

Sidekick 931

Chapter 931: Too Late for Regrets (2)

"Yep," Wen Yan replied.

"But... But..." Grandma Wen stuttered. She did not know what to say.

At that moment, countless questions filled Grandma Wen's mind.

Her grandson owned the Huiling Medical Research Institution?

After a long time, Grandma Wen asked: "When did you start the Huiling Medical Research Institution? Why did you... Never mention this to me?"

"The year after my car accident. I wanted to cure myself."

But back then, Wen Yan was only seventeen years old!

At the time when he refused to go outside, Wen Yan managed to set up such an amazing medical institution in order to help him recover.

Then, Grandma Wen asked: "But, where did you get the money from?"

The Huiling Medical Research Institution was not a profitable business. Instead, it cost a lot of money to run.

During its establishment, it was essentially burning money every day. Even today, their research was not enough to make ends meet.

Therefore, Wen Yan's secret stash of money was definitely not enough to support such a huge expenditure.

"I did some business."

Wen Yan's reply was rather vague. He made it seem as though he was only running a small business.

However, if he was running a small business and earning a small profit, in no way would it be able to support such a research institution.

Grandma Wen took quite some time to digest this news.

On the other hand, Wen Ruo stayed quiet. She was unable to accept the fact that Wen Yan owned the Huiling Medical Research Institution.

"Then, Yiling was fired from the institution a while ago. What was that all about?" Grandma Wen asked.

"It was a misunderstanding. I misunderstood something and fired her by mistake," Wen Yan replied.

Wen Yan's words were like a sharp thorn to Wen Ruo's heart.

Wen Yan owned the Huiling Medical Research Institution?

Wen Yan fired Jian Yiling?

Then...

Then, later on, Jian Yunmo set her up. He made her say those words in front of Wen Yan!

That was why the Huiling Medical Research Institution published a letter of apology to Jian Yiling!

At that moment, Wen Ruo realized that Jian Yiling's dismissal from the Huiling Medical Research Institution was Wen Yan's revenge for her!

However, everything was ruined by Jian Yunmo!

Wen Ruo widened her eyes and looked at Wen Yan once again. This time, her expression changed.

Remorse, panic, fear, and many other emotions were shown on her face.

However, out of all of these emotions, regret showed up the most.

Who would have thought that Wen Yan was so capable?

Wen Yan's eyes absorbed Wen Ruo's reaction. The corners of his mouth hooked up and revealed a mocking smile.

Grandma Wen: "A misunderstanding? Then, is the misunderstanding cleared up now?"

Wen Yan: "Yes it is. I know that someone deliberately set this up."

Grandma Wen: "Then, you must remember to apologize to Yiling! You also need to compensate her! This is not a small matter!"

"I will," Wen Yan replied.

As he said this, his icy gaze fell on Wen Ruo's body.

A chill ran up Wen Ruo's spine.

For the first time in her life, Wen Ruo feared her crippled cousin.

Under Wen Ruo's watchful eyes, Wen Yan pressed a button on his wheelchair and returned upstairs.

Professor Xu also followed Wen Yan and left.

Wen Ruo was left in the living room. She was filled with regret.

If she had known Wen Yan's identity, she would definitely not have treated him as an ordinary cripple!

She missed out on such a good opportunity!

Chapter 932: Match (1)

"Has Master Sheng been in a bad mood lately?"

Xing Wei said as he cautiously asked Han Mengyu.

"Yeah, he is. He got a ticket from the traffic police," Han Mengyu replied.

"What? If I may ask, was that ticket a fine of fifty million dollars or five hundred million dollars?"

"Fifty dollars."

"Wait, don't tell me that Master Sheng has been upset for a few days because he was fined fifty dollars..."

"Nah, the point is not the fifty-dollar fine. The point is the traffic police issued this ticket just as our sister-in-law was about to kiss Master Sheng."

"Huh?"

"Our sister-in-law was going to offer a kiss for the first time. However, she was interrupted by the traffic police."

"Then what happened?"

"Well, nothing happened."

After Zhai Yunsheng and Jian Yiling left the Wen Residence, as he helped her, Zhai Yunsheng asked Jian Yiling to kiss him.

However... The kiss was interrupted by the traffic police.

"Ahhh, that's a costly ticket. No wonder Master Sheng is upset," Xing Wei replied.

Zhai Yunsheng held a wooden block in his left hand and a carving knife in his right hand. He was currently carving the wooden block.

It appeared as though he was carving a person. To be more specific, he was carving a woman.

