

Two Trillion 1941

Chapter 1941 - If You Don't Cooperate, the One Who Suffers Is You

Bai Xiaosheng, in the name of cooperation, proposed to help Hong Wu facilitate her good relationship with Lin Chensheng. Hong Wu stared into Bai Xiaosheng's eyes, contemplating the credibility of his words. Bai Xiaosheng, with his keen perception, naturally knew what she was thinking, and his expression remained calm and composed, with a convincing gleam in his eyes.

Influencing someone's decision with just an expression is not difficult for someone like Bai Xiaosheng, who has an advanced mastery of microexpressions.

"With a friend like you, Lin Chensheng is really fortunate!" Hong Wu sneered at Bai Xiaosheng, "Trading a friend for a cooperation, with someone like you, can I believe your words?"

Hong Wu assumed a posture of not intending to adopt Bai Xiaosheng's suggestion.

Girl, you're pretending with me, but your eyes have already betrayed you. Bai Xiaosheng found it amusing internally but remained expressionless on the surface.

In truth, Hong Wu was not lacking in scheming, her attitude mixing truth and falsehood, making it difficult for ordinary people to understand her intentions.

But unfortunately, today she faced Bai Xiaosheng.

A young man who has honed his perceptiveness to an extraordinary degree, not falling short of the old foxes who have retreated behind the scenes of wealthy families.

The only one who could match Bai Xiaosheng in this regard might be her grandfather, and even her father might find it challenging.

"I've only met Lin Chensheng a few times, calling us 'friends' is actually inaccurate." Bai Xiaosheng smiled, "I should say, I'm a friend of the Lin Family!"

The Lin Family invited him as a friend but did things behind his back that were not quite friendly.

Therefore, Bai Xiaosheng did not find it inappropriate to say one thing and do another.

Of course, in Hong Wu's view, Bai Xiaosheng appeared to be bragging to the skies.

Friend of the Lin Family, who do you think you are...

Hong Wu was almost about to utter a sarcastic remark.

However, right after Bai Xiaosheng said these words, his entire demeanor changed.

From his eyes to his expression, and even his subtle gestures, Bai Xiaosheng resumed the demeanor of an executive president of the Greater China Region of Zhenbei Group.

Hong Wu, who usually encountered people from all walks of life, was no stranger to sharp insight and in that moment, she was surprised to find that the man in front of her had an aura that made her instinctively wary!

"Who on earth are you?!" Hong Wu couldn't help but exclaim.

This man was extraordinary, not an ordinary person!

Hong Wu instantly realized this profoundly in her heart.

"Rest assured, I count as a friend of the Lin Family now, and I also wish to be friends with the Hong Family. I am simply a businessman who wants to prosper in harmony!" Bai Xiaosheng smiled.

"You can trust me and accept cooperation with me. Once the matter is settled, I only need an additional partner in your hotels and shopping centers. Don't worry, if there is anything beyond the normal scope

in the cooperation I propose, you can refuse, and I won't mind. Also, all of this can start after you and Lin Chensheng have made progress!"

Bai Xiaosheng offered a broad cooperation suggestion.

"Or, you can choose not to believe it, and I'll turn around and leave without causing any more disturbance." Bai Xiaosheng said with a smile, "However, Lin Chensheng, in order to avoid you, probably has used every trick in the book. Today, he might look for a 'stand-in' like me to cover his tracks, and tomorrow he could stir up some scandal, like promising lifelong commitment to another woman! These are things I think Lin Chensheng could quite possibly do, because afterwards he could say there was a lack of compatibility and then just part ways with someone, and he remains who he is!"

Bai Xiaosheng then presented a "frightening" possibility.

After speaking, Bai Xiaosheng laughed softly, seemingly imagining that scene, and murmured to himself, "By then, will your father and mother, your family elders still wish to see you succeed?"

"The Hong Family, could they not care about their reputation!"

"By not cooperating with me, it is you who are courting disaster!"

The last two sentences from Bai Xiaosheng were delivered in an exceptionally somber and sharp tone.

Those two sentences caused Hong Wu's expression to change dramatically.

In reality, with the commotion between her and Lin Chensheng, there were already voices of disapproval within the family, only her grandfather's affection for her managed to suppress the family's dissatisfaction.

It was fortunate that no particularly bad rumors had been blown out of proportion.

However, her grandfather's patience also had limits and couldn't indulge her indefinitely.

If things were indeed as Bai Xiaosheng described, with Lin Chensheng taking that step, the gap between her and Lin Chensheng would turn into a chasm of mountains and rivers!

Even her grandfather might find it difficult to help silence the family members' murmuring.

Not to mention explaining it externally!

Gossip is fearsome, as Bai Xiaosheng said, the Hong Family, being such a large family, cares about its image!

For the sake of family reputation, possibly her parents, even her grandfather, would command her not to be with Lin Chensheng, and that would truly be disastrous!

Hong Wu secretly clenched her fists, feeling extremely agitated and anxious internally.

But even so, this woman could still maintain a composed appearance, and in a very "calm" voice, coldly said to Bai Xiaosheng, "Are you threatening me?!"

Bai Xiaosheng smiled slightly.

Even if she appeared calm on the outside, he could see she was panicking inside.

For Bai Xiaosheng, psychological warfare is a piece of cake; the opponent is completely led by the nose.

"If what I said earlier made Miss Hong unhappy, I apologize. I'm leaving now."

Bai Xiaosheng said, placing his hand on the doorknob, posing as if he was about to leave.

"Wait a minute!"

Hong Wu finally couldn't hold back, hurriedly speaking up to stop Bai Xiaosheng.

It's often said that women in love have their IQs lowered below average. Hong Wu is an exception, but she still couldn't escape this ironclad "law."

How could she possibly outlast Bai Xiaosheng in patience?

"I can listen to how you plan to help me. If I find it inappropriate, then there's no deal!" Hong Wu said in a low voice.

These words seemed more like they were meant to convince herself.

Hearing this, Bai Xiaosheng smiled and withdrew his hand from the doorknob.

"Shall we talk?"

Actually, the door was locked from the outside, so even if Bai Xiaosheng wanted to leave, it wouldn't be easy.

Finally, in the brightly lit living room, Bai Xiaosheng and Hong Wu sat facing each other, each holding a glass of red wine.

"What should I call you?" Hong Wu examined Bai Xiaosheng.

This man gave her a hard-to-deal-with feeling; he must be extraordinary, and since he claimed to be a friend of the Lin Family, she naturally wanted to find out more.

"Sorry, I can't tell you that right now, but rest assured, I'm not a bad guy. Even if I were, expending effort on you and Lin Chensheng just to seek some cooperation with your industry seems too petty, doesn't it?" Bai Xiaosheng joked.

Hong Wu thought for a moment.

Indeed, that's true.

"I just want to help a friend in the business world and achieve some cooperation with you," Bai Xiaosheng said. "Even if you find issues with the cooperation, you can refuse at any time. For someone as reasonable as I am, even if I had ulterior motives, how bad could they be?"

On this point, Hong Wu had nothing to say.

In fact, from the first moment Bai Xiaosheng met Hong Wu, he began analyzing her from all angles.

According to the internet, the old man from the Hong Family is straightforward, keeps his promises, and is decisive and resolute.

Hong Wu indeed matched these characteristics.

Bai Xiaosheng believed that what this woman promised, she would not go back on her word.

Moreover, that cooperation was beneficial and harmless to them.

As for the incredible effects those cooperations could generate behind the scenes, perhaps no one knew except Bai Xiaosheng!

Hong Wu frowned slightly and said, "But I should at least have something to call you, right?"

Bai Xiaosheng smiled, "Miss Hong, I think the term 'Great Master' used by your subordinate is quite good, I like it. You can call me that for now. Once I facilitate your good thing with Lin Chensheng and the cooperation between us, I promise you will know my identity!"

Hong Wu stared into Bai Xiaosheng's eyes, seeming to be lost in thought.

"Alright, I'll call you Great Master for now." After a full minute of silence, Hong Wu finally agreed, "After all, that old rascal Wang doesn't deserve such a grand title either."

Hong Wu, despite her somewhat attractive appearance, had a style of speaking that was... quite gangster-like and direct.

Such a woman, Lin Chensheng once dated, that's quite something...

"Also, my real name is Hong Wu, not the Wu you might think of as 'five' or with the single-structure character. I'm the 'Wu' of allure. I'm the fifth in my family, and because my actions resemble a man's, I'm called Fifth Brother. As for how it became the single-structure 'Wu,' that I don't know." Hong Wu voluntarily explained to Bai Xiaosheng.

