

Chapter 121: Only Sinful People Can Become the Leads

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Li MO had just walked out of the office when he heard Huo Xunzhou's call and turned back.

"My phone isn't in the office." He looked around.

"Get the secretary to call the front desk and ask if Lin Shanchu has left the company. If she hasn't..."

Huo Xunzhou suddenly fell silent.

"What should we do if she didn't leave the company? "Go to the rooftop." Huo Xunzhou's voice was slightly hoarse.

"Understood." Li MO was startled.

Li MO went to the secretary's office and asked the secretary to call the front desk.

"Hello, this is the secretary's office. Did you see President Lin leave the company?"

The voice of the receptionist came from the phone that had the speaker mode turned on. "I didn't see President Lin leave the company just now."

"All right, thank you."

The secretary hung up and asked Li MO worriedly, "President Lin... What happened to her?"

They had all heard the commotion when Lin Shanchu smashed the office.

Everyone had seen Lin Shanchu's ruthless manner when she smashed the door yesterday.

That was why no one dared to ask her what was wrong after hearing her smashing the office.

"She didn't take her Dhone with her. I need to talk to her about something." Li MO brushed it off with a few words and turned to walk toward the stairs.

Huo Xunzhou didn't hang up the whole time.

Li MO entered the emergency door at the stairwell before telling Huo Xunzhou, "Big Brother, I'll go to the rooftop now."

The rooftop was located right above the current level.

Li MO was tall and had long legs. He walked quickly and soon arrived at the entrance of the rooftop.

He reached out to push the door, only to find that it was locked from the inside. "Is the door locked?" Huo Xunzhou heard Li MO pushing the door open.

"The door is locked. Ms. Lin must be inside. "

Big Brother was always good at making predictions.

If it wasn't for the urgency of the situation, he would have asked Huo Xunzhou how he had guessed that Ms. Lin was on the rooftop. "Ms. Lin!" Li MO kicked the door while shouting. There was no response from the rooftop.

The door was very sturdy.

Li MO used all his strength to kick the door, but there was no movement.

He needed to use the tools.

“Big Brother, when are you coming? Should we call the police?” Li MO was starting to become anxious.

Ms. Lin’s usual style of doing things was undiscernable. Even if she had something on her mind, she would not say anything.

What if she really took things too hard and chose to jump off the building?

His big brother wouldn’t be able to find such a bewitching wife who was excellent at cooking!

It was so hard to find someone like that in this world.

“Don’t call the police.” Hurried footsteps and breathing could be heard from Huo Xunzhou’s end.

It was as if he was running.

“I’ll go to the office to get a hammer.” Fortunately, Miss Lin had bought a hammer yesterday. It should be able to break the door open.

“I’ll bring it here.”

“Huh?”

Li MO did not react for a moment.

By the time he reacted, Huo Xunzhou had already hung up.

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At the same time.

In the office area on each floor of the Lu Corporation, the employees were working seriously as usual.

Suddenly.

Bam!

The entire company went out of power in an instant.

All the powered equipment stopped working in an instant.

The corridor was pitch black.

Zhou Yan stood at the elevator and was about to take the elevator downstairs so that he could pick up Lu Shiyuan at the police station.

There was a sudden blackout, so the elevator stopped working.

Zhou Yan turned on his phone and looked at the time.

There was not much time left.

Zhou Yan could only turn around and walk toward the stairwell.

He knew that he did not have much time left. Hence, he pushed open the door of the emergency exit and quickly ran downstairs.

Therefore, he did not notice a tall figure standing behind the door.

Huo Xunzhou glanced in the direction where Zhou Yan had left.

He reached out and pressed the brim of his cap down before pushing the door open and entering.

Zhou Yan, who had already run down, stopped in his tracks as if he just sensed something.

He turned back, opened the door of the emergency exit, and looked around.

After making sure that no one was there, he left with a suspicious expression.

It was strange.

Just now, he clearly felt that someone was observing him from the shadows.

On the rooftop.

Lin Shanchu leaned against the railing and bent over to look down.

There was an endless stream of cars on the road.

There were many buildings and clusters of trees in the distance.

The sun was scorching above her head.

This world was so vast.

But it was so absurd.

The one filled with sins became the main character.

People who wanted to live with dignity were trampled on instead.

There was no justice in this world.

Human dignity was not even worth mentioning.

Your faith will be destroyed.

Even if you go through hardships and thorns, you can't reach the other side.

You don't even deserve to be yourself.

You're just a marionette.

Lin Shanchu slowly stood up and climbed up the railing.

The wind on the roof was strong.

Her dress fluttered in the wind.

The concrete railing was narrow, but it was wide enough to fit her feet.

She slowly raised a foot and extended it forward.

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Once she missed this step...

Could it end the pain?

[Level 1 alert! The host's intention to commit suicide has been detected!

[When the host's intention to commit suicide reaches 99%, the system will forcefully intervene!

[The host's current intention to commit suicide is 9%!] Lin Shanchu sneered while retracting her foot.

The system would not let her die.

She did expect it to happen.

She didn't even deserve to die.

But Jing Ming was dead.

Innocent people were sacrificed just to become stepping stones on the main lead's path of evil.

If one must be sinful in order to become the main lead...

Why couldn't it be her?

[Special alert! The host's intention to become evil has reached 60%! The level is rising to 61%, 62%... 100%! Bang!]

There was a sound that sounded like an explosion.

The system finally quieted down.

But soon, its voice sounded again.

[The host's evil meter is off the charts. The measuring instrument has exploded!]

Then, there was another loud bang.

Thud!

Did the stupid system explode again?

The system sensed Lin Shanchu's thoughts. "Someone's knocking on the door."

Another thud sounded soon after.

Lin Shanchu looked in the direction of the voice.

Someone smashed the rooftop door open violently.

A tall man pushed the door open and entered.

The midday sun was so scorching that she couldn't open her eyes.

Lin Shanchu narrowed her eyes, unable to see the man's face clearly.

He walked toward her under the bright sunlight, which made him look even more dazzling than the sunlight itself.

“Lin Shanchu.”

Hearing the familiar voice, Lin Shanchu raised her hand to block the sunlight, allowing her to see the man’s face.

Huo Xunzhou took off his mask and cap, revealing his handsome face.

His beautiful and alluring eyes sparkled under the sunlight.

Lin Shanchu folded her hands behind her back and looked down at Huo Xunzhou.

His face was really impeccable.

No matter which angle she looked at it from, it was exceptionally handsome and flawless.

“Come down.” Huo Xunzhou reached out to her.

Lin Shanchu acted as if she didn’t hear him and replied with a smile, “You’re back from your business trip so soon.”

“Come down.” Huo Xunzhou repeated, his magnetic voice growing a little deeper.

“Why aren’t you in a wheelchair?” Lin Shanchu tried to change the subject, refusing to come down from her spot at all.

Huo Xunzhou stared at her. Suddenly, he stated, “Stop smiling.” The look in his eyes made Lin Shanchu’s smile disappear.

Huo Xunzhou clearly didn’t know what she had experienced.

However, he could always see through her at a glance..

Chapter 122: I Caught You

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Li MO peeked out from behind the door, looking a little nervous.

When the door was kicked open, he saw Ms. Lin standing on the railing.

She looked like she was about to jump off the building at any moment.

He was not as smart and talkative as his big brother, so he remained where he was to guard the door instead of approaching her.

Due to the distance, he couldn't hear what Lin Shanchu and Huo Xunzhou were saying.

The sight of Lin Shanchu's expression made Li MO feel that the situation wasn't looking good.

However, there would definitely not be any problems once Big Brother made his move.

Li MO retracted his gaze and continued to be a gatekeeper obediently.

Meanwhile, Huo Xunzhou's expression was still cold and distant.

His face would not show any obvious expressions that reflected his emotions.

At this moment, his face was unusually serious.

"Are you afraid that I will jump off the building?" Lin Shanchu asked.

"You won't," Huo Xunzhou said confidently.

"Do you think that you're very powerful? Do you think that everything is under your control? Do you think that everything will go as you wish?" Lin Shanchu sneered.

She really envied Huo Xunzhou.

Huo Xunzhou always got what he wanted.

She just wanted to live like a normal person, but she couldn't.

She was so envious that she was starting to become jealous.

But he was such a kind man.

He was so smart.

He even lent her a helping hand.

However, he was not the main character of this world.

The so-called special role was just a supporting role to add icing on the cake for the main character.

Lu Shiyuan wasn't worthy of Huo Xunzhou's help!

"No." Huo Xunzhou's voice was a little lower than before, revealing a trace of nervousness he couldn't hide.

Lin Shanchu smiled at him.

"No, you will definitely get what you want."

She gave him her blessings with a smile on her face.

She sounded like she was leaving her final words behind.

Huo Xunzhou's expression changed.

His body reacted unexpectedly quickly.

He was only two steps away from Lin Shanchu.

The moment he raised his foot, Lin Shanchu smiled and leaned backward.

The expected sense of weightlessness did not come.

