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Chapter 2131: Such a Fake Scheme

Robert volunteered to be Bai Xiaosheng's guide, and Bai Yuefeng's first reaction was to refuse; she didn't want to spend more time with him.

However, Bai Xiaosheng agreed quite readily.

Bai Yuefeng couldn't help but feel a bit resentful and tried to "remedy" the situation.

"Robert, today is an important day for your sister, you just accompany her. I'll show my friend around here for a bit, and then we'll come over."

To persuade Robert, Bai Yuefeng even gave him a sweet smile.

Robert was clearly dazzled by Bai Yuefeng's gorgeous smile, but he steadied himself and responded with a smile, "It's okay, Yuefeng, there's plenty of time. Besides, even though this is Chinatown, I'm a Ganande citizen. In Huaxia, there's a saying, 'Isn't it delightful to have friends coming from afar?' I should fulfill my duty as a host."

Bai Yuefeng looked at Robert in astonishment.

She had really underestimated this Robert; he even knew famous quotes from the Analects.

Bai Xiaosheng and the others were also quite surprised.

"Besides, I'm very familiar with Chinatown, I can definitely be a guide." Robert smiled as he made a gesture of invitation to Bai Xiaosheng.

Bai Xiaosheng smiled and took a step forward.

Robert followed.

Seeing this scene, Bai Yuefeng felt helpless and gave up on “struggling”, and joined them.

Lin Weiwei and Lei Ying followed afterward.

The remaining four bodyguards spread out and followed closely behind.

Robert indeed started acting as Bai Xiaosheng’s guide, walking just a hundred steps out, he enthusiastically began introducing the area to Bai Xiaosheng.

“This street beneath our feet is one of Chinatown’s main streets in Ganande, the main tax source of the district, with hundreds of shops along the street, generating tremendous revenue annually...”

“Over there, the street will be upgraded next year to introduce more business formats, but changes will be made to better reflect Huaxia’s flair, which will bring significant revenue...”

“And here, renovations will be carried out in the latter half of this year, creating a thousand jobs for Ganande during the entire project...”

Robert’s introduction barely mentioned customs, traditions, or historical anecdotes, focusing entirely on district planning and commerce.

Only the offspring of politicians and businessmen view externals with such a perspective. This Robert had such well-informed insights, easily discussing the district’s five-year plan—he must come from some significant commercial family with rich political resources.

Bai Xiaosheng nodded with a smile, analyzing Robert, painting a real image of him in his mind.

“Hey, what are you even introducing, it sounds so boring.” Bai Yuefeng interrupted impatiently.

Robert gave her an apologetic yet gentle smile, then looked at Bai Xiaosheng and asked, "Sir, I've been chatting for so long but still don't know how to address you."

Bai Xiaosheng smiled, "My last name is Bai, you can just call me 'Bai'."

Although this Robert understood Huaxia culture well, and his words seemed translated, he still pronounced Chinese words somewhat awkwardly as could be noted from his pronunciation of "Yuefeng".

Rather than hearing him awkwardly say his full name, it was simpler this way, besides, he surely didn't really care about his full name.

"Bai?" Robert was momentarily stunned, then said with surprise, "So you're family with Yuefeng?"

"No, we just share the same surname." Bai Xiaosheng shook his head, "We're not related by blood, we didn't even know each other before."

Robert appeared slightly disappointed.

If Bai Xiaosheng was really related to Bai Yuefeng, it would be better, proving that their whispering earlier wasn't of great significance. Robert's resentment towards him would also lessen considerably.

"Bai, what do you do; what brings you to Ganande?" Robert naturally asked.

Bai Xiaosheng could clearly see through the smile hiding this person's hostility towards him.

He probably still hadn't let go of what happened earlier, holding it tightly...

People who bear grudges always harbor malicious intentions.

Right now, since he was unsure of his identity, he was pumping him for information, assessing if he was worth engaging with.

After all, someone who could be friends with Bai Yuefeng likely wasn't ordinary.

Bai Xiaosheng wasn't afraid of him, he smiled and said, "I'm employed and here in Ganande for business at our company's headquarters."

"Is it your family business?" Robert asked with a smile.

Bai Xiaosheng shook his head directly, "Unlike Mr. Robert, I didn't come from any illustrious family. My family's in Huaxia and just ordinary."

Robert smiled and nodded, his eyes flashed with a hint of disdain.

He had befriended some ordinary people, but they were all beauties.

Apparently, it wasn't surprising that Bai Yuefeng knew a few common folks.

Seeing Robert disregard Bai Xiaosheng, Bai Yuefeng felt uneasy.

Although Bai Xiaosheng came from humble beginnings, today, even without considering his connections to the Wei family, his status and position alone were on par with Robert's entire family—all achieved through his efforts!

For Robert, who relied on family, to look down on him was absurd!

Bai Yuefeng almost couldn't help but speak up for Bai Xiaosheng.

"Sister Bai, look at that, it's so pretty." Lin Weiwei interrupted timely, distracting Bai Yuefeng and subtly signaling her with a wink and a slight shake of the head.

Bai Xiaosheng disliked any meaningless show-off.

Bai Yuefeng, being clever, understood immediately but still felt some unease.

At this moment, Lei Ying glanced around with a hint of suspicion in his eyes.

He realized that one of Robert's four bodyguards had mysteriously disappeared at some point.

It was the very expert that had first caught his attention.

"Passing through here, we can reach the next street, let's go this way." Robert suddenly stopped, pointing towards a narrow alley, and smiled to Bai Xiaosheng.

Then, Robert pointed to one of his bodyguards, "Let two people go and tell my sister that we're having fun and will join later."

The bodyguard nodded and left.

"This alley looks so secluded." Bai Yuefeng peered inside and muttered.

Robert smiled immediately, "Don't worry, I have bodyguards."

"Who's afraid!" Bai Yuefeng retorted.

"Also, I'm a very skilled boxer." Robert made a boxing gesture, glancing at Lei Ying, "Earlier, I was caught off guard by Bai's bodyguard, otherwise, I wouldn't have been so easily outdone! If the fight had continued earlier, I wouldn't have lost!"

Robert's expression showed some reluctance.

Seemed like he spared Lei Ying only because Bai Yuefeng spoke up.

Lei Ying smiled upon hearing this.

Bai Yuefeng rolled her eyes silently.

Robert made a gesture inviting them into the alley, eager to lead the way.

Bai Xiaosheng followed with a meaningful smile.

Bai Yuefeng, Lin Weiwei, and Lei Ying had no choice but to follow.

The remaining two bodyguards quickened their steps, moving ahead of them, apparently to scout the path.

Robert waved, gesturing them to move quickly and not block the way.

The two bodyguards obliged, hurrying forward.

The alley was very quiet, with only faint sounds of the noisy outside world reaching them.

Around a bend, they suddenly heard fighting sounds.

When Bai Xiaosheng and his companions turned the corner, they found the two leading bodyguards lying on the ground, facing six black-clad men wearing festive masks and wielding bats and metal pipes.

In broad daylight, an ambush?!

“Who are you!” Robert shouted in anger and surprise.

The two women looked shocked.

Robert stepped forward, shielding Bai Yuefeng protectively.

“I’ll protect you!” Robert reassured Bai Yuefeng.

Behind them, Bai Xiaosheng and Lei Ying exchanged glances, communicating silently with their eyes.

They both felt helpless.

“That masked one on the right, isn’t that Robert’s bodyguard, the one who disappeared earlier...”

“Robert’s expression and voice...not convincing enough, too fake...”

Bai Xiaosheng and Lei Ying were sharp enough to see through it at a glance.

This was clearly a hero-saving-the-beauty show directed by Robert himself.

Cliché, predictable.

Bai Xiaosheng was speechless, noticing Robert sneak a glance at him.

The look was sinister.

Bai Xiaosheng squinted, “Hmm, even though it’s fake, they’ll likely target me for real in a moment!”

Chapter 2132 Sweeping the Entire Field

"Hey, who are you? Do you even know who I am? How dare you block my path with weapons? What are you trying to do?!"

Facing those masked individuals, Bai Yuefeng shouted angrily after a brief moment of shock.

This is Ganande Chinatown, and she is Miss Bai of the area's most prominent family, the Bai Family. Nearly seventy percent of the local businesses are associated with her family. These people dare to stop her? And right at the doorstep? This would disgrace her in front of Bai Xiaosheng's friends!

Of course, Bai Yuefeng was furious.

"Yuefeng, these people are after money and won't care about anything else; it's useless to talk to them!" Robert advised the hot-tempered girl, not forgetting to add, "Although the area has excellent security, you see, there are still some loopholes and hidden dangers. Later, you should talk to Mr. Bai about cooperating with some security companies from my family—then this kind of thing wouldn't happen."

This Robert, he's actually thinking of drumming up business for his family...

Bai Xiaosheng couldn't help but find it amusing.

Lin Weiwei tugged at Bai Yuefeng, advising, "Miss Bai, don't get angry, rest assured, with Xiaosheng and Lei Ying here, we won't be in any danger."

As Lin Weiwei spoke, Bai Xiaosheng and Lei Ying had already composed themselves, stepped forward, and stood at the front of everyone.

Robert, seeing Lin Weiwei confidently praising the other two men, and then Bai Xiaosheng and Lei Ying stepping forward, surpassing his position, completely stealing the spotlight in front of Bai Yuefeng, felt extremely displeased.