Bai Xiaosheng nodded and said, "Before helping you, I want to hear about the matter between you and Lin Chensheng, as much as possible. Of course, if it's inconvenient, you don't have to say it. I respect your privacy."

Because of Bai Xiaosheng's last sentence, Hong Wu had a slightly better impression of him.

"There's nothing I can't say, just man and woman stuff, which hasn't happened between us yet." Hong Wu spoke directly enough, then seriously asked, "Can you really help me achieve something with Lin Chensheng?"

Bai Xiaosheng smiled.

"I understand men better than you do. Sometimes, the more you chase after a man, the more you cling to him, the more he wants to escape. Once you stop caring, he instead feels lost."

"Yeah, sometimes, men are pretty despicable!" Hong Wu said.

Bai Xiaosheng's smile froze slightly.

That was such a broad jab, it seemed to scold even himself...

"You made such a valid point, I trust you. I'll tell you about the matter between Lin Chensheng and me!"

Hong Wu earnestly looked at Bai Xiaosheng, "Then, please, give me some advice!"

Chapter 1942 - Your Situation Is Pretty Serious...

At the long table, a man and a woman each held a crystal goblet, tasting fine wine from Europe that costs hundreds of thousands per bottle.

The woman was speaking heartfelt secrets, while the man listened intently.

This scene looked very much like love.

Unfortunately, it had nothing to do with love in the slightest.

Bai Xiaosheng acted as a "strategist," or perhaps an "emotional expert," listening to Hong Wu's romantic experiences.

When Hong Wu finally spoke, she really started from the beginning, like pouring beans out of a bamboo tube—

"Don't look at me being twenty-eight this year, but when it comes to love, I'm still a blank sheet of paper."

"If we talk about entanglements with men, the earliest would be in kindergarten, when I beat up a little boy who dared to make faces at me until his face was covered in blood. Since then, I've had no affinity with men."

"During my high school years, I led a gang of sisters, and we lived quite well by charging 'necessary protection fees' from the boys. Of course, you can abbreviate that name to three words if you want. In short, I was the notorious Fifth Brother, and I found nothing wrong with it."

"First love? Doesn't exist. Maybe my nerves in that area were innately slow; that particular string took more than a decade to grow. I don't even like overly feminine dressing. Crying or wiping tears at the drop of a hat is the most obnoxious sight to me. I've even wondered if I have a problem..."

"But feelings are such a mysterious thing, sometimes out of nowhere, catching you off guard."

"That day, I can't recall the occasion clearly. I just remember Lin Chensheng's cousin publicly mocking him, and I was there for the spectacle."

"As it turns out, you know what, Lin Chensheng made my heart skip a beat. I still remember a ray of sunlight shone on his face, making him look especially handsome, especially manly. He said something particularly inspiring to his cousin with such momentum!"

"You laugh at me as trash because you can't see my value. One day, you'll find that the trash of yesteryear is beyond your reach! My brilliance will make it impossible for you to look directly! Thirty years Hedong, thirty years Hexi, by then, even if I laugh at you once or glance at you, it'll count as my loss!"

Hong Wu recalled this emotionally, her face almost showing a bit of adoration.

Bai Xiaosheng looked at her with a peculiar gaze, not interrupting her sweet memories.

How was this motivating?

Where was the momentum?

Bai Xiaosheng deeply suspected that these were phrases Lin Chensheng cobbled together from reading online novels...

Yet, love is blind, and such things are hard for outsiders to understand.

"I also don't know why, that heart of a woman which had laid dormant for so many years suddenly faltered at that moment. Later, I took it upon myself to comfort him and even secretly helped him teach a lesson to those Lin Family boys," Hong Wu continued. "We were friends for a while, really good friends!"

So this is the so-called "I see you as a friend, but you want to hurt me" in a female version, Bai Xiaosheng thought to himself.

"I even asked my mom to come out and matchmake for me," Hong Wu continued. "You wouldn't believe how happy my mom was when she heard this. She always suspected something was wrong with my orientation, so when she learned I liked men, she was overjoyed and immediately took me to the Lin Family."

"Lin Chensheng was surprised when he heard about our purpose, but he didn't oppose it then. In fact, he even dated me afterward."

Hong Wu said, "But after a small incident, he started playing little tricks, refusing to meet me, telling people we're not suitable!"

"What small incident?" Bai Xiaosheng couldn't help but ask curiously.

Supposedly, Lin Chensheng accepted Hong Wu, which should have been a mutual affection, a great thing, so how did this turn into the current situation?

"That day, I brought a pot of soup to find him at his company. Of course, the soup was made by an auntie; I'm not good at that kind of thing," Hong Wu said.

That's not important.

"And then?" Bai Xiaosheng asked.

"It was the Lin Family's company. Lin Chensheng's cousin was the general manager, and several peers from the Lin Family were there. Just because Lin Chensheng made a mistake and ruined a project or something, his cousin scolded him in front of a hundred people. He endured it stoically without saying a word, bearing the humiliation in public," Hong Wu said, still angry. "What could I do? I kicked his cousin off the stage and pointed at him, saying, this man is under my protection. If you dare touch him, I'll hit you every time I see you! I told everyone else, Lin Chensheng is Hong Wu's man, and nobody is allowed to bully him, just like you have to consider the owner before hitting a dog!"

Bai Xiaosheng was holding his wine close to his mouth, completely stunned.

He could totally imagine Lin Chensheng being called someone's plaything by a woman in front of a hundred people, which was utterly humiliating.

If you replaced the word "man" with "woman" in Hong Wu's words, and switched their genders, the female side might be deeply touched.

But a man needs dignity, even if he's Lin Family's so-called trash; he still has a bottom line of face.

Hong Wu was single-handedly ruining their relationship.

"And then?" Bai Xiaosheng couldn't help but ask in surprise.

"Then Lin Chensheng took three days off from work, whereas I went every day during those three days to repeatedly educate those people," Hong Wu said.

Bai Xiaosheng was speechless.

This woman really has a problem with being bossy!

Getting further down the road to self-destruction...

"Afterward, Lin Chensheng resigned, maybe because he found it meaningless," Hong Wu said.

I think he was too ashamed to return...

Bai Xiaosheng silently provided the real reason in his mind.

"And the most annoying thing is, from then on, he started avoiding me, refusing to see me. He even sent someone to say we're not suitable!" Hong Wu said angrily. "I had to make some remedial measures, at least not be unable to meet up."

"So what did you do?" Bai Xiaosheng put his wine glass on the table, unable to resist the suspenseful question.

Hong Wu is not a woman without intellect or cunning, but her emotional intelligence, possibly due to her bossy environment where everyone conformed to her, is extremely low.

"I paid to bribe one of his friends, and during a party when he drank too much, I let him play a few rounds with others in a place, let him lose everything, and then lent him a million or so, thinking I would become his creditor, and he couldn't avoid seeing me," Hong Wu said.

Bai Xiaosheng really wanted to applaud her.

Brilliant!

With this level of self-destruction, Lin Chensheng staying with her would be a miracle!

"But I heard from Baldhead that he owed two million. This amount of money isn't significant for Lin Chensheng, right? If he really pays you back and doesn't see you, what would you say?" Bai Xiaosheng couldn't help asking.

"He gave me three million," Hong Wu replied with a smug smile. "But I told him that only counts as interest. This debt rolls over, and he still has to keep paying!"

Bai Xiaosheng was utterly speechless.

It's like she's digging a pit for Lin Chensheng, and it's a bottomless one. Once his face is gone, and she also pits him, continuing with her would be preposterous.

"I've pretty much told you everything. What do you think I should do now?" Hong Wu asked, looking at Bai Xiaosheng with some expectation.

Bai Xiaosheng couldn't help clicking his tongue, "Your situation is quite severe! I'm starting to feel like my compensation is too low! Alright, alright, let's change things from now on. I'll teach you how to pursue a man!"

Chapter 1943 - You Must Follow My Arrangements

Before giving Hong Wu advice, Bai Xiaosheng first helped her analyze Lin Chensheng.

They say "beauty is in the eye of the beholder," and previously Hong Wu only saw the good in Lin Chensheng, choosing to overlook some aspects of his personality and character. Bai Xiaosheng pointed these out to her.

After all, in their upcoming mission to win over this "prey," Lin Chensheng, knowing oneself and the adversary is key to a hundred battles with no fear.

