

Hidden 1301

Chapter 1301: As Long As I Like You

Before Ning Xi could explain further, Jiang Muye interrupted, "She was weird. She thought that she's some superhero and wanted to eliminate trash guys in order to protect the innocent girls!"

Ning Xi nodded, satisfied with Jiang Muye's explanation.

"Huh? What?" Lu Jingli was confused.

How did the topic turn from Xiao Xi Xi's love story to a superhero saving innocent girls?

Ning Xi sat beside Lu Tingxiao, resting her head on Lu Tingxiao's shoulder. She let out a sigh, "Actually, I can't stand it when I see trash guys bullying girls. This happened since I broke up with Su Yan five years ago. My psychiatrist said it's a form of obsessive compulsive disorder, and that it couldn't be fixed. Of course, I didn't want to fix it at that time..."

Lu Tingxiao patted her head. He was very understanding of her situation.

Ning Xi blinked her eyes. "Dear, I had such a bad reputation back then. You didn't really know me well either, so why did you still like me? I really had nothing but a pretty face back then. I was so bad at everything else..."

"The person I like doesn't need to possess anything or be good at anything as long as I like you," said Lu Tingxiao.

Ning Xi hugged him. "My dear, you're so cool!"

"Ugh... Be more serious! We're talking business here!" Lu Jingli then asked, "So, all your exes were cases like this as well? Your purpose to be with them was to take revenge on them? Even Jiang Muye?"

Jiang Muye was annoyed. Could they not mention him all the time?

Was he really his true uncle!?

Okay, they were not really related by blood...

Ning Xi nodded. "Except Su Yan, and that someone... The others all happened this way!"

Lu Tingxiao's expression changed ever so slightly. He instantly understood that the unsaid name was Yun Shen.

"Wow, Jiang Muye, no wonder you didn't tell me the truth even after being so drunk! Xiao Xi Xi didn't like you at all. She was just there to torture you!" A moment of realization dawned on Lu Jingli.

Jiang Muye's expression darkened. Why couldn't he be more considerate?

Still, a certain devil was feeling really smug. His wife was too cute!

"Since she shared this much...now, you can tell us what happened between the two of you?" Lu Jingli patted Jiang Muye's back. "Young man, tell us your story!"

Jiang Muye had held it in for far too long as well, so he opened up, "Well...you know how I was a few years back! I betted with a bunch of friends on whether I could get Ning Xi to be my girlfriend in a day. We betted on a car!"

"Then?" Lu Jingli quickly filled up Jiang Muye's glass.

Lu Tingxiao was feeling great as he focused on Jiang Muye's story!

With Ning Xi's words, most of his love rivals were eliminated, so of course, he would feel great!

Chapter 1302: Playing With My Heart

"And then..." Jiang Muye gulped his drink, then stared at Ning Xi with a similar expression to Mo Yuxiu's. "And then, I really did get her in a day, but..."

Lu Jingli's mouth twitched. "Can you spit it out already?"

"On the seventh day, I brought her to meet my friends and to receive my reward. But in the end, the car went to her!"

"What do you mean?" Lu Jingli asked, "Why did it go to Xiao Xi Xi? You gave it to her?"

"Does she need me to? She was colluding with my friends to trick me. She's the real scammer!" Jiang Muye said.

Jiang Muye had really fallen in love with Ning Xi, so he had really been struggling when he brought Ning Xi to meet his friends.

As they reached the place, he was about to give up the reward and continue to be together with Ning Xi, but Ning Xi had toasted with his friends. Only then was he informed that he had been tricked.

Ning Xi did not like him at all at that time. She had betted with his friends that she would be able to get together with him, then abandon him. In return, she would get the car.

Jiang Muye had been in the playing field for over 20 years, and his heart had been crushed by Ning Xi.

After Jiang Muye finished his story, Lu Jingli patted the poor boy's back sympathetically. "Well, just take it as your karma!"

