

Big Shot 311

Chapter 311: Counterattack

Qiao Nian's cold voice and sarcastic gaze fell on the three of them. "By the way, I have a big gift for you!"

With that, Qiao Nian opened Weibo again and posted the video she had prepared beforehand.

Gao Lin had a bad feeling about this. She opened Weibo and saw that Qiao Nian had posted another indecent video.

The number of video hits increased exponentially.

Gao Lin looked at the accompanying text in disbelief.

"The video below is to clarify the evidence of Xia Xue, Gao Lin, and Liu Yu slandering me. This Weibo post will be deleted in ten minutes."

Curious, everyone played the video.

A man's heavy breathing and a woman's satisfied moans came from each phone.

Immediately, Weibo exploded. It took two minutes for it to recover.

The private parts of the people in the video had all been pixelated, but it was as if the video had not been pixelated at all. One could vaguely see the specific parts of the video.

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The person in the video was clearly the school belle, Xia Xue, whom everyone admired and respected.

The people from the music school recalled the indecent photos on Tieba and saw the contents of the video. They instantly understood. Someone had replaced Xia Xue's head with Qiao Nian's head, framing Qiao Nian and making everyone think that Qiao Nian was the one who had done those dirty things.

However, she did not expect Xia Xue to be the culprit.

The video was the best proof.

Xia Xue looked at the video in Gao Lin's hand, and the blood was drained from her face.

In the second half of the video, Liu Yu sat seductively on the lap of a fifty-year-old man with white hair, kissing him. The man's hand even reached into Liu Yu's clothes.

The scene was extremely exciting. Her clothes were taken off bit by bit, making one blush and their hearts race.

Everyone was stunned.

How could there be such a brazen woman in this world!

In order to steal the position of a female musician, they had actually framed Qiao Nian for all the despicable things they had done.

Qiao Nian was clearly the true female musician!

Liu Yu looked at the video on her phone and felt like dying. She fell to the ground and started crying.

This video was the final straw for Xia Xue and Liu Yu.

Xia Xue had been certified as the belle of the faculty on Weibo because of her good looks. She often took selfies and had more than 200,000 fans.

Previously, after Brother Cao posted that Xia Xue was Mr. Dong Hua's female musician, her Weibo followers skyrocketed to one million.

Xia Xue's comments section was originally filled with praise. When the video was released, the comments section was filled with hatred.

"F*ck, I can't take it anymore. What the hell have I fallen for?"

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"This is so disgusting. She committed so many evil deeds, and even framed someone else for it. She even wanted to ruin someone's life. No human being would do such a disgusting thing!"

"Birds of a feather flock together. These three are birds of a feather. Although there's no video of Gao Lin, I guess she's not a good person either!"

"I think I've vomited. This won't do. I have to go to the hospital!"

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Xia Xue glared at Qiao Nian with resentment written all over her face. Gritting her teeth, she said, "Are you trying to ruin us completely?"

When Qiao Nian heard Xia Xue's question, she smiled and admitted openly, "Yes, did you just realize that? You're as stupid as a pig."

"You're simply too vicious!" Xia Xue roared.

"Vicious?" Qiao Nian couldn't help but laugh. She retorted, "How can you say that? After all, you're the least qualified person to say that."

Xia Xue froze.

"I learned it from you. You only took a photo of me getting into Gu Zhou's car. Then, you began to make a big fuss on the school's Tieba forum. The posts slandering me were even posted on various social media platforms. At that time, you wanted to ruin me. When you did these things, why didn't you say that you were vicious?"

When Liu Yu heard Qiao Nian's words, she cried and roared, "You posted a video. We only posted pictures!"

Chapter 312: Scolding

“Can you be forgiven just because you posted photos?” Qiao Nian retorted, her voice as cold as ice. “What’s the difference? Moreover, I’ve already given you two chances. As long as you apologize and admit your mistakes, I won’t pursue the matter further. But what about you?”

Qiao Nian paused for a moment, then shook her head gently and said, “You continue to slander me. You have no intention of repenting.”

Qiao Nian’s words instantly angered everyone present. Many girls began to scold them.

“In my opinion, there’s no need to give such people a chance. If it were me, I would definitely ruin their reputations. They won’t be able to face anyone for the rest of their lives. To make an issue out of their innocence is simply too vicious!”

“You’ve done such a vicious thing, yet you’re blaming others for trying to clear your name. How can there be such a thing in this world? Qiao Nian is also a young girl. If you label her as a dirty girl, how will she find a job in the future? How will she get married and have children? You tried to impersonate her as the female musician, yet you still want to kill her. You’re the vicious ones!”