"Actually, Lin Chensheng is someone with good intellect and the ability to adapt. From how he deceived Baldhead and others, leading them to believe I was him, you can see that. Plus, when we later encountered him at the private restaurant, his quick response to extricate himself was a good decision, showcasing his strong judgment of situations..." Bai Xiaosheng said, noticing Hong Wu's smile turning a bit lovestruck.

Hong Wu murmured, "I knew he was awesome!"

Bai Xiaosheng coughed in resignation, waking Hong Wu from her trance.

This bold and confident lady boss rarely blushed, adjusting her demeanor.

Bai Xiaosheng continued, "For men, face and dignity are the most important things besides survival. In fact, in many men's hearts, dignity is more important than life. No one is willing to be considered worthless, and Lin Chensheng is no exception."

"Earlier, I heard you mention that Lin Chensheng is labeled as worthless because he suffered five consecutive defeats within his family business, leading his grandfather to angrily call him 'worthless,' a label that then spread. His family allows him to only start at the grassroots level and forbids him from entering senior management, making him a laughingstock among his peers."

"From the failure reasons you know, it seems Lin Chensheng has many ideas but lacks experience, overly enthusiastic about doing things, wanting success and admiration quickly but facing repeated failures. This is caused by the gap between ideals and reality; it's not that he's truly useless. Furthermore, not entering senior management is his family's way of honing him, and he's accepted it, which is commendable. Even enduring the ridicule from peers is even more remarkable."

After analyzing, Bai Xiaosheng concluded.

"I deduce that Lin Chensheng is passionate, full of ideas, eager to make a difference and daring, but somewhat overly idealistic, with strong self-esteem and a bit of vanity."

Hong Wu listened to Bai Xiaosheng's analysis, nodding frequently, feeling that everything he said matched Lin Chensheng well.

"So, for a man like this, shouldn't you give him more respect, let him face what he should on his own, as a form of tempering? And you, when you stand up for him blatantly, do you think you are giving him enough respect, enough face? Would he be grateful and then rush into your arms sobbing with gratitude like a docile bird? Is that really the kind of man you like?" Bai Xiaosheng asked.

Hong Wu frowned, thinking for a while, staying silent.

Of course, she wouldn't like a man like that.

"The more we like someone, the more mistakes we tend to make, fearing they'll suffer any grievance, similar to parents making a scene when they see their children being bullied. This society is harsh and

realistic; the more overprotected in the beginning, the more devastating it might be later, with no gratitude for the 'all-around protection,' even leading to a rebellious phase," Bai Xiaosheng said, "Rebellion is about distancing, resisting, and rejecting. Despite it being an inappropriate analogy, Lin Chensheng has a bit of that intention now."

"Remember, you are looking for a man, not a son. If you truly wish him well, it shouldn't be by your imposed standards," Bai Xiaosheng advised earnestly.

Hong Wu remained silent, eventually nodding, acknowledging Bai Xiaosheng's words.

"The first time you stepped in and publicly reprimanded Lin Chensheng's cousin was a mistake," Bai Xiaosheng criticized bluntly, "Then when you continued making a fuss for three whole days, how do you expect him to continue aspiring in that company, to redeem himself? You've just added 'avoidance' to his string of defeats!"

Hong Wu couldn't help but feel flustered, muttering, "No wonder, that day he walked away with a cold face saying he felt unwell, I thought it was because his cousin upset him; could it be, it was me..."

Of course, it was you!

Bai Xiaosheng thought to himself. You've been this decisive leader here, dictating without opposition, none daring to defy you with their livelihoods tied to the Hong family. You act wilfully, driven by personal likes and dislikes. With that domineering nature, in a relationship? No one ever told you that you have issues!

"To make matters worse, you even dared to plot against him, making him incur gambling debts and causing an uproar all over town?" Bai Xiaosheng sneered repeatedly, sighing and shaking his head, displaying a "you've really done it" attitude.

Hong Wu was genuinely panicked seeing this. Bai Xiaosheng's reasoning had first stunned her, and then his depiction of "serious" consequences terrified her.

"So... what should I do now, sir?" Hong Wu wrung her hands in worry.

Like a trusted and successful conman, Bai Xiaosheng smiled gently, unhurriedly saying, "Fortunately, you found me."

"Let me give you some advice, then!"

Hong Wu listened devoutly.

Bai Xiaosheng shared the "plan and strategy" he had just concocted in his mind while speaking.

"This, this isn't right, should we really do it this way?"

"Would this work? What if he really breaks up with me..."

"Let me think, I'll reconsider..."

At this moment, Hong Wu didn't seem like the previously decisive and domineering woman; instead, she appeared hesitant.

A woman in love, with a changed nature, is normal beyond compare.

Bai Xiaosheng wasn't in a hurry, leaning back in his chair, swirling the wine glass in his hand, watching the beautiful liquid ripple in its translucent clarity.

"No rush, take your time, think about it for ten days or half a month if you need." Bai Xiaosheng mumbled as if talking to himself, "After all, what Lin Chensheng will do next, we aren't mind-readers to know. At worst, what I mentioned as the worst consequence might come to pass. But then, so what? Rare are three-legged frogs in the world, yet the street is full of two-legged men. Perhaps, someone who can win your heart, Miss Hong family heiress, and enjoy your 'care' will appear, who's to say."

Bai Xiaosheng didn't intend to spend much time matchmaking these two.

His real aim was to secure partnership with industries under Hong Wu's jurisdiction after bringing them together!

Thus, he wanted Hong Wu to cooperate now, immediately, and unconditionally!

Bai Xiaosheng intended to swiftly conquer Lin Chensheng, to fulfill his pledge, and prompt Hong Wu to quickly offer "gratitude."

Sure enough, Bai Xiaosheng's intimidation thoroughly rattled Hong Wu.

"That's unacceptable!" Hong Wu exclaimed angrily at first, only to see Bai Xiaosheng casting her a calm glance, which made her quiet down instantly, not daring to protest further.

"Well then, I'll do as you suggest!" Hong Wu agreed.

Bai Xiaosheng chuckled, setting the wine glass down, standing up, and said, "I have told you the big picture strategy, tomorrow I'll contact you with the details. It's getting late now, I should leave."

"Oh, are you leaving now?" Hong Wu was slightly unwilling.

Bai Xiaosheng hadn't elaborated enough.

"Don't worry, tomorrow I'll guide you on what to do here!" Bai Xiaosheng smiled, speaking seriously, "I hope you will follow the arrangements precisely!"

Bai Xiaosheng's tone even carried a hint of command.

Hong Wu immediately nodded like a schoolgirl, then stood up, eyes with a hint of compliance, "I entrust everything to you, sir, Hong Wu dares not disobey!"

Chapter 1944 - Reconciliation Strategy

When Hong Wu unlocked the door to see Bai Xiaosheng out, the female butler was still waiting at the door. Seeing that there wasn't anything unusual between the two, the butler's expression held a hint of surprise.

Today, among this group of servants, only this female butler knew that Miss Hong Wu was prepared to do something with someone, but of course, she wouldn't dare utter a word outside, because the consequences were something she couldn't bear!

As for the person who came this time, it wasn't Mr. Lin Chensheng, which surprised the housekeeper, but she kept silent.

Here, Hong Wu is the absolute leader, and she doesn't allow others to interfere in anything she does.

Now, as this man came and was about to leave without anything happening, and Hong Wu even said she wanted to see him off, it left the female butler quite astonished.

You must know, apart from the elders of the family or guests of extremely high status, there are very few who could receive such courtesy from Hong Wu!

"Go, have a car ready. I'm going to see this gentleman downstairs," Hong Wu instructed, making the female butler quickly nod and hastily make a call.

Inwardly, the butler was even more shocked.

"Wu" wants to see off a guest, and even personally to downstairs, what kind of background does that young man have!

Full of curiosity, she walked quickly for several steps and deliberately glanced back, wanting to see what was so unusual about Bai Xiaosheng...

Bai Xiaosheng exchanged a few polite words with Hong Wu and didn't refuse her offer to see him off.

Clearly, he didn't even realize that having Hong Wu personally see him off downstairs meant such an honor here!

When they reached downstairs, the two guards at the entrance were also extremely astonished at the sight.

Hong Wu instructed one of the guards to lead Bai Xiaosheng, and Bai Xiaosheng also bid her farewell. The two had exchanged contact details earlier, just waiting to communicate tomorrow for the official "action."

With the guard leading the way, Bai Xiaosheng walked far away.

Hong Wu was still looking on, which left the other guard dumbfounded.