If you want to take the lead, don't blame my people for being impolite! Robert secretly signaled to his own men across the way.

The group of masked men immediately understood.

"Yuefeng, don't worry, with me here, I'll keep you completely safe!" Robert turned and assured Bai Yuefeng.

When "Bai" and that big guy get beaten up so badly, they can't get up again, I'll step in and solve the crisis. Won't that highlight my bravery! At that point, Bai Yuefeng will fall for me...

Robert imagined triumphantly.

In his view, Bai Xiaosheng appeared weak, who could he beat? Even if he could handle one, could he take on two or three? Two fists cannot fend against four hands, not to mention his people had weapons!

Plus, he had a martial arts expert!

Robert's eyes were glowing with anticipation, just waiting to see Bai Xiaosheng beaten to a pulp.

Bai Yuefeng ignored Robert, looking worriedly at Bai Xiaosheng, a bit anxious, muttering, "Why did he charge to the front? He better not get hurt, otherwise, I can't explain to Xuelian!"

Bai Yuefeng's judgment was similar to Robert's.

Bai Xiaosheng seemed like someone who couldn't fight at all, not to mention facing so many people with weapons!

"Weiwei, in a moment you should run back and call for help, I'll hold them off to buy you time," Bai Yuefeng quickly whispered to Lin Weiwei.

Her identity was unusual, so mentioning her name might stall the opponents for a while.

As for Robert, she didn't count on him.

After Bai Yuefeng said this, she noticed Lin Weiwei seemed as if she hadn't heard a word, focused on watching the front.

Feeling anxious, Bai Yuefeng said, "Hey, did you hear what I said?"

"Ah." Lin Weiwei seemed to just come back to her senses, smiled at her, "I heard you."

"Then what I meant was, you..." Bai Yuefeng was about to continue speaking.

Lin Weiwei interrupted her, smiling confidently, "Miss Bai, don't worry, having them here is enough!"

Bai Yuefeng looked at Lin Weiwei curiously.

Could it be this silly girl had stayed by Bai Xiaosheng's side too long, seen him dominate the workplace, and thought of him as some kind of invincible person, believing everything?

This is a fight, not a contest of wits...

Forget it, if things go bad, I'll run to get help. Bai Yuefeng thought to herself. But doing that might make her seem a bit "unrighteous."

Never mind, I can't worry about that now...

Bai Yuefeng silently made up her mind.

The group of masked men was already walking toward Bai Xiaosheng and Lei Ying, gripping their bats and iron rods tightly.

Having received Robert's instruction earlier, they didn't need to hold back.

As long as they didn't fatally injure anyone, they could violently beat the two, and these men, having no scruples, were eager.

The two in front, full of confidence, once close enough, swung their bats directly at Bai Xiaosheng and Lei Ying.

In their view, it was just a simple matter of one swing...

The next moment was astonishing.

Bai Xiaosheng dodged nimbly, avoiding the blow, and delivered a swift kick as fast as lightning, hitting the opponent's weak point directly.

The guy who dared to strike him immediately dropped his bat, clutching his lower abdomen, bowing his head to the ground and curling up like a shrimp.

That "fierce" kick seemed to make a shattering sound...

Even Robert, who had been eagerly watching, couldn't help but take a sharp breath, feeling uncomfortable...

On the other side, Lei Ying caught the steel rod swung at him with one hand, snatched it away effortlessly, and casually knocked down the stunned guy with it.

Swift and clean.

Afterwards, Lei Ying casually tossed the weapon to Bai Xiaosheng, who caught it easily.

The two of them didn't even look at the fallen men, and directly walked towards the remaining four.

Bai Yuefeng was utterly shocked.

With just one move, they took down two people from the other side?

Lei Ying was so formidable, and Bai Xiaosheng was just as strong?!

It was as if she didn't even know these two people.

Robert was also dumbfounded.

The remaining four masked men hesitated for a moment. One of them stepped forward, pointing at Bai Xiaosheng, and the other three, as if receiving a command, synchronized their attack with weapons.

Meanwhile, the one giving orders took a running start, leaping high and swinging his weapon directly at Lei Ying.

Chapter 2133 - Sweeping the Field (Part 2)

This fighter whom Lei Ying has been keeping a close eye on has naturally identified Lei Ying as the greatest threat!

At the rear.

Bai Yuefeng watched Bai Xiaosheng being confronted by three people and immediately covered his mouth, his face showing a mix of shock and anger, "How shameless they are, bullying with numbers!"

Lin Weiwei's face was ashen, filled with worry as she muttered, "Haven't they always been like this from the start, bullying us because we are outnumbered!"

Even Lin Weiwei was somewhat worried as she watched Bai Xiaosheng, her concern purely out of care, regardless of Bai Xiaosheng's strengths or weaknesses.

Robert watched the scene, a sneer lurking in his heart.

That "Bai" was too arrogant just now!

You managed to beat one, can you beat three?

"Bai," you're dead!

Robert's eyes were full of eagerness, waiting to see Bai Xiaosheng get beaten.

Facing the three rushing towards him, Bai Xiaosheng quickly retreated, avoiding being surrounded, ensuring there was only one person directly in front of him.

The first to charge at Bai Xiaosheng was a big guy, equally as burly as Lei Ying, wielding a weapon that was fierce and sturdy, heavier and more substantial than the others'.

Bai Xiaosheng wore a calm expression, his gaze icy as he stared at the opponent, and solemnly called out, "Come!"

This word was full of provocation.

The burly man's eyes turned vicious, twirling the stick in his hand in the air until it formed a circle, bringing it down with a forceful and unstoppable stance.

Bai Xiaosheng moved nimbly like a cat, easily dodging the attack.

Bai Xiaosheng's gaze was as sharp as an awl, fixed on the man's eyes, and he retreated while shouting, "Come again!"

The burly man's eyes turned fierce, letting out a low growl, once again swinging the stick in a fully-rounded motion, wielding the weapon in his hand at twice the speed of before, striking again.

Bai Xiaosheng's movements were ghostly, as though he had calculated the trajectory, he evaded once more.

"Come again!" Bai Xiaosheng shouted.

On the third strike, the burly man's stick still didn't even brush Bai Xiaosheng's clothing.

After three attempts, Bai Xiaosheng advanced instead of retreating, directly striking and flipping the opponent over.

The burly man not only failed to evade, but even his blocking action was sluggish.

As the saying goes, strike while the iron is hot; once your momentum declines, you become exhausted.

Bai Xiaosheng even incorporated strategy into his counterattack.

The two companions behind the burly man, their vision always obscured, were caught off guard to see their fierce companion suddenly fall, leaving them stunned.

Bai Xiaosheng, using the burly man's fallen body as a cover, had already launched an attack...

The person behind the burly man only felt a fierce gust approaching, unable to dodge, their eyes wide with despair and resignation as they cursed, "Fuck..."

On the other side.

The guy battling Lei Ying was indeed a formidable martial artist, attacking fiercely and swiftly, moving with agility, and even utilizing the surrounding walls to leap and launch attacks.

Lei Ying protected his head with both arms, his arms having already taken several hits.

However, Lei Ying seemed unfazed, almost as if he felt no pain, which was quite intimidating.

Seizing the moment when his opponent was catching his breath, Lei Ying suddenly counterattacked, raining down punches like a downpour, making it difficult for his opponent to block.

Finally, with a lion's roar from Lei Ying, his iron fist smashed forward, even breaking the wooden stick in the opponent's hand in half; not only that, his punch landed solidly on the opponent's chest.

With one punch, he sent the person retreating several meters, nearly causing them to kneel.

Before the person could stand up, they felt a shadow looming over them.

Raising his head again, the individual saw Lei Ying towering above, his expression a mix of admiration and regret, "Your skills aren't bad, but..."

"You can't take a hit!"

As he spoke, Lei Ying's fist was already on its way.

The person's face turned pale, their eyes filled with the rapidly enlarging fist...

Within just ten minutes, the fight had drawn to a close.

Robert was dumbfounded, incredulously watching his men groaning on the ground, then looking in shock as Bai Xiaosheng and Lei Ying casually walked over, talking and laughing.

Robert's eyes were filled with disbelief and confusion—were these two really office workers and not retired fighters from the boxing ring...

Bai Yuefeng also looked incredulously at Bai Xiaosheng.

She wasn't sure how formidable the person fighting Lei Ying was, only feeling that the person was like a monkey, leaping around and making her dizzy.

But when she saw how Bai Xiaosheng dealt with those three people, it was simply too cool!

"I never expected, Xuelian, your... man... is so good at fighting!"

Bai Yuefeng's eyes practically sparkled with admiration.

Lin Weiwei let out a long breath, finally relieved, and smiled at the two walking back.

At last, they won!

As Bai Xiaosheng and Lei Ying walked back, they were still "discussing" matters.

"We should report to the police, such a serious incident must be thoroughly investigated to find the mastermind behind it."

"Yes, according to local law, the mastermind will definitely go to jail. I just want to see evil repay evil."

Hearing this, Robert's face turned green. He certainly couldn't let those under his command get caught and implicate himself.

If this really gets out, he would be ruined both in the family and in business...

The key point is, he never expected this situation to happen. Who could have thought that these two could take on six, especially six armed ones?

What on earth is going on?