“That’s right, that’s right. If Qiao Nian didn’t have the ability to clarify this matter, she would probably have met a tragic end. Who would pity her?”

“You’re making things up because you’re kind, and she’s clearly evil. How dare you bully her like this? Why can’t she resist just because she’s being bullied?”

“We’re all girls. Everyone knows that purity is so important in this society!”

“Pfft, are you even worthy of being girls? All of you have such messy private lives. You look obedient, but I didn’t expect you to be rotten to the core!”

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The overwhelming curses made Xia Xue break down. She screamed loudly.

Gao Lin felt very innocent. She had only wanted Xia Xue to become Mr. Dong Hua’s female musician. She had never expected the photos Xia Xue and Liu Yu had given her to be theirs.

What made Gao Lin most speechless was that the two of them had actually taken a video after doing such a despicable thing. What kind of fetish was this!

When the two of them took those photos, she really thought that the person in the photos was Qiao Nian!

She had been tricked!

She had really been deceived!

Even if she told Qiao Nian the truth now and told her that she wasn’t involved in this matter, Qiao Nian probably wouldn’t believe her. Her reputation would still be ruined.

Gao Lin couldn't take it anymore and fainted.

Liu Yu cried in agony. She didn't know if she still had a future.

Qiao Nian looked at the time on her phone. When the time was up, she immediately deleted the Weibo post.

However, she believed that many people had probably saved the video she had posted. Some people would even take screenshots of them. The marketing accounts would definitely take advantage of the traffic. This matter would continue to be trending until something else that could shake the world happened. Only then would everyone forget about it.

Qiao Nian glanced at Xia Xue and Liu Yu. These two people didn't deserve any sympathy. This was what they deserved.

Qiao Nian looked at Wang Xuan and said softly, "Alright, let's go back!"

Wang Xuan glanced at the three of them, a disdainful smile appearing on her face. Only then did she leave with Qiao Nian.

She was already very shocked that Qiao Nian was Gu Zhou's wife. Now that it was revealed that Qiao Nian was the principal of An University, Wang Xuan could not calm down for a long time.

Oh my god, so there really was such an outstanding person in this world.

Half an hour later, Xia Xue, Gao Lin, and Liu Yu were expelled from the school for causing damage to the school's reputation and ruining its reputation. Moreover, the school would never work with these three people in the music industry.

When this announcement was made, everyone sighed.

The three of them would probably never be able to walk the path of music again.

Some people felt that it was a pity, while others applauded. The three malignant tumors had finally left.

After Qiao Nian dealt with the three shameless people, she felt much happier.

Chapter 313: Borrowing Money

She was the one who had called Gu Zhou to clarify things for her. However, she had not expected Mr. Dong Hua to take the initiative to post on Weibo to appoint her as his female musician.

Fortunately, this matter had been resolved, and her life had returned to normal.

At night, Qiao Nian returned to the Gu family villa. Just as she reached her room, she heard Gu Zhou on the phone.

Gu Zhou's voice was low, and Qiao Nian couldn't hear him clearly.

"I'll be there right away. No matter what, you have to find it!"

Qiao Nian was slightly stunned. This was the first time she had seen Gu Zhou so anxious. Had Gu Zhou lost something important?

Before Qiao Nian could think clearly, Gu Zhou turned around and saw her.

Their eyes met.

Before Qiao Nian could speak, she saw Gu Zhou's guilty expression. However, Gu Zhou quickly regained his composure.

"Are you planning to go out?" Smiling, Qiao Nian walked in and asked casually.

"Yes," Gu Zhou answered.

Qiao Nian put down the violin and sat at the side, reading the scores Brother Cao had sent her. Mr. Dong Hua's concert was at eight o'clock tomorrow night. She wanted to memorize all the scores before the concert began.

This was a huge project. She could not relax at all.

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Gu Zhou had been worried that Qiao Nian would ask him what he was doing outside. Now that he saw that Qiao Nian was looking at her phone, he frowned slightly and asked, "Shouldn't you be asking me where I'm going?"

Qiao Nian was memorizing her score. When she heard Gu Zhou's voice, she froze for a moment and looked at him in confusion. "Why should I ask?"

Gu Zhou was speechless.

Qiao Nian was speechless.

After five seconds of silence, Gu Zhou left with a cold expression. Qiao Nian lowered her head and continued reading her scores.

Unless there was a billion-yuan business opportunity, no one could disturb her.

By the time Qiao Nian finished memorizing all the scores, it was already midnight. She put down her phone and saw that Gu Zhou had not returned. She wanted to practice with the violin, but she was worried that her voice would disturb Matriarch Gu, so she picked up the phone and called Xiao Xiao.

"Are you busy?"

"Yes, a little."