Their "Wu," when had ever been this courteous to anyone! It probably only happened when important elders from the Hong Family or Lin Family visited, and they had to be important elders!

Who exactly was that person!

That guard also watched Bai Xiaosheng with endless curiosity and suspicion.

Once they walked out of the courtyard, Bai Xiaosheng noticed that the escorting guard was no longer cold and arrogant as before, he was as attentive as a servant.

In the front yard building, Bai Xiaosheng reunited with Lin Weiwei, Lei Ying, and Baldhead.

Lin Weiwei and Lei Ying, having waited so long, were nearly at their wits' end and almost stormed in to find him.

Baldhead calmly reassured them, helping them keep their cool until now.

Seeing Bai Xiaosheng unhurt, Lin Weiwei and Lei Ying both sighed in relief.

Seeing that previously aloof guard trailing echoing Bai Xiaosheng like a servant, with a humble expression, Baldhead couldn't help but snicker secretly, "Thought you were so high and mighty, huh? Now you know this person is no ordinary man, he's someone I brought back!"

Baldhead felt quite proud.

Finally, Bai Xiaosheng and the two left, taking the car arranged by Hong Wu back to their lodging at the hotel.

Once back, Bai Xiaosheng explained the situation in detail to the two, leaving Lin Weiwei and Lei Ying quite shocked.

They didn't expect that Hong Family's "Wu" was actually a woman named Hong Wu, nor that she would be so deeply infatuated with Lin Chensheng.

Bai Xiaosheng went on to explain the previous conflict between Hong Wu and Lin Chensheng, and how Hong Wu went out of her way to "protect" Lin Chensheng, which left Lin Weiwei and Lei Ying dumbfounded.

"I really don't know if this is a good fate or a troublesome one," Lin Weiwei couldn't help but say.

"I've decided, I'm going to help bring them together!" Bai Xiaosheng smiled, saying meaningfully, "If things go smoothly, we'll also gain a lot. Then, I can visit the Lin Family and discuss cooperation with them!"

Upon hearing this, Lin Weiwei and Lei Ying exchanged a glance.

Although they didn't know his final plan, they always supported Bai Xiaosheng's decisions.

That night passed without further incident.

Early the next morning, as Bai Xiaosheng was having breakfast, Hong Wu called asking if the "action" could begin, seeking the "gentleman's" permission.

"Sure, go ahead!" Bai Xiaosheng replied with a smile.

He already knew that Hong Wu couldn't wait any longer.

Of course, a woman in love is understandable...

On the other side.

In the early morning, Lin Chensheng and Xu Jiahao sneaked out by car and headed straight for the city center.

At noon, there was an event hosted by the Lin Family, and in the evening, there was a banquet.

Lin Chensheng had to attend both, but he was extremely worried that Hong Wu would have people blocking him.

"This life is unbearable, am I not living in a prison!" In the car, Lin Chensheng said angrily, "Is that Hong Family woman ill or something, relentlessly bothering me! I'll tell my mother later, we have to reject her family, no matter what the cost!"

Xu Jiahao listened to him, nodding along while turning his body to glance behind.

"What are you looking at?" Lin Chensheng frowned and asked.

"Something's off, Mr. Lin." Xu Jiahao mumbled, turning his face to tell Lin Chensheng, "Since the feud between you and Miss Hong, at home, it's needless to say, no one bothers you. But whenever you go out, someone definitely follows, without exception! Not a single day! I admire Miss Hong's persistence. I kept wondering when she'd give up. But today, why do I feel like... there's no one following?"

What Xu Jiahao said also caught Lin Chensheng's attention.

"Maybe we've been stealthy enough." Lin Chensheng said.

He didn't even believe what he said.

What he believed was that even his own servants might have become Hong Wu's informants.

"Really no one? Look again!" Lin Chensheng couldn't help but glance back, "If there's really no one following, I'll thank Buddha for that! Hopefully, those from the Hong family won't bother me anymore! There's no way between her and me!"

The master and servant duo kept watching behind them along the way.

But they found nothing.

Upon reaching the destination, Lin Chensheng swiftly took Xu Jiahao into a mall, cautiously avoiding "debt collectors".

Hong Wu, that woman actually used this tactic to corner him; it was simply "vicious" and went to extreme lengths, Lin Chensheng was fed up with it.

As a result, Lin Chensheng and Xu Jiahao, two grown men, wandered around the mall for two whole hours, their feet aching, yet they didn't spot a single debt collector approaching them.

In bewilderment, Lin Chensheng was puzzled, while his phone suddenly chimed with a notification.

"It must be that woman, Hong Wu. I knew she'd never stop, definitely plotting something!" Lin Chensheng showed a "I expected this" expression.

But when Lin Chensheng saw the message, he was completely stunned.

The text was indeed sent by Hong Wu, with just one sentence, merely twelve characters long.

"The debts between us are settled; from now on, we owe each other nothing."

Is Miss Hong... not chasing debts anymore?

Lin Chensheng found it simply inconceivable.

He resisted the urge to text back asking, thinking there must be a scheme behind it.

Lin Chensheng looked around and considered taking another lap.

This time, Xu Jiahao was on the verge of tears, "Mr. Lin, I'm begging you, let me off the hook, I'll be exhausted if we keep walking."

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Until noon, Lin Chensheng enjoyed a rare half day of ease since this episode began.

Lin Chensheng seemed quite cheerful, telling Xu Jiahao that the woman from the Hong family finally came to her senses and stopped bothering him.

"Does that mean Miss Hong is giving up on you, Mr. Lin?" Xu Jiahao couldn't resist chiming in.

Lin Chensheng froze for a second, then got mad, slapping him, "Bullshit, it was me who gave up on her!"

Being dumped by a woman?

That's nonsense!

As a dignified man, how could he be dumped by a woman!

Xu Jiahao fled, clutching his head, watching from afar as Lin Chensheng stood there appearing somewhat lost, couldn't help murmuring, "Now that there's no entanglement, is he missing it a bit? Mr. Lin... don't tell me you're suffering from persecution complex."

Lin Chensheng indeed felt a bit down, muttering to himself, "How did that woman from the Hong family suddenly come around..."

At noon, during the Lin family's event, sitting in the front row, Lin Chensheng seemed distracted. But he was unexpectedly surprised when a special guest took the stage halfway through.

It was Hong Wu!

Lin Chensheng almost didn't recognize her; Hong Wu's makeup was obviously professionally done, unprecedentedly feminine, extraordinarily beautiful, making him a bit dazed, unsure if it was really her.

Of course, once he realized it was Hong Wu, had the occasion not been unsuitable, Lin Chensheng instinctively wanted to flee.

Nonetheless, Hong Wu didn't even glance at him, entirely behaving as a normal guest.

However, after her speech, Hong Wu suddenly reached out towards Lin Chensheng's direction and addressed everyone, "I came this time with another purpose. Previously, some misunderstandings occurred between Mr. Lin Chensheng and me, causing him quite unpleasant experiences. I formally apologize to him, hoping for Mr. Lin Chensheng's forgiveness."

This unexpected apology stunned Lin Chensheng, leaving him feeling somewhat flustered, as he couldn't believe it while watching Hong Wu leave gracefully.

Her silhouette was exceptionally feminine!

"Did she take the wrong medication or something?" Amidst the crowd's gaze, Lin Chensheng felt a bit muddled and particularly uncomfortable.

A single apology left him feeling a sense of loss.

"Isn't this self-deprecation? I should be happy!" Lin Chensheng silently said to himself.

Yet, he couldn't feel happy...

Chapter 1945 - Damn It, I'll Get Her Back!

At noon, Lin Chensheng took Xu Jiahao to a Michelin restaurant for lunch. Before going, Lin Chensheng said it was to celebrate that Hong Wu would no longer pester or harass him, celebrating a "quiet, free" life ahead.

Xu Jiahao didn't care what excuse Mr. Lin gave. He was happy to have a feast and wasn't really concerned about Lin Chensheng's rationale.

Listening to this, it sounded like he was shaking off a leech. In reality, Mr. Lin initially liked Miss Hong. She was genuinely good to him, wholeheartedly devoted, but Mr. Lin couldn't stand some aspects of her temperament, leading to the current situation.

What's there to be so happy about; it's hard to find a good woman.

Of course, if Mr. Lin feels happy about it, then it's fine. That's how Xu Jiahao saw it.

"As long as you're happy, just don't regret it later."

While enjoying the food, Xu Jiahao couldn't help but casually say.

The result was that Lin Chensheng, who was sitting across from him absentmindedly, suddenly seemed furious, slamming his chopsticks and startling Xu Jiahao.