Without even looking at the face of the woman, Xing Wei and Han Mengyu knew who Zhai Yunsheng was carving.

After a while, Zhai Yunsheng was about to be done.

Han Mengyu took this opportunity to speak to Zhai Yunsheng: "Master Sheng, we looked into XDL's research and development team. This is the information that we've found so far."

Zhai Yunsheng flipped through the information before he said:

"Elim?"

He raised his head and his eyes appeared to be probing and playful.

"Yep, Elim. This is all we've found so far," Han Mengyu replied.

Zhai Yunsheng leaned back into his chair and one of his hands propped up his temple. An evil smile appeared on his face.

In the information he just flipped through, XDL's Chief Designer Mr. Kevin was supposedly going to fly to Beijing tomorrow night. It stated that Mr. Kevin was going to meet Elim in the Hanging Gardens Restaurant.

As the Chief Designer of XDL, Mr. Kevin's schedule was always packed. If he took the time out to meet someone, this person was definitely really important to XDL or to him personally.

Therefore, if Zhai Yunsheng wanted to confirm if Elim from XDL was his fiancée, tomorrow night was a great opportunity.

Xing Wei: "Well, if we're catching a thief, we catch them with the stolen goods. If we're catching a couple in the act, we have to catch both of them. Let's catch our sister-in-law tomorrow."

Upon hearing this, Han Mengyu glared at Xing Wei.

"Ahhh..." Xing Wei said as he trailed off. He realized that his words just now were not quite right. "It's not catching a couple in the act..."

Then, were they going to the Hanging Gardens Restaurant tomorrow night?

If it really is Jian Yiling...

Then, another vest would be taken off...

He was somewhat looking forward to this...

The smile on Zhai Yunsheng's face became more and more obvious.

When Han Mengyu and Xing Wei saw the evil smile on Zhai Yunsheng's face, they couldn't help but think about the kiss that Zhai Yunsheng lost because of the traffic police. Another vest being taken off would not compensate for that.

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Diana sent another message to Jian Yiling:

[Darling, in addition to XDL's competitors, there's another organization that's investigating you. The organization is called Harmony League. Therefore, we've set a trap. We deliberately leaked the news that Mr. Kevin will be meeting you at the Hanging Gardens Restaurant tonight.]

It was quite normal for XDL's competitors to be curious about Elim's identity. But what was the origin of the Harmony League? And why were they investigating Elim?

Chapter 933: Match (2)

Was it another competitor? Or were they conspiring something else?

Last time, Feng Wei had also given Jian Yiling similar information. This meant that the other party wasn't just investigating her on a whim.

Diana continued to message Jian Yiling: [Darling, don't worry about it. We will eliminate all potential dangers for you.]

As XDL was worried that the other party might cause harm to Jian Yiling, they decided to take the initiative to expose the other party.

Jian Yiling paused for a moment before she sent over another message:

[Send me relevant information about the Harmony League.]

A minute later, Jian Yiling received a copy of the information on her phone.

This was all the information that they had discovered so far.

The Harmony League was a newly established business alliance.

Compared to the Loyalty Alliance which was led by the Zhai family, the establishment time of the Harmony League was considered quite short.

Unlike the low-key nature of the Loyalty Alliance, the Harmony League's actions were unlike its name at all. Instead, they acted decisively and brashly.

In just three years, they managed to achieve a level of power that could not be underestimated by any business or industry. It appeared as though they were creating a new force in Beijing where the Qin and Zhai family had previously been dominant.

However, everyone did not know much about the Harmony League's members. Everyone only knew that there was a substantial number of people working for the Harmony League. In addition, there was a professional investment team that could easily manipulate the financial markets.

Why was such a business alliance interested in Jian Yiling?

XDL could not make sense of the situation.

However, they could potentially cause Jian Yiling trouble. And thus, it was better to deal with them as soon as possible.

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The Hanging Gardens Restaurant was a restaurant that had rather distinctive features.

The restaurant was located on the rooftop of a twenty-two-story building.

Its roof and surroundings were made of glass.

Furthermore, the restaurant was filled with flowers. There were flowers of all different kinds of valuable varieties.

For example, there were orchids, peonies, and exotic succulents.

Other than being a prime dating destination, this place was also a haven for many flower lovers.

The restaurant was only open at night. During the day, it was reserved for the plants to grow.

In addition, if it was a clear day, everyone could see the starry night above the bustling city of Beijing. It was quite romantic.