Xiao Xiao's voice sounded a little distant. She must have put her phone aside and put it on speaker.

"Are there any guests?"

"No, just me. It's very quiet here."

"I'll go look for you now." Qiao Nian smiled.

There was a pause on the other end of the line, followed by Xiao Xiao's voice. "Why do you want to come here? This is a funeral parlor. Don't tell me you're here to practice your instrument again!"

"Xiao Xiao, you're so smart. Be good and wait for me there!"

With that, Qiao Nian hung up.

Practicing the violin required a quiet place. Moreover, one of the songs was written for the loved ones who had passed away. If she could practice it in the funeral home, it would be easier for her to inject her soul into it. It should sublimate the entire song.

Forty minutes later, Qiao Nian arrived at the funeral home. After parking the car, she took out her phone and was about to call Xiao Xiao when she heard a young child's voice.

"Auntie, can you lend me ten dollars?"

Qiao Nian was startled. She turned around and saw a beautiful little girl standing under the streetlamp.

There was a shadow.

Qiao Nian heaved a sigh of relief. Since this little girl had a shadow, it meant that she wasn't a ghost.

To be honest, it was indeed strange to meet a child asking to borrow money from her in a funeral parlor filled with dead people in the middle of the night.

Of course, no matter who it was, their first reaction would be that they had run into a ghost.

Qiao Nian walked towards the little girl. Only when she got closer did she get a good look at her.

This little girl looked to be only four years old. Her eyes looked like those of a fox, and also like those of a peach blossom.

The little girl's long, curly hair made her exquisite facial features look exceptionally adorable.

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However, this little girl had one hand in her pocket. For some reason, she looked a little cool.

The little girl frowned slightly, her thin lips pursed tightly, giving off a cold aura.

"You..." Qiao Nian had wanted to pull the little girl away, but the little girl avoided her hand, as if she didn't like to interact with strangers. She squatted down and smiled at the little girl, asking with concern, "It's so late. Why are you here alone? Your parents should be very worried about you. Can you tell Auntie where you live so that I can send you home?"

The little girl looked at Qiao Nian steadily and said coldly, "Auntie, can you lend me ten dollars?"

Qiao Nian was slightly stunned. Puzzled, she asked, "Why do you want money?"

"I'm hungry."

Qiao Nian looked at the little girl in front of her and seemed to recall her own child. If that child survived, he would probably be the same age as this little girl.

She would definitely treasure her child dearly. She would never let her child wander around and starve.

For some reason, Qiao Nian's heart ached. She said gently, "There's a porridge shop not far away. Auntie will take you there to eat. Is that okay?"

The little girl looked at Qiao Nian and hesitated, deep in thought.

Her father had told her in the past not to leave with strangers.

However, this auntie didn't look like a bad person.

The little girl hesitated for a moment, then nodded and said, "Okay."

Before the little girl left, she glanced at Qiao Nian's car plate number.

The porridge shop was not far away. According to the little girl's wishes, Qiao Nian ordered porridge and a cabbage bun for her. She also ordered a bowl of porridge and ate it slowly.

After the little girl was full, she wiped her mouth with a tissue. She even handed Qiao Nian a tissue.

While Qiao Nian was paying the bill, she heard the little girl say to the boss, "Uncle, may I ask if you can give me a pen and paper to use?"

When the owner of the porridge shop heard a pleasant voice, his gaze fell on the little girl's face and he smiled brightly. This was the first time he had seen such a cute little girl. He handed the pen and paper to the little girl.

Qiao Nian watched as the little girl walked to a table with a pen and paper. She sat on a stool and wrote seriously.

A four-year-old child could write?

Qiao Nian was a little surprised. After paying the bill, she walked over to the little girl and saw her handing the paper to her.

Puzzled, Qiao Nian took the piece of paper. Her eyes lit up when she saw the words on it.

The handwriting on the paper was still considered neat, but it was already very good for a four-year-old child.

Gu Qi owes you 15 yuan.

Gu Qi looked up at Qiao Nian and said, "Just now, the boss said that this meal would cost 15 yuan. Take it as my treat. Thank you for bringing me here."

Qiao Nian looked at the IOU in her hand. This little girl was serious. She was only four years old.

Instinctively, she wanted to reject her. However, she thought about how Gu Qi would definitely be very upset if she did so.

Qiao Nian couldn't bear to see her upset. She put the note away solemnly and said with a smile, "Then don't forget!"

Gu Qi nodded seriously and smiled.

Qiao Nian smiled as well. This was the first time Gu Qi had smiled at her. Although it was just a smile, she looked like an exquisite doll.

On the other side, the owner of the porridge shop looked at Qiao Nian in confusion.