Jiang Muye kept quiet. Was that how one was supposed to comfort another!?

"Compared to the other guy, you're really lucky!" Lu Jingli added.

Jiang Muye admitted it with his silence.

"Just how bad was Mo Yuxiu that you had to be this cruel? He's even got erectile dysfunction now!" Lu Jingli said.

Ning Xi shrugged. "To be able to receive such treatment from me, imagine for yourself! I saw a girl almost kill herself with a baby inside her. She told me about Mo Yuxiu and that triggered me to do something. I was actually planning to go back at that moment and wanted to stop myself from acting out, but he was too much of a piece of trash to ignore..."

"Hmm, Xiao Xi Xi, then how are you now?" Lu Jingli was concerned about her psychological state.

Ning Xi held onto Lu Tingxiao's arm. "Now? My focus has been on your brother. I don't have anymore time for other men. If I have extra time, I'd rather be with Little Treasure!"

Lu Jingli stood up. "I got what I want. It's time to go back! Goodnight, my dear brother and sister-in-law!"

Lu Jingli left together with Jiang Muye.

Lu Jingli looked satisfied. He had never really known much about Xiao Xi Xi before, but he did realize that there was something odd about Xiao Xi Xi's past. To his relief, today's events finally cleared his doubts.

Especially when his brother first started to get closer to Xiao Xi Xi, there was once that he had stalked her to a pub and witnessed how she tortured another man...

Lu Jingli went home happily!

God, please bless me with a good woman with all the good deeds that I have done!

Chapter 1303: It Won't Fall Into Someone Else's Hands

Ever since her grandfather had announced his will, the others from the Ning family had been putting in the effort to get her share of 10%.

Because she had something they wanted, they probably would still go soft on her by trying to buy it from her with a high price. If she held on it for too long, they would surely use more extreme methods.

Ning Xi thought it was about time to settle this once and for all.

After the commercial shoot with the Lu Corporation ended, Ning Xi wanted to contact Ning Qitong. However, before she could, Ning Qitong called her first.

"Xiao Xi, are you free now?" Ning Qitong's gentle voice came over from the other side of the phone.

"Aunt, what a coincidence! I was about to contact you! I have something to discuss with you," Ning Xi said.

"Then, come over to my place. I'm at the Royal Jazz Hotel ballroom," Ning Qiu Tong requested.

Ning Xi thought Ning Qitong was busy, so she agreed, "Okay."

A while later, Ning Xi drove to the Royal Jazz Hotel.

The waiter saw Ning Xi in her sunglasses and face mask, so he said politely, "Hello, do you have an invitation card?"

"I'm looking for someone. Madam Ning Qitong?" Ning Xi said.

The waiter replied, "Please follow me. Madam Ning is already waiting for you!"

The waiter brought her to the door of a presidential suite and then left her there.

Ning Xi rang the doorbell.

The door soon opened. Ning Qiotong stood there with a champagne dress on her. She quickly invited Ning Xi in, "Xiao Xi, you're here! Come in!"

"Quick, put this on. I'll set your hairstyle for you later." Ning Qiotong showed her a bed full of dresses and accessories.

"This is?" Ning Xi was confused.

Ning Qiotong grabbed her arm, "There'll be many famous people in the country at the cocktail party today. Not just anyone can join. I'll bring you around and introduce you later! It'll definitely help you out!"

Ning Xi coughed, "Aunt, I'm alright..."

Ning Qiotong looked troubled. "You little child, don't be shy! If you're not going to fight for it, then it'll be snatched away by others. All of these belong to you! Now that I'm back, I can't just leave you alone!"

Ning Xi knew Ning Qiotong was really treating her kindly and was on her side. Her insides felt warm. "Rest assured, Aunt. It won't fall into someone else's hands."

"No matter what, you have to join the party today. I've already told people I'm bringing my beautiful niece!" Ning Qiotong looked determined as if her reputation would be affected if Ning Xi were to be absent today.