As this restaurant required reservations two months in advance, it was difficult to predict whether it would be sunny or rainy on that night.

In the evening, Mr. Kevin showed up at the restaurant on time.

He booked a desk at the very edge of the restaurant. This meant that he could see the stars above and also the lights of the city below.

This time, in order to draw out the people investigating Jian Yiling, Mr. Kevin went out of his way to do it himself.

On the other hand, Han Mengyu also arrived at the restaurant. He sat down at a table more than ten meters away from Mr. Kevin.

In order to not attract attention, he also brought a female companion with him.

Han Mengyu had Bluetooth wireless earphones in one ear. This allowed him to keep in touch with Zhai Yunsheng and the others.

Zhai Yunsheng also arranged for other people to be stationed inside the restaurant.

This meant that Zhai Yunsheng could receive information from them at all times.

At this moment, Zhai Yunsheng himself was in his company's office.

On one monitor, he was receiving messages from his subordinates and men.

On the other hand was his chat interface with the Eddington Mathematical Association.

In the past, Zhai Yunsheng basically played around with everything. Of course, this included mathematics. It was a way for him to kill time.

Out of boredom, he joined and became a member of the Eddington Mathematical Association.

The people of this association were passionate about answering all kinds of mathematical problems. Often, these problems had not been answered so far.

Chapter 934: Match (3)

In the past two years, Zhai Yunsheng had been less active in the association. He had been up to more interesting things.

However, a friend who he used to stay up with all night solving problems approached him today. And thus, Zhai Yunsheng decided to have a brief conversation with them.

Han Mengyu's voice could be heard from Zhai Yunsheng's earphones.

Han Mengyu: "Master Sheng, the atmosphere of this restaurant is quite good. Mr. Kevin deserves to be called a big shot in the fashion industry. His tastes are amazing. If a young girl got invited here, she would definitely be attracted to him."

Xing Wei: "Although Mr. Kevin is not that young, he's quite a gentleman. He has the charm of a mature man. Many young girls are attracted to that type of man."

Zhai Yunsheng: "Do you guys have nothing better to do?"

As he said this, Zhai Yunsheng told him that he would bring his little rabbit to this restaurant in the future. His rabbit would probably enjoy the atmosphere and environment of the restaurant.

Han Mengyu: "Cough cough... No no... We're keeping an eye out. However, for now, Elim has not appeared. Just now, I saw the Vice President of Sofia. I'm pretty sure her name is Chen Lu. I wonder if this is a coincidence."

Zhai Yunsheng: "Don't get distracted."

Han Mengyu: "Don't worry Master Sheng! I'm keeping my eye on him! As soon as our sister-in-law appears, our cameras will be fixated on her! There will be no gaps in coverage!"

In another corner of the restaurant, Chen Lu, the Vice President and Chief Designer of Sofia was there with her assistant.

They were also closely watching Mr. Kevin's table as they waited for the appearance of the mysterious Elim.

"Vice President, it's already past the hour. Why hasn't Elim appeared yet?"

"Wait for a little longer. Since it's a meeting with Mr. Kevin, Elim will definitely appear."

However, Chen Lu also felt a bit anxious.

This opportunity was not easy to find.

After another half an hour, Elim still did not appear.

At this moment, Mr. Kevin answered a phone call. After that, he hurriedly left his seat.

Xing Wei: "Master Sheng, Mr. Kevin entered the hotel below the restaurant. He entered the presidential suite with a woman."

The floor below the Hanging Gardens Restaurant was a hotel.

Han Mengyu: "Did you see who the woman was?"

Xing Wei: "I did not get to see her face. However, her body was slim and she wasn't tall. In addition, her hair was quite long. She looks like our sister-in-law..."

Han Mengyu: "Don't speak nonsense. If our sister-in-law wanted to discuss something, she would just discuss the matter in the restaurant. Why would she enter a hotel room?"

Xing Wei: "But... But... Mr. Kevin really entered the room with a woman!"

Han Mengyu: "Don't be so anxious. We don't even know if Elim is our sister-in-law."

As of now, they only felt that the probability of Elim being their sister-in-law was rather high.

Xing Wei: "That's right! Master Sheng, don't be anxious! Our sister-in-law would definitely not enter a hotel room with another man! That is the case even if the man is incredibly attractive like Mr. Kevin!"

Han Mengyu: "Xing Wei, if you stopped speaking from time to time, I wouldn't think you're mute."

At that moment, Xing Wei realized that he said the wrong thing again.

Xing Wei: "Then... Where is Master Sheng? Why isn't he responding?"