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Lin Shanchu looked up. Huo Xunzhou had one hand on the railing while the other hand gripped her tightly.

“You’re really afraid that I’ll jump off the building.” Lin Shanchu laughed.

For some reason, her casual tone angered Huo Xunzhou.

“You won’t jump down!” He raised his voice, which was rare. It was also filled with anger.

“But I’ve already jumped.” Lin Shanchu tilted her head in confusion.

“I caught you.” The extreme reaction just now made Huo Xunzhou pant a little, but his tone was unusually calm.

It was as if no matter what happened, he would never let go of her hand.

The sound of the wind on the rooftop and the noise of the city disappeared in an instant.

The entire world was silent.

Only Huo Xunzhou’s voice could be heard.

Lin Shanchu stared at him blankly.

“Give me your other hand too.”

Lin Shanchu seemed to be under a spell as she raised her other hand and stretched it toward Huo Xunzhou.

Huo Xunzhou grabbed her hand and pulled her up.

Lin Shanchu climbed up the railing again, feeling exhausted.

Huo Xunzhou held her waist with both hands, his expression still grim. “Come down. I’ll catch you.”

Lin Shanchu jumped.

The moment she landed, she ended up collapsing into Huo Xunzhou.

She heard Huo Xunzhou heave a sigh of relief.

Li MO, who was observing the situation from time to time by the door, turned his head and saw the two of them hugging each other.

As the biggest fan of Huo Xunzhou and Lin Shanchu’s relationship, he couldn’t miss out on any moment of their intimacy.

Li MO took out his phone and started taking pictures of the two of them.

He didn’t forget to share them with Nan Mu once he was done.

Nan Mu replied immediately after seeing the pictures.

Nan Mu: [Where are they?]

Nan Mu: [Aren't these two being a little too outrageous? Aren't they worried about getting their pictures taken? The scandal of a girl group's potential member who has a fiancé having an affair with a retired movie star is quite exciting.]

Li Mo: [What a good speech. Don't bring it up ever again.]

Lin Shanchu leaned on Huo Xunzhou's shoulder at that moment. She was very conscious of the arm that was wrapped around her waist. So, when was Huo Xunzhou going to let her go?

But she was too embarrassed to ask.

She didn't plan on dying just now.

However, when she saw Huo Xunzhou, the more she thought about it, the more she felt that there was no point in living.

The more she thought about it, the more jealous she became of Huo Xunzhou.

Therefore, when Huo Xunzhou said that she wouldn't jump, she was so emotional that she jumped off the building right away.

The recollection made her feel slightly awkward.

Huo Xunzhou seemed to have sensed what she was thinking, seeing as he released her at that moment.

Their eyes met, and Huo Xunzhou spoke first. "Aren't you going to thank me this time?"

"I thought you don't accept verbal gratitude," Lin Shanchu replied.

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Huo Xunzhou didn't know what to say.

He looked at the railing that was just a few feet away. Then, he pulled Lin Shanchu toward the stairwell.

This was not the place to talk.

Lin Shanchu followed behind Huo Xunzhou obediently.

Huo Xunzhou continued to pull her with one hand while sending a message on his phone with the other before putting it back into his pocket.

At this moment, the system's voice sounded in Lin Shanchu's mind.

[Congratulations to the host for completing the daily task of getting close to Huo Xunzhou. There's a limited-time promotion right now to celebrate the system's upgrade. The host can choose between a health restoration card and a hint card.]

An ongoing limited-time promotion? Another hint card?

After this useless system was upgraded, it became more flashy.

"I'll have the hint card." Lin Shanchu chose the second option without hesitation.

She wanted to see what tricks the useless system had up its sleeve.

The system replied, [I will now broadcast the contents of the hint card to the host.]

[Zong Pei's current girlfriend has no idea that he studied at Xu City General

High seven years ago and that he had a bad reputation there.]

‘who is zong pei?’

The system said, [A hotfix will be patched in the system in order to fix the problems. The system will serve the host next time.]

Lin Shanchu began to suspect that she had made the wrong choice by choosing the hint card.

When Li MO saw the two of them coming over, he quickly went up to them.

“The entire building had a blackout just now. I don’t know if the elevator can be used.”

“Why is there a blackout?” This was the first time Lin Shanchu heard that the

Lu Corporation experienced a blackout.

This had never happened before.

“I don’t know the specific reason.”

Huo Xunzhou led her to the elevator without saying a word.

He was very confident that the elevator would work.

Lin Shanchu turned to look at him thoughtfully.

The corridor was pitch black.

He could vaguely hear the noises coming from the secretary’s office not far away.

When they reached the elevator, Lin Shanchu realized that the elevator button’s light wasn’t on.

“Looks like we can only take the stairs.”

The next second, the elevator button’s indicator light lit up.

The corridor was still pitch black.

The elevator had its own power supply, so it was normal for this to happen.

After entering the elevator, Lin Shanchu reminded Huo Xunzhou, “Put on your mask. ”

There were surveillance cameras in the elevator.

Huo Xunzhou was such a cautious person, yet he had forgotten to wear a mask.

As Lin Shanchu thought about this, she looked up at the surveillance camera above her.

However, she realized that the indicator light of the surveillance camera wasn’t turned on at all..

Chapter 123: Is He Your Type?

The elevator went straight to the underground parking lot.

As soon as the elevator door opened, a young man's complaints could be heard coming from the inside.

"There's already a blackout. Why are we still having a meeting? How annoying..."

The young man who spoke was dressed fashionably and looked unfamiliar.

He was probably a new celebrity that was recently signed by the company.

The young man turned his head and met Lin Shanchu's gaze. His eyes lit up.

"Lin Shanchu!"

His gaze was fixed on Lin Shanchu.

When Lin Shanchu was unhappy, the corners of her eyes would droop slightly, revealing an unhappy expression.

The young man didn't seem to notice Lin Shanchu's unhappiness as he continued to stare at her.

"President Lin!" he called out with a smile.

However, the manager beside him was more perceptive.

"President Lin, this is the company's newly signed celebrity, Zong Pei."

Zong Pei!

Was that the Zong Pei mentioned in the hint?

Lin Shanchu sized up Zong Pei.

Zong Pei was pretty good-looking.

He was as handsome as the former top celebrity of the company, Fu Jue. Other than his manager, Zong Pei also brought two assistants with him.

How could a newly-signed celebrity receive such good treatment?

Moreover, Lin Shanchu had never heard of Zong Pei's name before.

The Lu Corporation was not a charity.

There was only one reason why they gave this kind of treatment to new celebrities who were not famous.

That would only happen if they planned to nurture Zong Pei to become the next Fu Jue.

Lin Shanchu curled her lips and called out his name. "Zong Pei, you're taking the idol route, right?"

Zong Pei stared at Lin Shanchu. "Yes."

“You’re so good-looking. There must be a lot of girls who like you, right?” Lin

Shanchu asked with a smile.

Li MO snuck a look at Huo Xunzhou’s expression.

Huo Xunzhou was wearing his cap and mask firmly, so Li MO couldn’t see his face at all.

Zong Pei was so flattered by Lin Shanchu’s words to the point that his ego grew tremendously.

“It’s all right, but I’ll definitely focus on my career. I won’t date anyone at all. I won’t let you do, President Lin!”

Li MO glanced at Zong Pei expressionlessly.

He looked so tired and weak, not to mention he seemed to have bad hearing.

Did Ms. Lin ever say that she had any expectations for him?

“Good luck,” Lin Shanchu said softly and turned to leave the elevator.

Zong Pei looked at Lin Shanchu’s back as he walked away, he couldn’t bear to look away.

“President Lin seems to admire me a lot,” he said with a devilish smile as he stroked his chin.

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The manager didn’t hesitate to burst his bubble. “It’s useless for President Lin to admire you. President Lu has to be the one to admire you.”

“You’re so annoying.” Zong Pei’s face fell when he heard that.

Just the thought of Lin Shanchu talking to him with a smile on his face made his heart yearn for more.

If only Lin Shanchu wasn’t Lu Shiyuan’s fiancée.

Otherwise, he could still lure her into his embrace and toy with her feelings.

Lin Shanchu and the others walked to the car.

Out of habit, Li MO went to help Huo Xunzhou open the backseat door.

But Huo Xunzhou was faster than him.

Huo Xunzhou opened the car door and looked at Lin Shanchu expressionlessly, gesturing for her to get in.

His actions were very considerate.

But his expression was scary.

It was as if Lin Shanchu owed him a lot of money.

After getting into the car, Huo Xunzhou pulled down his cap to cover his face. He looked like he didn’t want to talk to anyone.

Previously on the rooftop, he still had a determined look on his face while refusing to let her go.

Now, he was ignoring her.

Ha!

Men!

Lin Shanchu turned to look out the window.

She was thinking about what to do next.

She wouldn't die.

Life had to go on.

Since she could not kill Lu Shiyuan directly, she would start with the people around him.

If the system's hint was true and effective, then Fu Jue's today would be Zong Pei's future.

However, an entertainment company that had lost its ability to create stars had no future.

