

Toxic Ex 326

Chapter 326: The Thing He Didn't Know

"Once, I heard that the largest amusement park in A City was about to open, and it had the world's largest Ferris Wheel, so I immediately asked someone to buy two tickets. As soon as I got the tickets, I eagerly found my crush's roommate and asked him to deliver the tickets to the person I liked.

We agreed on a time, and although I didn't receive a response, I still waited under the Ferris Wheel ahead of time. I thought of my bold statement, 'I will wait for him until he shows up.' If he heard that from his roommate, no matter what, he would come to see me, right?

Unfortunately, I was just deluding myself. I waited and waited under the Ferris Wheel, watching couples board and leave the Ferris Wheel, until it closed, and he still didn't appear.

I was still young and naive then, thinking maybe he was delayed by something. I kept telling myself that he would come soon. But I waited and waited until my legs were frostbitten, and still, he didn't show up.

After being discharged from the hospital, I learned from his roommate that he had gone on a date with his girlfriend that night. There was no time for him to care about me."

Leng Yixiu naturally knew who Lin Yixun was talking about. He tried to recall those past events, thinking they had been forgotten, but found he remembered some details of that day.

He recalled that he was attending A University back then. One day, his roommate handed him something like a ticket and said it was from a high school fangirl, also telling him the fangirl's name.

He was not unfamiliar with the name Lin Yixun. There were many girls pursuing him at the time, and Lin Yixun was the most fervent among them. Even though she was still in high school, she acted like a little rebel, hanging around A University. Wherever he appeared, she was often there too.

She constantly tried to please him, either with chocolates or dolls, and sometimes even with toys. Everything she sent was extremely childish. Later, possibly on someone's advice, she switched to sending books, but they were all romance novels.

Leng Yixiu found it both absurd and troubling. What was more troubling was that this mayor's daughter would appear before him every few days in various outfits — one day as a nurse, the next as a pure schoolgirl, and then as a sexy mature woman — dazzling and exhausting him.

To Leng Yixiu, Lin Yixun, aside from her family background, was a simple-minded rich girl. Though he found her a bit troublesome, he didn't like or hate her. He just saw her as an immature high schooler, thinking her interest in him would eventually fade away, just like other girls.

So, when his roommate handed him the amusement park tickets and mentioned that she would wait there until death, he merely smiled and gave the tickets to someone else.

That night, he was indeed with Cheng Ying. Cheng Ying was the captain of the drama team, and it happened to be the annual drama festival at school. With Cheng Ying taking the lead role in one of the plays, naturally, he wanted to show his support for his girlfriend's performance.

However, if it weren't for Lin Yixun bringing it up again today, Leng Yixiu would have never known that Lin Yixun waited the whole night under the Ferris Wheel and ended up in the hospital with frostbitten legs.

Chapter 327: Embracing Until Dawn

"See, why did I bring up these old stories? You might misunderstand and think I still have feelings for you. Don't worry, I am self-aware enough to know that I won't be as foolish as before, trying to warm up a stone. A stone can't be warmed up." Lin Yixun smiled self-deprecatingly, noticing they had already passed the highest point of the Ferris Wheel and were now descending bit by bit.

Lin Yixun felt relieved, but Leng Yixiu began to feel troubled. He opened his mouth, wanting to say something, but found himself at a loss for words.

The man lowered his arm, turning his gaze to the horizon. The red sun had completely set, leaving only a trace of afterglow. The sky grew darker bit by bit, much like his current mood.

That night, the man still held Lin Yixun in his arms, doing nothing. In the darkness, neither of them slept; Lin Yixun because she couldn't get used to such intimate cuddling, and Leng Yixiu because of the words Lin Yixun had said to him on the Ferris Wheel.

That night, more than the two of them suffered from insomnia; Cheng Ying also couldn't sleep.

