

Big Shot 491

Chapter 491: He's Protecting Me?

Qiao Xin was talking about the first night she came here. In other words, Gu Zhou had come to look for her at that time. Moreover, Gu Zhou had told her not to tell anyone else, saying that he didn't want to expose his whereabouts.

Could it be that Gu Zhou secretly did it?

With this thought in mind, Qiao Nian walked back to the door of the ward. She gently opened the door and whispered to Gu Zhou, "Gu Zhou, can you come out for a moment?"

Hearing Qiao Nian's words, Gu Zhou stood up and walked out, closing the door behind him.

Qiao Nian went straight to the point. "Did you knock Qiao Xin out and send her back to An City?"

Gu Zhou gave Qiao Nian a puzzled look and shook his head. "No."

Hearing Gu Zhou's words, Qiao Nian was stunned. Then, she briefly mentioned Qiao Xin's disappearance to Gu Zhou.

Hearing Qiao Nian's question, Gu Zhou raised his eyebrows slightly. "Why do you think so?"

"Because you said that night that you didn't want anyone to know that you were here. I thought that you were afraid that Qiao Xin would expose your whereabouts, so you sent her back."

Gu Zhou's eyes gradually darkened, and his voice deepened as he asked, "Are you sure she saw me coming here?"

"Yes, but she didn't recognize you yet. She wanted to secretly take a photo and send it to you," Qiao Nian said. She could hear the nervousness in Gu Zhou's voice.

Gu Zhou quickly took out his phone and made a call. "Help me check the surveillance video of the corridor on the second floor of the hotel after Ah Miao's death. Send it to me."

With that, Gu Zhou hung up.

Qiao Nian looked at Gu Zhou in confusion. She felt that his reaction was a little strange.

Actually, Qiao Nian had wanted to rely on her hacking skills to check the hotel's videos. But since Gu Zhou had done so, could it be that he had already guessed who had done it? He just wanted to confirm it again.

Within fifteen minutes, the surveillance video was sent.

Qiao Nian looked over. She wanted to see who had knocked Qiao Xin out.

In the video, she and Gu Zhou entered the room one after another.

Not long after, Qiao Xin appeared in the corridor. Qiao Xin sneaked into the room beside her, and a man in black followed her.

Just as Qiao Nian had expected, Qiao Xin didn't recognize Gu Zhou.

The man in black behind Qiao Xin also entered Qiao Xin's room. Not long after, the man in black carried Qiao Xin out.

Qiao Nian noticed that when Gu Zhou was watching this video, his hands were clenched so tightly that his knuckles turned white.

Could it be that Gu Zhou knew this man?

He seemed to have an unusual relationship with this man?

The man in the video kept his head down. The surveillance cameras didn't capture his face. From the video, he looked to be about six feet three.

As everyone's attention was on the dead Ah Miao, no one noticed that Qiao Xin had gone missing.

Gu Zhou's face darkened as he pressed the black screen.

Qiao Nian looked up at Gu Zhou. Seeing that he was frowning deeply, she asked, "He seems to be protecting your whereabouts. Who is he?"

When Gu Zhou heard Qiao Nian's words, his throat moved slightly. A glint flashed across his eyes, and his voice was a little hoarse. "Do you mean that he's protecting me?"

Qiao Nian could sense that Gu Zhou was in a bad mood.

Qiao Nian nodded and said, "At that time, you told me that it wasn't convenient for you to expose your whereabouts. Moreover, you were injured at that time. It's obvious that you were in a dangerous situation. If Qiao Xin spread the news of you being in the hotel, the consequences would have been unimaginable."

Qiao Nian continued, "This man helped you solve this problem. In my opinion, he's just silently protecting you."

Hearing Qiao Nian's words, Gu Zhou narrowed his eyes, and there was a complicated look in them.

Chapter 492: He's Still Alive

Qiao Nian's words were reasonable.

She felt a little uncomfortable under Gu Zhou's gaze. She pursed her dry lips slightly.