Is it really like the legends say—Huaxia people are not to be trifled with; they practice martial arts every day...

"Yuefeng, let's hurry up and leave now; the event over there is about to start. My sister and your father are waiting, I think we're running out of time." Robert immediately said to Bai Yuefeng.

"Didn't you say there was plenty of time? I think we should hand these guys over to the police first." Bai Yuefeng also agreed with Bai Xiaosheng and Lei Ying's opinion.

Then, she noticed Robert's nervous expression, and her heart moved.

Bai Yuefeng wasn't a naive and brainless rich girl. Considering Robert had insisted on going this way and then they were attacked, as well as his previous eagerness and current nervousness...

Bai Yuefeng narrowed her eyes at Robert, "Mr. Robert, what are you nervous about?"

At her words, Robert nearly jumped up, shouting loudly, "Nothing, nothing! I'm not nervous!"

"Why would I be nervous, everything has been settled, it has nothing to do with me!" Robert added.

Bai Yuefeng sneered, giving him a sidelong glance.

Robert laughed awkwardly, turned and walked away, "Anyway, let's leave here quickly, the event is about to start over there!"

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Ganande's Chinatown main street, on Central Square, there was a sea of people, with continuous cheers.

There was also a stage and backdrop built with bamboo, not only to promote Chinatown's charm, but a corner was temporarily made into a podium, with some temporary banners and promotional posters hung up.

Clearly, a certain politician was trying to grab votes.

To be able to coordinate a roadshow with the local leaders at such a time and place was simply incredible.

At this moment, at the corner of the stage, surrounded by people, was a kind-looking, slightly plump Asian middle-aged man, laughing and chatting with a well-maintained, fair-skinned, blonde, blue-eyed middle-aged woman.

That Asian middle-aged man was Bai Yuefeng's father—Bai Tianyu.

Bai Tianyu was not only famous in Ganande's Chinatown, but also held a high position and prestige in several other big cities' Huaxia alliances.

The Bai Family's business also spanned across North America, otherwise, how could they be on good terms with the Wei Family.

The white woman conversing with Bai Tianyu had a prestigious status herself, and most importantly, came from a powerful family background, gaining Bai Tianyu's support in her election campaign, which allowed her to hold a brief roadshow to gather votes at this location.

At present, the roadshow was about to begin.

Behind the stage, Bai Xiaosheng and the others, along with Bai Yuefeng and Robert, happened to arrive and went up.

"This stage is all built with bamboo, it looks interesting, but stand firm and don't fall, it's two meters high here." Bai Yuefeng advised, "And, for goodness' sake, don't move around, the backdrop here is for the night light show, it needs to be lifted by a crane, so it's not as securely fixed as you think, if you undo a lock somewhere, it might collapse."

Her words sounded exaggerated, and Robert laughed, patting a bamboo pillar beside him, "It's not as exaggerated as you say."

Before his voice fell, everyone felt a slight sway underfoot, as if they were drunk, and everyone's face changed.

"Are you crazy!" Bai Yuefeng glared at Robert fiercely, "Didn't you notice everyone below is outside the safety zone? They're afraid something might happen, I told you three times and you still didn't listen!"

Robert, having experienced the recent sway, turned pale, hurriedly nodded, and dared not act recklessly again.

Bai Yuefeng cast him a disdainful look, unwilling to pay him any more attention, and pulled Bai Xiaosheng to a corner to watch her father talk to people.

Bai Xiaosheng's gaze fell on the white woman beside Bai Tianyu, and he couldn't help but ask, "Is that Mr. Robert's sister, the politician trying to gather votes, what's her name?"

Bai Yuefeng casually answered, "Her? She's well-known in Ganande, Miss Caroline."

Chapter 2134: Robert's Malice

Bai Xiaosheng stared at Bai Yuefeng in astonishment, his eyes filled with surprise. The white woman on stage standing with her father Bai Tianyu, was that Caroline?

The head of Zhenbei Group's North American division?

Also Robert's sister?

“Why are you looking at me like that, is there something on my face, or did my makeup smudge?” Bai Yuefeng saw Bai Xiaosheng staring directly at her and was startled.

Nonetheless, a woman’s focus is ultimately different...

Bai Yuefeng couldn’t help but take out a small mirror to check whether there was a problem with her makeup.

Soon, she might have to go out and meet people.

“Nothing’s wrong, you’re great, and your makeup is fine...” Bai Xiaosheng realized she misunderstood and quickly reassured her.

Then, Bai Xiaosheng once again gazed at the woman on stage — Caroline.

Her makeup was perfect, her demeanor extraordinary, her aura steadier than that of an ordinary businessperson, indeed carrying the manner of a politician.

“You seem very focused on Caroline?” Robert cautiously observed Bai Xiaosheng, his eyes slightly narrowing.

Robert’s sister Caroline is currently running for mayor of Ganande City, which is crucial for their family and business, allowing no mistakes.

Robert is particularly vigilant of any outsiders who are “overly interested” in Caroline.

Moreover, Bai Xiaosheng, along with his tall companion, possesses intimidating skills.

Not only that, Bai Xiaosheng, this male friend with no familial ties to Bai Yuefeng, also made Robert very wary and jealous, instinctively downgrading him as an “ill-intentioned person.”

“Miss Caroline is quite famous, I’ve admired her for a long time, and I hope to have the chance to talk with her,” Bai Xiaosheng responded to Robert.

Robert, hearing this, did not hide his sneer, “Really? But I think Miss Caroline doesn’t have time today! Moreover, not everyone is worthy of meeting her.”

Robert’s underlying message was, Bai Xiaosheng doesn’t qualify!

Wanting to talk to Caroline, who does he think he is?

Robert’s gaze was openly mocking.

At present, Caroline is just a step away from the position of Ganande City’s mayor!

Today she received Bai Family’s support during her campaign in Chinatown, her votes will infinitely approach, even surpass the highest contender! Then she’d truly soar to success!

Today, on such an important occasion, how could she casually waste time on an unknown young man?

Robert hoped Bai Xiaosheng had some self-awareness.

“Hey, I remember Miss Caroline works at Zhenbei Group, seems like she’s some kind of president for North America?” Bai Yuefeng suddenly recalled this and asked Bai Xiaosheng for confirmation.

“She’s the business president, overseeing everything in Zhenbei Group’s North American region!” Robert answered the question ahead of Bai Xiaosheng.

He smiled proudly, “Although Zhenbei Group and our family both occupy the top tier of the business world, Zhenbei is clearly in the stronger league. Becoming the head of a business division at Zhenbei Group is extremely challenging, requiring a strong background and unique personal ability. My sister

Miss Caroline became the business president of North America in ten years, at her level, rising so quickly is incredibly rare! Even my father praises her endlessly!”

Robert was unusually proud, holding his sister in high esteem.

Bai Yuefeng couldn't help but look at Bai Xiaosheng.

Inside, however, she felt a different kind of shock.

Bai Xiaosheng became the executive president of the Greater China Region two years ago, and then promoted a step higher after two years, likely at the same level as Caroline.

While she took ten years, he took two, without relying on networking.

Monster!

Bai Yuefeng looked at Bai Xiaosheng with eyes as if he were a monster.

Robert was unaware how much his words impacted Bai Yuefeng's heart; not because of how powerful his sister Caroline was, but in comparison, Bai Xiaosheng seemed more freakish.

Bai Xiaosheng smiled at Bai Yuefeng and shrugged, showing no sign of pride.

Beside them, Robert watched the two exchanging glances, his jealousy surging, his eyes towards Bai Xiaosheng filled with resentment.

This man instructed his subordinate to slap him to the ground in public!

This man and his subordinates disrupted his plan in an alley, beating up his men!

Now, he's bold enough to flirt with Bai Yuefeng in front of him...

Does he really think I'm nonexistent!

Robert's hand gripping the nearby bamboo showed veins bulging.

The two have no familial ties; if something were to happen, he'd be left with no chance!

Sister Caroline has explicitly told him to capture Bai Yuefeng; it not only benefits the family but aids her political career...

From whatever angle, Bai Xiaosheng, this obstructive presence, irritated Robert like a fishbone.

Robert increasingly had the urge to throw this man down...

Once that thought crossed his mind, it grew uncontrollably like wild grass.

Robert glanced over the bamboo railing and looked down.

Currently, they're standing two meters high on a bamboo platform, which is relatively sturdy, but the railing is quite fragile. Below are some bamboo materials, falling from there wouldn't be fatal but painful, possibly resulting in a sprained ankle or needing hospital care.

Wouldn't that be great; then he couldn't stick around Bai Yuefeng or be an eyesore to her.

Robert also took note of Lin Weiwei and Lei Ying.

They hadn't noticed him at all.

“Even if he’s skilled, if I strike by surprise, catching him off guard...” Robert stared at Bai Xiaosheng’s back, itching to act.

Bai Xiaosheng did not notice Robert; he was quietly discussing Caroline’s schedule with Bai Yuefeng.

In fact, Bai Xiaosheng really wanted to talk to Caroline.

Firstly, they are colleagues, and equals. Reaching some collaborative agreement would benefit both regions greatly.

Secondly, there was some misunderstanding between them.

After all, Bai Xiaosheng had “hijacked” Cui Chen’s cooperation agenda midway; albeit unintentionally, it was better to clarify things.

Bai Yuefeng had no doubt about Bai Xiaosheng’s ability to converse with Caroline, and promptly shared the details she knew.