This lady looked quite rich. How could she be so stingy as to let a child treat her to a meal?

Holding her bag, Qiao Nian smiled at Gu Qi and said, "Alright, can you tell me where your house is now? I'll send you back!"

When Gu Qi heard Qiao Nian's words, she refused. "I can go home by myself."

Qiao Nian was still worried when she heard Gu Qi's words. Just as she was about to speak, she saw Gu Qi take out her phone. "I come here often, so I know the way home."

Qiao Nian frowned slightly. "But..."

Chapter 315: I Believe You!

"You don't believe me too?" Gu Qi frowned slightly and looked at Qiao Nian seriously.

Could it be that this woman, like everyone else, felt that she was not a normal child?

When Qiao Nian heard Gu Qi say "too", her heart ached for some reason. What kind of environment did this child live in to ask such a question?

Children needed to be trusted to establish their confidence.

Qiao Nian looked at Gu Qi with heartache. Smiling, she said, "Of course I believe you, but I want to know where your house is. You even wrote me an IOU. What if I can't find you in the future?"

Gu Qi thought about it seriously and felt that Qiao Nian's words made sense. She took out her phone, turned it on, and opened WeChat. "Let's add each other on WeChat. Don't worry, I always don't return the money I owe."

Qiao Nian was slightly stunned.

Gu Qi coughed awkwardly and said seriously, "I mean I'll always pay back what I owe."

The smile on Qiao Nian's face grew even brighter. Coupled with Gu Qi's WeChat, she thought that she would secretly tail Gu Qi later. She would leave after she got home.

Gu Qi walked to the door of the porridge shop. She seemed to have thought of something and turned to look at Qiao Nian. "Don't follow me!"

The smile on Qiao Nian's face froze for a moment, then widened.

"By the way, as a girl, don't wander around in the middle of the night. It's very dangerous here!" Gu Qi instructed sternly.

Gu Qi thought of her car plate number. It would protect her in the future.

Qiao Nian smiled. It was strange for a four-year-old girl to worry about an old auntie.

However, Qiao Nian's heart warmed.

A daughter was the best. A daughter was like a considerate little cotton-padded jacket.

Qiao Nian had initially planned to follow Gu Qi five minutes after she left, but when she thought about what Gu Qi had said, she didn't want to go against her wishes.

Qiao Nian took out her phone and used her hacking skills to enter Skynet. From the surveillance cameras, she watched the route Gu Qi took. When Gu Qi walked to an apartment, the signal instantly disappeared.

It seemed that a very strong firewall had been installed in this apartment. Most people would not be able to crack it.

Qiao Nian naturally didn't want to pry into other people's privacy, so she closed the website.

At this moment, her phone began to ring.

Qiao Nian opened it and saw that it was Gu Qi who had sent her a location after she got home. She was relieved.

Gu Qi stood at the door of her house, hesitating to enter.

Chen Qing's surprised voice came from the house. "Is Young Master avoiding Skynet on purpose? The places he goes are all blind spots that can't be seen by the surveillance cameras. If he didn't come back himself, then..."

Chen Qing was truly stunned!

How did Young Master know where to find Skynet?

He had actually dodged it perfectly.

That was impossible. Young Master was still a child.

Chen Qing looked at Gu Zhou in panic and asked with uncertainty, "Second Master, could Young Master have been kidnapped? Should we call the police?"

Gu Zhou clenched his fists tightly, his brow furrowed. His expression turned serious.

When that child was a year old, he was just like any other child. However, he spoke less and less after that.

Worried that there was something wrong with the child's health, Gu Zhou took the child to various large hospitals for a checkup. However, the results of the hospital examination clearly told him that there was nothing wrong with the child's vocal cords.

The child was just a little antisocial and unwilling to communicate with others.

This was the first time he had left home on his own. He had even deliberately turned off his phone.

Chen Qing's gaze inadvertently fell on the door. He saw Gu Qi standing there.

"Young Master, you're finally back!" Smiling, Chen Qing stepped forward and hurriedly pulled Gu Qi in. He led Gu Qi to the sofa and sat down. "Why are your hands so cold? Let me warm them for you."

Gu Zhou stood at the side, his brow furrowed. He stared unblinkingly at Gu Qi.

Chapter 316: Sneaking Away

At this moment, the nanny ran out. With a worried expression, she said anxiously, "Young Master, my Young Master, why did you run out by yourself?!"

The nanny sat at the side and helped Gu Qi put on a shirt. She said softly, "I told you to listen to Dad and stay at home to study. How could you sneak out? Fortunately, you're fine. There are bad people everywhere. If you're taken away by bad people, you'll never see Dad again!"