A woman's instincts are always accurate. When she called Leng Yixiu in the afternoon, his tone was so indifferent and impatient. The man's coldness and impatience made her very upset. What made him so eager to hang up her call?

She had a feeling that Leng Yixiu wasn't alone at that time, that there was possibly another woman beside him. Even if this was just a guess, it was enough to drive her mad.

But she held it in. Who was she? She was the proud Cheng Ying. Her upbringing didn't allow it, her status didn't allow her to act like a shrew, questioning in a frenzy. So she pretended nothing had happened and hung up the phone herself.

However, when one suppresses emotions for too long, problems will arise. She didn't have the courage to pierce through that thin layer of paper, nor the courage to question loudly. As a public figure, she dared not show others her internal repression and anxiety. She could only vent all her resentment and dissatisfaction on the objects around her.

Looking at the mess in the bedroom, Cheng Ying staggered to the dressing table, gulping down alcohol while staring through the mirror at her face and body.

The woman in the mirror had a beautiful face; her features were finely crafted, flawless to the point of perfection. Her body was delicate and fair, slender yet plump, the dream of many men. But why, why was the man she loved drifting further and further away from her?

"Why? Why?" Cheng Ying raised her hand, fiercely throwing the wine glass, smashing it on the wall into pieces. The red liquid slowly trickled down the wallpaper, staining the white wall with a blood-red mark, glaring like fresh blood.

The sound of the glass shattering pulled Cheng Ying back from her sorrow and anger. She tried to control her emotions, pacing back and forth in the bedroom, pulling her hair, and mumbling to herself.

"No, I can't be angry, can't be angry. Yes, take medicine, take medicine!" She hurried to the sofa, trembling as she dug out the medicine bottle from her bag, swallowing the pills dry without caring how many.

After who knows how long, Cheng Ying finally became calm, returning to her former self. Barefoot, she walked to the dressing table, tidied her messy hair, and took a new lipstick from the disordered table, gently applying it to her lips.

Chapter 328: No one can take Leng Yixiu away from her side

Looking at her radiant self in the mirror, Cheng Ying's lips curved into an enchanting smile, but it gave off an eerie feeling.

In this world, she could give up everything, except Leng Yixiu. Therefore, no matter who tried to block her path, she would remove that person.

Cheng Ying picked up the phone, dialed a number, and said in a deep voice, "Help me check on something..."

Actually, in Cheng Ying's heart, she already had an answer. It's just that she still didn't want to believe it was that person. She could lose to anyone in the world, except that person.

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Just as Leng Yixiu had said, after staying another day in England, they boarded the plane back home. In fact, Lin Yixun didn't really like flying. Unless necessary, she usually traveled by train or high-speed rail.

When they went to England, although the journey was exhausting, the airflow in the stratosphere was relatively stable. But on the way back, her luck wasn't as good.

Just after taking off, the plane encountered strong turbulence and shook violently. Lin Yixun tightly gripped the armrest beside her, trying to stay calm, but the sudden feeling of weightlessness caused cold sweat to break out all over her body.

Just then, a warm hand covered the back of her hand, accompanied by a man's low voice in her ear, "It's just turbulence, nothing will happen, don't be afraid."

Lin Yixun opened her eyes to see Leng Yixiu's handsome face. His gaze wasn't as cold as before; instead, it contained a bit of gentleness.

She looked at him with a complicated expression. At that moment, the plane shook violently again, and fear struck once more. Lin Yixun couldn't help but grasp the man's hand, treating it as her lifeline.

Even in fear, even though she was frail, her strength was considerable. As the plane stopped shaking and flew smoothly, the fear in her heart slowly subsided.

Only then did Lin Yixun realize that she had been holding onto the man's hand tightly all along. She quickly let go and averted her gaze.

As she withdrew her hand, Lin Yixun noticed a deep fingerprint left on the man's tiger's mouth, with faint traces of blood seeping from the indentation.

Obviously, the fingerprint was left by her.