Moreover, Bai Yuefeng intended to introduce Bai Xiaosheng to her father Bai Tianyu.

“According to the itinerary, time is tight. Caroline’s speech is about to start now, lasting approximately half an hour. After her speech, she’ll leave with my father through the backstage we’re currently in, which is an opportunity. We can meet them here. You should feel comfortable in this scenario, it’s okay then.” Bai Yuefeng said to Bai Xiaosheng.

“Alright then.” Bai Xiaosheng smiled at Bai Yuefeng, “I’ll wait here for Miss Caroline’s speech to finish. Yuefeng, thank you.”

Bai Yuefeng lightly patted Bai Xiaosheng’s shoulder and playfully replied, “Why thank me, it’s only right!”

Their gestures made Robert behind them watch with shadowed eyes, visibly gripping the bamboo pole tighter.

“The speech is about to start!” Lin Weiwei suddenly exclaimed.

She and Lei Ying were very interested in the campaign speech, positioning themselves to get a better view.

Bai Xiaosheng looked over upon hearing this, as his angle wasn’t favorable, he moved a bit.

Bai Xiaosheng moved closer to the less sturdy bamboo railing.

That section even had a broken part, providing no protection at all.

Robert saw it and his eyes were immediately drawn to the broken bamboo.

That spot is perfect.

A little further back and he’ll fall...

Chapter 2135 - The Scene Is Just Too Beautiful...

In the main square of Ganande’s Chinatown, the crowd was packed. At this moment, everyone looked in one direction.

A bamboo platform about two meters high, with a background board also made of bamboo, decorated in a style full of Huaxia charm.

On one side of the stage, there was a podium with banners and large photos hanging behind it.

Miss Caroline’s election speech was about to begin.

Bai Tianyu first took the microphone, and in his capacity as the area manager and president of the local chamber of commerce, he gave a brief speech.

He was a celebrity in Chinatown, and even tourists knew of him through word of mouth. Everyone was willing to listen to him speak a few words.

In just a few minutes, Bai Tianyu captured everyone's attention.

This was also to help Caroline's speech, creating a good start.

Seeing that he had successfully attracted almost everyone's attention, Bai Tianyu gestured to Caroline with the microphone, smiling, "Next, let's welcome Miss Caroline to give her election speech. Miss Caroline has unique insights and clear thoughts and suggestions for this area. Perhaps the future blueprint of Chinatown will be crafted by her own hands!"

As he spoke, Bai Tianyu took the lead in applauding, and many people in the audience followed suit, giving a round of applause.

With so many people leading, more and more joined in the applause.

For a moment, it truly felt like a call and response situation.

Caroline elegantly smiled and politely took the microphone from Bai Tianyu, her eyes filled with admiration for him.

It was no wonder that Bai Tianyu was the foremost figure in Ganande's Chinatown, his prestige truly unmatched, and cooperating with him boosted Caroline's confidence, making her feel she was a step further on the path to success.

Holding the microphone and looking at the endless sea of people, Caroline also felt a rush of blood to her head.

This district, whether in terms of vote count or tax revenue, has consistently ranked in the top three in Ganande, and in recent years has maintained the second position, closing in on the first.

If I win it, I'll be the rising star of Ganande tomorrow! Caroline's heart burned with passion.

Afterwards, she adjusted her mood and presented her most graceful and composed side to the audience.

Caroline held the microphone, smiled, and said, "Hello ladies and gentlemen, I am Caroline. I'm delighted to meet you in this fine weather, interrupting your enjoyment of beautiful Chinatown scenery, and I apologize for that. However, you are already part of the scenery, each of you is the most beautiful view, and with you, this place becomes even more beautiful, making Ganande more beautiful..."

Backstage.

Lin Weiwei clicked her tongue in admiration and whispered to Lei Ying.

"Her eloquence is exceptional, starting so smoothly and complimenting everyone without them even realizing."

Lei Ying immediately chuckled.

A few minutes later, Caroline moved on to outlining a blueprint and future visions.

Bai Yuefeng, having heard it many times before, looked rather uninterested.

Bai Xiaosheng, however, listened intently.

Although it was a public speech and couldn't have anything too confidential, it still contained some valuable information; otherwise, it wouldn't be able to move the audience.

Since there were contents, it could reflect which industries and directions Caroline paid more attention to, and even reveal her character and vision.

If Caroline eventually wins the election, this would be Ganande's future development direction, and great business opportunities would lie within!

Bai Xiaosheng listened attentively while analyzing, completely engrossed, even shifting his stance slightly.

Unintentionally, he had gotten closer to the damaged railing.

Robert had no interest in listening to his sister's speech, as he had heard it dozens of times and could recite it backwards.

At this moment, Robert was staring at Bai Xiaosheng, focusing on that damaged railing.

He was behind everyone, and Bai Xiaosheng, Lin Weiwei, Lei Ying, and even Bai Yuefeng hadn't noticed him.

Right now, if he just stepped forward a bit and gently pinched the hem of Bai Xiaosheng's clothes, with a light pull, this annoying guy would fall.

From this height, he wouldn't die or bleed, but he would definitely be sidelined for a short period without appearing.

What could be more appropriate than this?

Even if it came to accountability afterward, he would only receive some blame, and if he lied, he wouldn't even be blamed.

What could be more fitting than this!

Robert was a shrewd opportunist; once he recognized low-risk "high reward," he could act upon it.

So, he moved.

One step away, Robert took a full minute to make sure he didn't draw anyone's attention.

Then, he reached for Bai Xiaosheng's hem.

Bai Xiaosheng remained completely unaware.

No one else noticed either.

Robert's eyes were full of excitement, a slight sinister smile as he suddenly grabbed Bai Xiaosheng's hem.

At that moment, Bai Xiaosheng turned to Bai Yuefeng, asking, "Yuefeng, about what Miss Caroline just mentioned..."

Bai Xiaosheng was completely unaware, feeling something seemed to catch on the hem, and absentmindedly gave it a slight flick.

When Robert acted, he moved his weight forward; Bai Xiaosheng's small motion of force suddenly made him lose balance, toppling forward.

"Ah!" Robert screamed, desperately reaching out to grab the nearest bamboo railing.

Unfortunately, it was broken.

Thus, Robert fell straight down.

In his panic and horror, Robert managed to grab a very thin rope, clutching it tightly like a lifeline.

But obviously, that thin rope was only for bundling things and couldn't support his body weight.

Pulled by that thin rope, without even a pause, Robert fell.

The commotion made Bai Xiaosheng, Bai Yuefeng, Lin Weiwei, and Lei Ying all turn around.

They only saw a dark figure falling, taking a thin rope with it.

Then came a series of crashes from below, accompanied by Robert's cries of pain.

From this angle, falling in that way, his bottom definitely suffered greatly.

A twisted ankle or pulled muscle was inevitable...

"Who?" Bai Yuefeng stood there dumbly looking around and then exclaimed, recovering, "Was it Robert?"

Bai Xiaosheng and the others could not reply, because Robert pulling that thin rope made a curtain fall down.

Everyone felt darkness descend over them.

Not only did this curtain fall, but a series of reactions also occurred quietly and quickly, like a rolling snowball...

Front stage.

Caroline was speaking passionately, her eyes shining.

The reaction was great, the audience was moved by her words and voice!

In Caroline's eyes, she no longer saw individuals, but votes.

From here, extending to the end of the street, it seemed to pave a golden road leading her to a new pinnacle of life!

Her family, her family's business, would also thrive because of this!

Caroline decided to enter the most important part of her speech, to pull these votes completely into her pocket!

Just as she decided, she felt a "black cloud" sweeping in from the side.

Caroline only had a moment to look in confusion.

Then, that thing covered her face, and she realized what that "black cloud" was.

"A background curtain?"

This elegant lady in high heels, who was planning and forecasting moments earlier, was directly swept off the podium by the hastily sweeping curtain, rolling onto the stage.

She rolled along with the curtain.

Whether it was Bai Tianyu on stage or the people below, all were dumbfounded, staring blankly.

They didn't know what happened.

But, the scene was, don't be too beautiful...

Chapter 2136 - Chaos at the Scene

Bai Xiaosheng, Bai Yuefeng, Lin Weiwei, and Lei Ying emerged from the fallen curtain and found themselves on stage.

Outside, it was already in chaos.

Numerous bodyguards and assistants swarmed forward, making an impenetrable circle.

The clamor and discussions from the audience below were almost deafening.

Not only that, many people were standing on tiptoe, raising their phones and snapping photos. Faces were brimming with excitement, eyes shining.

Unheard of, never has any dignitary "shone" like this in a roadshow, it's practically destined for the front page headline of tomorrow's Ganande news section.

Bai Xiaosheng and the others stared at the scene in astonishment, watching as a group of people hastily disassembled a bundle resembling a rice dumpling to reveal a person.

At this moment, the woman, once graceful and elegant, was now disheveled, her face showing rage and despair, makeup ruined, clothes torn, even her high heels were lost, truly in a miserable state.

"That looks like... Miss Caroline." Bai Yuefeng looked over and blurted out.

"How did she end up like this?" Lin Weiwei exclaimed in shock.

Even Lei Ying showed a hint of surprise.

Bai Xiaosheng glanced at the backdrop, several large pieces of curtains had fallen down, one covering them, another entangling Caroline.