As he wondered about this, a roar could be heard from his earphones.

It seemed as though Master Sheng was driving.

Upon hearing about this, Master Sheng could no longer sit still in his office.

Fifteen minutes later, Zhai Yunsheng appeared in front of Han Mengyu.

"How long have they been inside?" Zhai Yunsheng asked.

The muscles on Zhai Yunsheng's handsome face were tense. The look was rather scary.

"Fifteen minutes..." The two of them were yet to come out.

However, Han Mengyu did not dare to approach the room.

In addition, the hotel's surveillance was only available in the hallway.

They did not know what was happening inside the hotel room.

Chapter 935: Outsmarted

"Open the door," Zhai Yunsheng ordered.

Zhai Yunsheng's voice was colder than usual.

Han Mengyu: "But Master Sheng... We might be... Inadvertently alerting the enemy... Besides, my sister-in-law isn't that kind of person... There must be some kind of misunderstanding here."

Jian Yiling was indeed not that kind of woman. However, she was easy to trick!

Zhai Yunsheng knew better than everyone else that his little rabbit was intelligent in everything other than human interactions and relationships. When it came to interacting with people, she was easy to coax and she was super gullible!

Mr. Kevin? He was a thousand-year-old fox!

His little rabbit would not be able to fight that sly fox!

"Open the door," Zhai Yunsheng repeated. His voice was filled with a murderous aura.

Upon hearing this, Han Mengyu and Xing Wei hurriedly did as they were told.

They could already imagine the scene in front of them if Elim was indeed their sister-in-law. It would be absolutely terrifying.

Han Mengyu began to silently pray in his heart.

Please don't let Elim be his sister-in-law!

Elim must not be his sister-in-law!

Otherwise, there would be a river of blood tonight!

Master Sheng was typically calm and collected. However, when it came to matters related to Jian Yiling, he was easily angered and quick to react.

Inside the presidential suite, Mr. Kevin was sipping from a glass of red wine.

There was a woman lying on the bed. The woman's silhouette and the view from the back appeared somewhat similar to Jian Yiling.

However, this was only applicable to the woman's silhouette and the view from the back. From the front, she looked nothing like Jian Yiling.

Mr. Kevin was video calling with someone. Jian Yiling was on the other side of the video call.

As he was chatting with Jian Yiling, the door of the presidential suite suddenly opened.

The door was opened by someone who held the hotel's all-purpose swipe card.

Mr. Kevin glanced at the door in surprise.

Weren't these people meant to be waiting outside? Why did they break-in?

This was not the script that he was expecting.

In his preconception, during the time he and 'Elim' stayed in this room, these people would be waiting outside.

This would give their men plenty of time to investigate the identity of the individuals that had been investigating them.

"Who are you guys? What are you guys doing?" Mr. Kevin said as he stood up to confront the people who rushed through the door.

However, they ignored Mr. Kevin. Instead, they ran straight for the bed to pull up the woman who was wearing nightclothes.

In the moment that the woman was pulled up, Han Mengyu and Xing Wei's hearts reached their throats.

Zhai Yunsheng's face was incredibly tense. His lips were pursed into a straight line.

The atmosphere was so tense that people could suffocate from it.

However, when the woman revealed her face, everyone let out a sigh of relief.

It wasn't their sister-in-law!

Thank the gods!

Then, Mr. Kevin questioned: "Who are you guys? Why did you guys barge into my room?"

After they realized that it was a misunderstanding, Xing Wei and Han Mengyu relaxed.

Han Mengyu: "Mr. Kevin, you came all this way for a lover's tryst?"

Upon hearing this, Mr. Kevin narrowed his eyes. Then, he said: "So, are you guys here for Elim?"

Han Mengyu: "You could say that."

Mr. Kevin: "If I'm not mistaken, the one over there should be Master Sheng from the Zhai family right?"

Because of his relationship with Jian Yiling, Mr. Kevin recognized Zhai Yunsheng.

However, he had to act like he wasn't very familiar with him.

Then, Mr. Kevin looked at Zhai Yunsheng's men who had barged into the room. He recognized the decorative patterns on their clothing: "The Harmony League? Hmmm, it appears as though the Harmony League has connections with the Zhai family."

The look in Zhai Yunsheng's eyes remained unfriendly as he said: "Sorry for bothering you, Mr. Kevin."

Mr. Kevin laughed before he said: "Well, you saw all this right?"

As he stepped aside, he revealed the computer behind him.