Ning Xi did not reject her anymore. "Thank you, Aunt."

"That's more like it! Give this a try. If it's not suitable, I'll get someone to change it." Ning Qiotong handed her some dresses.

She and her husband were busy with their business and had no children, so she never had any chances to pick clothes out for a child. While she found Ning Xi really independent and was impressed by her determination, Ning Qiotong decided to help her out.

Chapter 1304: Only To People I Like

A while later, Ning Xi came out in her changed outfit.

It was a glacier blue dress with matching tassel earrings and a pair of silver high heels.

Anyone who was slightly familiar with fashion would know that everything on Ning Xi was valuable limited-edition items.

The dress was a special item from the renowned ES, and the high heels were from the Eden series of Ralph Lauren. As for the earrings, they were designed by one of the top designers in the country, Fang Yi.

Ning Qiotong's eyes lit up. "Great! You look marvelous!"

"Thank you! You have really great taste!" Ning Xi smiled.

"Such a sweet-talker you are, but why do you have such a terrible relationship with your family?" Ning Qiotong sighed.

"I'm only a sweet-talker with people whom I like!"

Ning Qiyong beamed happily. "Come here. I'll do your hair for you."

"Mmm." Ning Xi sat in front of the dressing table.

Ning Xiutong used a comb and brushed her hair gently. "Let me think what kind of hairstyle to do for you, but you look so great already. I don't think I have much to do here..."

Ning Xi looked at Ning Qiyong's loving expression through the mirror. She had an indescribable feeling when her hair was being caressed by Ning Qiyong's gentle fingers...

Ning Qiyong realized that Ning Xi's eyes were a little red, so she asked nervously, "Xiao Xi, what's wrong?"

Ning Xi shook her head. "It's alright, I just slept too late last night, so my eyes are a little irritated."

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At the same time, in the banquet hall, everyone was chatting, drinking, bonding, and talking about business. Some people even tried to look for a partner for their children. All in all, the atmosphere was very lively.

Zhuang Lingyu was bringing Ning Xueluo around with pride. No matter where she went, everyone had nothing but praises for them.

"Madam Ning, when are we going to get invited to your daughter's wedding?"

"Sadly, my useless son is late!"

"You're so blessed, Madam Ning. You have an understanding husband and such a capable daughter. Now there's even an excellent son-in-law!"

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Zhuang Lingyu looked at her daughter in her elegant white dress, and she patted her shoulder. "My biggest achievement in my life is to have Xueluo as my daughter!"

Ning Xueluo acted bashfully. "It's my blessing to be your daughter!"

Everyone was really jealous of how close they were. Most of the higher-class families did not have good relationships with their children, who were usually rebellious and arrogant. None of them would be as obedient as Ning Xueluo was!

"Lingyu, I heard that your sister-in-law who stayed overseas has returned recently?" A lady went up to Zhuang Lingyu and asked.

"Mmm, yes, she's back." Zhuang Lingyu did not look very happy when her sister-in-law was mentioned.

"Coincidentally, my husband was looking for people to collaborate on his project. Would you mind introducing us?" The lady made a request.

Zhuang Lingyu frowned, but as she was about to reply, the hush fell over the hall.

Everyone stared towards the entrance.

There was a lady in a golden dress along with a stunning girl behind her. They both entered the hall regally.

Chapter 1305: This Is My Niece, Ning Xi

Ever since Ning Qitong had returned, many in the circle had given her presence much attention because they wanted to suck up to her and be her business partner.

Naturally, many people recognized her now, but who was that elegant and incredibly gorgeous girl beside her?

They did not recall having met such an elegant socialite before!

Could it be Ning Qitong's daughter?

That was even more impossible. Ning Qitong did not have children!

Some of them who had recognized Ning Xi were in disbelief too. Her appearance and the fact that she had attended the banquet by Ning Qitong's side was simply a huge surprise.