If it were in the past, she might not have said this, but after hearing Chen Qing talk about Gu Zhou's previous life, she only wanted to know more about him.

"Was he a former relative of yours? Or a subordinate?"

The man's voice was low as he continued, "Just an unimportant person!"

Qiao Nian frowned slightly. She knew very well that Gu Zhou was lying to her. He just didn't want her to know his secret.

However, now that the matter had been clarified and Gu Zhou was unwilling to tell her, it was not convenient for her to ask anymore.

Qiao Nian said, "Then I'll go in first."

"Yes."

Qiao Nian walked towards the ward. She pushed open the door and turned back to look at Gu Zhou. He was leaning against the wall, seemingly deep in thought. He had no intention of entering the ward together.

Qiao Nian closed the door of the ward and looked at Chen Qing. "He doesn't seem to be in a good mood. Do you want to go over and take a look?"

Actually, Chen Qing did not want to go at all. He wanted to refuse. If he went to Second Young Master's side now, he would be walking into a gun.

However, since Second Young Madam had already spoken, he did not dare to disobey. He could only say, "Alright."

When Chen Qing came out of the ward, he saw Gu Zhou standing there quietly. His expression was unfocused, and there seemed to be a layer of fog in his eyes.

Chen Qing walked over and called out carefully, "Second Young Master."

"He's still alive." Gu Zhou's gaze landed on Chen Qing's face.

Chen Qing was slightly stunned. He did not understand what Gu Zhou was talking about. However, when he saw the complicated emotions in Gu Zhou's eyes, he instantly reacted.

So Second Young Master was talking about Eldest Young Master.

For a moment, Chen Qing did not know how to respond.

After a long while, Chen Qing said, "Second Young Master, didn't we already investigate when we went to save Madam previously? Although Eldest Young Master has been here and lives in the north, we found out that he has already passed away. Why do you think Eldest Young Master is still alive?"

Moreover, Chen Qing had followed Second Young Master's instructions and sent all of Young Master's belongings back to An City.

Gu Zhou's gaze landed on Chen Qing's face. His thin lips parted slightly as he asked, "Do you still remember Chang Feng?"

When Chen Qing heard Gu Zhou's words, his expression changed slightly.

He would never forget Chang Feng. Chang Feng was a bodyguard of the Gu family, just like him.

He was Second Young Master's personal bodyguard, and Chang Feng was Eldest Young Master's personal bodyguard.

In the past, Chang Feng had always fought alongside Eldest Young Master. He had never betrayed Eldest Young Master.

Wherever Chang Feng was, Eldest Young Master would definitely be there.

If Eldest Young Master was not around, Chang Feng would not live alone in this world.

Chang Feng swore to follow Eldest Young Master.

In the past, when Chen Qing was on a mission, he had been saved by Chang Feng. To him, Chang Feng was his savior.

Gu Zhou said calmly, "I saw Chang Feng!"

Chen Qing's eyes widened involuntarily and he asked in shock, "When?"

Gu Zhou unlocked his phone and handed it to Chen Qing.

Chen Qing hesitated for a moment before taking the phone. He opened the video. When he saw the man in the video, his hand trembled as he muttered, "It's really him. How is this possible..."

If Chen Qing had not seen the surveillance time in the video, he might have thought that the video was fake.

Although the man in the video had his head lowered, he recognized him at a glance. It was Chang Feng.

Be it his temperament or physique, it was exactly the same as Chang Feng's.

Since Chang Feng was still alive, Eldest Young Master must still be alive.

Chapter 493: Plan

Chen Qing returned the phone to Gu Zhou. His heart was in a mess, and he frowned. "Then the information we found previously is fake?"

"It seems that he already knows that I'm investigating him and deliberately released fake news." Gu Zhou's face was gloomy and his voice was cold.

"Does that mean the young master doesn't need us to find him?"

However, what Chen Qing did not understand was that if Eldest Young Master wanted Second Young Master to die, why did he send Chang Feng to protect Second Young Master?