Jian Yiling's fair face was displayed on the computer screen.

Chapter 936: Will He Be Kneeling on Washboards?

Through the camera on the laptop, Jian Yiling could clearly see the people who were currently in Mr. Kevin's room.

She could see Zhai Yunsheng, Han Mengyu, Xing Wei, and their men.

The moment they saw Jian Yiling, the entire presidential suite went silent.

Oh my god!

Their sister-in-law!

The smile on Mr. Kevin's face remained very bright.

"Master Sheng, could you tell me why your men from the Harmony League are investigating Miss Elim from XDL? Do you not trust her? Or are you conspiring something else?"

All of a sudden, the matter became quite complicated.

Jian Yiling's bright and crystal clear eyes were fixated on Zhai Yunsheng.

Her face did not appear angry nor happy.

Han Mengyu and Xing Wei nervously looked at Zhai Yunsheng.

Over the last minute, Zhai Yunsheng's expression had changed.

"Listen to my explanation," Zhai Yunsheng said to Jian Yiling through the video call.

"Hmm?" Jian Yiling said as she continued to look at him.

"I'm coming back right now. Wait for me."

Then, Zhai Yunsheng turned around to leave.

Zhai Yunsheng left Han Mengyu and Xing Wei behind. The two of them looked at each other. They were somewhat unsure of what to do.

What were they meant to do now?

Master Sheng did not say anything to them before he left.

This was rather awkward...

The faces of Han Mengyu and Xing Wei were filled with embarrassment.

After Zhai Yunsheng left, Mr. Kevin couldn't help but comment: "Ahh, it must be nice to be young."

Then, Xing Wei whispered to Han Mengyu: "Do you think Master Sheng will kneel on a washboard once he gets home?"

"Nonsense. That's impossible. Master Sheng would never kneel on a washboard," Han Mengyu replied with certainty. "In this day and age, who even has washboards at home? It's possible that he will probably kneel on a keyboard though."

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When Zhai Yunsheng got home, the lights in their apartment were turned on.

Back in the hotel room, Zhai Yunsheng noticed that the background of Jian Yiling's video was their study room.

And thus, Jian Yiling should be in their study.

When Zhai Yunsheng entered the study room, he saw a delicate figure leaning over a writing desk. She was busy at work.

The video call with Mr. Kevin had not yet been turned off.

Zhai Yunsheng walked over to end the video call.

"What happened just now..."

"You're investigating me?" Jian Yiling asked.

There was no sign of unhappiness or anger on her fair face.

"Mhmm."

“Why?” Jian Yiling’s voice was quizzical but not angry.

“The scar removal cream.”

“You remember that?”

“Of course. I remember every single thing you do.”

As he said this, Zhai Yunsheng rolled up his sleeves.

“No scars.”

This was because he listened to her words. He obediently applied the scar removal cream after his wounds had healed.

Jian Yiling’s fingers gently touched Zhai Yunsheng’s upper arm.

Her fingertips went over his smooth skin.

There were indeed no scars.

Zhai Yunsheng: “Back then, I wanted to enter a cooperation with you. However, you told me you couldn’t for the time being. Instead, you went to cooperate with XDL.”

A bit of bitterness could be heard in Zhai Yunsheng’s voice.

Upon hearing this, Jian Yiling replied: “You left. You left without even saying goodbye. I was not allowed to even see you.”

After all, someone vanished from her sight.

This comment resulted in Zhai Yunsheng’s utter defeat.

“My bad,” Zhai Yunsheng replied. Then, he added: “I just wanted to confirm that Elim was you.”

“Mhmm, it’s me,” Jian Yiling replied. She had no intentions to hide this from Zhai Yunsheng.

After all, she never deliberately tried to hide anything from Zhai Yunsheng.

“And... Do you have any questions you want to ask me? About the Harmony League?”

“When did you establish the Harmony League?” Jian Yiling asked.

“Three years ago. After I separated from you,” Zhai Yunsheng replied.

“Why?”

“Because... There’s someone I want to protect,” Zhai Yunsheng said as he gazed into Jian Yiling’s eyes.

Chapter 937: The Name was Picked Randomly

“But you already have the Loyalty Alliance.”

“That’s not the same. There is rottenness in the Loyalty Alliance that I can’t change. The Loyalty Alliance is more about preserving the accomplishments of the previous generations. On the other hand, the

Harmony League is focused on pioneering. Furthermore, I need more than just an ordinary business alliance.”

“Why is it called Harmony League?”

The name did not seem to fit them well.