"Is the person who just walked in Ning Yaohua's sister, Ning Qitong?"

"Yes, that's her, but I don't know who the girl beside her is. They look quite close!"

"Ning Qitong is childless, so it can't even be her daughter-in-law. Could it be a friend's daughter? That's not quite logical either..."

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The crowd started to guess the identity of the girl beside Ning Qitong, and when Zhuang Lingyu took a look at who it was, she looked extremely upset and instantly stomped angrily to Ning Yaohua. She lowered her voice to say, "Ning Yaohua! What's your sister doing? Why did she bring Ning Xi?"

Ning Xueluo felt her heart lurch in her throat too. Damn it, Ning Qitong! This busybody old woman!

Ning Yaohua replied awkwardly, "How would I know? She didn't tell me anything! But I think she's just bringing Ning Xi along to join the event. Don't be too sensitive! I've chatted with her once about not interfering in our family matters, so she wouldn't do anything, I think!"

"CEO Ning, finally, we meet! Before this, I've made quite a few appointments with you, but you were busy. It's really hard to meet you!" Not caring who the person beside Ning Qitong was, someone had already grabbed the opportunity to network.

A cocktail party like this was the best place to have business chats and network.

"I've just returned, so there have been too many things and people to deal with. Indeed, I'm quite busy. Forgive me, CEO Xiong!" Ning Qitong responded unhurriedly.

"No, no, I'm willing to wait for another month if it's for the beautiful CEO Ning..." CEO Xiong offered friendly small talk, then he turned to the quiet yet elegant girl beside Ning Qitong to ask, "CEO Ning, I wonder who's the beauty beside you?"

Ning Qitong looked lovingly and pridefully at Ning Xi before answering, "CEO Xiong, let me introduce you. This is my niece, Ning Xi."

"Ah..." CEO Xiong was stunned when he heard this. "Niece?" CEO Xiong said as he subconsciously looked at Zhuang Lingyu and Ning Xueluo's direction. He thought to himself, "Isn't Ning Qitong's niece Ning Xueluo?"

The other niece would be Ning Yaobang's daughter, Ning Tianxin, who was here today as well, but this girl did not look like her. Where had this niece named Ning Xi popped up from?

He knew that Ning Yaobang had two daughters out of wedlock, but there were not members of the circle, so there was no way they have such charisma. Besides, with Ning Qitong's status, there was no way she would show such high regard to two illegitimate daughters!

CEO Xiong thought it was odd, but it was not polite to ask at that time. "Oh, so it's your niece! I was wondering how she was this charisma! Indeed, it's in the bloodline! Good genes! She really has your demeanor from way back when!"

Chapter 1306: Person Under Her

CEO Xiong's words were actually trying to probe further.

Still, Ning Qitong did not deny. "I do agree with you, CEO Xiong. This child is like me."

Zhuang Lingyu was only a few steps away, and when she heard Ning Qitong speak ambiguously with the topic moving towards a dangerous one, her face was turning black from anger...

If she let her continue on like this, all of the scandals just might be revealed then and there!

Zhuang Lingyu immediately walked over swiftly. "Qitong, you're here too!"

Ning Qitong shot her a look, then said with a cold gaze, "Why? Can't I come?"

Zhuang Lingyu suppressed her fury. She did not fight with her and just looked sharply at Ning Xi. "This child, why don't you address me when you see me? Don't know how to address me as your foster mother anymore?"

Before Ning Xi could speak, Ning Qitong sneered, "I think you should let someone else call you foster mother!"

Ning Qitong did not give Zhuang Lingyu any face at all. She was like an old hen protecting her chick, steadily shielding Ning Xi behind her. She had brought the person over, so naturally, she would not let her be wronged.

When he heard Zhuang Lingyu's words, CEO Xiong revealed an understanding expression.

So, that was where this girl came from! It turns out that it was the rumored adopted daughter of the Ning family!