When Young Master came here that night, he was already seriously injured.

If the news of Second Young Master being injured were to spread, the enemies of the Gu family would definitely chase after Second Young Master and not let go of any opportunity to kill him.

Therefore, Chen Qing felt that the Eldest Young Master was protecting the Second Young Master now.

Gu Zhou frowned slightly. He remembered that someone was following him at the airport.

At this moment, a group of women suddenly appeared. Then, the police arrived.

Gu Zhou took advantage of this opportunity to escape danger.

Now that he thought about it, it all seemed very coincidental.

There were no coincidences in this world.

There was only careful planning.

So Big Brother had been secretly protecting him?

But how could that be?

Gu Zhou frowned even more. He did not believe that his brother would be so kind.

Not only did Gu Zhou not believe it, but even Chen Qing found it unbelievable.

Gu Zhou put his phone back into his pocket. His phoenix-like eyes narrowed slightly to hide the complicated emotions in them. He said indifferently, "Let's go to the north again."

Chen Qing knew that he could not persuade Gu Zhou. The only thing he could do now was to protect Gu Zhou and not let anything happen to him again.

"When do we leave, Second Master?"

"Now."

With that, Gu Zhou walked to the door of the ward and pushed it open. Lu Zhu had yet to wake up. Qiao Nian sat quietly by the side, keeping watch.

Seeing that Gu Zhou's expression had returned to normal, Qiao Nian heaved a sigh of relief.

Gu Zhou said indifferently, "Chen Qing and I have something to do. I'll leave this to you."

Qiao Nian stood up and nodded. "Okay."

However, Qiao Nian couldn't help but frown. Although she didn't know what Gu Zhou was going to do, she vaguely felt that what Gu Zhou was going to do was related to that man in black.

Recalling the injury on Gu Zhou's back, Qiao Nian said worriedly, "Be careful."

Hearing this, a faint smile appeared on Gu Zhou's tightly pursed lips, but it quickly disappeared. His gaze landed on Qiao Nian's face, and it gradually became deep. He asked in a low voice, "Is Mrs. Gu worried about me now?"

Qiao Nian's heart skipped a beat.

Gu Zhou's gaze gradually turned cold, and his voice became much more serious. "Don't worry, I'll be fine. It's just that you can't leave the hospital casually. You have to be careful and protect yourself. I've arranged some bodyguards for you."

Qiao Nian nodded obediently.

Gu Zhou did not say anything else. He closed the door and left.

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Their eyes met.

Gu Zhou had already left with Chen Qing, leaving only the two of them in the ward.

Qiao Nian's heart couldn't help but race. Now was the best time for her to acknowledge her brother.

Qiao Nian finally calmed down and asked softly, "You're finally awake. How do you feel now?"

Lu Zhu noticed Qiao Nian's nervous and uneasy gaze. This was a completely different person from her usual aloof self. She seemed to have a lot on her mind.

Chapter 494: You Have Something to Say to Me

Lu Zhu's voice was a little hoarse as he said softly, "I'm much better now. Can you help me sit up?"

"Yes."

Qiao Nian carefully helped Lu Zhu up and placed a pillow behind him. She looked at Lu Zhu with a complicated expression.

Qiao Nian stood helplessly at the side. She was thinking about how to talk about the matter without scaring Lu Zhu.

Just as Qiao Nian was thinking, Lu Zhu said, "You seem to have something to say to me?"

When Qiao Nian heard Lu Zhu's words, her heart was in her throat. He had discovered this.

Qiao Nian pursed her lips and nodded. "I do have something to tell you."

Lu Zhu looked around the ward and did not see anyone else. He asked, "Where's Gu Zhou?"

"He just left to settle an errand. I don't know when he'll be back. You can let me know if you need anything."

Just as Qiao Nian finished speaking, there was a knock on the door.

"Please come in." Qiao Nian tilted her head.

The door opened and Doctor Sha walked in.