Bai Xiaosheng thought of something, turned to the backstage and said, "Did Robert fall down earlier and pull something along?"

With this remark, everyone remembered.

Bai Yuefeng couldn't help but look at Bai Xiaosheng and ask, "What exactly happened, did you see it clearly?"

Bai Xiaosheng pondered and said suspiciously, "Earlier, I seemed to feel someone tugging at the corner of my clothes."

The crowd exchanged bewildered glances.

What truly happened is unknowable, and now is not the time to ponder it.

On the stage, the group of assistants and bodyguards crowded around Caroline, then quickly escorted her away.

In the crowd, Caroline's face was extremely unsightly, with a tinge of bitter despair.

Today, she would become a laughing stock, utterly disheveled, all efforts wasted, naturally unwilling to linger longer.

Bai Xiaosheng watched her being escorted away.

At this point, he naturally had no chance or possibility to converse with Caroline today, it would have to wait another day.

Over there, people also noticed Robert who had fallen off the stage, and were aiding him.

Bai Xiaosheng and the others stood at the edge of the stage looking down, seeing Robert being placed on a stretcher and carried away, utterly disgraced, one leg crudely immobilized, while he kept wailing and cursing.

Robert unintentionally looked up and saw Bai Xiaosheng, his expression instantly distorted.

"You, you!" Robert screamed like mad, pointing at Bai Xiaosheng, "I won't let you get away with this! It's all your fault!"

It seemed that Robert completely placed the blame on Bai Xiaosheng.

Bai Xiaosheng was speechless watching Robert being quickly taken away, knowing from the start that this guy harbored deep animosity towards him, and now pinned it all on him.

Presumably, Robert would later go back and recount this event to his family, his sister, with added flair.

That would greatly disadvantage Bai Xiaosheng.

"Is this guy crazy, wasn't it him who fell off?" Bai Yuefeng glanced at Bai Xiaosheng and the others and muttered.

Lin Weiwei and Lei Ying shrugged.

Some people never admit their own fault.

Bai Xiaosheng sighed and murmured, "I hope this incident doesn't lead to a misunderstanding with Caroline."

Of course, no one could tell what would happen next, and saying more would be pointless.

Suddenly, Bai Yuefeng patted Bai Xiaosheng's arm and hurriedly went to meet a group of people.

The leader of the group was Bai Tianyu.

"Dear daughter, what are you doing here?" Bai Tianyu, seeing his daughter, although in a hurry, still stopped to speak a few words with her, glancing at Bai Xiaosheng and the others, his eyes showed a trace of suspicion.

These three people weren't family members.

"Dad, these are my friends," Bai Yuefeng quickly introduced Bai Xiaosheng and the others to him.

Bai Tianyu had a subordinate whispering in his ear, and although occupied dealing with this mess, he managed a smile for Bai Xiaosheng and the others, not wanting to embarrass his daughter.

"Dear daughter, accompany your friends well, I have urgent business there, I must go!" Bai Tianyu apologized with another smile.

"No need to mind us, Mr. Bai has important matters," Bai Xiaosheng quickly replied with a smile.

Bai Yuefeng also knew now wasn't the time for conversation, so she said no more.

Bai Tianyu patted his daughter's head, gave Bai Xiaosheng an approving glance, and hurriedly left with his men.

Today, Caroline's humiliation here wasn't solely her issue; behind her was a super family. Moreover, the success or failure of the election implicated various major concerns.

The matters Bai Tianyu had to handle were truly numerous.

Seeing both key figures leave, the scene descended into further chaos.

Bai Yuefeng had no choice but to lead Bai Xiaosheng and the others away from the area.

The four walked two streets away and could still hear passersby discussing the incident.

Many took Caroline's embarrassment as a joke.

"Seems Miss Caroline might not have any chance in the elections this year, probably not in the near future either," Bai Xiaosheng thought to himself.

In truth, even he found it rather regrettable.

Whether it was Caroline or her family, they had meticulously prepared for a long time, investing extensive resources, yet unexpectedly met with such a setback today.

Bai Xiaosheng recalled carefully, finally comprehending the situation.

Robert wouldn't tug at his clothes for no reason, coupled with the easy fall there...

It was evident what Robert intended to do.

He harbored malicious intents towards me! Bai Xiaosheng thought secretly.

Having realized this, Bai Xiaosheng felt no sympathy whatsoever towards Robert.

Finally, Bai Yuefeng brought Bai Xiaosheng and the others into a dessert shop to rest.

Once she started eating sweets, she seemed to have completely forgotten the earlier events, after all, her father would handle any troubles from her side, which she didn't need to care about.

"Will you be staying in Ganande for a few more days to let me entertain you on behalf of Xuelian?" Bai Yuefeng smiled at Bai Xiaosheng.

Bai Xiaosheng shrugged and smiled, "Missy, unlike you who doesn't worry about anything, I have a pile of work. I still need to report to headquarters and conduct visits, I appreciate your hospitality, though."

Lin Weiwei also smiled, "Yes, brother Sheng's schedule is packed during the day."

Bai Yuefeng immediately felt unhappy, but then her eyes twinkled and she smiled, "Work during the day, nothing at night, here's the idea: tomorrow night I'll take you somewhere fun, won't interfere with your daytime work, you must come!"

Bai Yuefeng looked eagerly at Bai Xiaosheng.

With that, Bai Xiaosheng found it difficult to refuse.

"Hard to visit Ganande, I rarely invite you, don't say no!" Bai Yuefeng pretended to pout.

It seemed Bai Xiaosheng's refusal would truly upset her.

"Well..." Bai Xiaosheng could only smile helplessly, "Alright then."

Bai Yuefeng immediately beamed with delight, very pleased.

After finishing the desserts, Bai Yuefeng again took Bai Xiaosheng and the others around.

Finally, Bai Xiaosheng and the others were exhausted from walking, and Bai Yuefeng personally escorted them back to the hotel.

As she was leaving the hotel, Bai Yuefeng solemnly reminded Bai Xiaosheng once more not to forget their appointment.

"Tomorrow night there's an event, I remembered, I won't break my promise." Bai Xiaosheng repeated.

Only then did Bai Yuefeng leave happily, grinning widely.

Chapter 2137 - Caroline's Fury

As the city lights began to glow, inside a luxurious mansion in Ganande, Caroline's face was grim as she briskly walked down a corridor. The male and female servants following her were all silent, not daring to make any noise.

Today was an important day for Caroline, yet on such a critical day, a major mishap occurred!

Since returning from Chinatown, Miss Caroline had put away her smile, tidied up her appearance, and kept running around busily.

First, she activated media resources to keep the impact to a minimum, but failed.

Then, she communicated with those supporting her to stabilize the situation, but it did not look optimistic.

She reported to the elders in the family and got severely criticized.

Discussed strategies with her think tank, but found no effective measures.

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Going back and forth, she was busy till now. Wave after wave of setbacks left Caroline in no good mood.

An unfortunate bearer of bad news, because he stepped into the room with his left foot first, was dismissed by her.

No one dared to be careless.

And now, Caroline went to visit her brother Robert.

Caroline, walking briskly, pushed open a room, and the people behind her immediately stopped at the door, closing it carefully without daring to disturb.

Inside the room, there was a spacious hospital bed, various medical apparatus, and a whole team of medical personnel, all supported by the family.

Seeing Caroline arrive, those medical personnel nodded respectfully, addressing her as "Miss Caroline!"

Caroline, with a stone-cold expression, gestured behind her, and those people promptly packed their things and exited.

Only then did Caroline approach the bed.

Lying on the bed was Robert, with one leg in a cast, elevated high.

Robert's foot was diagnosed by the family's doctors as a fracture, requiring at least a month of rest.

"Caroline, sis." Robert looked at Caroline, trying his best to force a natural smile.

Since coming back, he too heard what had transpired.

Caroline's roadshow had failed miserably, even her support rate had plummeted, and the news on the media outside was increasing, with commentators mocking the incident.

In short, there was not a single piece of good news up until now!

Filled with anxiety, Robert blamed all these troubles on Bai Xiaosheng.

However, Robert also clearly remembered that when he fell, he did grab onto something, causing a chain reaction of the entire "accident."

Strictly speaking, he, Robert, was the catalyst for all the bad news!

If this were to be investigated, the family would skin him alive, and no plea for forgiveness would work.

Even his sister Caroline would probably kill him.

Thus, Robert was constantly anxious and very much afraid of facing Caroline.

But now, Caroline had come.

"How's the situation?" Caroline stood beside Robert and asked.

"Um, uh, it's okay... the doctor said I just need to rest..." Robert replied with a forced smile.

Caroline glanced at Robert's casted foot, then looked at him and coldly said, "Of course, I know your situation, I was informed at the first moment. What I'm asking is, what was the situation at the time!"

Why Robert fell backstage and what happened there, Caroline wanted to know.

If this was malevolent sabotage by a competitor, it would be easier to handle.

That way, they could gather evidence for a counterattack in public opinion and regain as much lost support as possible.

The key issue was that her brother was involved. If a competitor interpreted this as family discord and infighting, it would dash their hopes of winning this election, and even the next ones would be hopeless.

The competitors would repeatedly bring this incident to light in front of the public.

Caroline naturally wanted to prevent such a thing.

"The situation at that time, that time..." Robert was somewhat panicked, stammering.