Did they not say that she was not presentable at all? This did not seem to be the case today! She was much more charismatic than the real daughter of the Ning family.

If that was the case, Ning Qitong's attitude was enough to raise suspicions. Why would she be so nice to an adoptee? In fact, her words to Zhuang Lingyu were quite odd too.

Never mind. Every family had its problems and he did not want to be caught in this mess, so he left after a short chat.

After CEO Xiong left, Zhuang Lingyu quickly said, "Ning Qitong, don't air your dirty laundry in public! How does it benefit you to cause such a ruckus? Do you want us Nings to be implicated by this girl? The elder's health is not in good shape. If you cause any more trouble, you might want to consider the consequences!"

Ning Qitong's eyes squinted. "Cousin-in-law, I don't know if cousin has ever told you that the thing I hate most is others threatening me!"

Now that the interest of the Ning family had been confirmed, the change in the heirs would turn the company upside down. Before everything was ready, she did not want to act blindly. She needed to at least be sure that Ning Xi would not be hurt in this storm.

However, this did not mean that she had to accept this woman's threats.

"You..." After Zhuang Lingyu was threatened instead, she looked upset. However, looking at Ning Qitong's attitude, she seemed to have some concerns, so to avoid infuriating her further and causing a backlash, she left angrily.

It looked like she really needed to find time to settle the shares issue to avoid any more delay or trouble...

"How did you survive these past few years?" Ning Qitong looked at Ning Xi with a frown.

Ning Xi laughed, "It's alright. Apart from the year that I returned to the Ning family, everything has been quite alright."

Ning Qitong felt worse hearing this. She took a deep breath and pulled Ning Xi to meet all the influential people in the circle, introducing her to those worth knowing and networking with.

Even if Ning Xi had the title as an adopted daughter, she was someone under her. No one would dare to disrespect her!

The truth was such. Even though many people felt odd that Ning Qitong was lifting the reputation of the adopted daughter from the Ning family, they had given face to her. Besides, this girl was charismatic and beautiful, plus her current level of fame did not lose to Ning Xueluo's. Naturally, they were happy to honor Ning Qitong as well.

Ning Xueluo watched from the side as her father's sister, her aunt, helped Ning Xi and felt her face turn pale from anger...

Chapter 1307: Someone She Liked For Many Years

This godd*mn woman! The person that Father and Mother recognized was her. She was the lady of the Ning family!

She had already followed her father's wishes and sucked up to her by stooping to compromise, yet that woman had never been nice to her. Worse still, she had brought Ning Xi to attend such an influential occasion today. Clearly, it was meant to make her look bad!

"What's up, Ning Xueluo? Why's your aunt so close to that village girl?" Ying Fanglin frowned.

Ning Xueluo forced a laugh. "I'm not sure either. I don't know why but my aunt doesn't seem to quite like me. She's rather close to Ning Xi instead."

Jin Xuanxuan chimed in, "You're just too innocent. How could you beat that woman?! She's an Iron Lady, a female version of Zhuge ! Your aunt's company is quite huge, and your uncle, Guo Wenbo, is doing quite well abroad too. Of course, Ning Xi would be scrambling to get such a huge support system!"

Ying Fanglin pouted indifferently. "What Iron Lady? What female Zhuge ? I think Ning Qitong's head's not working. Isn't she afraid that people would laugh at her for being so nice to an adopted village girl?"

"I'm telling you that this hillbilly has tricks! She's only been in Glory World Entertainment for less than a year, yet she has defeated Su Yimo. In fact, thoroughly uprooted her! Now, the entire Glory World Entertainment is under her rule!" Jin Xuanxuan spoke exaggeratingly.

When she heard this, Ning Xueluo looked even more upset.

Even though she was the number one young beauty in Starlight Entertainment, there were still many experienced big shots above her. Some had top-class international resources and opportunities to appear in Hollywood blockbusters. It was not her turn to rise to such fame yet at this point.