Doctor Sha carefully examined Lu Zhu's injuries before heaving a sigh of relief. He nodded and said, "Mr. Lu's wounds are healing well now. You can move them slightly, but he can't be too agitated."

Qiao Nian's body stiffened slightly. Then, she nodded and said, "Okay."

Qiao Nian knew very well that Doctor Sha's last words were directed at her.

Lu Zhu's wound was beside his heart. If his emotions fluctuate too much, it might affect his heart.

Therefore, she could not acknowledge Lu Zhu yet.

Seeing that Qiao Nian understood what he meant, Doctor Sha nodded and said, "Doctor Qiao, I'll leave first. If there's anything else, please call me again!"

"Thank you, Doctor Sha," Qiao Nian said sincerely.

"You're welcome."

After Doctor Sha left, only Qiao Nian and Lu Zhu were left in the room.

Qiao Nian's heart was racing, and her emotions were complicated.

Her own family member was right in front of her, but she couldn't acknowledge him.

"Lu..."

"Qiao ..."

They both spoke at once.

Qiao Nian was slightly taken aback. Then, she smiled and said, "You go first!"

Lu Zhu's gaze landed on Qiao Nian's clear eyes. Recalling what he had just said, he asked, "Did you have something to say to me just now?"

"I just wanted to ask if you'll be homesick after being away so long this time?"

Lu Zhu said calmly, "Ever since I turned 18, I haven't thought about this matter much."

"Is there anyone in the house you're concerned about, then?"

Lu Zhu's eyelashes fluttered slightly as he replied, "I'm worried about all of them."

Qiao Nian's eyes flickered. After hesitating for a long time, she asked tentatively, "I once embroidered a Lucky Bag for the eldest daughter of the Lu family. When the Qingming Festival comes, I'll embroider another Lucky Bag for her!"

Before going to MY, if Qiao Nian had said these things to him, Lu Zhu would have ignored her. But after so many things happened, he wasn't so resistant to her anymore.

"Thank you."

Qiao Nian heaved a sigh of relief. She wanted to know more about Lu Zhu's feelings for the eldest daughter of the Lu family. "You want the Moon Goddess because of her, right?"

At this moment, Lu Zhu's hair was a little messy. His eyes were extremely clear, and there seemed to be some indescribable emotions hidden in them. He looked at Qiao Nian quietly for a long time before saying, "Can you give me my glasses?"

Qiao Nian glanced at the glasses on the bedside table. She walked over and handed them to Lu Zhu.

After Lu Zhu put on his glasses, his aura changed instantly. He looked more refined and serious.

"I heard that if you drip your blood onto the Moon Goddess, you can dream of the loved ones you want to see the most. Moreover, you can determine if your loved ones are happy in their next life based on the color of the jade," Qiao Nian said.

Chapter 495: Probing

Qiao Nian continued, "If there are no changes to the jadeite, it can only mean one thing. The soul of the dead is wandering the world. It has never been at peace."

Qiao Nian asked, "Do you believe in these things?"

When Qiao Nian first heard of this, she was stunned. Although she was in awe of reincarnation, there was no scientific basis for it yet. To her, it was just a fantasy.

When Lu Zhu heard Qiao Nian's words, a bitter smile appeared in his eyes. "This is just a form of comfort for the living."

Just as Qiao Nian had thought, he didn't believe in reincarnation. He only wanted the Moon Goddess because he missed his sister.

Qiao Nian looked calmly at Lu Zhu. After a while, she said, "Have you ever thought that your sister isn't actually dead?"

Lu Zhu's gaze fell on Qiao Nian's face, and his breathing quickened. His hands gripped the bedsheets tightly. After a long while, when he calmed down, he asked, "Why do you think she's not dead?"

Qiao Nian said calmly, "Miss Lu's body wasn't found, was it?"

At this point, Qiao Nian's heart involuntarily tensed up, and her breathing became cautious.

This answer was very important to Qiao Nian.