“Well, dart-throwing decided the name.”

The process of selecting the name was essentially random.

Zhai Yunsheng and the others selected a bunch of words that sounded quite good. Then, they stuck the words to the wall before Zhai Yunsheng and Han Mengyu each threw a dart.

When the two words were put together, they got the word harmony.

It was incredibly random.

After they finished talking about these matters, Zhai Yunsheng gazed at his fiancée. His eyes were slightly tinged with desire.

“Yiling, you still owe me from the other day...”

“What?”

“That day... We got interrupted by the traffic police...”

Wa... Jian Yiling suddenly remembered.

“Mr. Kevin is still waiting for me,” Jian Yiling replied. Then, she hurriedly rushed away.

Although rabbits had short legs, they were rather fast when they ran.

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The biggest winner today was not Mr. Kevin, nor Zhai Yunsheng, or Jian Yiling. Instead, it was the Vice President from Sofia, Chen Lu.

After Zhai Yunsheng rushed into Mr. Kevin’s room, Chen Lu also received information about Elim.

It appeared as though Elim was the daughter of Wen Nuan and Zhai Yunsheng’s fiancée.

She was also a famous surgeon who recently joined Lahaisen Hospital.

“Ahhh, I should have known that it was her. Medical cosmetics, doctor, Wen Nuan... Now, all the clues have been connected together,” Chen Lu said. Then, she recited Jian Yiling’s name: “Elim, Yiling... I really should have realized this earlier.”

“Vice President, do we still need to interview Wen Ruo? After all, Elim and Wen Ruo are cousins. Maybe it’s useful to keep her.”

Chen Lu: “Of course not. Wen Ruo stole Wen Nuan’s designs. This probably means that the two of them have a bad relationship. Furthermore, if Elim wanted to make Wen Ruo famous, she would have done so back when she helped her mother.”

Then, Chen Lu continued to speak: "I only wanted to interview Wen Ruo to get information from her. Now that I know the answer, she no longer has any use. Furthermore, I want to win over Jian Yiling. If I keep Wen Ruo, isn't that just making the situation difficult for Jian Yiling? I'm not that stupid."

Chen Lu's assistant immediately understood her words: "Understood, I will interview her tomorrow then."

Then, Chen Lu said to her assistant: "Keep an eye on Jian Yiling's schedule for the next few days. I want to get a chance to meet her formally."

In order to win her over to their company, Jian Yiling must first like her.

Assistant: "Understood."

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Wen Ruo assumed that she got another chance. As a result, she confidently went to Sofia for an interview.

However, she was bombarded with difficult questions. It was very embarrassing for her.

By the end of the interview, Wen Ruo left Sofia's Beijing Branch in a state of despair.

In all her interviews so far, it was the first time that she had been dealt such a blow.

After returning home, Wen Ruo cried a lot.

Cai Qinyue could not do anything. She was unable to help her daughter.

As a result, she could only comfort her daughter. She told her not to take the matter to heart.

However, how was this possible?

As a result, Wen Ruo cried under her blankets for an entire day.

For her XDL interview, she could answer all the questions.

Why was she so overwhelmed today?

Furthermore, she remembered the way her interviewer looked at her. It was a look of disgust.

As a result, Wen Ruo felt incredibly humiliated.

Chapter 938: Jealousy That's Crazily Spreading (1)

When Grandma Wen was young, she was a famous designer in the fashion industry.

Chen Lu's teacher and Grandma Wen were somewhat connected.

And thus, Chen Lu used this reason to come by and visit Grandma Wen.

Grandma Wen was quite surprised by Chen Lu's visit.

After all, Chen Lu had many accomplishments under her name. In addition, she was the Vice President and Chief Designer of Sofia.

She managed to reach heights that even Grandma Wen was unable to achieve.

And thus, Grandma Wen did not understand why Chen Lu was visiting her.

Was it really because she was friends with Chen Lu's teacher?

When Chen Lu visited the Wen Residence, Wen Ruo was also present.

This was not a coincidence. Whenever Wen Ruo was free, she would come back to the Wen Residence.

Therefore, no matter who visited the Wen Residence, there was a high probability of meeting Wen Ruo.

The moment Wen Ruo saw Chen Lu, her mind was filled with doubts.

This was Chen Lu! The Chief Designer of Sofia!

This woman had been on the cover of fashion magazines numerous times. She was also said to be the most promising Asian designer in recent times.

However, when she thought about the interview that had just happened, conflicted feelings arose in Wen Ruo's heart.