When Gu Qi heard the nanny's words, he lowered his head slightly and did not speak. His eyes gradually dimmed.

Seeing this, the nanny, Zhang Yi, couldn't help but sigh. She looked up at Gu Zhou. "Mr. Gu, this child is really worrying. He doesn't want to do his homework, and the tutor can't do anything about him. What should we do now? This child is already four and a half years old. He often goes out, and he doesn't have any sense of safety. What if he doesn't have basic common sense in the future?"

Gu Zhou walked up to Gu Qi. Chen Qing hurriedly gave up his seat and Gu Zhou sat down. His voice softened. "Why didn't you do your homework?"

"Daddy." Gu Qi pursed his lips. After calling out, he lowered his head to look at the floor.

Seeing Gu Qi like this, Zhang Yi sneered.

This child was indeed mentally retarded. Other than knowing how to call for help, no matter how she hit or scolded him, he would not say anything, nor would he complain.

Taking care of a mentally retarded child and receiving a high salary, Zhang Yi felt that this job was really easy.

Zhang Yi couldn't bear to leave this job behind. She said spontaneously, "Mr. Gu, I've been by Young Master's side for a year. My relationship with him is also good. Although I'm just a university student, it's easy for me to teach Young Master some kindergarten knowledge. I'll help Young Master learn how to stand tall in society and not be bullied in the future."

Seeing Gu Qi lower his head in silence, Gu Zhou nodded gently. "Little Zhang, it's been hard on you."

"What trouble? This child is so adorable. He's so likable!" Zhang Yi said considerately.

Gu Zhou turned to look at Chen Qing and instructed, "Double her salary."

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Chen Qing answered expressionlessly, "Yes."

Zhang Yi was overjoyed. She had only said it casually. She didn't expect Gu Zhou to be willing to pay double the price. She had initially asked for 50,000 yuan a month. If she received twice that amount, wouldn't that be 100,000 yuan?

If she earned more than a million yuan a year, wouldn't she be rich and beautiful?

Zhang Yi's gaze fell on Gu Qi again. It seemed that this little fool was really precious!

Zhang Yi believed that as long as she did a good job and made Gu Zhou think that this little fool could not leave her, she might be able to marry into the Gu family in the future.

Zhang Yi's gaze fell on Gu Zhou's handsome face, and she was overjoyed.

After Gu Zhou and Chen Qing left, Zhang Yi swiftly closed the door. She quickly ran to the window and heaved a sigh of relief when she saw that Gu Zhou's car had already left the entrance.

Zhang Yi drew the curtains. The gentleness and kindness in her eyes disappeared, replaced by displeasure and coldness. She exuded a sinister aura as she walked towards Gu Qi.

"Have you grown up?" Zhang Yi walked up to Gu Qi and looked down at him. She scolded sternly, "I just slapped you. Do you have to run out? What, are you trying to kill me?"

The more Zhang Yi spoke, the angrier she became. She poked Gu Qi's head with her index finger. "Little mute, you fool. Let me tell you, just because you're disobedient, your grandmother doesn't even visit you anymore. Your mother doesn't want you, and your father doesn't come often either. Only I'm kind and don't despise you after taking care of you. You should be respectful to me, understand?"

Gu Qi nodded. When he lowered his head, his delicate brow furrowed.

Of course, Zhang Yi did not see Gu Qi's expression. Now that she was satisfied after ranting, she looked much better. "Children have to be punished if they do anything wrong. Go and bring the fruit platter over from the kitchen."

Chapter 317: Retarded

Gu Qi slid off the sofa and walked towards the kitchen. He stood on a small stool and brought down a fruit platter from the countertop. Carefully, he carried the platter to Zhang Yi.

Zhang Yi looked at Gu Qi and was slightly stunned. Gu Qi had never bothered with her in the past. He was completely immersed in his own world, as if everything around him had nothing to do with her.

Zhang Yi's eyes darted to the side. "Bring over the homework your teacher told you to do!"

Gu Qi placed the fruit plate on the coffee table and walked towards the study. He took out his workbook from his small desk and walked back to Zhang Yi.

Seeing Gu Qi like this, Zhang Yi's eyes lit up. She said, "The homework assigned by the teacher starts from question one to ten. If you don't do it well, you won't be able to sleep!"

Gu Qi opened his notebook and leaned on the small coffee table with a pencil and wrote seriously.

Seeing Gu Qi's actions, Zhang Yi couldn't help but smile. As long as Gu Qi wrote well, Gu Zhou would definitely think that she had taught him well the next time he came. He might even give her more money.

Perhaps Gu Zhou would even marry her because she was the most suitable person to take care of Gu Qi.