"Is he your type?"

Huo Xunzhou's sudden question pulled Lin Shanchu back to reality.

Lin Shanchu was stunned for a moment before finally reacting. "Are you talking about Zong Pei?"

Huo Xunzhou snorted coldly.

It turned out that he was ignoring her because of this...

She was just testing Zong Pei.

"Zong Pei isn't even as good-looking as Li Mo." Lin Shanchu blinked.

Even though he was a fearsome man, Li MO still felt a little shy after being praised. "Really?"

"Yeah." Lin Shanchu nodded seriously.

Li MO was happy.

Huo Xunzhou pulled his cap even lower.

Li MO drove all the way back to Huo Xunzhou's house.

Huo Xunzhou had gone straight to the Lu Corporation after returning from the airport earlier.

His bodyguard was the one who delivered the luggage home. It was still sitting in the garage.

Li MO went to the garage to grab Huo Xunzhou's luggage.

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Huo Xunzhou and Lin Shanchu walked into the villa one after the other.

As they walked, Lin Shanchu realized that Huo Xunzhou, who was walking in front of her, was now walking beside her.

He held the cap and mask that he had just taken off in his hands. His expression was cold, but his footsteps were very slow. It was obvious that he did it to match her pace.

Lin Shanchu lowered her head and smiled.

When she looked up again, she asked him seriously, “Where did you go for your business trip?”

“In the mountains.”

Lin Shanchu was speechless.

This answer was somewhat perfunctory.

Lin Shanchu decided to change the topic.

“Didn’t you say that you would bring me a gift? Where’s the gift?”

“In the car.”

Lin Shanchu’s eyes widened.

He really brought her something!

Huo Xunzhou stopped, his eyes unusually serious. “You don’t believe me?” When his alluring eyes were focused on a person, he always seemed unusually affectionate.

Who could withstand this look?

“I’m so hungry.” Lin Shanchu averted her eyes.

“It’s late now. It’s already too late to cook. I suppose noodles are the only thing I can eat at this hour...” Lin Shanchu continued talking to herself as she walked into the villa.

Huo Xunzhou stood there for a moment before slowly following her.

When Li MO came back with the luggage, Nan Mu could be seen following behind him.

“Is Lin Shanchu cooking?” Nan Mu sniffed loudly and ran inside. “It smells so good!”

Li MO was also starving.

But he had to put Huo Xunzhou’s luggage upstairs first.

In the kitchen.

Lin Shanchu was stirfrying beef while Huo Xunzhou was washing some vegetables.

The two of them stood with their backs to each other. They did not look at each other or communicate.

However, the atmosphere was unbelievably cozy.

Nan Mu ran all the way to the kitchen door and saw this scene.

It was so cozy that he didn’t want to disturb them out of embarrassment.

When Li MO came over, Nan Mu made a shushing gesture at him.

He whispered to him, “Look at them..

Li MO looked at it for a while and seemed to understand something. “This should be the daily life of Big Brother and Sister-in-law after marriage.”

Nan Mu was unhappy. “That won’t do. The company’s lucky charm can’t get married this early.”

He was still waiting for Lin Shanchu to become famous!

“What’s wrong with getting married?” Li MO was also unhappy. “Is my big brother more important or is the lucky charm more important?”

The two of them started arguing.

“Get out if you want to argue!”

Huo Xunzhou’s words silenced Li MO and Nan Mu.

Although he was still holding a spatula in his hand, it did not affect his intimidating aura at all.

“Let’s not argue anymore....” Nan Mu rubbed his belly and said weakly, “I haven’t eaten yet either...”

Chapter 124: Meaningful Gifts

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After dinner, Nan Mu and Li MO cleared the table and went to the kitchen to wash the dishes without getting prompted.

Huo Xunzhou stood up.

“Follow me.”

Lin Shanchu followed Huo Xunzhou upstairs.

When Huo Xunzhou passed by the study, he stopped in his tracks. “Wait for me in the study.”

Lin Shanchu stepped into the study room for a second before leaving the room. She peeked in the direction Huo Xunzhou had left.

Then, she saw Huo Xunzhou enter the bedroom.

Was he going to the bedroom to get the gift he had brought for her?

Lin Shanchu hadn’t received a gift for many years, so she was looking forward to it.

She returned to the study.

Huo Xunzhou’s study room was decorated in a similar style to the villa.

There were books, a desk, a chair, and a couch.

Other than that, there was nothing else.

It was minimalistic and simple.

It was as if he was ready to leave at any moment.

Lin Shanchu stood in front of the bookshelf and looked at the titles.

She realized that many of the books were still sealed.

The door opened behind her.

Huo Xunzhou entered the study with a brown handbag that had a simple design.

As he approached, Lin Shanchu could smell the fragrance.

“It’s incense.” Lin Shanchu sniffed carefully.

“What incense?” Huo Xunzhou asked.

Hearing this, Lin Shanchu reached out to grab the handbag.

Huo Xunzhou raised his arm and held the handbag high.

There was a height difference between the two of them. Lin Shanchu couldn’t reach the handbag even after standing on her tiptoes.

‘What are you doing? How am I supposed to guess if I can’t smell it carefully?’ Lin Shanchu gritted her teeth.

“I’ll give it to you if you guess it right,” Huo Xunzhou said, unmoved.

“You…” How could there be a gift that could only be given if one guessed correctly?

“I don’t want it anymore!” Lin Shanchu snorted coldly.

She turned around to leave.

“If you admit that you can’t guess it, I can give it to you right away,” Huo Xunzhou said casually.

Lin Shanchu felt that this man was clearly provoking her.

Admitting defeat was impossible!

Lin Shanchu stopped in her tracks and turned around.

Huo Xunzhou’s eyes flashed with a look of victory, and the smile in his eyes deepened.

Lin Shanchu pursed her lips and glared at him.

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The fragrance was very faint, but it was very familiar.

He must have smelled it somewhere.

Huo Xunzhou had always been a cautious and orderly person. Even if it was a gift, it wouldn’t be as simple as picking a random one.

Lin Shanchu thought for a moment and asked, “Cypress?”

Huo Xunzhou lowered his eyes and handed the bag to Lin Shanchu.

“I knew it. You’re so smart, Shanshan, so you’ll definitely be able to guess correctly. ”

Lin Shanchu took it with a complicated expression on her face.

When her mother passed away, she was already six years old.

She had some vague memories of her mother’s life.

Her mother was a clever person.

She loved to craft and also made incense in the past.

Incense could help calm people down while chasing mosquitoes away.

However, what her mother often made was the cypress incense that her father liked.

Cypress incense was her childhood memory.

However, it had been so long that she had almost forgotten the smell.

Was Huo Xunzhou giving her this because of her mother? Lin Shanchu smiled faintly, wanting to test Huo Xunzhou.

“Is this the only gift you’ve prepared for me?”

The raw materials of cypress incense were simple. Even the production process was simple as well.

To put it bluntly, it was worthless.

“It may be a small gift, but it’s meaning is priceless,” Huo Xunzhou replied, not looking angry at all.

Lin Shanchu said, “Well, it’s true that this gift is quite small...”

“I ground it myself.” Huo Xunzhou suddenly interrupted her.

Lin Shanchu was stunned.

The final step of the handmade cypress fragrance was to grind the dried cypress into powder by hand before using it.

“If you don’t like it, you can return it to me,” Huo Xunzhou said as he reached out to take it.

“There’s no reason to take back something that’s given out.” Lin Shanchu immediately hid the handbag behind herself.

Her anxious look was a little childish.

Huo Xunzhou couldn’t help but smile.

Lin Shanchu changed the topic in frustration. “I want to light some incense.”

Huo Xunzhou sat down at the table, took out the incense burner, and opened the incense box.

His slender and beautiful fingers pinched the incense mold and took out the incense. He then placed it into the incense burner and lit it up. He was focused and serious throughout the entire process.

The entire scene was extremely pleasing to the eye.

When the fragrant mist started rising from the incense burner, the fragrance spread throughout the room.

“Mdm. Ning used to make cypress incense in May,” Huo Xunzhou said slowly.

“It’s July now. The season isn’t right, so the fragrance is different.”

After Huo Xunzhou finished speaking, he didn’t get a response from Lin Shanchu for a long time, so he looked up at her.

Only then did he realize that Lin Shanchu was staring straight at him.

“Lin Shanchu,” Huo Xunzhou called after a momentary pause.

“Hmm?” Lin Shanchu suddenly came back to her senses.

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She was actually entranced by the sight of Huo Xunzhou lighting the incense.

“Did you hear what I said?” Huo Xunzhou asked.

“Yes. It’s true that my mother liked to make cypress incense in May,” Lin Shanchu said. “But I think the smell is the same as when I was young. ‘ Her parents had sacrificed their lives for the Lu Corporation.

Yet, Lu Shiyuan could not even remember their death anniversary.

Lin Shanchu’s mother had treated Huo Xunzhou well for a period of time when he was young, but he remembered it until now.

The difference between people was huge.

“Xunzhou?”