Since the corpse of the Lu family's eldest daughter was not found, it meant that she was very likely alive. But why didn't the Lu family continue to look for her?

"Actually, I found part of it."

Hearing Lu Zhu's words, Qiao Nian was slightly taken aback. She asked in disbelief, "What do you mean by a part?"

Seeing Qiao Nian's pale face, confusion flashed in Lu Zhu's eyes. However, he quickly regained his composure.

Why did he feel that Qiao Nian seemed especially concerned about his sister's death?

Qiao Nian frowned slightly and said, "Could it be that it was dismembered...?"

Lu Zhu nodded in pain. This matter was very heavy for him. He did not want to recall this matter for the rest of his life.

If it hadn't been for the hard evidence, he wouldn't have believed that his sweet and clingy sister had just died.

"How can you be sure that that body part must belong to Eldest Miss Lu?"

When Lu Zhu heard this, his eyes instantly turned red. His eyes were filled with pain, and his temples throbbed.

He tried to suppress his irritable emotions, but his rapid breathing still revealed his current mood. He was very agitated.

Qiao Nian had only wanted to probe. She hadn't expected Lu Zhu's condition to suddenly become so bad when she mentioned this.

Qiao Nian was a little worried about Lu Zhu. If Lu Zhu continued like this, it was very likely that he would tear his wound. Lu Zhu's wound was near his heart. If he became emotional, the consequences would be unimaginable.

"Don't think about this for the time being..." Qiao Nian hurriedly comforted him.

"At that time, the police deployed all their forces, but they only found a section of my sister's forearm. And after a forensic paternity test, it was completely confirmed that the arm belonged to my sister."

When Qiao Nian heard this, she gasped. She felt as if there was a thick fog in front of her, and she couldn't clear it no matter what.

If Qiao Nian hadn't taken her and Lu Zhu's hair samples for a paternity test, she would never have guessed that she was the eldest daughter of the Lu family.

Why had it come to this?

Back then, the forensic doctor confirmed that the arm belonged to the eldest daughter of the Lu family, but her arm was intact!

If not for the fact that she was born on the same day as Eldest Miss Lu, and if not for the paternity test, she might have really believed that Eldest Miss Lu was already dead.

Therefore, it could only mean one thing. That arm belonged to someone else.

Chapter 496: Triggered

Who could have done such a thing? Using their powers to fake a paternity test?

All of this could only be investigated slowly after she returned to An City.

If the incident had been staged, there would be some trace evidence left.

Lu Zhu sat there, looking at Qiao Nian's thoughtful expression. Puzzled, he asked, "Why did you suddenly ask about my sister?"

Hearing Lu Zhu's question, Qiao Nian's heart was in her throat.

If she told Lu Zhu the truth, his body might not be able to withstand it and his life would be threatened.

Although Qiao Nian really wanted to reunite with Lu Zhu as soon as possible, she didn't want to hurt him.

However, Qiao Nian wanted to use the principle of boiling a frog with warm water to slowly reveal to Lu Zhu about the truth of the eldest daughter of the Lu family. With a sincere expression, she said, "Don't you want to know about your sister's current condition? I'll tell you when your condition stabilizes."

Hearing Qiao Nian's words, Lu Zhu frowned. He stared at Qiao Nian without blinking, a hint of surprise in his eyes.

Could it be that Qiao Nian was already planning to give him the Moon Goddess?

At the thought of this, Lu Zhu's heart could not help but tremble. Then, in the next moment, his wound was pulled and he almost could not breathe from the pain.

Lu Zhu subconsciously wanted to cover his chest with his hand. Just as he placed his hand on his chest, pain instantly assaulted him. He almost fainted from the pain.

Lu Zhu's breathing was heavy.

Seeing Lu Zhu like this, Qiao Nian hurriedly walked forward and gently stroked his back. She comforted him, saying, "Don't be agitated. Slowly, breathe. Breathe gently. Don't be anxious. That's right, that's it..."