“We’re eating, what are you saying! This is a high-end restaurant, quiet, understand! You’re too talkative!”

Lin Chensheng exploded in anger at Xu Jiahao, scaring him so much that he didn’t dare move.

The reasoning is sound, but Mr. Lin, by yelling like this, aren’t you even noisier than my soft-spoken comment...

Xu Jiahao didn’t dare to voice this logic to Lin Chensheng.

Looking at it, Lin Chensheng didn’t seem like someone who could listen to reason right now...

After shouting at Xu Jiahao, Lin Chensheng frowned, picked up a piece of braised veal steak with his chopsticks, chewed a couple of bites, and spat it out directly, pushing his chopsticks away and muttering, “What kind of standard is this, it’s disgusting! Michelin? It’s not even as good as a street stall!”

Lin Chensheng stopped eating and stood up to leave.

Poor Xu Jiahao, seeing this, regretted it so much he wanted to hit himself. He quickly stuffed the beef from his plate into his mouth and hurried after him.

After all, Mr. Lin was his boss. If he left, how could he eat in peace?

It’s a pity there were still so many dishes in this feast!

Xu Jiahao’s heart ached immensely.

That afternoon, Lin Chensheng wandered aimlessly with Xu Jiahao, wandering so much that Xu Jiahao's face contorted with pain.

The entire afternoon was unbearably dull.

Xu Jiahao noticed that Lin Chensheng wanted to experience the "freedom and happiness" without Miss Hong Wu's entanglement, but what he seemed to experience was blandness and boredom.

If Lin Chensheng still had work to do, this mood might not have surfaced so quickly.

The problem was that with Miss Hong Wu's antics, Mr. Lin was too embarrassed to continue working, so he resigned, becoming a complete "six-time loser," unable even to manage a basic role. He didn't dare tell the elders he was switching enterprises, so he just idled around.

Although Miss Hong Wu's entanglement was annoying, it somehow filled this void. Now with her gone, he's truly left with nothing to do...

Actually, Xu Jiahao thought, if considering the setbacks with Miss Hong Wu, could it be that Mr. Lin is setting a new record as a "seven-time loser"...

"Failing over and over, fighting over and over, failing over and over" in this cycle, Mr. Lin is really quite pitiful...

So, they dragged on for an afternoon, finally making it to the evening, where Lin Chensheng perked up a bit at the thought of attending a banquet to have something to do.

The Lin Family's banquet wasn't the same as the noon business meeting, nor on the same level.

The evening banquet was much higher in standard, with all the important young family members of the Lin Family attending.

Standing at the entrance of the banquet hall with Xu Jiahao, they encountered a crowd of people.

The crowd was clustering around an incredibly handsome, aloof man, with long legs to boot.

“Mr. Chencheng!” Even Xu Jiahao’s eyes lit up.

The aloof and handsome man was Lin Chensheng’s cousin, Lin Chencheng.

If Lin Chensheng was the Lin Family’s failure, endlessly losing, then Lin Chencheng was the pinnacle of his generation’s excellence. At twenty, he managed a company smoothly, and at thirty, he assisted the Family Head in running the family business, frequently appearing in business magazines.

Compared to Lin Chencheng, Lin Chensheng was simply the disgrace of the Lin Family...

“Get out of the way, don’t block Chencheng’s path!”

Several cousins surrounding Lin Chencheng showed disdain upon seeing Lin Chensheng, even publicly saying he was in the way.

Lin Chensheng stepped back with a smile.

At that moment, he felt utterly resentful inside.

The cousin, Lin Chencheng, never looked him squarely, nor greeted him, striding forward with the cold arrogance of a domineering CEO.

“Maybe in this cousin’s eyes, a cousin like me is just a damn embarrassment and doesn’t belong in the Lin Family!”

Lin Chensheng gave a self-mocking smile, uglier than crying.

“Mr. Chencheng is indeed in a hurry to get inside. I’ve heard some business moguls are waiting specifically to meet him. We, on the other hand, have nothing going on. Mr. Lin, don’t mind it,” Xu Jiahao consoled.

Lin Chensheng ignored him, heading straight into the venue.

Xu Jiahao suddenly felt a bit mortified, lightly slapping his own mouth and cursing, “Look at my mouth! Really know how to rub salt in the wound! Didn’t I just agitate Mr. Lin, huh, how many times have I been an idiot today!”

As Lin Chensheng entered the banquet hall, it was a bustling scene.

Over there, Lin Chencheng was practically the center of attention, everyone revolving around him.

Compared to them, being part of the Lin Family didn’t garner any attention at all, feeling an indescribable sense of melancholy.

Chapter 1946 - Damn It, Go Get Her Back! (Part 2)

Lin Chensheng sighed slightly, feeling somewhat desolate as he headed straight for the corner of the rest area. That was where he belonged.

Actually, the corner seat was quite nice, quiet and comfortable, with a good view...

As he walked, Lin Chensheng comforted himself.

However, as soon as Lin Chensheng reached what he thought was his own corner, two people dashed in like the wind and took the seat before he could.

“Chenyu, this place is great, quiet and convenient for the interview, plus this angle is perfect for photos!” The man who took the seat said aloud, a digital camera hanging around his neck.

At first, Lin Chensheng was a little angry, but upon hearing the words “Chenyu,” he was taken aback.

Lin Chenyu!

Lin Chensheng immediately turned around and saw a fashionably and elegantly dressed woman walking in high heels, surrounded by several people.

Another outstanding person among Lin Chensheng’s peers!

Lin Chenyu, who founded her own fashion and beauty media company and achieved great success!

The man with the digital camera was one of her reporters.

“Hey, sir, please move aside, we need this place in a bit.”

The woman beside the reporter “politely” asked Lin Chensheng to move.

Wasn’t even the corner left for me? Already filled with anger, Lin Chensheng glared at the woman.

The woman looked at him in astonishment, as if he was a madman glaring inexplicably.

“I say, buddy, move aside, Miss Lin Chenyu doesn’t like idle people during her interviews.” The reporter with the camera around his neck stepped forward to back his colleague, arrogantly speaking to Lin Chensheng.

Obviously, he was taken as a nobody.

Lin Chensheng’s anger surged.

“Are you blind? Do you know who this is? It’s Mr. Lin, Lin Chensheng from the Lin Family!” Xu Jiahao couldn’t help but shout.

This made the man and woman pause and couldn’t help but take another look at Lin Chensheng.

However, their gaze was evidently tinged with amusement.

Lin Chensheng? Isn’t he that Lin Family loser? It’s really different to see than to hear!

How useless he must be to earn the title of loser...

The pair was especially curious.

Lin Chensheng felt mortified under the mocking gaze of the two Lin Family employees, his face turning ashen as he clenched his fists.

“Oh, who is this, Lin Chensheng!”

A drawn-out voice filled with mockery came from behind Lin Chensheng.

Lin Chensheng silently took a deep breath, calming his emotions, forced a smile, and turned around to face the person behind him.

Lin Chenyu stood not far behind, half-smiling, arms crossed, a small cloak draped over her shoulders, looking fashionable and arrogant.

The people around Lin Chenyu also stared at Lin Chensheng as if he were a monkey in a zoo.

Not only did Lin Chensheng feel uncomfortable, but even Xu Jiahao felt somewhat uneasy.

“Chensheng, I’ll need this spot for a moment. You can wait elsewhere for now. I see there’s a corner by the bar that’s quite quiet, suited for you.” Lin Chenyu said with a faint smile, “Once we’re done, this spot is still yours!”

Lin Chenyu’s final words were emphasized heavily, as if this corner was exclusively Lin Chensheng’s.

“Chenyu, you use it; I’ll go over there.” Lin Chensheng replied in a low, hoarse voice.

Lin Chenyu’s father held significant influence in the family, and Lin Chensheng, who wanted to return to the family business to prove himself, couldn’t afford to offend her!

Lin Chenyu nodded slightly, seemingly satisfied with Lin Chensheng’s compliance.

Without leaving a word, Lin Chensheng left with Xu Jiahao.

From behind, faint murmuring could still be heard.

“So this is Mr. Lin Chensheng that Chenyu often uses as an example for us.”

“Tsk tsk, reality is indeed more telling than reputation... He really doesn’t resemble someone from the Lin Family.”

“Chenyu says that background isn’t everything, that incompetence is equal to being useless, and she’s certainly right.”

These words were hard for even Xu Jiahao to tolerate.