Nan Mu’s voice came from outside.

Then, there was a knock on the door.

Nan Mu and Li MO pushed the door open and entered.

“I knew you two were in the study.”

Nan Mu sniffed. “What’s that smell? It smells good. ” “Cypress incense.” Lin Shanchu explained.

“Incense? Get me some too!” Nan Mu strode over.

Lin Shanchu silently hugged the box of incense Huo Xunzhou had given her.

“Huo Xunzhou gave it to me.”

“Xunzhou...”

“Go get it from my bedroom,” Huo Xunzhou said coldly.

“As expected of my brother!” Nan Mu turned around and ran out happily. Lin Shanchu pursed her lips and asked casually, “Everyone has the same gift?”

Huo Xunzhou only gave her a half-smile.

Lin Shanchu also felt that her question was a little strange.

She quickly adjusted his emotions and asked as if nothing had happened, “Did you really go to the mountains for a business trip?”

‘Yes.’

“Xunzhou, this doesn’t seem like incense!”

Nan Mu pushed the door open and entered with a jar in his arms.

He put the jar on the table. “Incense is supposed to be powder form, right? Why does this look like herbs?”

Lin Shanchu glanced at it and realized that it was dried cypress leaves.

She could not help but smile.

Everyone did receive a gift from Huo Xunzhou.

However, Huo Xunzhou had personally ground hers.

Nanmu had dried cypress leaves, but he had to grind them himself.

Li MO looked at Nan Mu with disdain. “Grind it into powder and you can use it.”

“Is that so?”

“That’s right. I’ll buy an incense burner to burn when the time comes.” Li MO looked proud. He had learned a lot from his big brother.

Nan Mu was silent for two seconds before he stuffed the jar into Li MO’s arms.

“It’s too troublesome. Forget it.”

At this moment, Lin Shanchu’s phone rang.

She took out her phone and her expression froze.

The call was from Lu Shiyuan.

It seemed like time was up.

The police had no evidence and had no choice but to release Lu Shiyuan within 24 hours..

Lin Shanchu rejected the call and silenced her phone.

Although she didn't say a word, Huo Xunzhou could already guess from her expression that Lu Shiyuan was the one who called.

Li MO also told him about the disappearance of the evidence at the police station.

Even though he didn't know exactly what happened to Lin Shanchu, he knew that she hated Lu Shiyuan.

Therefore, the disappearance of the evidence was a fatal blow to Lin Shanchu.

That was why he rushed to the Lu Corporation as soon as he got off the plane.

He had no way of knowing what Lin Shanchu had been thinking while she was alone on the rooftop.

However, he knew very well that Lin Shanchu must have had the intention to commit suicide at one point.

Fortunately, she still had the desire to live.

And she only had one desire to live.

That was to destroy Lu Shiyuan.

Not only Huo Xunzhou, but Li MO also guessed that this call was from Lu Shiyuan.

He had many questions, but he did not dare to ask.

The disappearance of the evidence was particularly strange.

After that, Lin Shanchu went up to the rooftop alone, apparently having suffered a huge blow from the evidence's disappearance.

He was afraid that he might agitate Lin Shanchu again if he were to ask her about it.

Nan Mu did not know anything.

However, seeing the heavy atmosphere, he did not dare to speak casually.

Lin Shanchu didn't notice the tense atmosphere.

Today's share market was already opened.

She opened it and said with a smile, "The Lu Corporation's stock has crashed to its lowest limit."

Her cheerful tone sounded like she was announcing something good.

Nan Mu was excited when he heard that. "The Lu Corporation's shares have crashed so much. Should I buy some? Wouldn't I be able to make a lot of money when it rises? "

Huo Xunzhou looked at Nan Mu coldly.

Li MO quietly kicked him and whispered, "Are you stupid?"

He actually said that the Lu Corporation's stock price would rise in front of Ms.

Lin.

Ms. Lin was eager for the Lu Corporation to go bankrupt.

“Of course, but don’t hold on to it for too long,” Lin Shanchu said after a light pause.

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Nan Mu was a smart man, so he instantly understood what Lin Shanchu was saying. “How long should I wait before selling it?”

Lin Shanchu propped her chin and thought for a while. “Before the finale of ‘My Stage’.”

She stood up once she was done talking.

“I should go.”

Now that Lu Shiyuan was released, she had to meet him.

Li MO followed her out of the study without Huo Xunzhou ordering him.

Huo Xunzhou got up and went to the balcony.

Soon, Lin Shanchu and Li MO appeared in his field of vision.

He watched Lin Shanchu leave before returning to his room.

Nan Mu followed behind him before slapping his head.

“I forgot about the proper business!”

Huo Xunzhou turned to look at him.

“The purpose of my visit today is to ask Lin Shanchu if she’s going back to ‘My Stage’ ,” Nan Mu quickly said.

After eating some noodles while enjoying the incense, he had completely forgotten about the actual reason why he came here.

“Li MO, let’s go to the Yong Water Pavilion.”

“Aren’t you going to the Lu Corporation?” Li MO was puzzled.

Lin Shanchu had previously said that she wanted to give everyone an explanation.

Now, the evidence had disappeared into thin air and Lu Shiyuan had been released.

However, she still had to explain everything to the public.

Therefore, logically speaking, Lin Shanchu should be heading to the Lu Corporation.

“There’s no rush.”

Lin Shanchu sounded very casual and laidback.

Li MO glanced at Lin Shanchu in the rearview mirror, soon noticing that she was focused on typing on her phone.

Her slender fingers quickly swiped across the screen. The car stopped in front of Yong Shui Pavilion.

“Ms. Lin.”

This time, the doorman recognized Lin Shanchu at a glance.

He was also very respectful to her.

Lin Shanchu smiled back and led Li MO into the establishment.

The two of them walked away.

Another doorman came over and asked the doorman who had just spoken. “Ms. Lin doesn’t seem to be a member of Yong Shui Pavilion. Why did you let her

“Things are different now. Haven’t you seen the recent news? Don’t you know who Ms. Lin is?”

“I’ve been so busy recently, so I don’t have time to keep up with the news.”

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“Miss Lin is one of the major shareholders of the Lu Corporation…”

“I see.”

When Lin Shanchu pushed open the door and entered the private room, the senior shareholders inside were making a ruckus.

“What’s wrong with that lady? We’re all here, but she’s nowhere to be seen. Are we supposed to just wait for her?”

“I told you not to believe her! You won’t listen!”

“In my opinion, that Lin woman is very strange!”

“Why don’t we leave now?”

Lin Shanchu strode in.

“Since everyone is here, let’s have a cup of tea before leaving.”

Everyone looked at the door.

Lin Shanchu was wearing a black dress today. Even though her makeup was light, she still looked quite intimidating.

The rowdy shareholders instantly quieted down.

They returned to their seats and looked around awkwardly.

Lin Shanchu calmly smoothed out her dress before sitting down.

Li MO also sat down at the side.

Originally, Ms. Lin came to the Yongshui Pavilion to meet the shareholders of the Lu Corporation.

Even if the evidence disappeared into thin air, Ms. Lin would definitely not let Lu Shiyuan off easily.

Seeing Lin Shanchu's attitude, the senior shareholders started to put on airs again.

"Ms. Lin, all of us have been waiting for you. You're really shameless."

Lin Shanchu placed her phone on the table and pushed it in front of the shareholder. "Director Li, look at the time yourself."

Director Li glanced at the time and looked a little embarrassed.

"We agreed to meet at two o'clock. It's one minute before two right now." Lin Shanchu's voice was soft, but her attitude was unusually firm.

She was not someone who respected the elderly and loved the young.

Only good people would do that.

She was no longer a good person.

She wanted to be the villainess.

Lin Shanchu's expression turned serious as she leaned back in her chair. "Since everyone is in such a hurry, they must be very interested in my plan. Time is limited, so let's not talk nonsense."

The shareholders were a little unhappy at first. They whispered a few words before saying, "Go on."

"Although Lu Shiyuan has been released, his reputation is already tarnished. If he's allowed to recover the sole authority over the company, I'm afraid that it'll be difficult to recover from the loss of the company's reputation."

She made a long speech, but her main point was the words "recover the sole authority over the company".

It couldn't be helped. The group of old hypocrites always liked to use such excuses just to conceal their ambitions so that they appeared to be upright and righteous.

The shareholders all agreed. "That's right. If we let Lu Shiyuan regain the sole authority over the company, the Lu Corporation's share price will definitely continue to fall!"

"That's why we have to take this opportunity to regain our power as shareholders and interfere with Lu Shiyuan's future decisions. We have to let the public see our attitude so that we can regain the public's trust in the Lu Corporation. "

As the saying goes, no matter how long a huge dam stands, it will still crumble when the tiny cracks eventually grow big enough to weaken it from the inside.

Once these arrogant old geezers began to participate in the company's decision-making, they would empty out the Lu Corporation sooner or later..

Chapter 126: He's Already On His Way

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A black car stopped at the entrance of the Lu Corporation.

"President Lu, we're here." Zhou Yan stopped the car steadily before speaking up.