On the other hand, it was different for Ning Xi in Glory World Entertainment, which was famous for their famous rookies, but they lacked big shots. Without Su Yimo, this rookie, who had been personally hired by Lu Jingli, managed by golden manager Ling Zhizhi, and even recognized by Lu Tingxiao at the anniversary celebration had "The World" as a solid foundation, and again, she rose to fame with "Dream Chaser". Was she not at the height of her limelight!?

Now that Su Yimo was gone, Glory World Entertainment would definitely elevate her as the number one actress, and all of the opportunities would go to her first.

To say that Glory World Entertainment was now under her rule was not quite an exaggeration.

It was a good thing that Ning Xi's current status was still far from entering the international market. Then again, she could not let her continue expanding like this.

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After Ning Qitong brought Ning Xi around to meet the prominent people in the circle, she stopped when she was satisfied and called Ning Tianxin over. They chatted as they ate.

However, Ning Tianxin looked absent-minded throughout the conversation, glancing at her phone every now and then.

"Tianxin, are you dating now?" Ning Qitong teased.

Ning Tianxin immediately blushed. "No, Aunt, don't tease me!"

Ning Xi blinked. "Mmm, you keep looking at your phone. Could you be waiting for that man you have liked stubbornly for many years?"

Ning Tianxin was stunned and her cheeks turned even more scarlet. It looked like Ning Xi had guessed correctly.

Ning Xi seemed like she had expected this. She snorted, "I knew it was him!"

Her cousin was not the usual kind of stubborn. She would not look at others no matter how well they treated her. Her loyalty lay with only one man, and his every action preoccupied her mind. Although he had only given her a leaf, that single leaf had been treasured by her for many years.

Ning Xi indicated her admiration for this unwavering loyalty. Every time she looked at her, she saw her old self...

Note: Zhuge - Short for Zhuge Liang, a famous Chinese politician, military strategist, writer, engineer and inventor during the Three Kingdoms period.

Chapter 1308: Arrogant Appearance

"Any updates recently?" Ning Xi leaned in to nose around.

"A little, I guess! Actually, I don't know if it counts!" Ning Tianxin looked troubled like a woman who had completely fallen in love.

Ning Qitong smiled at the two girls, sighing as she thought how nice it was to be young again. "I have to leave for a while. The two of you chat along!"

"Okay, bye bye, Aunty!"

"Aunty, don't worry about us!"

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"What does 'a little' mean? Be more concrete! Let me analyze for you!" Ning Xi could not bear the way the girl looked so confused and suppressed herself from losing her patience.

Ning Tianxin hesitated for a moment. When she saw no one was nearby, she weakly said, "We...we did it!"

"Whoa! What!?" Ning Xi almost cried out in surprise. She looked shocked at her usually obedient, traditional, and conservative cousin. "Sis Tianxin, how is this 'a little'? You're really usually quiet and now you're amazing me with a single shocking feat!"

Ning Tianxin's face turned scarlet. "I'm saying... Even though we did it, But our situation didn't change much."

When she heard this, Ning Xi instantly felt something was not right. "Bloody hell, that punk did it and ran?"

"He was drunk then, so he wasn't too clear-headed himself. After that, he apologized to me too..." Ning Tianxin looked like she was in a lot of pain.

Ning Xi was so mad that her chest hurt. Not only did he run after doing it, it was also a drunk one-night stand!

"Sis Tianxin, why are you so innocent? If a man was really drunk, how could he still do it?" Ning Xi looked flabbergasted by finding out how she had been taken advantage of so cruelly. Undeniably, she was so furious. She really wanted to know who this person was! She would definitely cut that punk up into eight pieces!

Sadly, she had asked a long time ago but Ning Tianxin was very adamant and would not tell who he was no matter what.

When she looked at a loss at Ning Tianxin,, Ning Xi suppressed the fury in her and frowned. "Let me ask you. The night you were with him to do it, did you guys take safety measures?"