After Qiao Nian's comfort, Lu Zhu's breathing gradually became smoother. His wildly beating heart gradually calmed down, and the pain instantly lessened.

Bang!

There was a sudden crash as the ward door was kicked open with force.

A sharp female voice answered instantly.

"What are you two doing?!"

When Qiao Nian heard the sound, she turned around and saw Song Yue in a wheelchair, looking at her with resentment.

Seeing how calm Qiao Nian and Lu Zhu were, Song Yue was slightly taken aback. From Qiao Nian's voice just now, she had thought that Qiao Nian had eaten Lu Zhu.

Song Yue took a deep breath. It seemed that she had misunderstood the two of them.

But so what?

Qiao Nian, this shameless b*tch, was almost pressed against Lu Zhu.

The more Song Yue thought about it, the angrier she became. She scolded angrily, "Qiao Nian, do you still have any sense of shame? Before, you and Gu Zhou were very intimate. Now, you're pestering Lu Zhu. Do you really think that the world revolves around you? Do you think all men should like you?"

Qiao Nian didn't seem to hear Song Yue's words. She carefully covered Lu Zhu with the blanket and looked at Song Yue coldly.

If not for Song Yue's appearance, her time alone with her brother would not have been interrupted.

After Qiao Nian was done, her gaze landed on Song Yue's face. She walked up to Song Yue and looked down at her. "Are you teaching me a lesson?"

Song Yue looked up at Qiao Nian. When she met Qiao Nian's cold eyes, her body trembled involuntarily.

Standing behind Song Yue, Xu Qian was also shocked by Qiao Nian's aura.

Xu Qian took a step back silently and swallowed nervously. If she had known earlier, she wouldn't have brought Song Yue over.

Song Yue was really too troublesome. Not only did she not cooperate with her treatment, but she also cried and insisted on coming to see Lu Zhu.

Xu Qian was also getting impatient. Thinking that Song Yue was only concerned about Lu Zhu, she agreed.

However, she never expected that as soon as she reached the door of the ward, Song Yue was triggered like a cat.

Chapter 497: Hitting People

Qiao Nian stood in front of Song Yue, her eyes cold. It was as if she had seen a disgusting cockroach.

Qiao Nian's undisguised disdain drove Song Yue crazy. With a look of dissatisfaction, she rebuked. "How dare you look at me like that? Who do you think you are?"

Bam!

The crisp slap echoed through the corridor.

Qiao Nian's slap landed hard on Song Yue's face.

At this moment, Song Yue had been hit by Qiao Nian. She felt a burning sensation on her face, and the pain was unbearable.

Song Yue turned around abruptly and looked at Qiao Nian in disbelief. She said fiercely, "Qiao Nian, how dare you hit me? If it weren't for you, I wouldn't be in this state now. You clearly owe me."

Bam!

Another resounding slap!

Xu Qian was stunned. She didn't dare to step forward to pull Qiao Nian away.

Song Yue's mind was a little muddled from the beating. Her ears were buzzing, and clear finger marks appeared on her face.

Lu Zhu, who was lying on the hospital bed, stared at Qiao Nian's back. At this moment, her hands were tightly clenched into fists, trembling slightly, and she exuded a murderous aura.

Lu Zhu's eyes darkened. For some reason, he had a feeling that Qiao Nian was attacking Song Yue because of him.

Song Yue finally regained her senses. She covered her face, her eyes red with anger. "Who do you think you are? How dare you hit me!"

Bam!

Another sharp slap.

Song Yue rolled her eyes and almost fainted. She collapsed in the wheelchair and panted heavily.

Qiao Nian's hand also hurt a little. She looked at Song Yue's sorry state and said coldly, "I was going to settle the score with you, but now you've come knocking on my door. If you hadn't done those dirty things, Lu Zhu wouldn't have been shot. He wouldn't have been in the operating room for six hours and almost lost his life. Song Yue, how dare you come here and shout?"

Lu Zhu's dark eyes moved slightly. His thin lips pursed into a pale line.