Lu Shiyuan, who was resting, slowly opened his eyes.

"Why aren't there any reporters?"

He looked outside. Other than the occasional passersby, there were no reporters around the Lu Corporation's main entrance.

When he was taken away by the police yesterday, reporters equipped with cameras surrounded the entrance of the Lu Corporation. That was the most embarrassing moment of his life.

All of this was thanks to Lin Shanchu!

"I got people to evacuate them in advance," Zhou Yan hurriedly replied.

If he couldn't even do this, he wouldn't be able to retain his position as Lu Shiyuan's special assistant.

When Lu Shiyuan heard this, his expression softened a little.

Zhou Yan got out of the car and opened the back door for Lu Shiyuan respectfully.

Lu Shiyuan got out of the car and walked toward the Lu Corporation building.

As he walked, he took out his phone and continued to call Lin Shanchu.

After he left the police station, he had already begun calling her.

Up until now, he had already made dozens of calls.

But Lin Shanchu didn't answer any of the calls.

Lu Shiyuan called Lin Shanchu again.

The result was the same as before. No one picked up.

The call was automatically hung up.

The elevator doors opened at this moment.

Lu Shiyuan gripped his phone tightly and walked out with a gloomy expression. He used so much force that his knuckles were starting to turn white.

Zhou Yan could feel Lu Shiyuan's mood worsening by the second. He just followed closely behind him, not daring to say a word.

On the way back, he had already told Lu Shiyuan about Lin Shanchu wrecking the president's office.

But he knew Lu Shiyuan's temper.

When he saw the ruined office later, he would probably be furious.

Lu Shiyuan walked to the door of the president's office and stopped.

His gaze moved from the big hole in the office door to the mess inside.

Zhou Yan watched by the side and did not even dare to breathe loudly.

Just as he thought that Lu Shiyuan was going to smash his phone again, Lu Shiyuan suddenly laughed softly.

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The laughter grew louder and louder.

"President Lu..." This laughter sounded particularly terrifying to the ears.

Lu Shiyuan walked in as if he didn't hear him.

He slowly walked around the room.

It was as leisurely as taking a walk in the garden.

Finally, he stopped in front of the bookshelf that had been smashed the most.

"Lin Shanchu moved into my house when she was six years old. We spent sixteen years together, but I didn't know that she had such a trick up her sleeve."

From Lu Shiyuan's tone, Zhou Yan could vaguely detect a trace of unusual

excitement.

Did he get... too angry with her?

"Get someone to tidy up the office." After Lu Shiyuan finished speaking, he found a chair in the mess and sat on it after cleaning up the dust.

Zhou Yan was slightly startled when he saw the situation. He immediately replied, "President Lu, you can go to the lounge next door..."

"She has to come to the Lu Corporation again. I'll wait for her here." Lu Shiyuan interrupted him.

The 'she' in his words naturally referred to Lin Shanchu.

Zhou Yan did not dare to say anything more either.

He knew that Lu Shiyuan had been calling Lin Shanchu the whole time.

Although Lin Shanchu hadn't picked up any of his calls, she still had to make a trip to the Lu Corporation.

Lu Shiyuan waited and waited, but Lin Shanchu was nowhere to be seen.

Instead, a flustered Zhou Yan came stumbling back.

"President Lu, something bad happened!"

Zhou Yan ran in with his phone while looking anxiously.

"What is it?" Lu Shiyuan disliked it when his subordinates were being impatient, so he frowned slightly.

"Ms. Lin and the other shareholders of the company are holding a live press conference! "

Zhou Yan barely finished speaking when Lu Shiyuan snatched his phone away.

The press conference had obviously just started.

However, the number of viewers in the live broadcast room was close to ten million.

The reporters were in the midst of asking Lin Shanchu some questions.

“Miss Lin, you said before that you would give everyone an explanation for what happened to Jing Ming. Now that President Lu has been released by the police, do you have anything to say about that?”

Lin Shanchu sat in front of the podium, her expression calm and collected.

“The police have re-investigated Jing Ming’s case. Although Lu Shiyuan was released, it doesn’t mean that he is not responsible for Jing Ming’s death. As the people in charge of the Lu Corporation, we should all be responsible for Jing Ming’s death.

“Jing Ming was a very outstanding artist. We should remember him for many years to come, be it three years or ten years. The Lu Corporation will also take this as a warning. We pay attention to the physical and mental health of our celebrities, respect and understand them, and work together with them to improve. We will set an example for the industry...”

In the live broadcast room, other than the netizens who were watching the show.

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Most of them were Jing Ming’s fans.

After listening to Lin Shanchu’s speech, they were so touched that they started commenting.

[It’s been three years. Finally, someone from the Lu Corporation has stepped forward to take responsibility.]

[We have never blamed the company for his death. We only want the company’s stance on this matter.]

[What a joke. After three years, the Lin woman has stepped forward to clean up the mess for the Lu guy’s company.]

[Jing Ming worked hard for the Lu Corporation for five years before he died. After his death, the company concluded the matter just by saying ‘our condolences’. Capitalism is really cruel.]

[Lu Shiyuan is crueler than capitalism.]

[I’m thinking that if Lin Shanchu had been the one managing the Lu

Corporation back then, Jing Ming wouldn’t have died. Uwaaah...]

[They really broke through our defenses. This is the proper response of the Lu Corporation that we’ve been waiting for for the past three years.]

[At this point, Lu Shiyuan, the culprit, is still hiding in his shell. He hopes that Lin Shanchu will seize power and take over the company. Otherwise, he will harm more celebrities...]

In the time it took Lin Shanchu to say a few words, the number of viewers in the live broadcast room had already exceeded ten million.

Lu Shiyuan was so angry that his chest heaved up and down violently. “Where is she?”

“Yong Shui Pavilion.” Zhou Yan already found out where Lin Shanchu was a long time ago.

Lu Shiyuan got up and walked out.

On the way to Yong Shui Pavilion, Lu Shiyuan had been watching Lin Shanchu’s live broadcast of the press conference.

Lin Shanchu answered every question from the reporters.

There were no mistakes.

Lu Shiyuan suddenly remembered when Lin Shanchu first came to the Lu family during his childhood years.

At that time, she was timid and could not sleep at night because of the slightest disturbance.

She had to hold his hand in order to fall asleep.

At that time, Lin Shanchu had a soft personality and was very reliant on him. She was especially likable.

The Lin Shanchu now kept fighting him while forcing him into a corner.

Every move was ruthless and merciless.

He couldn’t remember which step had gone wrong that led to today’s situation.

However, he was very clear about it.

The soft-hearted and reliant Lin Shanchu had disappeared.

Moreover, she might never return.

The live broadcast continued.

“Why didn’t Mr. Lu Shiyuan come to such an occasion today?” The reporter asked.

“He’s already on his way here.” Lin Shanchu’s expression looked a little tense.

The subtle change in expression in such a situation caused everyone to start speculating..

Chapter 127: Name a Price

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After Lu Shiyuan was released by the police station, the dedicated paparazzi immediately released the news.

Three to four hours had passed since then.

Holding a press conference was not a small matter. It must be the result of a serious discussion between the board of directors of the company.

Moreover, the other shareholders were present, which meant that the press conference was the result of everyone's discussion.

As the president, Lu Shiyuan had not appeared for a long time. Naturally, people would think that Lu Shiyuan had a different opinion from Lin Shanchu and the other shareholders, so he did not come on purpose.

After all, after Jing Ming passed away three years ago, Lu Shiyuan did not make any statements as the president of the company.

The public would think that Lu Shiyuan was still arrogant and conceited. He was unwilling to take a stand on Jing Ming's matter and take responsibility.

In comparison, Lin Shanchu was willing to stand up and express her stance, which made her seem more responsible.

No one would think that Lin Shanchu had colluded with the shareholders to set up a trap against Lu Shiyuan.

They would only think that Lu Shiyuan was a cold-blooded and irresponsible capitalist.

As a result, their impression of Lu Shiyuan became even worse.

The reporters at the scene were still afraid of Lu Shiyuan's identity, so they did not dare to ask overly sharp questions.

The audience in the live broadcast room did not care about this. [Lu Shiyuan probably doesn't dare to come, right?]

[The more he doesn't dare to take responsibility, the more guilty he is.]

[I finally understand why his relationship with that Tang woman is so ambiguous. It's because he and Lin Shanchu aren't on the same side. Is he even worthy of being with Lin Shanchu?]

[I really love a responsible person in charge like Lin Shanchu. Big Sister, you can do it!]

[I hope Lin Shanchu can kick Lu Shiyuan out and snatch the Lu Corporation over.]

The reporters were more tactful when it came to questions related to Lu Shiyuan.

"May I know when Mr. Lu Shiyuan will arrive?"

"It should be soon."

Lin Shanchu's tone was very serious, but her eyes subconsciously darted to the door, an anxious look on her face.

Her expression undoubtedly confirmed everyone's guess.

Lu Shiyuan was so arrogant that he did not want to attend the press conference or make a statement.