He was unsure how to begin.

Caroline's eyes narrowed slightly, looking at him coldly, "Is there something you can't say?"

Ordinarily, she had been somewhat good to her brother, but with today's big incident ruining her election efforts, leaving the family and external supporters disappointed in her, she had no patience or kindness left.

Caroline's gaze felt murderous at this moment.

Seeing this, Robert was instantly frightened, not daring to hide anymore, and quickly said, "At that time, I was backstage with Bai Yuefeng of the Bai Family, along with three other people, one of whom was a guy named 'Bai', a friend of Bai Yuefeng, and the other two were his subordinates. I even had a conflict with them before..."

Robert's words made Caroline frown, feeling tangled and messy.

She raised her hand to stop Robert from continuing.

"'Bai', is he from the Bai Family?" Caroline asked, frowning.

"No, not a member of the Bai Family, unrelated to them, just happened to share the same last name. He's Bai Yuefeng's friend, but what he did has nothing to do with Bai Yuefeng!" Robert hurriedly explained.

Afraid of Caroline's misunderstanding, he clarified.

"Alright, get to the point," Caroline said.

"In short, that 'Bai' was jealous that I was pursuing Bai Yuefeng, and he even hit me on the street, claiming it was some misunderstanding, also hitting my people. At that moment, while we were backstage..." Robert swallowed, "I was standing by a dangerous railing, he pushed me slightly, probably on purpose... I fell, and while falling, I caught hold of a rope, unexpectedly pulling down the curtain, and then it just, just..."

Robert couldn't continue.

Because he saw Caroline's gaze almost murderous, filled with fierce glare.

He knew very well what his own sister was like.

Caroline was thoroughly enraged!

Caroline's eyes narrowed slightly, seemingly recalling something.

"When leaving, I saw Bai Yuefeng, and beside her was a young man with black hair and black eyes, followed by a big guy and a woman. That black-haired, black-eyed person, is he the 'Bai' you're talking about!" Caroline said.

Her eyesight and memory were excellent; even just a quick glimpse allowed her to recall.

Thinking back to that brief moment, that Asian face seemed somewhat familiar.

However, she hadn't looked much, so it left no deep impression.

"Yes, that's him!" Robert immediately exclaimed.

Caroline nodded, indicating she understood.

"In this matter, you are innocent, my brother." Caroline said, placing her hand on Robert's injured foot.

Robert smiled a bit.

Soon after, Caroline pressed her whole body down, "But ultimately, you were the one who pulled down the rope!"

A soft cracking sound followed, and in a flash, Robert's whole face twisted in pain, nearly letting out a scream.

The cast on his injured foot cracked under Caroline's pressure, likely making the bone fracture worse.

Caroline covered his mouth until he endured the pain.

"My brother, you must understand, mistakes have consequences!" Caroline moved her hand away, wiping it on Robert as she raised her chin, "Do you have any complaints."

Robert dared not voice dissatisfaction, sweating profusely, with timid eyes, he nodded with difficulty.

"Heal well, and don't end up disabled." Caroline threw out this line, stepped up, and left.

As she walked out, her eyes were icy cold.

If she could vent her anger on her own brother, she certainly wouldn't spare that "Bai"!

"If I succeed in the election, it's fine, but if I fail, even if I have to overturn Ganande, I will find you and make you pay the price for what I lost!"

Caroline's eyes were like sharp, icy blades.

Chapter 2138 - Wen Yan, Once Again

On the second day of Bai Xiaosheng's arrival at Ganande, he went to the Zhenbei Group headquarters. He first visited the Asia Division, after all, it was his "old home," his main base.

Jiang Kuo was very pleased to see Bai Xiaosheng.

And Bai Xiaosheng also learned that during his incident in South America, Jiang Kuo at the headquarters gave him immense support, even at the risk of his own future.

Bai Xiaosheng was very grateful to Jiang Kuo.

The two of them talked for a good half an hour.

Bai Xiaosheng also learned from Jiang Kuo how the high-level meeting hosted by Wen Yan went that day.

After chatting, Bai Xiaosheng informed Jiang Kuo that he still needed to visit Wen Yan.

Upon hearing this, Jiang Kuo promptly urged Bai Xiaosheng to go and quietly advised him on some matters.

Coming out of Jiang Kuo's office, Bai Xiaosheng didn't leave immediately. He visited the offices below to greet Executive Officer Fang Beijun, Sophia, and others.

Nowadays, Bai Xiaosheng was not the same as before, yet he still remembered everyone, maintaining his easygoing demeanor. Everyone was both happy and touched.

Moreover, everyone was sincerely respectful and admiring of Bai Xiaosheng's rapid promotion.

After meeting with everyone, Bai Xiaosheng quickly went to the most mysterious department of the group headquarters—the Inspection Department!

According to Jiang Kuo, that department occupied three entire floors in the headquarters' skyscraper.

Among those three floors, the middle one was Wen Yan's office area.

Yesterday, Bai Xiaosheng also contacted Wen Yan to arrange a morning meeting.

While taking the elevator up, Bai Xiaosheng purposely checked the time; he was a quarter of an hour early, so he figured he would have to wait.

When the elevator arrived, Bai Xiaosheng stepped out with Lin Weiwei and Lei Ying, only to see a man and a woman waiting there, smiling at him.

Seeing Bai Xiaosheng, the two bowed slightly and said with a smile, "Mr. Bai, please come with us. Mr. Wen Yan said you can go over at any time without waiting!"

The statement clearly showed how much Wen Yan valued Bai Xiaosheng!

Bai Xiaosheng was momentarily stunned, then smiled and nodded.

As for whether these two had been waiting here or whether the Inspection Department had stationed people in other departments to pass the message...

Bai Xiaosheng didn't ask, guessing that even if he did, the welcoming duo would stay tight-lipped, as that was the rule of their department after all.

Following the guides, Bai Xiaosheng and his companions walked through the area, which didn't appear very different from other floors, though it was noticeably quieter. The people in the corridor moved briskly, focused on their tasks. Few stopped to communicate, and even those who did spoke in hushed tones, adding a slight air of tension.

"So this is the Inspection Department!" Bai Xiaosheng observed silently.

They walked for several minutes before stopping in front of a room. The door was unassuming, and the long walls on either side had no other doors. This office seemed sizable.

The two guides knocked gently, and upon hearing a response from inside, they opened the door and gestured respectfully for Bai Xiaosheng to enter.

Bai Xiaosheng exchanged a glance with Lin Weiwei and Lei Ying before walking in alone.

Lin Weiwei and Lei Ying stayed outside.

After entering, Bai Xiaosheng realized the office was not as large as he imagined, even smaller than his office in Linshen.

However, there were doors on either wall of the office, indicating it was a special suite connected left and right.

The more confidential inner area was likely for storing various very valuable files, exclusively for Wen Yan to consult...

With just a glance, the office was simply but tastefully decorated, looking very comfortable.

Behind the desk, someone stood up with a smile upon seeing him enter.

Beside him were an elderly white man and a woman dressed as a maid.

"Long time no see, Bai Xiaosheng!" the person standing up said with a smile.

It was Wen Yan.

Behind him, the elderly white man Huang and the maid Ruan Yu, each with a calm or slightly aloof expression, acknowledged Bai Xiaosheng politely.

"Long time no see, Mr. Wen Yan!" Bai Xiaosheng smiled back.

From Jiang Kuo, Bai Xiaosheng also learned how Wen Yan had supported him at the highest-level meetings at headquarters.

Bai Xiaosheng was deeply appreciative.

Wen Yan walked over from behind the desk, issuing several orders, "Ruan Yu, make some tea. Huang, inform downstairs that I won't be working today!"

The two acted immediately upon hearing the instructions.

Bai Xiaosheng met him halfway, laughing, "Mr. Wen Yan, you're too courteous!"

"You're the one being courteous! It's been a while, your formal address sounds awkward; just use my name! This isn't a formal occasion. Come, have a seat!" Wen Yan affectionately pulled Bai Xiaosheng toward the sofa area.

Wen Yan had a certain sternness toward others but treated Bai Xiaosheng like a warm breeze.

Bai Xiaosheng also had a very positive impression of him.

After a few words, they conversed like old friends.

Once Huang and Ruan Yu finished their tasks and left, only the two of them remained, making conversation easy.

After discussing Bai Xiaosheng's experiences in South America, Wen Yan spoke with emotion, "You've been through a lot! However, you're truly a wonderful person! Rest assured, enduring hardships will lead to great fortune!"

Bai Xiaosheng chuckled, "Isn't fortune already here? I'm here to be your assistant. When can I officially report to you, boss?"

"Aren't we already starting now?" Wen Yan spread his hands, smiling, "Let's consider this it."

Bai Xiaosheng paused, then laughed, "This is indeed quite unique."

They both shared a knowing smile.

"By the way, later I'll take you to meet the other vice presidents. Hmm, there are only four of them here at headquarters right now, but it doesn't matter. You've met Lu Cheng'an and Li Yunyuan before, right?" Wen Yan smiled.

Bai Xiaosheng nodded.

When he first came to headquarters, he met those two elders and had a great impression of them. They should also have a favorable impression of him.

Jiang Kuo mentioned that they had praised his reforms in the Greater China Region multiple times.

"The other two, one of them is Mr. Morgan," Wen Yan said meaningfully, "Jiang Kuo should have mentioned him to you."