It really wasn't an illusion.

When Xu Qian heard Qiao Nian's words, she was stunned.

Both Qiao Nian and Song Yue seemed to be telling the truth. Qiao Nian was especially angry and she seemed to be angry because Lu Zhu was injured. Song Yue seemed to be angry because she was indignant.

At this moment, Xu Qian did not know who to believe.

Since she could not figure it out, she did not bother to think about it. The grudges of a wealthy family were not something a young nurse like her could understand.

Song Yue gritted her teeth and said, "Qiao Nian, I'm injured now and can't hit you. Let me tell you, you'll definitely regret it in the future!"

Qiao Nian's foxy eyes narrowed coldly. She grabbed Song Yue's chin and tightened her grip. Her eyes were filled with killing intent as she said coldly, "I've already hit you lightly. Even if I kill you now, what can you do?"

Song Yue was in so much pain that tears streamed down her face. She looked at Qiao Nian anxiously.

Seeing Song Yue like this, Qiao Nian frowned and shook her off. "Get lost!"

Xu Qian did not dare to stay here any longer and hurriedly pushed Song Yue back.

Qiao Nian closed the door behind her.

She was not in the mood to deal with Song Yue now. When they reached An City, she would definitely not be soft-hearted.

"Does your hand hurt?" Lu Zhu's cold voice came from the side.

When Qiao Nian heard Lu Zhu's voice, the killing intent in her eyes instantly disappeared. She turned around and smiled lightly. "I'm fine!"

"Why don't you use your foot next time?"

Qiao Nian was slightly taken aback. Her lips curled into a smile.

So Lu Zhu could joke too.

Qiao Nian nodded. "Okay!"

In the blink of an eye, three days had passed.

Lu Zhu recovered very quickly. He could already get out of bed and move around. His expression was much better than before.

Chapter 498: A Decision to Acknowledge Her Family

Doctor Sha's office.

Qiao Nian looked at Lu Zhu's report.

From the report, the wounds around Lu Zhu's heart had already healed. All that was left was to slowly recuperate.

Qiao Nian's uneasy heart finally relaxed. She heaved a sigh of relief and said with relief, "That's great. It's finally healed."

Doctor Sha nodded in agreement, and the tension in his heart gradually relaxed. Lu Zhu's condition had stabilized, and his life would not be in danger anymore.

Qiao Nian pursed her lips and said, "You can give me the paternity test now!"

Doctor Sha took it out of the safe and handed it to Qiao Nian.

Qiao Nian took the report, her eyes filled with anticipation. After a long while, she asked, "Can you do me a favor?"

"Yes."

"There are three hours to nine p.m. I want you to take my brother to the back garden of the hospital by then. I want to surprise him."

Doctor Sha smiled. "It would be my honor to witness your reunion with your brother!"

Qiao Nian smiled and said, "Thank you."

8:50 P.M.

Doctor Sha personally applied the medicine and bandaged Lu Zhu's wound. His expression was serious as he said, "Mr. Lu, the bullet caused a lot of damage to the area around your skin this time. Fortunately, you recovered well and there was no infection. However, there will be a scar here in the future."

When Lu Zhu heard Doctor Sha say this, he looked indifferent. "I'm still alive. This injury is nothing."

When Doctor Sha heard Lu Zhu say this, he smiled and said, "Then I'm relieved."

Lu Zhu's gaze landed on the door of the ward. His eyes narrowed slightly. Qiao Nian had not come over since evening.

Lu Zhu asked casually, "Where did Doctor Qiao go?"

When Doctor Sha heard Lu Zhu say this, he sighed and said, "Doctor Qiao has been watching over you in the ward during this period. I saw that she didn't look too good, so I let her go back to the hotel to rest first."

Hearing Doctor Sha's words, Lu Zhu recalled how Qiao Nian had been sleeping by his bed this morning. Her eyes were dark and she looked haggard.

Actually, he had asked Qiao Nian to return to the hotel to rest this morning, but she only smiled and didn't agree.