Lin Chensheng remained silent, his demeanor slightly dejected.

Even he felt that he could be described in just two words—useless.

Three words—complete loser!

I am a complete loser! Lin Chensheng cursed himself inwardly.

“If this were before, if Miss Hong heard those words, she’d tear those people’s mouths off...” Xu Jiahao mumbled instinctively.

After speaking, he suddenly realized he might have said something wrong, and he cautiously glanced at Lin Chensheng, but Lin Chensheng acted as if he hadn’t heard, not scolding him or even looking at him.

Only then did Xu Jiahao feel at ease.

“Hong Wu!” At this moment, Lin Chensheng murmured these two words in a low, hoarse voice.

Startling Xu Jiahao, he nervously looked at him.

But ultimately, Lin Chensheng said nothing more.

This man, the more he experienced, the more mature he became, and he was more restrained than ever.

When they reached the corner by the bar, a few people were already seated there and seemed to be looking over.

Lin Chensheng didn’t look at them, unwilling to see their mocking eyes. He just lowered his head, sat next to someone quietly, and said to the bartender in a muffled voice, “Give me a Long Island Iced Tea!”

The Long Island Iced Tea is a cocktail, but it’s a strong one!

This showed just how frustrated Lin Chensheng was feeling at that moment.

"Okay, Mr. Lin!" The bartender, recognizing Lin Chensheng, responded quickly and went to prepare the drink.

Lin Chensheng kept his head down, waiting in silence, but at that moment, he felt Xu Jiahao beside him tugging at his sleeve repeatedly.

Initially, Lin Chensheng ignored Xu Jiahao.

There were other people sitting nearby, and he wanted to keep a low profile, avoiding interaction or even eye contact.

However, Xu Jiahao kept tugging at his sleeve like a madman, incessantly.

Chapter 1947 - I'm Going to Win Her Back! (3)

"What are you trying to do?!" Lin Chensheng finally got angry, lowering his voice to scold Xu Jiahao.

As a result, Lin Chensheng saw Xu Jiahao looking shocked, incredulous, repeatedly pointing to his other side.

Xu Jiahao let out a heavy sigh, turned his face to look over.

Next to Xu Jiahao, someone was smiling and looking at him, and as soon as he looked over, they raised their hand to greet him, "Hi, Mr. Lin, nice to see you again."

When he saw clearly who was sitting beside him, Lin Chensheng suddenly widened his eyes in disbelief, his mouth slightly open.

Sitting next to him was none other than the young man he had tricked in the shopping mall, who he later invited to dine at a private restaurant to calm him down.

Why meet again, and here of all places!

Why is this person here?!

Lin Chensheng was extremely surprised.

Next to Lin Chensheng, naturally, was Bai Xiaosheng.

At this moment, Bai Xiaosheng was smiling and looking at him.

Actually, Bai Xiaosheng was at the Lin Family's business meeting this afternoon as well, concealed in a corner observing, and Lin Chensheng did not notice him.

Last night, Bai Xiaosheng discussed the general plan with Hong Wu, who then informed him about the Lin Family's two events today.

Hong Wu said that the "inside agent" at the Lin family mentioned the two events, the business meeting at noon was smaller, and Lin Chensheng would attend. The evening banquet was for the younger generation of the Lin family, but the elders wouldn't show up.

Bai Xiaosheng thought these two events were the best opportunity and immediately arranged everything.

In fact, since the moment Lin Chensheng entered the banquet hall, Bai Xiaosheng already noticed him, watching him getting overshadowed by Lin Chencheng and Lin Chenyu, looking dazed and downcast, seemingly remembering someone's kindness.

Bai Xiaosheng analyzed Lin Chensheng's mental changes, feeling somewhat emotional.

The saying that man proposes, God disposes is really too accurate.

The originally planned three-day mission to pursue the man might be resolved in just one or two days at this rate.

This time, heaven is truly helping me! Bai Xiaosheng couldn't help but feel secretly pleased.

At this moment.

"What are you doing here?!" Lin Chensheng asked in astonishment at Bai Xiaosheng.

"Well, someone invited me." Bai Xiaosheng smiled mysteriously.

"Invited you?" Lin Chensheng's eyes narrowed slightly in surprise, "Who was it?"

Bai Xiaosheng laughed, not directly answering, "Speaking of which, I should thank Mr. Lin for giving me this fateful encounter."

These words made Lin Chensheng even more confused.

Next to Bai Xiaosheng, Lin Weiwei and Lei Ying exchanged glances, holding back their laughter.

Surprised?

The real surprise is yet to come!

"Oh, so you were here. You really made it hard for me to find you." Suddenly, a soft female voice came from behind.

Lin Chensheng turned his head abruptly, his eyes subtly lighting up.

Behind them stood a woman, dressed in a black cocktail dress that perfectly showcased her figure, with her makeup perfectly suited for the lighting, making her exceptionally stunning.

Sure enough, it was Hong Wu!

Although this was a Lin family-hosted banquet, there were many present from the Hong Family.

Lin Chensheng couldn't believe it, looking up and down at Hong Wu in front of him, slightly excited and stuttering, "Are you, you looking for me?"

"Miss Hong Wu is looking for me!" a voice sounded from the side.

Lin Chensheng couldn't help but look over, seeing Bai Xiaosheng already smiling as he left his seat and walked toward Hong Wu.

This left Lin Chensheng dumbfounded.

Hong Wu didn't even glance at Lin Chensheng, seeming to truly draw a line with him, only giving Bai Xiaosheng a brilliant smile, "Over there, I have some friends I want to introduce to you."

"Sure thing." Bai Xiaosheng laughed heartily.

The two walked side by side toward the guests.

Lin Chensheng watched in disbelief, observing how close they were.

Finally, in Lin Chensheng's eyes, faint jealousy began to spark.

On the other side, Bai Xiaosheng kept whispering cheerfully to Hong Wu, "Good, keep this state, stay cold and distant towards him. I just saw he suffered a lot of grievances, mm, this will make him realize

your worth! Besides, you've already publicly apologized to him, giving him enough face! He will feel that being with you again won't be a loss of face!"

Up to now, Bai Xiaosheng had everything arranged clearly, and Hong Wu, witnessing Lin Chensheng's change in expression, naturally trusted him immensely, following his advice to the letter.

"Will he really take the initiative?" Hong Wu couldn't help but ask.

"Trust me." Bai Xiaosheng smiled, "I can read people's minds!"

At the bar, Lin Chensheng's painful emotions were practically written all over his face.

He couldn't understand how the man he haphazardly chose to shoulder the blame ended up really being with Hong Wu!

And so intimately!

Could it be that Hong Wu changed her heart because of him?!

Dammit, dammit, truly dammit!

Lin Chensheng almost wanted to yell, cursing the unknown kid, cursing himself!

Nearby, Lin Weiwei and Lei Ying exchanged secret glances while sipping their drinks.

Even they could see Lin Chensheng's emotions.

Bai Xiaosheng's provocation was like a thorn in his heart.

With such a strong stimulus, Lin Chensheng wouldn't simply give in!

"Young master, could it be that Miss Hong Wu really had a love at first sight...?" nearby, Xu Jiahao asked incredulously in a low voice.

"Nonsense, love at first sight, how could Hong Wu fall for him at first sight!" Lin Chensheng scolded in a low voice, his eyes almost murderous.

Xu Jiahao was startled, muttering in a low voice, "But isn't this what you wanted? Miss Hong isn't pestering you anymore, going after someone else instead..."

Lin Chensheng glared at Xu Jiahao, full of "how dare you speak!"

At this moment, the bartender pushed over a glass, "Mr. Lin, your Long Island Iced Tea, this drink is quite strong, so please take it slow..."

Before the bartender could finish, he was shocked to see Lin Chensheng pick up the glass and gulp it down!

In one go, he gulped it down!

This is a cocktail, not a beer...

The bartender was a bit stunned.

The strong liquor went down his throat, and Lin Chensheng's cheeks flushed red. He stood up instantly, striding toward Bai Xiaosheng and Hong Wu.

Xu Jiahao was taken aback and hurriedly asked, "Mr. Lin, where are you going?"

Lin Chensheng didn't look back, just threw a sentence——

"I'm going to win her back!"

Chapter 1948 - Watching from the Sidelines

Hong Wu brought Bai Xiaosheng to chat with a few business acquaintances in the banquet hall, also to make a display for Lin Chensheng.

From beginning to end, Bai Xiaosheng stood slightly behind Hong Wu, at an angle that made it look, to Lin Chensheng, as if Hong Wu was introducing Bai Xiaosheng to those people. But those chatting with Hong Wu would think Bai Xiaosheng was just her attendant, a follower.