The audience started chastising Lu Shiyuan in the live broadcast room again.

At this moment, something happened about one kilometer away from Yong Shui Pavilion.

A truck collided with an expensive black car.

The car braked suddenly. Lu Shiyuan's body leaned forward before crashing backward violently.

He had been watching the live broadcast the entire time and was holding back his anger.

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At this moment, it was already on the verge of exploding.

“What happened?”

Lu Shiyuan’s voice was as cold as ice.

Zhou Yan gazed forward. “We crashed into a truck.”

The truck driver had already gotten out of his truck and was walking over to the car.

“President Lu, I’ll go deal with it.” Zhou Yan opened the car door and got out of the car.

The hot-tempered truck driver shouted, “What the hell were you doing?” “I should be the one asking you this!” Zhou Yan said coldly.

He was driving normally the whole time. The truck driver was the one who hit him first.

“Are you saying that it’s my responsibility?” The truck driver was not convinced. “Let’s call the police! We’ll let the police decide who’s responsible!”

Zhou Yan turned his head back and took a glance at the car. “There’s no need to call the police. We’ll settle this privately!”

If it was any other time, he would have just called the police.

But now, President Lu was in a hurry to attend the press conference at Yong Shui Pavilion.

If they called the police, they would definitely ask questions and investigate.

“I won’t settle this privately with you! I’m calling the police!”

The truck driver called the police as he spoke.

Zhou Yan saw that the situation was not right and stretched out his hand to snatch the truck driver’s phone. “How much do you want? Name your price.”

The truck driver seemed to have long been prepared, dodging Zhou Yan in a flash.

“What money? This isn’t about money!”

The call to the police was also connected at this time. The truck driver quickly said, “Hello? I crashed into someone else’s car. My address is…” Zhou Yan also did not expect that this driver was a tough nut to crack.

He turned around and walked to the back of the car.

Lu Shiyuan rolled down the car window and asked impatiently, “Are you done?”

Zhou Yan’s expression darkened as he said, “He refused to accept a private settlement.”

“You useless trash!” Lu Shiyuan scolded.

Zhou Yan lowered his head and allowed Lu Shiyuan to scold him.

It was true that he did not handle this matter well.

The press conference was about to end. Lu Shiyuan naturally could not wait here any longer.

He got out of the car and stood by the roadside, ready to take a taxi to Yong Shui Pavilion.

Zhou Yan saw the taxi coming over and hurriedly stopped it.

Just as Lu Shiyuan was about to get into the car, the truck driver ran over.

“Don’t run! The police haven’t arrived yet!” The moment the truck driver arrived, he closed the taxi door that Zhou Yan just opened.

Zhou Yan went forward and wanted to pull the truck driver away. “I’ll wait for the police here with you.”

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The truck driver was filled with brute force. He stood firmly on the spot, so Zhou Yan could not pull him.

The truck driver snorted coldly. “There are two of you in the car. Who knows which one of you is driving? No one is allowed to leave!”

Zhou Yan thought that it would be too late if Lu Shiyuan didn’t leave now. He could only coax the truck driver patiently, “I was driving.”

“Are you the owner?”

Zhou Yan turned his head to look at Lu Shiyuan. “Yes, I am.”

Of course, he was not the owner of the car.

This car belonged to Lu Shiyuan.

“How can you prove that you’re the owner?”

“You...” Zhou Yan, who had always been a patient guy, was unable to keep his cool anymore.

“If you don’t leave, I’m going to leave now!” The taxi driver saw that something was wrong and immediately fled.

The taxi sped off.

Zhou Yan was so angry that he took two deep breaths in a row.

When he calmed down and was about to hail another taxi, Lu Shiyuan, who had been standing behind him, suddenly kicked the truck driver.

The truck driver was caught off guard and was kicked to the ground.

Lu Shiyuan was already filled with anger. The truck driver became a target in his venting range.

Now that he had made a move, it would not be so easy for him to stop.

Lu Shiyuan kicked the truck driver a few more times and even tried to punch him.

“President Lu!” Zhou Yan wanted to persuade Lu Shiyuan to stop.

But how could he stop him? Instead, Lu Shiyuan turned around to deliver a blow to him.

The police arrived at that moment.

“What are you guys doing?”

After the police rushed over, they stopped Lu Shiyuan who was in a rage.

Zhou Yan’s heart turned cold.

The situation was getting worse.

President Lu couldn’t make it to the press conference.

After the police pulled the two of them apart, Lu Shiyuan still felt angry and wanted to go up and beat up the truck driver.

The police held Lu Shiyuan down tightly. “You still want to hit him in front of the police?”

“All of you will follow us back to the police station to make a statement later.”

“Officer, he hit me first!” the truck driver quickly exclaimed.

“Don’t worry, we’ll investigate the matter clearly.”

“Who called the police just now and said that there was a car accident?” the policeman asked again.

The truck driver, whose face was bruised and swollen, quickly said, “It was me! I called the police!”

Chapter 128: Countdown to the Death of the Lu Corporation

Yong Shui Pavilion.

At the press conference.

The reporters already asked Lin Shanchu almost all the questions they needed to ask.

Now, they were waiting for Lu Shiyuan.

The reporters also began to ask questions to the other shareholders to kill time.

Lin Shanchu could finally rest.

The system’s voice sounded in her mind. [Lu Shiyuan has been taken away by the police.]

Lin Shanchu cast her glance downward in order to conceal the smile in her eyes.

The system seized the opportunity to save its dignity. [Look, I really helped you, right? You can’t call me an idiot anymore.]

This useless system had a lot of past records. She would not trust it so easily.

The system continued, [As long as you interact more with Huo Xunzhou, you can continue to accumulate relationship points. When the time comes, you can exchange them for various mission rewards...] ‘Got it,’ Lin Shanchu interrupted impatiently.

This system was a hopeless romantic.

All it kept talking about was relationships.

Previously, when the press conference was about to start, Lin Shanchu had been thinking about how to prevent Lu Shiyuan from coming.

If someone were to stop it, it would probably be a little difficult to operate.

Therefore, she thought of the system that was finally useful after the update. “Is there a way to stop Lu Shiyuan from coming to the press conference?” Lin Shanchu asked.

In order to show off its ability, the system was particularly proactive. [You can use your relationship points to exchange for a wishing card.]

Lin Shanchu did not believe it at first. “You should know the consequences of stopping Lu Shiyuan from coming to the press conference. ”

Previously, she had obtained video evidence from Qi Cheng that could completely ruin Lu Shiyuan’s reputation, but it was erased because of the male lead’s plot armor.

The consequences of stopping Lu Shiyuan from coming to the press conference were also harmful to Lu Shiyuan.

She didn’t believe that the system would help her.

The system replied, [I know, but this matter isn’t a huge threat to Lu Shiyuan. The emergency defense and the male lead’s plot armor won’t activate in this case.]

Thus, Lin Shanchu used her so-called relationship points to exchange for a wishing card.

She did not expect the system to go through with it properly.

The system didn’t forget to remind her, [Remember to progress your relationship. Being in a relationship is a serious matter. Also...]

Lin Shanchu blocked it before it could finish its sentence.

Why did its naggy personality still remain even after it was done with the upgrade...

“Ms. Lin.” Director Li turned around and called out to her in a low voice.

Lin Shanchu tilted her head slightly, indicating for him to speak frankly.

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“Will President Lu really come?” Director Li sounded worried.

Although they had already joined forces with Lin Shanchu, they were still very afraid of Lu Shiyuan.

If Lu Shiyuan really came to the press conference, it might change the current situation.

It was not easy to have such an opportunity to disperse Lu Shiyuan's power.

Lin Shanchu's lips slowly curled into a small smile as she replied leisurely,

"Calm down."

Director Li couldn't help but study Lin Shanchu carefully.

Lin Shanchu was only in her early twenties. In his eyes, she was just a young lady. However, she continued to sit there calmly. Even her words were inexplicably convincing.

He looked at the time on his watch.

At the same time, he already had an answer in his heart.

Lu Shiyuan would not come.

The press conference was coming to an end, but no one saw Lu Shiyuan.

The press conference lasted for an hour and a half. Lu Shiyuan had plenty of time, but he did not show up.

This was enough to show that Lu Shiyuan did not want to come.

Lin Shanchu stood up.

"Thank you, everyonn, for attending today's press conference.

"In the future, the Lu Corporation will be more cautious when dealing with celebrities. The board of directors will also participate in the company's operations and supervise each other to prevent tragedies from happening again. Thank you for your attention and supervision."

After Lin Shanchu finished speaking, the other shareholders also stood up and faced the camera together with her. All of them bowed at 90 degrees politely.

Applause rang out from the audience.

Amidst the applause, Lin Shanchu, who had her head lowered, slowly smiled.

From today onward.

The Lu Corporation entered a countdown that would lead it to its death.

The press conference ended.

Everyone left.

The shareholders followed Lin Shanchu. When they returned to the lounge, they all revealed delighted expressions.

"We've finally waited for this day."

