrangement and meet Old Master Lei.

The Lei Family's ancestral home had a history of over a hundred years; it was said to have been built when the ancestors of the Lei Family moved to Capital City, and despite the trials and tribulations of the times, it had stood firm.

It was located in Houhai, a unique area in Capital City where ordinary people did not have the privilege to reside; the Lei Family was fortunate to bask in the glory of their ancestors.

A Thousand Gate expert skilled in Feng Shui had once appraised the area, proclaiming Houhai to be the most flourishing area of Dragon Country's energy...

Capital City had now become an international metropolis with skyscrapers at every turn, causing ancient architecture to become increasingly scarce.

Older architectures could at least be treasured as ancient cultural relics, but buildings from the past hundred years didn't hold as much value. Ironically, the Lei Family's tenure in Capital City fell right into this timeframe.

However, this was not to say that the Lei Family's ancestral home was not valuable, quite the opposite... If the Lei Family were willing to sell it, no less than ten billion would be conceivable.

The Lei Family's ancestral home was a Siheyuan, a distinctive architectural feature of Capital City, yet such courtyards were increasingly rare, with wealthy individuals no longer pursuing skyscrapers. Instead, the peaceful Siheyuan was much sought after, with its value on the rise.

It was said that Qing Dynasty buildings of moderate to slightly small size were valued at a billion or more, and Siheyuans the size of the Lei Family's, which were few and far between in Capital City, would start at several billion.

Not to mention that this particular Siheyuan was located in a place like Houhai. It was needless to discuss its value; one just had to look at the caliber of the residents nearby to understand.

Capital City was the imperial capital, and the energy flow of Houhai was the most prosperous in the entire Capital City. In terms of Feng Shui, this meant that ancestral homes and graves in such a place could bless descendants for generations to come.

Of course, this notion of fortune is a bit too mystical. It cannot be said to be entirely unreliable, but also not entirely certain. At least in Houhai, there are quite a few old houses that have been sold by families who have fallen on hard times, and such splendid energy did not benefit their descendants.

This also goes to show that such luck is not so easily enjoyed. If one does not have a sufficiently powerful destiny to suppress such great energy, it can end up causing harm instead.

Qin Fang was not very clear about whether the Lei Family's long-standing prosperity was related to this ancestral home. He did not research it, nor did he care to delve into these matters.

Since it was arranged in advance, as soon as Qin Fang's car arrived in Houhai, he was met by people from the Lei Family who had been waiting there. They guided him directly to the Lei Family's ancestral home.

The house looked quite ordinary. Besides being larger than the average courtyard house, there was nothing particularly special about it.

The main gate was the kind of red lacquered gate commonly seen in ancient times, with a stone lion on each side. Hanging above the door was a gold-lettered plaque whose paint had peeled off, making the inscriptions hard to read.

"The old master has been waiting inside for a long time now, please..."

Almost as soon as Qin Fang and his companion approached the gate, a man in his fifties emerged from the house, addressing Qin Fang and Cai Qing very politely.

"Level 6 Expert!"

Qin Fang was somewhat surprised by the elder's strength. He was a Level 6 Grandmaster, a level that was incredibly difficult for martial artists to reach. Such an expert would absolutely be a hero in his own right if outside, yet he seemed to be only a servant of the Lei Family...

"Thank you..."

However, Qin Fang did not shrink back due to the elder's strength. He immediately clasped his fists in a salute and began to step towards the house.

But Cai Qing, who was next to him, suddenly stopped in her tracks, hesitation apparent on her face, as if unable to take the next step.

"What's the matter, Senior Sister?"

Qin Fang looked at Cai Qing curiously. They were already at the doorstep of the Lei Family, and yet Cai Qing seemed suddenly hesitant, which he found strange.

"Qin Fang, I'm a bit scared..."

Even a strong woman like Cai Qing had her moments of vulnerability, which she normally kept deeply buried within her. Only when faced with such situations would this tenderness inadvertently reveal itself.

"Don't be afraid, I'm here for you!"

Qin Fang reached out and took Cai Qing's hand, sincerely saying, "Leave the following matters to me. You just need to wait for this marriage arrangement to be dissolved..."

Since he had promised Cai Qing to handle this matter, and promised his master that he would not let her come to harm, Qin Fang would not back down, even when facing the Lei Family, which was renowned for its numerous experts.

If the Lei Family were to provoke Qin Fang and make things difficult for him, he would undoubtedly not let the Lei Family off easily. To put it bluntly — would he, Qin Fang, who was barefoot, be afraid of the Lei Family who wore shoes?

Cai Qing looked into Qin Fang's eyes and saw no panic, just confidence and comfort. Her heart steadied, and she nodded gently. Without withdrawing her hand held by Qin Fang, she let him lead her as they both walked into the house together.

The elder who was guiding them acted as if he saw nothing, maintaining his demeanor with eyes downcast as though he did not exist at all.

Yet, the moment Qin Fang and Cai Qing walked together through the Lei Family's gate, a glint of sharpness flashed in the elder's eyes... It's just that he was behind the pair, and they could not see such a subtle change.

And so, Qin Fang and Cai Qing officially entered the Lei Family's territory and stepped into the ancestral home that had sustained the Lei Family's prosperity for over a hundred years. They slowly made their way toward the Zhongting, where Old Master Lei would meet with them.

This ancestral home had nothing particularly special about it; it was just an ordinary house. However, as Qin Fang walked, he looked around with great interest, seemingly very curious about the place.

Today's Capital City has turned into a forest of reinforced concrete structures, bustling and noisy everywhere. In contrast, an old house like this one exuded a certain serenity and elegance, making it a good place for cultivating the mind and character. No wonder great men preferred to reside in such places.

As far as Qin Fang knew, Elder Tang who lived on Qingzhu Mountain and Old Master Qiao who resided at Yuquan Mountain both dwelled in such old houses, as they were more suitable places for their self-cultivation.

Of course, these older masters had different purposes for their cultivation...