Before Gu Qi wrote anything, he glanced at the closed door. Holding a pencil, he made a crooked stroke, ruining the book!

Zhang Yi, who had been eating fruits, flew into a rage when she saw Gu Qi's words. She had thought that Gu Qi had recovered, but he was still clueless "What the hell are you writing? Did you do it on purpose? You even ruined the notebook!"

Gu Qi stood in front of the coffee table and lowered his head in silence.

Zhang Yi grew even angrier. "Were you pretending to be obedient just now? I thought you had improved. I didn't expect a retard to be a retard. No wonder so many teachers couldn't teach you. If I'm not wrong, your mother must be a retard. Otherwise, how could she have given birth to a retard like you?"

The more Zhang Yi spoke, the angrier she became. She casually tore the notebook into shreds and roared, "You don't even know how to write a word now. How do you want me to report to your father? You fool! I really don't know how a retard like your mother can be with your father."

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When Gu Qi heard Zhang Yi's words, his pupils dilated and his eyes turned red.

No!

Mom wasn't a retard!

Mom must be very smart!

Mom must be the best mother in the world!

Zhang Yi sensed a change in Gu Qi and sneered. "Little fool, so you understand what I'm saying."

Gu Qi bit his lip and lowered his head, suppressing his tears.

This was the first time Zhang Yi had seen Gu Qi look so aggrieved. She said deliberately, "So you're upset. I thought you were a block of wood who didn't know anything. I really don't understand. Your father is so handsome and smart. How did he give birth to a child who doesn't know how to speak or learn? No matter how I think about it, it must be because your mother's stupid genes were passed down to you. That's why you're so stupid!"

Gu Qi's hand, which was holding the pencil, was trembling!

“Don’t worry. When I become your stepmother and give birth to a smart child, you’ll be an unwanted burden! Why are you looking at me? I told you to write. Write well. If you don’t, I’ll hit your palms and buttocks with your pencil later!”

Little Qi looked at Zhang Yi unhappily and threw the pencil aside.

Zhang Yi’s face turned green with anger. She immediately stood up, took the pencil, and pointed it at Gu Qi’s face. She roared, “Hand or butt? Choose for yourself!”

Gu Qi hesitated for a moment. From the corner of his eye, he glanced at the closed door and silently extended his hand.

“Idiot! I’m so angry!” Zhang Yi raised the pencil in his hand and was about to hit Gu Qi’s palm!

Bang!

With a loud bang, the door opened!

Zhang Yi turned his head and saw Gu Zhou’s cold face. His eyes seemed to want to swallow her alive.

Zhang Yi was so shocked that the pencil fell to the ground.

Chapter 318: Discovery

Gu Qi stood there calmly. He was not surprised by Gu Zhou’s appearance, as if he had known for a long time that Gu Zhou had not left.

Gu Zhou quickly walked up to Gu Qi and took his cold hand. After examining it carefully, he realized that Gu Qi’s palm had been red. Only then did he realize that Zhang Yi must have hit Gu Qi before.

A trace of ruthlessness flashed in Gu Zhou’s eyes. Suppressing his anger, he bent down and picked Gu Qi up, handing him to Chen Qing. “Take him upstairs now. Take good care of Young Master!”

Chen Qing didn’t even need to look at Gu Zhou’s expression. He had long sensed the cold aura emanating from Gu Zhou. He knew that Zhang Yi would definitely suffer tonight.

Chen Qing carried Gu Qi back upstairs and carefully placed him on the bed. He took Gu Qi’s hand and looked at the red mark on it. His eyes couldn’t help but turn red.

Even after Chen Qing closed the door, he could still hear the tragic cries downstairs. Gradually, there was no more sound, and the surroundings quietened down.

Chen Qing couldn’t help but frown. When Zhang Yi called, she said that Young Master had gone missing, so he and Second Young Master rushed over overnight.

After investigating the surveillance cameras, Chen Qing and Gu Zhou discovered that Zhang Yi clearly knew that Young Master would leave the house for a period of time every day, but she had never told them.

However, this time, the young master had gone out at night. Zhang Yi was probably afraid of taking responsibility, so she called.

Logically speaking, when Young Master went out, Zhang Yi should have gone out with him.

Why had Zhang Yi been staying at home all this time, letting Young Master go out alone?

They suspected that there was something wrong with Zhang Yi.

Hence, this time, Second Young Master got the driver to drive away, creating the illusion that they had already left. Then, he secretly ran to the door to listen.

They had thought that Zhang Yi might not be as good to Young Master as she seemed to be. Hence, when Young Master ran out, she ignored him.

But they had never expected Zhang Yi to be so beastly as to hit Young Master.