"In the future, Lu Shiyuan won't be the only one who has the final say in the Lu Corporation!"

"Lu Shiyuan is indeed too arrogant. As his elders, we should give him more pointers to restrain himself..."

They put on their facades and started lying to each other.

All Lin Shanchu felt was annoyance.

She got up and walked out.

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“It’s almost dinner time. Ms. Lin, don’t you want to have dinner with us before leaving?” Director Li called out to her.

“No thanks.” Lin Shanchu didn’t even turn her head.

As soon as she left with Li MO, the shareholders started talking about her.

“Despite the young lady’s weak and fragile appearance, her methods to deal with the situation are as brutal as Lu Shiyuan’s.”

“Even a rabbit will bite back out of desperation! Lu Shiyuan has been snuggling with another woman all these years, not to mention he didn’t even spare Lin Shanchu a penny! Who’s to be blamed in this case?”

“They are still young people at the end of the day. Let them fight. In the end, we’re the ones who have to be present in order to stabilize the company...” “Of course. If it wasn’t for us, the Lu Corporation wouldn’t be where it is today...”

Outside the door.

Li MO and Lin Shanchu heard the shareholders’ conversation clearly.

The latter left after hearing what she wanted to hear.

The more arrogant those shareholders were, the faster the Lu Corporation would die.

Although Lu Shiyuan was a scumbag, no one could deny that his business ability was indeed extraordinary.

These shareholders were not even one-tenth of Lu Shiyuan’s strength even when their strengths were combined together.

There were still reporters outside the Yong Shui Pavilion.

“Ms. Lin, I’ll go get the car.”

Li MO went to get the car while Lin Shanchu waited at the entrance. With security guards around, reporters who did not accept the invitation could not enter.

However, there were still a few reporters who had attended the press conference in the hall.

The reporter was afraid that Lin Shanchu would leave if they were too late, so they jogged over. “Miss Lin, we still have some questions.”

Lin Shanchu turned around with a smile on her face.

“May I ask if you will be leaving ‘My Stage’?”

“Of course not.”

“Why not?”

Lin Shanchu laughed. “I have a contract with the production team. I’m a person with a contractual spirit.”

The reporter was infected by her cheerful tone. “Then I wish you a smooth debut.”

“Thank you for your well-wishes.”

The possibility of Lin Shanchu continuing to participate in “My Stage” was something that everyone was concerned about.

Once the reporter uploaded the interview on the internet, it quickly became a trending topic.

Lin Shanchu had taken up half of the trending searches on the entertainment rankings today.

#Lin Shanchu holds a press conference as a shareholder #Lin Shanchu will continue to participate in “My Stage”

#Lin Shanchu’s black dress

#Lu Shiyuan and Lin Shanchu broke up

The last topic was brought up by the netizens after watching the press conference.

[When will Lu Shiyuan and Lin Shanchu break up?]

[Did Lu Shiyuan save Lin Shanchu’s life before? What’s the point of keeping such a lowly man by her side?]

Chapter 129: I Will Spare Her Life

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[I don’t know if Lu Shiyuan saved Lin Shanchu’s life, but I know that Lin

Shanchu’s parents saved Lu Shiyuan’s parents’ lives.]

[Yes, I’ve heard of this before. Lin Shanchu’s parents passed away at that time.]

[Lu Shiyuan is the heartless one, right?]

[I think Lu Shiyuan is in a difficult position. He doesn’t like Lin Shanchu, but he has no choice but to get engaged to Lin Shanchu because of her parents’ deed...]

[Are you dumb?]

[The past valedictorians of Xu City Drama Academy end up being famous and successful, yet Lin Shanchu is the only one who isn’t successful in her career.

We all know that she’s getting suppressed by someone.]

[That’s right! I saw Lin Shanchu’s interview when she graduated from high school. The original camera did not have a photoshopped picture. I was shocked at that time and thought that this girl would definitely be popular, but in the end...]

Public opinion continued to brew, and it was favoring Lin Shanchu’s side.

Lin Shanchu’s Weibo fans were increasing at the same time.

All of Lu Shiyuan's keywords became "heartless", "scumbag", "cheating", and other words with similar meaning.

Tang Qidai was dragged into the mess in the heat of the moment.

Now that all of her gigs had stopped, and her manager had been fired, she had nothing to do at home.

So, she could only play with her phone.

She couldn't help but look at Lin Shanchu's homepage whenever she was on her phone.

Tang Qidai watched as Lin Shanchu's fans rose from a few hundred thousand to five million.

She watched Lin Shanchu dominate the trending searches.

Tang Qidai was so jealous that her lungs were about to explode.

She logged into Weibo with her alternate account just to scold Lin Shanchu. Before Lin Shanchu's fans could come over, she was already surrounded by passersby.

She couldn't let Lin Shanchu continue to be so arrogant.

"Brother Shiyuan must have a solution," Tang Qidai mumbled.

She dialed Lu Shiyuan's number.

The call went through very quickly.

Lu Shiyuan had been cooperating with the police station for the past two days, which was why she couldn't reach him.

Now, she could finally get through.

"Brother Shiyuan," Tang Qidai said happily.

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Qidai, I'm at the police station. "

"What?"

Tang Qidai rushed to the police station.

She spent a large sum of money to bail Lu Shiyuan out.

Lu Shiyuan had fought with the truck driver last time. His clothes were wrinkled, and his face was gloomy and tired. Overall, he looked a little disheveled.

"Brother Shiyuan, what happened?" Tang Qidai's heart ached for Lu Shiyuan. How did it end up like this?"

"I'm fine." Lu Shiyuan was about to explode from anger, but he was still very patient with Tang Qidai. "I will handle it."

Tang Qidai reached out to help him tidy up his wrinkled clothes. "Where's Zhou

Yan?"

“Let’s go back first.” Lu Shiyuan could not be bothered to mention Zhou Yan.

Zhou Yan had not come to the police station to bail him out. It must be because the matter of the car crash was not handled well.

It was just a small matter, but it wasn’t even settled after so long.

Zhou Yan’s ability to do things was worsening.

On the way back, Tang Qidai drove while Lu Shiyuan checked the latest news on his phone.

At the end of the press conference, Lin Shanchu said that the board members were involved in the company’s operations. When he heard that, he couldn’t contain his anger anymore and threw the phone away.

Tang Qidai also watched the live broadcast of the press conference. Naturally, she knew why Lu Shiyuan was so angry.

Although she was also furious, she still comforted Lu Shiyuan gently as usual.

“Brother Shiyuan, Shanshan has gone too far this time. Not only did she stop my work, but she also made the decision to hold a press conference with the shareholders. She doesn’t take the two of us seriously at all.”

Sensing Lu Shiyuan’s growing anger, Tang Qidai felt pleased.

All these years, no matter how she tried to cause trouble, Lu Shiyuan would always show mercy to Lin Shanchu at the critical moment.

This time, Lin Shanchu had gone overboard.

They actually dared to collaborate with the shareholders to split the power in Lu Shiyuan’s hands. This meant they were challenging Lu Shiyuan’s authority.

This was Lu Shiyuan’s bottom line.

He would never tolerate anyone who challenged his authority.

This time, Lu Shiyuan would definitely not show mercy.

What was the point of Lin Shanchu’s wonderful speech at the press conference?

The Lu Corporation was still under the Lu family, after all.

Everything Lin Shanchu did was dig her own grave.

After a while, Lu Shiyuan said faintly, “She will pay for everything she has done.”

Tang Qidai was relieved by Lu Shiyuan’s words.

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However, in front of Lu Shiyuan, she always remembered her gentle and kind persona.

“Although Shanshan has gone overboard, I still hope that you can be merciful to her, Brother Shiyuan...”
“Don’t worry, I will spare her life.”

Tang Qidai’s expression stiffened.

She said that without meaning it. Hence, she didn't expect Lu Shiyuan to really let Lin Shanchu go.

However, Lu Shiyuan was not in a good mood, so Tang Qidai didn't dare to disobey him.

"Brother Shiyuan, You haven't eaten properly these two days, right? You look thinner than usual. Let's go eat first," Tang Qidai said with reddened eyes.

Lu Shiyuan did not have much of an appetite at first, but when he saw Tang

Qidai's expression, his heart softened. "All right."

Lu Shiyuan still had to go to the company after dinner, so he went to a restaurant not far from the Lu Corporation.

There were quite a few people in the restaurant during dinner time.

The main area was crowded and noisy, so Tang Qidai said, "I want a private room."

"I'm sorry. All the private rooms have already been booked. There are only tables in the main area left," the owner said apologetically.

"The main area is so noisy! How can we possibly dine like this?" Tang Qidai was used to enjoying special privileges and would not accept the boss' solution.

"I'm really sorry," said the owner. "Why don't you go to another restaurant then?"

"You're running a business here, yet you're actually chasing your customers away?" Tang Qidai turned to Lu Shiyuan and said coquettishly, "Brother Shiyuan..

Lu Shiyuan took out a card. "Give me a private room. You can charge any amount to this card."