Ning Xi looked shyly at her. "No, we were at my place then. I don't...don't have those kind of things!"

"I knew it!" Ning Xi chopped the man into eight pieces in her heart again, then she quickly asked, "Wait, did you take a morning after pill after that?"

Ning Tianxin turned pale. "I was too confused then. To be honest, I'm still quite confused now... I didn't even think about it..."

Ning Xi's gaze subconsciously moved to Ning Tianxin's stomach and felt her head hurt.

It was understandable if the innocent Ning Tianxin knew nothing, but would the guy not have known either? Since he did not want to take responsibility, how did he not even think about reminding her?

She would never have thought that someone close to her would meet such trash men too...

After Ning Xi reminded Ning Tianxin about the possible implications, she could not sit still any longer. "Xiao Xi, I-I'll leave first!"

This would not do. She had to get a pregnancy test kit from the pharmacy to check.

Ning Xi was worried about Ning Tianxin being alone, so she quickly chased after her. When she reached the door, she bumped into someone and was so frightened that she immediately turned around and ran the other way!

Crap! Yun Shen!

No way!

This was...impossible!

Ning Xi hid in the crowd of the banquet hall as she carefully peered between the gaps of the crowd towards the door again.

Yet, she actually did not need to look. The reactions of the people all around her had answered her.

That Yun Shen must be crazy. He had actually appeared openly at such a public occasion and did not bother to cover up his appearance at all! That arrogant head of white hair was way too recognizable...

Chapter 1309: A Moving Gold Mine

A head of unbridled white hair and that demonic look instantly attracted everyone's gaze.

If it was a normal person with a head of white hair, it would turn heads and send tongues wagging, but this person did not look out of sorts. He was supposed to be like that, akin to poppy; even though one knew that it was poisonous, one still could not help but fall into its trap.

Many of the female socialites looked over in a daze.

"Who's that man?"

"So...so handsome! But how have I never seen him? Logically, with such extraordinary charisma, I wouldn't not remember if I've seen him!"

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Among the buzz and whispers, someone in the crowd suddenly gasped excitedly, "Is that...could that be the legendary CEO Yun?"

"What? Which CEO Yun?"

"Yi Lan Investment Group's CEO!"

"Whoa! No way! Isn't that the tycoon that suddenly appeared recently and brought huge amounts of capital back into the country?"

"Well...I'm not too sure because neither has anyone ever seen how that CEO looks like, nor do we know how old he is, but the rumors say that he has a head of white hair. Plus with this man's aura, I made such a deduction!"

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Amidst the discussions in the crowd, no one dared to walk over to him because they were not sure of his identity until the event organizer, the old CEO of Mingyuan Technology wiped his sweat on his brow and rushed to the white-haired man with his personal assistant. Then, he respectfully led the man in.

When they saw this, there were instantly gasps among the crowd!

"It really...is him?"

"I shouldn't be wrong. That person must be the CEO of Yi Lan's Investment Group, Yun Shen! Mingyuan Technology was initially just an above average tech company, and it was because Yi Lan Group invested \$ 10 billion that they leaped to become the industry leader!"

"My God!"

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In that instance, almost all the company owners' eyes lit up. In their eyes, Yi Lan Investment Group was a huge gold mine!

Furthermore, Yi Lan Investment Group had just started up and was looking for investment partners, so it was the best time to befriend him.

Instantly, many people quickly walked up to him with the intention of getting a piece of the gold mine.

Of course, it was a taboo to rashly walk up at such an occasion. They needed someone to introduce them according to etiquette, thus the CEO of Mingyuan Technology, Cui Mingyuan, was suddenly very busy. Of course, even then, he still felt very honored that he could invite such a famous man to attend his event, and his chubby face was delighted.

He had just been trying his luck with the invitation. He thought that he would definitely not accept it, so he did not tell anyone about this, but who would have thought that he had really come? He was really overwhelmed by this.