This time, they heard these vicious voices. There was no telling how much more they didn't hear.

Zhang Yi had been recommended by the teachers of Second Young Master's High School. They said that she was a good girl who worked hard, but they had never expected this good girl to be so vicious.

If the young master understood her words, how sad would he be?

Some children could not be cured of the trauma left behind by their childhood.

At the thought of this, Chen Qing's heart ached. He hugged Gu Qi tightly.

Usually, Second Young Master would ask him to make a move. This time, Second Young Master must have been so angry that he made a move himself.

It seemed that Zhang Yi would not live to see tomorrow.

She had once looked at Gu Qi in her arms with a calm expression. There didn't seem to be a trace of fear on her face.

Chen Qing only hoped that Young Master did not understand what Zhang Yi was saying. That way, Young Master would not be traumatized.

At this moment, Gu Zhou pushed the door open and walked in.

He walked straight to Gu Qi. Seeing how quiet Gu Qi was, his heart ached.

Gu Qi was so obedient. He seemed to be used to it.

Gu Qi looked up at Gu Zhou. Their eyes met.

Gu Zhou could only hope that Gu Qi didn't understand what Zhang Yi was saying. He reached out and pulled Gu Qi into his arms, saying guiltily, "I'm sorry. I was negligent. I didn't take good care of you."

Gu Qi's grape-like eyes moved. He looked up at Gu Zhou. This was the second time his father had hugged him.

His father had first carried him on the sofa downstairs.

All this time, he had thought that his father didn't like him. In the past, Grandma used to accompany him. When Grandma said that she wanted to go home sometimes, she left him here alone.

He was the only one left here.

He had also thought of following Grandma home, but Grandma had instructed him to stay here and listen to Zhang Yi.

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Moreover, his father felt that he was abnormal. His father often took him to the hospital. In the past, no matter what he said, his father would think that he was ill and spouting nonsense.

This time, his father only believed him after seeing Zhang Yi hit him with his own eyes.

Her father had even taught Zhang Yi a lesson.

At the thought of this, Gu Qi mustered his courage and blinked. His eyes sparkled as he asked, "Dad, will you leave me behind like Mom did?"

Gu Zhou and Chen Qing were both stunned.

They had always thought that apart from greeting people, Gu Qi did not say anything else.

Gu Qi was finally willing to speak more.

Gu Zhou should have been happy, but when he thought of Gu Qi's words, his heart seemed to be clenched tightly by an invisible hand. It hurt terribly.

All these years, it was all his fault. Actually, he didn't hate Gu Qi.

However, every time Gu Zhou saw Gu Qi, he would think of Gu Qi's mother and what he had done to her that night.

In addition, he rarely smiled or teased Gu Qi. He had never even hugged Gu Qi. In addition, Zhang Yi had brainwashed Gu Qi, which was why Gu Qi was so reclusive.

So Gu Qi had always been able to speak.

Seeing that Gu Zhou was silent, Gu Qi frowned slightly and repeated, "Do you not want me anymore?"

Gu Zhou's heart ached so much that he found it difficult to breathe. His heart ached as he watched Gu Qi gently stroke his head. He explained softly, "Why would you ask that? Dad never said that he didn't want you. Moreover, Mom was just lost and couldn't find you. You're the most important thing to Mom and Dad."

Gu Zhou frowned. He still remembered what his father had told him in the past, that his mother had gone to another world.

Later on, Zhang Yi told him that the other world was the world where the dead lived. It did not exist at all.

Hence, his father was the only one left in his world.

Gu Qi looked up at Gu Zhou and asked, "Does Dad not like me because I'm mentally retarded? Is that why grandma doesn't live here with me?"

Gu Zhou was slightly stunned. Only then did he realize that Gu Qi had understood Zhang Yi's words a long time ago.

Gu Zhou looked at Gu Qi with some heartache and said gently, "Gu Qi, you're not a retard. It's not like you don't have anyone to dote on you. Mom, Dad, and Grandma all like you very much and dote on you a lot. However, because of some matters, you can only stay here temporarily. Don't worry, no one will bully you again!"

Gu Qi hesitated for a moment, then wrapped his arms around Gu Zhou's neck and buried his head in Gu Zhou's shoulder.

How nice.

He wasn't a retard!

He was not an unwanted burden!

However, his father had something on recently, so he couldn't follow him home.

His father's embrace was so warm. He suddenly felt sleepy and wanted to sleep in his father's arms.

However, he did not dare to sleep. He was a little worried that when he opened his eyes, his father would return to his cold self. His father would no longer hug him either. His father would still think that he was a retard and did not like him.

Gu Qi tried hard to open his eyes, but his father's embrace was simply too comfortable. He fell asleep involuntarily.