"Grandma Wen," Chen Lu greeted with a smile on her face. She was very polite and courteous.

"Vice President Chen Lu, it's amazing to see you. In the past, I've seen you on magazine covers but I never expected that you look even better in person," Grandma Wen replied pleasantly.

"You're too kind, Grandma Wen. My teacher often mentioned your name. In fact, my teacher said that you're one of the designers that he admires the most."

"No no. Your teacher is worthy of much more respect. Compared to your teacher, my achievements back then were essentially nothing."

"Grandma Wen, this must be one of your paintings right?" Chen Lu said as her gaze fell onto a painting in the living room.

"Oh? How'd you realize?"

"I've seen some of your drawings and paintings. Therefore, I recognized your painting habits."

Upon hearing these words, Grandma Wen was incredibly happy.

After all, everyone liked to be praised.

After chatting for a while, Grandma Wen introduced Wen Ruo to Chen Lu:

"Vice President Chen Lu, this is my granddaughter. She's called Wen Ruo. She just so happens to also study design."

"Hello, Vice President Chen Lu. I attended one of your fashion shows last year. The show was stunning. Even though it's been a while since then, I still remember the show vividly."

Wen Ruo slightly lowered her head and greeted Chen Lu very politely.

Wen Ruo behaved appropriately in the situation. She was not overly shy nor flamboyant. She acted like a young lady from a well-off family.

If it weren't for the plagiarism case, Chen Lu might have had high regard for this young girl.

It's a pity that...

Upon hearing this, Chen Lu politely replied: "It's an honor to impress your granddaughter."

"As a child, my granddaughter often followed me around when I was painting. In addition, she also learned about designing clothes," Grandma Wen added.

Chen Lu easily understood Grandma Wen's words. However, she pretended not to understand: "As Miss Wen Ruo was able to learn from you, she will definitely achieve many accomplishments in the future."

Upon hearing this, Wen Ruo modestly replied: "I'm rather stupid. I'd be happy if I learned 30% of my grandma's skills."

Chen Lu: "Miss Wen Ruo, you're being too modest."

Then, Chen Lu explained the purpose of her visit to Grandma Wen: "Grandma Wen, I came to you today because I wanted you to help me with something."

Chapter 939: Jealousy That's Crazily Spreading (2)

"If there's anything you need from me, just let me know."

Grandma Wen had already guessed that Chen Lu visited her for a certain reason. However, she hadn't yet figured out what the reason was.

"I'm very optimistic about the future of your granddaughter, Jian Yiling. Therefore, I want the opportunity to cooperate with her. As I do not know your granddaughter well, I hope you can introduce her to me."

What? Jian Yiling?

Chen Lu visited today because of Jian Yiling?

Never in a thousand years did Wen Ruo expect this.

Even Grandma Wen did not expect this. She was in shock that the Vice President of Sofia was visiting today because of her granddaughter.

But... Her granddaughter wasn't involved in the fashion industry right?

"Vice President Chen Lu, are you sure that you're looking for my granddaughter Jian Yiling?"

Grandma Wen had to confirm the situation again. This was to make sure that Chen Lu didn't mention the wrong name.

“Yep, I’m looking for your granddaughter, Miss Jian Yiling.”

“Why is that the case?” Grandma Wen asked. She couldn’t help but be curious.

“Well, our company believes that Miss Jian Yiling has a lot of talent in the study of medicine. Therefore, we want to hire her to become the manager of our medical cosmetics research and development department.”

Chen Lu was smart enough to not mention that she already knew that Jian Yiling was a member of the research and development team from XDL. She only mentioned that she took a fancy to Jian Yiling’s medical talent and expertise.

Chen Lu wanted Jian Yiling to join Sofia?! And she wanted her to directly become the manager of their medical cosmetics research and development department?!

This was something that neither Grandma Wen nor Wen Ruo expected.

“This...” Grandma Wen started. “I’m not sure if Yiling has the talent for this. I only know of her capabilities when it comes to performing surgical operations.”

“Miss Jian Yiling was chosen by Lahaisen Hospital. To be a member of their organization, it is definite that her talent is extraordinary. At Sofia, we need talented individuals like her,” Chen Lu responded with certainty.

Upon hearing this, Grandma Wen did not know how to respond.

Wen Ruo asked in a soft voice: “Does Sofia plan to expand into medical cosmetics?”