Bai Xiaosheng nodded without hesitation.

"Mr. Morgan is quite displeased with our Inspection Department." Wen Yan said, "Moreover, he isn't too fond of the Asia Division either!"

"Why?" Bai Xiaosheng asked curiously.

Wen Yan let out a rare cold laugh, "Originally, his family tried to stir things up in the Asian financial sector but was suppressed by various alliances. Our companies in the Greater China Region also helped to counter his family, not specifically targeting him. However, Morgan is someone who holds grudges."

Wen Yan paused for a moment, saying, "Morgan wields significant power in our group. The South America region is his domain, so he spared no effort in backing Landvo, hoping to make a comeback."

Bai Xiaosheng nodded slightly.

It seemed that he had clipped Mr. Morgan's significant wings, ensuring further animosity.

"Besides, there's another major regional division under Morgan's control!" Wen Yan continued.

Bai Xiaosheng listened intently.

"North America Division, which is currently his loyal supporter!" Wen Yan said gravely, adding with emotion, "The president of the North America Division, Caroline, is not someone to easily cross!"

Bai Xiaosheng was taken aback, suddenly at a loss for words.

Wen Yan wasn't aware that he might have already had some "displeasure" with that person...

Chapter 2139 - A Busy Day

Wen Yan mentioned Morgan and Caroline, and seeing a slight change in Bai Xiaosheng's expression, he immediately stopped talking.

"Am I, putting pressure on you?" Wen Yan couldn't help but ask with a smile.

Wen Yan thought Bai Xiaosheng was worried because he had just dragged Landvo into trouble and came from the Asia-Pacific Division, which might seriously offend Vice Chairman Morgan, causing him stress.

This was inevitable. If Wen Yan put himself in the same situation, he would have the same concerns and worries.

He didn't know that Bai Xiaosheng had also had some "unpleasantness" with Caroline...

"To be honest, a bit." Bai Xiaosheng candidly admitted.

After all, who wants to make unnecessary enemies at the headquarters, especially among the top people?

Currently, less than four years remain in Bai Xiaosheng's inheritance journey, and he has to race against time for promotion. Where does he have the energy to engage in intrigue with people in such high positions?

Wen Yan looked at Bai Xiaosheng and smiled, comforting him, "Regarding Vice Chairman Morgan, I don't think you need to worry too much. After all, the group has seven vice chairmen, and Mr. Morgan is just one of them. The other vice chairmen won't let him act too... extravagantly. What I just said may have been exaggerated. In fact, in the South American region and the North American region, only Landvo in the South American region is his staunch supporter. The head of the North American region, Caroline... this woman is merely in a cooperative relationship with Mr. Morgan because of their familial ties. When it comes to some major internal issues within the group, Caroline may not be firmly on his side. Moreover, after Morgan just protected Landvo, it wouldn't be appropriate for him to do anything excessive towards you again. Besides, you are my second-in-command in the Inspection Department now. This position is no child's play!"

As Wen Yan said this, he, who was always so gentle in front of Bai Xiaosheng, showed a hint of pride and dominance on his face.

Bai Xiaosheng naturally had heard about it from Jiang Kuo.

In terms of level, the second-in-command of the Inspection Department, regardless of rank, is nearly equivalent to the divisional president in terms of prestige and power, to the point where even the latter must show some reverence.

As for the first-in-command, they are directly comparable to the vice-chairman level.

Bai Xiaosheng was indeed very curious about how Wen Yan had managed to secure such a position.

Of course, this wasn't the time to ask.

"Hearing you say that, I feel much more at ease now." Bai Xiaosheng said with a smile, then curiously added, "Judging by your words, Caroline isn't fully aligned with Morgan. Could she be associated with other vice chairmen?"

Wen Yan smiled, took a sip of tea, and said leisurely, "That's not something to rush. You'll find out naturally in the future."

"I can only say that Morgan allows her to be this way. It just goes to show this woman is not simple." Wen Yan sighed.

Bai Xiaosheng silently sighed in his heart.

Look at my luck, getting involved with anyone who isn't simple...

And not in a good way...

Hopefully, Caroline's brother Robert didn't say anything chaotic to his sister after going back yesterday.

"It's also fortunate that when I mentioned my name to Robert, I only told him 'Bai'." Bai Xiaosheng felt a small sense of relief and secretly hoped that Caroline wouldn't investigate further into that 'Bai'.

Wen Yan put down his teacup, glanced at the time, and said to Bai Xiaosheng, "It's about time. I'll take you around to meet the vice chairmen. After all, you are my second-in-command in the Inspection Department, and you must pay a formal visit to the vice chairmen."

Bai Xiaosheng nodded immediately, putting aside those irrelevant thoughts.

"By the way, I see you brought your attendants, the same two as before. They must be trustworthy. I've already asked Huang and Ruan Yu to take them to handle some related procedures. However, there are still some things that you'll need to take care of in the next few days. Once all that's done, you'll officially be my deputy, the rightful second-in-command of our Inspection Department!" Wen Yan added.

"Thank you for the trouble!" Bai Xiaosheng expressed his gratitude.

Wen Yan smiled, "You're holding two positions. I hope in the next year or two, you'll establish new achievements and open our eyes, and come to the headquarters as soon as possible. But by then, you're likely to advance another level, which would be at the vice-chairman level. Even I'd have to work under you!"

Wen Yan seemed to be joking.

Bai Xiaosheng also responded with a smile, saying he didn't dare. But he knew in his heart that this was indeed his path.

Then, Wen Yan took Bai Xiaosheng out of the Inspection Department to visit the offices of the vice chairmen.

It's said that each of the seven vice chairmen occupies an entire floor in the skyscraper of the headquarters.

Vice chairman offices, attendants' offices, private kitchens, private gyms...

Everything imaginable is there, the most luxurious setup.

Wen Yan also introduced this to Bai Xiaosheng along the way, stating that it was Old Chairman Bai Zhenbei who set it up for everyone, considering their hard work and advanced age.

Additionally, each vice chairman holds a substantial amount of shares in the group, making them major company shareholders.

Bai Xiaosheng naturally nodded, feeling emotional.

To serve as a vice chairman at Zhenbei Group's headquarters is truly a lifetime iron rice bowl.

Wen Yan took Bai Xiaosheng to first meet Lu Cheng'an and Li Yunyuan.

These two vice chairmen, one with a kind and pleasant demeanor, the other stern and unsmiling, were both upright individuals and most respected by Wen Yan.

They had met Bai Xiaosheng before, and today, upon meeting again, they weren't strangers.

"Good lad, indeed impressive! Not only has he made the Greater China Region flourish, setting an example for other divisions of the group, but also rectified wrongs and unearthed hidden troubles within the group. Excellent!" When Lu Cheng'an saw Bai Xiaosheng, he didn't hold back his praises.

Even afterwards, at Li Yunyuan's place, the usually reserved Li Yunyuan commended Bai Xiaosheng a bit, encouraging him to keep up the good work.

After coming out from the two vice chairmen, Wen Yan jested with Bai Xiaosheng about receiving affirmations from both vice chairmen, suggesting that his future held boundless possibilities and that he should seize the opportunity to keep advancing, as he is sure to reach new heights.

To this, Bai Xiaosheng responded with a smile.

After visiting Vice Chairmen Lu Cheng'an and Li Yunyuan, it was already two in the afternoon. Wen Yan took Bai Xiaosheng to the company's internal restaurant for a meal.

Meals for senior management were of Michelin three-star standard, though Wen Yan laughingly remarked that the private chefs of the vice chairmen were the truly top-notch ones.

Bai Xiaosheng joked that if given the chance, he'd definitely want to try it out.

After a brief rest, Wen Yan took Bai Xiaosheng to the third vice chairman's office.

This one also acknowledged Bai Xiaosheng's accomplishments, although not as genuinely pleased as Lu Cheng'an and Li Yunyuan.

Finally, Wen Yan took Bai Xiaosheng to meet Mr. Morgan.

Upon arriving there, Bai Xiaosheng immediately noticed that Mr. Morgan's office was far more elaborately decorated and luxurious than the other three vice chairmen's. All the furnishings were priceless authentic pieces, even the teacups and saucers were from a set of rare Huaxia Ruyao porcelain, of exceedingly high value.

Mr. Morgan's smile at Bai Xiaosheng was unsettling, praising Bai Xiaosheng as "daring and decisive", yet his words seemed both complimenting and veiled with admonition, implying Bai Xiaosheng should perform well in the future, while exuding a faintly threatening undertone.

Such depth of cunning is indeed rare, making one feel an enormous sense of oppression.

Even Bai Xiaosheng couldn't help but take a deep breath after leaving his office.

Wen Yan didn't say a word, merely giving Bai Xiaosheng a bitter smile and shrugging his shoulders.

Even he felt suppressed.

When this round of visits was finally concluded, it was already the end of the workday, and Wen Yan still had plenty of issues to deal with, as he had spent an entire day for Bai Xiaosheng.

Bai Xiaosheng immediately took his leave.

In the coming days, Bai Xiaosheng still had some procedures to handle at headquarters and other things to attend to, but that's a story for another time.

Joining Lin Weiwei and Lei Ying on the way back, Bai Xiaosheng couldn't help but show signs of fatigue.