Gu Zhou carefully placed Gu Qi on the bed and tucked him in. His gaze fell on Gu Qi's young face, and his eyes were filled with heartache.

Chen Qing stood at the side and finally couldn't help but ask softly, "Second Young Master, should we bring Young Master back?"

When Chen Qing thought of what Zhang Yi had done, he said worriedly, "What if we find another nanny like Zhang Yi? Young Master is clearly smart and eloquent. He must have been bullied by Zhang Yi. That's why he was so quiet!"

When Chen Qing thought of this, he felt a wave of lingering fear. "If this continues, I'm worried that Young Master will alienate us!"

Gu Zhou looked at Gu Qi's face. After a long silence, he said, "But now isn't the time."

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When Chen Qing heard Gu Zhou's words, he sighed helplessly.

He naturally knew what Second Young Master was thinking.

Back then, Second Young Master was drugged, which was why that incident happened during the Mid-Autumn Festival.

After that, Second Young Master began to investigate what happened that night. However, a powerful force had been hiding everything that happened that night.

Now that five years had passed, they still hadn't found out who the other party was or what their motives were.

Moreover, if the other party knew that the deceased Young Master had been picked up by the Gu family, the Young Master would probably be in danger.

Gu Zhou reluctantly moved his gaze away from Gu Qi's face. His gaze fell on Chen Qing's face and he said, "After you've asked her clearly, throw her into jail!"

"Yes." After Chen Qing agreed, he walked downstairs.

About three hours later, Chen Qing returned.

This time, Gu Zhou did not let Chen Qing in. Instead, he walked out and spoke to Chen Qing at the end of the corridor.

Chen Qing immediately reported everything he had found to Gu Zhou. "We've investigated everything. Zhang Yi has been sent to prison."

"Ok."

"Six years ago, Zhang Yi was at Professor Wang's house. The first time she saw you, she fell in love with you. After Professor Wang was paralyzed, she took extremely good care of him. Later on, Young Master had no one to take care of him, so he began to harbor evil intentions. He persuaded Professor Wang to send her over to take care of Young Master."

At the thought of Zhang Yi's desperate state, a trace of disdain flashed in Chen Qing's eyes. He continued, "She was worried that Young Master would be smart and capable enough to inherit the family business in the future, so she wanted to raise Young Master to have an inferiority complex. Only then would her child inherit the family business after she married Second Young Master."

Towards the end, Chen Qing was so angry that his hands were trembling. "She was worried that we would find out that she had bullied Young Master, so she punished him physically. She often made Young Master stand up instead of sleeping. This time, Young Master threw a tantrum and refused to accept physical punishment. In a fit of anger, she slapped Young Master twice. In a rage, Young Master ran out."

Gu Zhou narrowed his eyes, exuding a cold aura. "If she can still see the sun tomorrow, I'll hold you responsible!"

Chen Qing was also very dissatisfied with Zhang Yi. He immediately replied, "Yes."

Even if Second Young Master did not say so, he would not let a woman like Zhang Yi live.

“You may leave!” Gu Zhou said tiredly. He massaged his temples and walked towards Gu Qi’s room.

He walked to Gu Qi’s bed and sat down. The coldness in his eyes gradually dissipated, replaced by a trace of warmth.

His heart ached slightly. When he wasn’t around, this child must have suffered a lot.

It was all his fault for not taking good care of Gu Qi in the past.

“I’ll take good care of you in the future. I’ll be a qualified father,” Gu Zhou said softly.

Gu Qi’s lips curved up slightly, as if he had a very happy dream.

The dark clouds in Gu Zhou’s heart gradually dissipated. He lowered his head slightly and placed a light kiss on Gu Qi’s forehead.

The next morning, Chen Qing rushed over and saw Gu Zhou making breakfast for Gu Qi. He was so shocked that his jaw almost dropped to the ground.

Seeing Gu Zhou like this, Chen Qing suddenly realized that it must be because of what happened last night that made Second Young Master care for Young Master.

“Has the matter been resolved?”

When Chen Qing heard Gu Zhou’s question, he immediately stood up straight and said respectfully, “It’s been resolved. Just an hour ago, the female prisoners in the prison found out that Zhang Yi had committed child abuse. All of them were furious, and they joined forces to beat Zhang Yi up. While Zhang Yi was running away, she accidentally hit the wall and suffered a cerebral hemorrhage. She died on the spot!”

The sun was shining brightly outside. The sunlight filtered through the window, adding a lot of warmth to the entire room.

Chen Qing stood there and thought for a while. He said with uncertainty, “Second Young Master, there’s one more thing. It’s about Young Master. I don’t know if I should tell you.”