Yi Lan Investment Group had invested in quite a few startups the moment they settled in the country, and all of them had performed greatly. The upper-class circle in Imperial had long heard about this young legendary CEO, but sadly this person moved around with elusiveness and it was incredibly difficult to meet him. Now that they had been presented with such a great opportunity, all the guests would, of course, rush to grab their chance.

Even Ning Yaohua and Zhuang Lingyu instantly forgot about Ning Xi. They went around to look for someone to introduce them to him.

As for Ning Xi...well, after she was sure it was Yun Shen, she had been racking her brain for ways to sneak away.

She was not clear about things within the business industry and she had only heard of Yi Lan Investment Group once in a while, but she would never have thought that the CEO of this company would be Yun Shen!

She thought that this guy was just temporarily back in the country, but it looked like he was obviously moving his operations back here...

Chapter 1310: That Woman Must Be Blind

The crowd of people had incidentally blocked the entrance, so Ning Xi could not find a chance to leave. She could only find a corner to temporarily sit down and wait for him to leave.

Based on her understanding of him, he probably would not stay for long.

However, this time, that guy must have wanted to go against her or something because he did not seem to have any intention of leaving.

"CEO Yun, you're truly young and promising, already succeeding at such a young age. It's truly admirable! I wonder what business were you previously doing abroad?"

To the point that he could accumulate such terrifying amounts of wealth...

Many others were very curious about this too. All of them were suspecting that he might be a member of some long-established, big-time clan abroad.

The white-haired man's long fingers gently grazed his glass of blood-red wine and he said unhurriedly, "Weapons."

There was dead silence after that.

Then, came a wave of dry laughter. "Hahahaha...CEO Yun, you've got a pretty good sense of humor!"

"Exactly! CEO Yun, you're too funny!"

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"CEO Yun, do you already have a girlfriend?"

Clearly, this question was in the heads of all the CEOs with daughters.

The white-haired man seemed to look off into the distance indistinctly, then he said, "I did, but I've been dumped."

The rest coughed in shock. "CEO Yun, you're joking again! How could any woman dump you?"

"Exactly! That woman must be blind!"

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Not too far away, the "blind" Ning Xi was speechless.

"You're truly generous for having returned to the country to invest and support the nation's infrastructural developments. I wonder which industry are you particularly interested in?" Someone asked.

Yun Shen replied, "It depends on my mood."

Everyone was speechless.

Bloody hell! Couldn't they just have a happy conversation!?

Even if they were annoyed, they had to continue the conversation.

Fine, you have money, you have the logic, you make all the decisions...

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Ning Xi watched how every question posed to Yun Shen received a cold response, yet the crowd was still determined to continue the awkward conversation. Ning Xi admired their psychological perseverance.

She kept waiting, yet Yun Shen would not leave, and trouble came instead...

She was sitting in a corner and maintaining a low profile when a strong whiff of alcohol closed in on her.

A drunk-looking man in his forties had staggered before her with a beer in his hand, muttering,

"You're...you're Ning Xi?"

"Any comments, sir?" Ning Xi frowned.

"How...how much?" The man asked.

"What?" Ning Xi squinted.

"I'm asking you! How much for a night?!" That beer mouth released the stench of alcohol as he asked impatiently.

The man was quite loud and he gradually garnered the attention of those who were with Yun Shen.

"Excuse me, sir, you're drunk." Ning Xi did not want to attract any attention, so she tried her best to be patient and chase him off.

"Cut the crap. I'm asking you how much! Hehe, they all say you're really arrogant. I would like to see how hard it can be to sleep with you..." The beer-bellied man started to say worse things.

One of the hotel managers noticed the commotion and he quickly walked over to smooth things over, but that person had probably drunk too much and was foul-mouthed while ignoring them. All those who attended the event were important guests. Thus, the manager dared not to offend anyone. The atmosphere instantly fell into a deadlock...