Chen Lu smiled before she replied: “Yes we do. Medical cosmetics is a good field. However, there are barriers to entry. One being technical expertise as it’s not easy to pass the audit of the State Food and Drug Administration. It’s unlike general cosmetics. Therefore, people are now becoming increasingly inclined to purchase such products.”

Wen Ruo: “I know my cousin is talented in the field of surgery but she might not know much about medical cosmetics. I worry that she may not be able to take on such a huge task.”

Upon hearing this, the smile on Chen Lu’s face did not change. However, her eyes filled with a bit of mockery.

If it weren’t for the fact that she already knew that Jian Yiling was part of XDL’s research and development team, she would easily believe in Wen Ruo’s words.

It seemed as though her previous speculation was correct. The relationship between Wen Ruo and Jian Yiling was indeed poor.

Chen Lu smiled again before she said: “Oh? Miss Wen Ruo seems quite familiar with Miss Jian Yiling’s achievements in the study of medicine.”

Wen Ruo: “I only know a little. Sometimes, I listen to the conversations that happen between my cousins. My cousin Yiling is definitely talented in performing operations. Her peers can not even

compete against her. However, I feel as though she's less involved in medical cosmetics and pharmaceutical research as a whole. Therefore, she might fail to live up to your expectations."

Grandma Wen listened to Wen Ruo speak. She did not dare to correct Wen Ruo's words.

After all, she did not know much about her granddaughter's medical career.

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So far, she knew that her granddaughter was a genius when it came to performing surgery. However, she did not hear much about her granddaughter's expertise in medical research.

The smile on Chen Lu's face did not diminish as she said: "It's okay. I believe in Miss Jian Yiling's learning abilities. I believe that as long as she's willing to learn, she can also perform well in this area."

Chen Lu's words made the smile on Wen Ruo's face stiffen.

She tried to make herself not care about Chen Lu's words. However, she could not stop the jealousy inside her from spreading wildly.

Jian Yiling was someone who had nothing to do with the fashion industry. Why did Sofia take a fancy to her?

They even wanted her to become the manager of their research and development department!

Yet she... She failed to even pass Sofia's interview.

This discrepancy made Wen Ruo's mood worse.

There was a bitter taste in her mouth. Her oral cavity and abdomen were filled with bitterness.

When Grandma Wen heard Chen Lu's comments, she could not say anything else. After all, Chen Lu had absolute faith in Jian Yiling's abilities.

"Since you believe in Yiling's abilities, then I will trust your way of looking at things. In addition, I also believe my granddaughter is talented as well. I can help with the introduction. However, I am unable to help with anything after that. Whether or not she's willing is her own choice. It's up to her to decide. As her grandma, I can't make decisions for her."

Grandma Wen stated everything in advance. She was only helping with the introduction.

"I understand. I'm already really happy that you can help me with the introduction. Naturally, I will handle the rest myself. I will try to impress Miss Jian Yiling with my sincerity," Chen Lu said with a smile.

Then, Chen Lu and Grandma Wen began to idly chat again. However, now, their topic of conversation was all about Jian Yiling.

They kept talking about how excellent and talented Jian Yiling was.

Grandma Wen was incredibly happy when she heard others praise her granddaughter.

The two of them happily chatted away.

On the other hand, Wen Ruo felt as though each sentence that they said was a thorn in her heart.

After chatting for a while, they finally agreed that when the Jian family came over to the Wen Residence on the weekend for dinner, Chen Lu would also come over. There, Grandma Wen would introduce her to Jian Yiling.

After Chen Lu left, Wen Ruo asked Grandma Wen: "Grandma, in your eyes, who is better? Me or Jian Yiling?"

Upon hearing this, Grandma Wen froze for a moment. Then, she said: "Silly girl. Why are you asking such a question? I love both of you dearly."

In terms of closeness, she was definitely closer to Wen Ruo. After all, she spent much more time with her.

However, she loved Jian Yiling as well. Jian Yiling's appearance was super lovable and soft. She was even cuter than her mother.

Then, Wen Ruo said in a crying voice: "Then, why do you all like her more than me? Even when I was young, everyone preferred to play with her and not with me."

The jealousy brought out all of Wen Ruo's dissatisfaction over the years.

Grandma Wen was shocked. She looked into her granddaughter's eyes and asked: "Wen Ruo, how could you have such thoughts?"

In Grandma Wen's eyes, Wen Ruo had always been a well-behaved and understanding child.

On the other hand, Jian Yiling caused much more trouble. Wen Ruo was essentially a prime example of what a good child looked like.

However recently, her numerous mistakes made everyone super worried about her.