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Chapter 479: Doctor Chiang is Really Resistant to the Cold

After dinner, Ning Ge still drove Ying Xiaoya home, while Cheng Su mounted the bicycle that Qi Taiguo had ridden over. As the night deepened, the air grew colder; Qi Taiguo placed his own hat on Cheng Su's head and personally wrapped her face with a scarf.

"This scarf is too thin; we should buy a thicker wool one, it's so cold." Qi Taiguo wound the scarf around her neck and face in circles, muttering as he did so.

"Oh, look at how well I'm dressed, plus now with your hat on, it's a mishmash, hideous! Besides, you aren't even dressed warmer than I am!" Cheng Su tried to take off the Lei Feng hat.

With a firm hand, Qi Taiguo pressed down, glaring at her, "It's the middle of the night; who cares if you look good or not, I think you look fine, keep it on! I exercise year-round, I have a sturdier constitution than you; I could even run in the snow bare-skinned in the dead of winter!"

Cheng Su saw his serious yet earnest expression and smiled with pursed lips, "Alright then!"

The two chatted as they rode the bike back to the compound.

"You too, why did you have to scold Ning Ge so severely tonight? Look how awkward he was!" Cheng Su said, remembering how Qi Taiguo had reprimanded Ning Ge as soon as he sat down.

"Both of you are in the business together, you should both contribute. He's dumped it all on you, that's not right. He's a man, after all!" Qi Taiguo turned to glance back at her, "Don't overthink it, I'm not criticizing you. Women are inherently at a disadvantage; having to shoulder everything, even I feel tired for you. If he's involved, how can he just shirk his responsibilities!"

Cheng Su felt sweet inside and said, "If you really feel sorry for me, then help me shoulder it."

"Sure!" Qi Taiguo replied, "Then you'll have to teach me how to manage things when you're free, I'll help you out."

Cheng Su, hugging his waist, bloomed into a smile and added, "Oh, I forgot to tell you, I bought a shop!"

Screech, Qi Taiguo braked the bike sharply and turned his head, "What, what did you say?"

"I bought a shop near the train station; I'm planning to open a fast-food restaurant next year." Cheng Su spoke cautiously under the orange glow of the street lamp.

Qi Taiguo furrowed his brows, "You're already struggling to manage now, and you want to start another venture?"

"That's why I need your help!" Cheng Su cooed.

"You, I don't even know what to say about you. You never rest!" Qi Taiguo sighed and began pedaling the bike again.

On their return to the compound, Qi Taiguo walked the bike, and Cheng Su clung to his arm, chatting and laughing as they headed inside the building.

Suddenly, both halted, turning in unison towards the shadow standing in front of the building.

Cheng Su looked at Qi Taiguo with a half-smile.

"Oh, Commander Qi, Sister-in-law, you're back!" Chiang Qing's eyes lit up when she saw Qi Taiguo.

"Doctor Chiang, what are you doing out here in such cold weather?" Qi Taiguo was taken aback.

"Ah, I'm taking a walk!" Chiang Qing stretched her hands, her gaze falling on Cheng Su's hand holding Qi Taiguo's arm.

"You really can withstand the cold, Doctor Chiang." Cheng Su said with a sweet smile, "Dressed so lightly and still going for a walk, I truly admire you!"

It was then that Qi Taiguo took a glance at Chiang Qing and indeed, she was dressed a bit lightly, even wearing a short woollen skirt; just looking at her made him feel cold.

"Honey, let's not disturb Doctor Chiang anymore. Let's go, I can't stand the cold, I'll freeze to death!"
Cheng Su clutched Qi Taiguo's arm more tightly, shooting Chiang Qing a glance.

"Let's go then!" Qi Taiguo pushed the bike into the stairwell, locked it, and helped Cheng Su up the stairs with his arm around her waist.

"You have to warm the bed for me tonight; I'm cold."

"Alright! I'll lie down and warm it up, then you can come up."

Overhearing the couple's intimate conversation, Chiang Qing, in the dark, had her beautiful face twist as a breeze blew by; she shivered all over and, stomping her feet, walked off.