Just now, Lu Shiyuan had been standing behind her, so the owner didn't notice him at all.

"Are... Are you President Lu of the Lu Corporation?"

Recently, Lu Shiyuan had been on the trending searches frequently. Anyone who followed the news knew him by default.

The owner sized up Lu Shiyuan for a moment. After confirming that he was Lu Shiyuan himself, he turned to look at Tang Qidai.

Tang Qidai had always thought that she was famous, so she was used to wearing a mask and a hat to disguise herself.

The owner stared at her for a moment before saying with a complicated expression, "I'll call the guests and see if we can vacate the private room..."

Lu Shiyuan did not have the patience to wait for the owner to communicate with the customers. "I said, you can charge any amount to this card." "President Lu..." The owner looked troubled.

One had to be honest and sincere when it came to doing business.

Lu Shiyuan was not someone who could be easily offended.

"Since there are no private rooms, why don't we just sit in the main area? Why are you making things difficult for the owner?"

Hearing Lin Shanchu's voice, Lu Shiyuan and Tang Qidai turned around in unison.

"Lin Shanchu!" When Lu Shiyuan saw Lin Shanchu, he walked over angrily.

Tang Qidai quickly pulled him back while whispering, "Brother Shiyuan, there are so many people watching."

Lin Shanchu smiled and said to the owner, "Boss, we'll take a table in the main area.."

Chapter 130: You Might As Well Beg Me

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When the owner heard Lin Shanchu's words, he quickly brought them to a table and sat them down.

Lin Shanchu took the menu and handed it to Li MO, who had come along with her.

Although Li MO usually followed Huo Xunzhou as a bodyguard and driver, it was obvious that Huo Xunzhou didn't really treat Li MO as a subordinate.

Naturally, she wouldn't disrespect Li Mo.

After Li MO finished ordering, Lin Shanchu flipped through the menu and ordered a few dishes before handing the menu to Lu Shiyuan.

Lu Shiyuan didn't take it for a long time, so Lin Shanchu threw the menu in front of Tang Qidai.

"If he doesn't want to order, then you do it."

Tang Qidai had always paid attention to her image in public.

She suppressed her dissatisfaction while picking up the menu calmly.

Lin Shanchu snorted disdainfully after hearing the name of the dish.

Tang Qidai ordered all of Lu Shiyuan's favorite dishes.

When the food was served, Lin Shanchu and Li MO, who had been busy the entire afternoon, began to eat heartily.

It was as if they were really just here to eat.

Meanwhile, Tang Qidai and Lu Shiyuan, who were sitting across from them, didn't have any appetite.

Lu Shiyuan was the first to explode.

He slammed his chopsticks on the dining table. "Lin Shanchu, how dare you come to see me!"

"I had no choice. I waited at Yong Shui Pavilion until the press conference was over, but you didn't dare to show up. I could only come to you." Lin Shanchu's nonchalant tone was filled with disdain.

It was no different from adding fuel to the fire.

Lu Shiyuan's eyes were burning with anger. "You think you're still lucky, eh? Back then, I was able to take back all the power of the Lu Corporation. I can do the same now."

"Oh," Lin Shanchu replied lightly.

It was just a short word, but it was extremely contemptuous. Lin Shanchu didn't bother showing Lu Shiyuan any respect at all.

"You..." Lu Shiyuan couldn't take it anymore. He wanted to flip the table over and smash things on the spot.

However, he was stopped by the "kind" and "understanding" Tang Qidai.

Tang Qidai looked at Lin Shanchu with a pained expression. "Shanshan, how could you treat Brother Shiyuan like this? Uncle Lu loved you like his own in the past!"

"Tell him to come and find me, then." Lin Shanchu's words rendered Tang Qidai speechless.

After Lu Shiyuan's mother passed away, his father, Lu Qinghuai, became depressed.

In those few years, Lu Qinghuai did not care about the company or Lu Shiyuan. He tended to spend his days drowning his sorrows with alcohol and never went home.

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The company gradually weakened under the control of the old geezers on the board of directors.

It was until one day Lu Shiyuan and Lu Qinghuai had a big fight on Lu

Shiyuan's mother's death anniversary. Lu Qinghuai went missing as a result.

After that, Lu Shiyuan took over the Lu Corporation and fought with the old codgers on the board of directors, taking back all his power.

In the next six to seven years, Lu Shiyuan expanded the Lu Corporation.

As for Lu Qinghuai, some people said that he had gone to the mountains to become a monk.

In any case, Lin Shanchu had never heard from Lu Qinghuai all these years.

But she knew that Lu Qinghuai was still alive.

In a sense, selfishness was engraved in the genes of the Lu family.

Lu Qinghuai was like this.

Lu Shiyuan was the same.

Tang Qidai had no choice but to gulp down a large glass of water to suppress her anger.

"Ah, that's right..." Lin Shanchu looked at Tang Qidai. "Your beloved Brother Shiyuan doesn't have the final say in Lu Enterprise. You should pay more attention to your own career first."

Tang Qidai's expression changed as she turned to look at Lu Shiyuan.

Lu Shiyuan held Tang Qidai's hand before looking up at Lin Shanchu. "Soon, you'll know if I'm the only one who has the final say in the Lu Corporation."

Lin Shanchu smiled. "I'm the second largest shareholder after your father. At least I have the final say in the company now."

The calm expression on Lu Shiyuan's face cracked again.

"What do you mean?" Tang Qidai was also shocked.

Lin Shanchu explained nicely, "I own 15% of the Lu Corporation's shares. Your Brother Shiyuan only has 10% while your Uncle Lu has 41%. So, I'm the second largest shareholder."

'You...' Tang Qidai still couldn't believe her ears.

In the past few years, Lin Shanchu had always been weak and helpless, allowing Tang Qidai to bully her.

That was why Tang Qidai had never taken Lin Shanchu seriously. She had thought that she was just a pitiful wretch who had been placed in the care of the Lu family.

She didn't expect Lin Shanchu to own so many shares of the Lu Corporation.

"Do you think it's a lot?" Lin Shanchu smiled brightly.

But soon, Lin Shanchu's smile disappeared. Her voice was akin to a cold blade.

"My parents exchanged their lives for it!"

Tang Qidai's face flashed with guilt as she averted her gaze quickly.

Lin Shanchu laughed again. "You might as well beg me instead of him." Tang Qidai's face turned pale.

All these years, she had dared to target and frame Lin Shanchu because of Lu Shiyuan's favoritism.

If Lu Shiyuan really lost his power, Lin Shanchu would definitely kill her!

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Lu Shiyuan saw Tang Qidai's expression change. His heart aching for her, he scolded Lin Shanchu, "That's enough! Shut up!"

"You're the one who should shut the f*ck up!" Lin Shanchu raised an eyebrow.

Lu Shiyuan was so shocked that he couldn't even utter a word for a long time.

Even though he had already started to accept the fact that Lin Shanchu's personality had changed drastically, he still couldn't get used to the fact that Lin Shanchu, who was usually meek and gentle, was capable of cursing like a sailor.

Lin Shanchu had come here for no other reason.

She was here to show off the results in front of Lu Shiyuan.

Since she couldn't kill him, she decided to piss him off.

Unfortunately, Lu Shiyuan was young and healthy, so he didn't get a heart attack.

As a result, Lin Shanchu was bored by his reaction.

“Li MO, are you already full?” “Yes.” Li MO put down his chopsticks.

“Let’s go.”

Lin Shanchu got up, kicked the chair away, and swaggered out of the restaurant.

She was unbelievably arrogant.

Tang Qidai was angry and resentful, but she could only grit her teeth because she couldn’t do anything to Lin Shanchu.

The next second, the coldness on her face disappeared. She looked at Lu Shiyuan gently and said, “It’s okay, Brother Shiyuan. We still have a chance.” “What do you mean?” Lu Shiyuan asked.

“Lin Shanchu said that she’ll return to ‘My Stage’ to continue recording,” Tang Qidai whispered.

Lu Shiyuan frowned slightly as if he was a little hesitant. “Don’t worry,” Tang Qidai hurriedly said. “I’m just teaching her a lesson.”

Lin Shanchu walked out of the restaurant feeling refreshed.

She hummed a song as she got into the car.

She remembered that the system had told her to interact more with Huo Xunzhou to accumulate relationship points.

She opened WeChat and sent a message to Huo Xunzhou.

Lin Shanchu: [Have you eaten?]

As soon as the message was sent, a sound similar to the sound of money being transferred to the account sounded in her mind.

“What’s that?”

The system answered, [0.001 points have been transferred to your account.] Lin Shanchu was silent for a full five seconds. “Can you be any more stingy?”

The system didn’t say anything afterward.

Beep!

Li MO, who was in the front row, suddenly honked.

Immediately after, another beep sounded.

“What’s wrong?” Lin Shanchu raised her head and looked ahead.

“There’s a car blocking the road.” As Li MO spoke, he honked his horn like mad. As a result, sounds of slapping could be heard coming from the button.

“Li MO, do you have road rage?” Lin Shanchu asked faintly..