The man turned to look at Lin Yixun's side profile. She was staring out of the window, and from his clear perspective, he knew she wasn't looking at the scenery outside but was avoiding him.

"Are you afraid of flying?" the man asked.

Upon hearing the question, Lin Yixun's expression changed slightly. She felt a bit annoyed with herself for appearing so weak in front of Leng Yixiu.

"Being afraid of flying isn't a crime, is it?" Lin Yixun replied lightly.

"Of course not." The man found it somewhat amusing seeing Lin Yixun bristling like an agitated cat. He said in a deep voice, "I don't mean anything else. I just wanted to confirm. If you don't like flying, we can take high-speed rail for our future travels."

"Taking the high-speed rail abroad?"

"At least we can within the country."

"Actually, you don't need to accommodate me. Since I'm afraid of flying, you can take someone else when you travel abroad or domestically in the future." She didn't want to go anyway.

"You wish."

"Aren't you afraid that being with you often will be discovered by your fiancée?"

The man frowned, "She won't discover it. You just need to take care of yourself. I'll handle the rest."

Chapter 329: Did He Get a New Girlfriend?

Lin Yixun initially wanted to ask him how he would handle it, but she didn't say anything in the end. No matter how Leng Yixiu dealt with it, the result would not be advantageous to her, so it was better not to ask.

After returning to the country, Lin Yixun resumed going to the company for work, finally not having to face Leng Yixiu day and night. Leng Yixiu seemed very busy recently, rarely returning to the Half Mountain Villa. Lin Yixun was quite content with this, thinking that perhaps in the near future, she would gain her freedom.

On this day, Lin Yixun got off work and thought about buying one or two pieces of spring clothing for her mother since the season was changing. However, as she passed by the GUCCI store, she saw a familiar figure.

She paused in her steps, feeling as if she was hit by an immobilization spell, unable to move. Even though Ouyang Hao was wrapped up tightly and dressed very low-key, she recognized him in an instant.

Ouyang Hao was not alone. Beside him was a tall, attractive, and stylishly dressed young girl who was holding his arm. The girl smiled, leaned her head towards Ouyang Hao, and seemed to be saying something to him.

Even though Ouyang Hao was wearing sunglasses and a baseball cap, Lin Yixun could tell from the slight upward curve of his lips that he was in a very good mood.

Was that girl his new girlfriend?

Lin Yixun couldn't help but feel a pang of jealousy. Sometimes, she even hated herself. She was the one who left Ouyang Hao, but now she wore this sorrowful expression for whom to see?

With this thought, Lin Yixun forced herself to turn around and stiffly moved her steps, walking away step by step in the opposite direction.

People are contradictory and foolish creatures at times. As she sat on the bus back home, Lin Yixun couldn't help but browse the latest news about Ouyang Hao online.

It turned out that in just ten days, Ouyang Hao had been linked with several women, and the one she stumbled upon today was his most recent rumored girlfriend, a rising young model from a well-known company in the country.

Lin Yixun turned off her phone and leaned helplessly against the bus window. She thought that Ouyang Hao must have completely given up on her and moved on from their past relationship.

The funny thing was that she was still deeply entangled, unable to extricate herself. Isn't that pathetic?

When Lin Yixun returned to the Half Mountain Villa, she found that Leng Yixiu had unexpectedly come back as well. He was sitting alone in the living room, smoking a cigarette. Judging by the cigarette butts in the glass ashtray, he had smoked quite a few.

Ever since reconnecting with Leng Yixiu, Lin Yixun knew that this man had picked up the habit of smoking. But in the past ten days or so, Leng Yixiu hadn't smoked much. Why did he start smoking again as soon as they returned home?

Could it be that the work pressure is overwhelming, and he needs to smoke to relieve stress?

Upon hearing footsteps, the man turned to look at Lin Yixun and said in a deep voice, "Why did you come back so late today?"