To avoid attracting attention, Bai Xiaosheng behaved very modestly, with a contained aura. Plus, being so young, no one would think he was anyone significant.

At this moment, although Hong Wu had just entered the hall, she had actually arrived a while ago, merely waiting outside. Lin Weiwei, sitting next to Bai Xiaosheng, was constantly playing on her phone, but in reality, she was "communicating" with Hong Wu via messages, notifying her of the optimal moment to act.

When Hong Wu appeared, she immediately drew the attention of many in the banquet hall, including Lin Chencheng and Lin Chenyu.

After all, Hong Wu was one of the most favored of her generation in the Hong Family, extremely capable, and held a few profitable enterprises in her hands. Even Lin Chencheng and Lin Chenyu valued her highly.

Lin Chencheng and Lin Chenyu even hurriedly wrapped up their dealings to approach Hong Wu one after the other, wanting to greet her.

Regarding the afternoon, at a small business meeting held by the Lin Family, Hong Wu publicly stated she would no longer be "involved" with Lin Chensheng, which the two learned of subsequently, each holding different views.

For Lin Chenyu, it was not surprising. To her, Lin Chensheng was a good-for-nothing, not even worth being called an idiot; letting him into the Lin Corporation was a mistake. They should've just given him a monthly allowance to coast through life!

Hong Wu being interested in Lin Chensheng was considered Lin Chensheng's greatest "value," as it could mean marriage ties with the Hong Family to solidify both families' bonds, giving him some worth.

Unexpectedly, Lin Chensheng made Hong Wu declare in public that she had no further ties with him.

In Lin Chenyu's eyes, Lin Chensheng was utterly useless, not even good for a marital alliance, unworthy of the Lin name!

So, upon arriving here today, Lin Chenyu publicly embarrassed Lin Chensheng, humiliating him in front of everyone, venting her extreme dissatisfaction with him.

As for Lin Chencheng, although he was a celebrated figure among the younger generation of the Lin Family, always in the spotlight, his ambitions were far greater than this.

Unknown to others, Lin Chencheng actually harbored jealousy towards Lin Chensheng for being favored by Hong Wu, and he too coveted Hong Wu!

First, Hong Wu was beautiful, her looks of a "caliber" worthy of even being a trophy wife for him.

Besides, Hong Wu was the most cherished girl in the Hong Family; marrying her would certainly gain the Hong Family's support, securing his place as the Lin Family Patriarch.

Moreover, Hong Wu was very talented in business, capable of aiding him in advancing his career!

That's the reason Lin Chencheng coveted Hong Wu, even wishing to unite with her. Whether Hong Wu liked him and whether he loved her didn't matter.

In Lin Chencheng's view, as long as a woman could serve him happily and loyally, that's sufficient.

Lin Chencheng's thoughts beneath his polished exterior were far less dazzling than they seemed.

Upon hearing the news that Hong Wu had willingly "given up" Lin Chensheng, Lin Chencheng was quite pleased.

Just as Lin Chencheng and Lin Chenyu were walking towards Hong Wu, they suddenly noticed someone rushing over too—

It was Lin Chensheng!

What on earth was that guy up to again?

Wasn't he the one who always wanted to end things with Hong Wu, making such a storm about it? Now that Hong Wu had said she was giving up, what else did he intend to do, and in such a setting!

Could it be... he was thinking of causing a scene in public?!

Lin Chencheng and Lin Chenyu both frowned slightly, silently.

Among them, there was a faint hint of extreme displeasure in Lin Chencheng's eyes.

At this instant, Hong Wu was smiling as she discussed cooperation with several business friends, when suddenly she noticed them looking behind her.

Then, Hong Wu heard a voice that tugged at her heart.

"Xiao Wu."

At that moment, Hong Wu nearly couldn't contain herself and turned around in excitement.

The Bai Xiaosheng behind her softly coughed, seemingly unintentionally, but it immediately awakened Hong Wu.

Bai Xiaosheng had indeed told her to follow his arrangements for everything.

The time is not yet ripe!

Hong Wu slightly parted her lips, quietly exhaled, calmed herself down, and then slowly turned back, her eyes quietly looking at the person behind her.

Bai Xiaosheng still stood by Hong Wu's side, smiling as he looked at the approaching Lin Chensheng.

"Xiao, Xiao Wu." Lin Chensheng stared at Hong Wu, stammering her name.

Lin Chensheng recalled how Hong Wu, a prestigious lady of the Hong Family, had once dared to cause a scene for him in the Lin Corporation, fighting without caring about appearances. Recalling her previous kindness, the little bits he had once overlooked or even been annoyed by, he truly regretted his past actions more and more.

Fueled by the impact of strong liquor, Lin Chensheng wanted to publicly ask for Hong Wu's forgiveness and hoped to reconcile.

Lin Chensheng even gave Bai Xiaosheng a glance, filled with hostility, with a single phrase reflected in his full expression—"No one can take her away from me; you'd better give up on it!"

Bai Xiaosheng remained indifferent, for all of this was something he had planned. He was the one pulling the strings.

Chapter 1949 - Watching from the Sidelines (Part 2)

The only thing Bai Xiaosheng didn't anticipate was the speed of Lin Chensheng's transformation, which was a bit too fast.

Of course, it's understandable, as Lin Chensheng has indeed been excessively stimulated on this day.

Lin Chensheng had just called out Hong Wu's name when Hong Wu frowned and asked, "Have you been drinking?"

This question was an instinctive concern.

Bai Xiaosheng coughed again.

Hong Wu's eyebrows relaxed instantly and she said to Lin Chensheng blankly, "Mr. Lin, what do you want from me?"

"Also, please call me Hong Wu, okay?" Hong Wu added, her voice devoid of any emotion.

"Don't be like this, Xiaowu, I know I was wrong. Before... it was my blindness, I couldn't see your goodness to me, but now, I... I know I was wrong. Can we go back to how things were before?" Lin Chensheng was eager to mend things, the more anxious he was, the clumsier his words became, coupled with his drinking making him rather incoherent.

The few business bosses behind Hong Wu also cast peculiar glances at Lin Chensheng.

"Mr. Lin, please don't speak nonsense. There's nothing between us anymore!"

Hong Wu's delicate face turned cold and unfeeling, she even turned to leave.

Seeing this, Lin Chensheng hurried forward to block Hong Wu's path.

Hong Wu was already the focus of attention, and as the commotion began, the curiosity of those around was stirred, sparking quiet discussion, pointing, and even causing some to actively gather around.

Lin Chensheng no longer cared about the gaze of the crowd, his mind solely focused on winning back Hong Wu.

Given his face-saving disposition, the moment he could publicly set aside his pride, there was already a hint of transformation.

Lin Chensheng moved closer, and Hong Wu retreated.

Bai Xiaosheng stepped forward just in time to stop Lin Chensheng, "Mr. Lin, please be mindful of the occasion."

This sentence completely ignited Lin Chensheng, who glared at Bai Xiaosheng angrily and shouted, "What does this have to do with you! Get out of my way!"

This man who inexplicably won Hong Wu's favor made Lin Chensheng burn with jealousy.

It was precisely Lin Chensheng's roar that attracted more people's attention.

"Lin Chensheng, what are you doing?!"

A sharp female voice called out.

It was Lin Chenyu, striding over with her group, anger flooding her eyes and brows.

In her view, Lin Chensheng's actions were truly disgraceful, causing a complete loss of the Lin Family's face!

Lin Chensheng glanced over blankly, but remained unmoved, continuing to block Hong Wu's departure.

"Enough, Lin Chensheng, don't you have any shame? You've made the Lin family's face completely disappear!"

Another voice sounded, cold yet carrying authority.

Lin Chencheng approached with a face like cold ice, accompanied by many others.

In the face of Hong Wu's rejection, Lin Chensheng could be obsessed, ignoring everything, in the face of Bai Xiaosheng he could be angry, indifferent.

But with Lin Chencheng and Lin Chenyu, two family elites speaking out and bringing along a crowd of Lin Family members pointing and discussing him.

Lin Chensheng couldn't act like a breeze, ignoring it all.

By now, his alcohol buzz was wearing off.

"Chencheng, Chenyu, this is between Xiaowu and me..." Lin Chensheng muttered, still emphasizing this point.

"This is the Lin Family banquet, and there's no room for your presumptuousness!" yelled Lin Chenyu.