Each of today's meetings required mental and physical effort. At this moment, Bai Xiaosheng was solely thinking of having a good rest.

Yet, just then, a phone call came through.

It was Bai Yuefeng.

"Hey, Bai Xiaosheng, you haven't forgotten our agreement, right? Why haven't you called me!" Bai Yuefeng said assertively over the phone.

Bai Xiaosheng held his forehead, he had really forgotten.

However, now he "remembered" again.

"Honestly, you will come, right!" Bai Yuefeng asked.

Bai Xiaosheng gritted his teeth, "Yeah, I promised, so of course... I have to go!"

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Bai Xiaosheng and his companions took a taxi and halfway through they changed direction, heading towards Chinatown.

On the way, Bai Xiaosheng asked Red Lotus to help ease his nerves and help him relieve his fatigue.

With Red Lotus's help, it was naturally a piece of cake.

By the time they reached Chinatown, Bai Xiaosheng's mental fatigue had been reduced by seventy to eighty percent.

In the eyes of Lin Weiwei and Lei Ying, it seemed as if Bai Xiaosheng had only dozed off for a moment.

At the agreed location, Bai Xiaosheng and his companions met Bai Yuefeng. The eldest daughter of the Bai Family in Chinatown was dressed quite formally and stood on the roadside looking stunning, with several suited bodyguards behind her and a row of vehicles ready to serve.

This was their first time seeing the grandeur of Miss Bai's entourage.

Noticing the attention Bai Xiaosheng and his companions were paying to the entourage behind her, Bai Yuefeng couldn't help but shrug and smile wryly, "My dad said if I want to go out at night, I have to go like this; otherwise, it's not safe..."

Bai Xiaosheng smiled, nodded understandingly.

As the night fell and the street lights came on, a young lady going out naturally needed to be more cautious.

Eventually, the four of them boarded a customized business vehicle worth tens of millions Huaxia Currency.

The vehicle was tall and grand, resembling a motorhome, with an interior like a large living room, brightly lit, luxuriously furnished, featuring top-notch handmade carpets underfoot, elegant music playing, and a bar stocked with high-end drinks.

Even the well-informed Bai Xiaosheng and his companions couldn't help but nod frequently, secretly admiring that the Bai Family truly knew how to enjoy life.

"This is one of my dad's exclusive vehicles, make yourselves at home," Bai Yuefeng said as she went over to the bar, picked a bottle of low-alcohol wine, and shook it towards the three with a smile, "We'll be attending a cocktail party later and taste other wines. Let's start with this one on the way."

Bai Xiaosheng and his companions followed the host's lead with no objection.

When the car started, it was extremely smooth, so much so that one could hardly feel it moving.

The privacy glass provided a clear view of the nightscape outside, while the inside remained concealed.

Everyone sat around the sofa, sipping fine wine, enjoying the music, and engaging in conversation and laughter.

The topic came to Bai Xiaosheng's rapid promotion, and Bai Yuefeng couldn't help but express her curiosity, continuously asking Bai Xiaosheng, "How did you manage to achieve this? It only took you two years to reach a position that Robert's sister took ten years to reach! You know, their family background is extraordinary and they have extensive cooperation with Zhenbei Group. You didn't rely on family background or Xuelian's connections, yet you... achieved all this in just two years?"

Bai Yuefeng was full of curiosity.

"Nothing much, just worked a little harder," Bai Xiaosheng replied casually, sipping the amber liquid in his glass with a slight smile.

A little harder... is all?

These words made Bai Yuefeng roll her eyes at him skeptically.

I don't believe you!

Bai Xiaosheng remained calm and composed.

Beside him, Lin Weiwei couldn't help but laugh and said to Bai Yuefeng, "Xiaosheng is just being modest. Actually, he's quite impressive."

Once Lin Weiwei started talking, she couldn't stop.

"You know, he can play piano pieces above grade eight, has extraordinary calligraphy skills, knows brewing, cooking, appraising, and more—each to a master level in my opinion. Plus, he knows kung fu and is exceptionally skilled. You saw yesterday how he and Lei Ying took down so many people. And there's more..."

Having been with Bai Xiaosheng for several years, Lin Weiwei had witnessed countless incredible things, and she talked nonstop for twenty minutes without any sign of stopping.

Lei Ying, uncharacteristically, also chimed in with supplementary comments.

Bai Yuefeng listened in astonishment, repeatedly exclaiming incredulity and frequently seeking verification from Bai Xiaosheng on whether it was true.

"Just a little bit, not as exaggerated as Weiwei says."

"Just a hobby, nothing worth mentioning."

"It's nothing much..."

The more humble Bai Xiaosheng appeared, the more amazed Bai Yuefeng felt.

In the end, Bai Yuefeng practically looked at him as if he were an alien and couldn't help but "propose" to Lin Weiwei and Lei Ying, "Why don't we send him to a research institute for study? I seriously suspect he's either an alien or has traveled from somewhere else. Hey, with all those popular novels from Huaxia I've read, I think that's the truth."

Bai Yuefeng even pressured Bai Xiaosheng to "reveal the truth" about where he had traveled from.

This left Bai Xiaosheng feeling quite helpless.

Fortunately, at this moment, the car stopped, and the assistant pulled open the partition at the front of the compartment, reporting to Bai Yuefeng, "Miss, we've arrived."

Only then did Bai Xiaosheng breathe a sigh of relief, pointing to the car door to remind Bai Yuefeng, "We're here, let's get off."

Bai Yuefeng finally put the matter aside for the moment.

After getting off the car, Bai Xiaosheng and his companions realized they were in front of a skyscraper.

Looking around, Bai Xiaosheng noticed the brightly lit surroundings and the grand architecture all around.

They were in a central area of Ganande.

The skyscraper was primarily a hotel, incorporating dining, sightseeing, conferences, and various other venues, with elegantly dressed people coming and going.

Fortunately, Bai Xiaosheng and his companions had dressed formally for their visit to the headquarters today, and upon meeting Bai Yuefeng, they noticed she was also dressed formally.

Sensing this, Bai Xiaosheng figured the occasion they were attending had a high standard, so he didn't bother asking if he needed to change his outfit.

And seeing Bai Xiaosheng dressed appropriately, Bai Yuefeng didn't mention anything.

"Let's go," Bai Yuefeng led Bai Xiaosheng and his companions inside, with two Bai Family bodyguards quickly following suit.

"You haven't told us what we're here for," Bai Xiaosheng couldn't help but lower his voice and ask Bai Yuefeng.

Yesterday, Bai Yuefeng mentioned going to an interesting place, and on the car, she mentioned attending a banquet.

A banquet and interest didn't seem to have much in common.

At least, in Bai Xiaosheng's understanding, it didn't.

Bai Yuefeng lowered her voice as they walked in, explaining, "Today, I'm here at the invitation of a friend to attend a birthday party for my friend's friend. Many celebrities will be attending, and there will be performances, including comedians and singers. It should be a lot of fun."

I see.

Only then did Bai Xiaosheng realize the situation.

But the way she said "friend" and "friend's friend" sounded like a tongue-twister.

Considering Bai Yuefeng's friends, they were undoubtedly remarkable. A birthday party with numerous celebrity attendees proved just that.

As they walked into the hall, a group of people entered from the other side.

Leading the other group were a man and a woman engaged in conversation, when they unintentionally spotted Bai Yuefeng, both of their eyes lit up.

“Yuefeng!” An obviously mixed-race girl excitedly waved her hand and, stepping away from her group, hurried over in eight-centimeter high heels.

She was pretty, but not quite as striking as Bai Yuefeng, nor did she match Lin Weiwei, but she carried a certain extravagant grace, suggesting a notable background. However, her immediate rush to see Bai Yuefeng also showed she wasn’t overly concerned with wealthy family rules and norms.

Seeing things from this perspective, it’s no wonder she could be Bai Yuefeng’s friend.

“Jessica,” Bai Yuefeng greeted her happily, making sure to whisper to Bai Xiaosheng, “She’s a good friend of mine and also a college classmate.”

Oh, there’s that connection?

Bai Xiaosheng watched as Jessica finally caught up, seeing the two girls happily chatting hand in hand.

Then, Bai Xiaosheng looked up at the group coming over from the opposite side.

The leading figure was a white man, around Bai Xiaosheng’s age, with a face like a movie star and a charming smile.

At the moment, he was watching Bai Yuefeng and Jessica from a distance.

Bai Xiaosheng overheard Jessica whispering to Bai Yuefeng, “Hey, let me introduce that handsome guy Cooper to you. Why won’t you agree to date him? He’s so admiring of and infatuated with you. Knowing Robert is also pursuing you really doesn’t please him. He even considered challenging Robert to a duel! Today is his birthday party, don’t be so cold and give me some face, please.”

Hearing this, Bai Xiaosheng couldn't help but be intrigued.

Another admirer of Bai Yuefeng?

Indeed, the eldest daughter of the Bai Family in Chinatown seemed to have many admirers from various families.

Thinking about it, it was understandable.

The Bai Family was famous across America and even North America for their wealth, reputation, and status. Having an eldest daughter of marriageable age still seeking a suitor was bound to capture the attention of young talents from all around.

Perhaps Wei Xuelian was once the same, but now she only belonged to me! Bai Xiaosheng mused inwardly.

At this moment, Bai Xiaosheng lifted his gaze to the handsome man walking towards them.

Could this Cooper be him?