"I went to the mall," Lin Yixun replied coolly.

The man glanced at the clothing bag in her hand and instantly understood. He said suddenly, "I happen to need a new tie. If you have time tomorrow, can you buy me one?"

Lin Yixun was surprised, never dreaming that Leng Yixiu would suddenly ask her to buy a tie for him.

Given their current relationship, Lin Yixun was naturally not willing to do it and responded indifferently, "I don't know what color or style you like. You'd better have Miss Cheng buy it for you."

Chapter 330: Playing Tricks

Lin Yixun hoped Leng Yixiu could understand her intention. She suddenly mentioned Cheng Ying, just to remind Leng Yixiu not to forget her identity and not to forget Cheng Ying's existence.

She thought the man would let it go, but unexpectedly Leng Yixiu still insisted, "Any color or style is fine, just buy one randomly."

Buy randomly?

Lin Yixun was not someone who didn't know the quality of items. In the walk-in closet, didn't every tie of Leng Yixiu's cost a fortune? If she bought one randomly from the street, would Leng Yixiu wear it?

She thought for a moment. Since her relationship with Leng Yixiu was currently "harmonious", there was no need to break the rare peace, so she compromised.

While shopping at the mall the next day, she casually bought one. She felt like a poor student who had to do homework assigned by the teacher, daring not to defy, opting to deal with it perfunctorily.

Who knew that when Leng Yixiu received the tie, he was surprisingly in a good mood? Lin Yixun couldn't help but be suspicious. Did he not discern its value? However, given that Leng Yixiu had used so many high-end items, he should be able to judge the quality just by looking at the material and color, so how could he not know?

In the evening, the chef and Sister Yi at the villa were on leave, so Leng Yixiu suggested eating out. Lin Yixun did not object. After all, it didn't matter where they ate; it was irrelevant.

"What do you want to eat?"

"It's up to you."

The man propped his chin with one hand, seemingly in deep thought, "'It's up to you' is the hardest to handle, let's be more specific."

Lin Yixun suddenly had a mischievous idea and rolled her eyes, "I can really eat whatever I want?"

The man nodded.

But, when they arrived at the place Lin Yixun mentioned, the man regretted it a bit. How could he have expected that the place Lin Yixun suggested would be an inconspicuous small restaurant near T University?

The restaurant was small and shabby. It was unclear if it was due to age or poor cleanliness, but the originally white walls were somewhat yellowed. The tables in the restaurant were also in disrepair. Such a simple restaurant seemed very out of place with the man's distinguished dress and demeanor. Although the restaurant was rundown, there were many people dining there, mostly students, and quite a few couples on dates.

Seeing Leng Yixiu's uneasy expression, Lin Yixun inexplicably felt a good mood rise. She found a seat in a corner of the restaurant and sat down. Seeing that Leng Yixiu was still standing, she said, "Sit down quickly, otherwise there won't be any seats soon."

Though uncomfortable with the environment, the man eventually sat opposite her, frowned, and asked, "Are you sure you want to eat here?"

Lin Yixun nodded heavily, "Yes! Of course. If you are not used to it, we can change the place."

"No need."

Lin Yixun ordered a few of her favorite dishes and then handed the menu to Leng Yixiu. However, Leng Yixiu said, "I don't know what's good here. You decide and order whatever you think is good."

"Alright then."

Lin Yixun loved spicy food, but she knew this man detested spicy food, so she deliberately ordered all the spicy dishes. She felt like a farmer oppressed by the landlord for too long, overtly not daring to defy but secretly resisting by finding small ways to sabotage.

The dishes quickly arrived, all of them spicy. Lin Yixun took a bite; even though she could handle spicy food, it was still quite hot, but she found it rather delicious.

After eating for a while, Lin Yixun noticed that the man opposite her seemed to have not touched his chopsticks. She couldn't help but look up from her bowl, "Why aren't you eating?"

"I'm not hungry; you go ahead."