Lin Chencheng narrowed his eyes slightly, revealing a hint of disdain, coldly stated, "Lin Chensheng, do you understand that Miss Hong Wu has nothing to do with you! She is still an important guest of the Lin Family, and what you've done publicly is against the rules, disgraceful! Do I need to call your father to come and take you away in front of everyone? If Grandpa finds out, how disappointed would he be in you!"

Lin Chencheng's words were like a knife piercing Lin Chensheng's heart.

Lin Chensheng had already lost someone he liked today, and now even his family would be disappointed in him; what else did his life have.

Especially when Lin Chensheng had always been proud and eager to prove himself.

Lin Chensheng's face turned deathly pale.

In the crowd, Xu Jiahao gestured to him, urging him not to speak anymore.

Hong Wu looked at Lin Chensheng, wanting to see how this man would choose.

Would he persist in not giving up in front of so many people, or would he succumb to the threats of the two Lin family elites?

To be honest, Hong Wu hoped for the former, as it would prove Lin Chensheng's feelings for her were strong enough, but she was also afraid he'd do just that. If he did, it would mean Lin Chensheng would truly become a target at the Lin Family.

Hong Wu's heart became conflicted, and she even began to worry about the difficult situation unfolding, stealing a glance at Bai Xiaosheng.

Bai Xiaosheng had said he'd handle everything. Everything was going as he planned.

At this moment, Bai Xiaosheng remained incredibly composed, so Hong Wu now placed her hopes on this newly crowned "big gentleman."

Bai Xiaosheng was also waiting for Lin Chensheng to make a decision; he wanted to see whether this man could satisfy him in such a situation, whether he was worthy of his help.

Under the gaze of everyone, Lin Chensheng slightly lowered his eyes and, with a hoarse voice, said to Lin Chencheng and Lin Chenyu, "Chencheng, Chenyu, I know my actions right now are indeed wrong!"

His tone and attitude were full of the intention of admitting his mistake.

Lin Chencheng and Lin Chenyu sneered, looking proudly at this Lin family failure.

Hong Wu felt a slight disappointment.

Bai Xiaosheng still watched Lin Chensheng, his keen vision capable of seeing the subtleties in expression and discerning Lin Chensheng's true final decision.

"Just for your intentions, I'll lend you a hand!" Bai Xiaosheng thought to himself with a smile.

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On the other side, Lin Chensheng looked up at his cousins, seeing the mocking gazes of those Lin Family members who thought of him as worthless, and the guests.

"But I don't regret doing it!" Lin Chensheng said with firm determination, "I only regret being foolish in the past, but now, I don't regret it. I would rather give up..."

Lin Chensheng's change in attitude made Hong Wu a bit excited and caused Lin Chencheng and Lin Chenyu to pause, their faces showing anger.

Unrepentant! Then today, they would set the Lin Family straight! Even if it's in front of so many guests!

Just as Lin Chensheng was about to declare loudly his unwavering obsession with Hong Wu, at any cost, Bai Xiaosheng stepped to his side, placing a hand on his shoulder. Startled by the sudden move, Lin Chensheng instinctively looked over.

Lin Chencheng, Lin Chenyu, and many Lin Family members and guests were also drawn to the surprising figure and looked towards Bai Xiaosheng.

In that instant, Bai Xiaosheng curled his index and middle fingers, swiftly striking a point behind Lin Chensheng's ear.

Lin Chensheng felt a wave of dizziness, his body swayed, and Bai Xiaosheng naturally supported him.

Only Bai Xiaosheng could make someone faint under the watchful eyes of the crowd!

Even Lei Ying, who noticed this action in the crowd, couldn't help but cheer inwardly.

"Oh dear, Mr. Lin, what happened to you? Did you drink too much?" Bai Xiaosheng feigned surprise at Lin Chensheng.

The strike on that acupoint not only caused dizziness but also made Lin Chensheng feel a slight nausea, and he already had a bit of a retching reaction.

"You drank too much, didn't you? Feeling quite uncomfortable now, right?" Bai Xiaosheng muttered to himself, "explaining" for Lin Chensheng.

Then, Bai Xiaosheng looked up at everyone, smiled slightly, and said to Lin Chencheng and Lin Chenyu, "Mr. Chensheng is like this, I'm afraid he can't listen to anything now. I'll take him over there to sit for a while, and I'm sure when he sobers up, everything will be fine. Then, Mr. Chencheng, Miss Chenyu, it'll not be too late to talk it over."

Saying this, Bai Xiaosheng didn't wait for a response and directly helped Lin Chensheng towards the corner of the hall.

Seeing this, Xu Jiahao hurriedly sneaked around to follow.

Lin Weiwei and Lei Ying also circled over from the side.

Hong Wu wanted to go but restrained herself. Now, she still couldn't go...

However, Hong Wu could see Bai Xiaosheng's actions more clearly than others, and she felt a bit of admiration.

This "Mr. Bai" really has skill!

In such a tense situation, about to be irretrievable, he managed to cover it up with such finesse!

Lin Chencheng and Lin Chenyu stood stunned as they watched Lin Chensheng being taken away by Bai Xiaosheng. In the end, they didn't say anything, just exchanged glances.

Chasing after a drunkard, what kind of decorum is that? It doesn't match their status.

Just as that mysterious person suggested, it'll not be too late to discuss this properly once Lin Chensheng sobers up.

"Later, I'll have a good chat with Grandpa about this matter, so that Lin Chensheng won't be able to handle it!" Lin Chencheng thought to himself.

Beside him, Lin Chenyu had a similar thought.

Lin Chensheng is not important, he's a waste, but his father still controls much of the Lin Family's assets. It's best to make their uncle feel ashamed of his son's behavior and voluntarily cede some power!

"Break it up, there's nothing to see. Lin Chensheng just drank too much and is acting out here." Lin Chencheng loudly announced to the surroundings.

At this point, he had to exhibit the demeanor expected of the Lin Family's elite, maintaining the scene.

Lin Chenyu also voiced agreement.

Just like that, this farce was concluded due to "drunkenness", and the guests, giving face to the Lin Family, suppressed their curiosity and dispersed.

Those of higher status were busy chatting with Lin Chencheng, not minding these matters.

Bai Xiaosheng helped Lin Chensheng to the farthest corner, let him sit down, and massaged the acupoint at the back of his neck.

Xu Jiahao wanted to approach but was stopped by Lei Ying.

Lei Ying placed a hand on Xu Jiahao's shoulder, just like an eagle grasping a chick.

"Better not disturb them; our Mr. Bai wants to have a word with your Mr. Lin," Lei Ying said with a cheerful smile.

This strong man, with such strength, how could Xu Jiahao dare not listen.

Lei Ying led Xu Jiahao to a spot a little further away.

Lin Weiwei sat beside them, watching.

Over there, it took Lin Chensheng ten minutes to recover, and luckily during this time, the surrounding onlookers lost interest and no longer paid attention.

"How are you feeling now? Any better?" Bai Xiaosheng asked with a caring smile.

Lin Chensheng shook his head, still feeling a bit uncomfortable, but much better than before.

When Lin Chensheng saw that the person asking him was Bai Xiaosheng, he immediately straightened up, startled and angry, "What happened to me just now, was it... you did it!"

Lin Chensheng's mind wasn't actually dull.

Bai Xiaosheng nodded with a smile.

"What do you want?!" Lin Chensheng asked angrily, "I admit it, letting people mistake you for me was stupid! But I don't plan on giving up on Hong Wu to anyone! I don't believe she'd suddenly lose her feelings for me; is it something you've done? Have you bewitched her? I won't let her be with someone like you, whom I don't know!"

Lin Chensheng had quite the perceptive approach to the problem.

Bai Xiaosheng smiled and straightforwardly admitted, "Yes, it was indeed me who persuaded her to let go."

Lin Chensheng almost slammed the table in anger.

Bai Xiaosheng leisurely said, "So, do you want to ask me to help you get Miss Hong Wu back?"

This sentence stunned the furious Lin Chensheng.

What did this man say?

Help him... win back Hong Wu...

Wasn't this man coveting Hong Wu himself...

Bai Xiaosheng smiled sincerely, draping an arm over Lin Chensheng's shoulder, "Don't look at me like that, brother, as if I'm the bad guy. I think you're not too bad and want to give you a chance to win Miss Hong Wu's heart again."

"A chance, what chance?" Lin Chensheng asked with a frown.

Bai Xiaosheng looked at Lin Chensheng with a smile, telling him in a very assured tone.

"A chance to prove you're not a failure!"