During this period of time, Qiao Nian took good care of him. He was very grateful to her.

Doctor Sha glanced at the watch on his wrist. It was almost time for his appointment with Qiao Nian.

"Mr. Lu, you should exercise more now. Why don't I go out with you for a walk and tell you some things to take note of later so that there won't be any repercussions?"

Lu Zhu did not think too much about it. He nodded and said, "Thank you, Doctor Sha!"

"It's no more than my duty."

Doctor Sha walked to Lu Zhu's right and prepared to support him.

However, Lu Zhu rejected him very politely.

"I feel better now, Doctor Sha. You don't have to hold me."

Doctor Sha nodded. "It's good if you can move on your own."

Then the two of them walked out of the ward side by side. After entering the elevator, Doctor Sha became involuntarily nervous.

He was a little worried that Lu Zhu could tell that he was nervous and did not mention it directly.

When they reached downstairs, a refreshing breeze blew past their faces. It was mixed with the fragrance of flowers, making them feel happy!

Lu Zhu had been lying in the ward for a long time. Now that he felt the aura of nature, he felt much more relaxed.

"Doctor Sha."

"Yes?"

"How are Song Yue's injuries now?" Lu Zhu asked calmly.

Doctor Sha couldn't tell if Lu Zhu was concerned about Song Yue or if he had other thoughts, so he answered truthfully, "Miss Song Yue's uterus was severely injured, so we can only remove her uterus. She's fine, but the only bad thing is that she can't be a mother anymore."

Chapter 499: I'm Here

Hearing Doctor Sha's words, a cold glint flashed across Lu Zhu's eyes. He said coldly, "She asked for it!"

Doctor Sha did not know the cause and effect of this matter, so he did not say much.

Lu Zhu seemed to have thought of something and asked, "Is she getting painkillers?"

"Yes."

"Stop the painkillers!"

Doctor Sha was slightly stunned when he heard Lu Zhu say that. "You mean you won't give her painkillers?"

It had to be known that Song Yue's uterus had been removed. It would definitely be very painful for the next two weeks. If she was not given painkillers, it would be no different from being tortured to death. Moreover, Song Yue had to endure this pain at all times.

"Yes." Lu Zhu nodded, unwilling to say more.

Although Doctor Sha could not bear it, he did not dare to disobey Lu Zhu.

Doctor Sha and Lu Zhu had been in contact for so long. Lu Zhu was usually gentle, but he was very cruel to Song Yue. Had Song Yue done something unforgivable?

Doctor Sha immediately retracted his attention and pretended to be casual. He said, "The view from the back garden is not bad. Let's take a walk there!"

"Okay." Doctor Sha heaved a sigh of relief when he heard Lu Zhu agree.

"Are there any supplements for females?"

Doctor Sha looked at Lu Zhu in confusion and nodded. "Yes."

"Then I'll have to trouble Doctor Shang to help prepare some for Qiao Nian to nourish her body."

"Okay."

Doctor Sha looked at Lu Zhu thoughtfully. It seemed that Qiao Nian already had a place in Lu Zhu's heart.

However, Doctor Sha didn't understand what Lu Zhu felt about Qiao Nian.

As far as he was concerned, anything that wasn't romantic would do.

Lu Zhu walked forward. Unknowingly, Qiao Nian's beautiful face appeared in his mind, and his heart slowly softened.

He didn't know why he felt so good about Qiao Nian, but he couldn't help but treat her well.

This kind of relationship had nothing to do with romance. He just wanted to be good to her, just like how he treated Lu Qi.

However, what puzzled Lu Zhu was that he had never had such feelings for any girl other than Lu Qi.

He had never even felt this way with Song Yu, whom he had grown up with.

Qiao Nian was the only person who could make him feel this way.

At this moment, a gust of wind blew past. Lu Zhu and Doctor Sha had already walked to the back garden.

The back garden was quiet now. There was no one there but him and Doctor Sha.

The scenery here was as quiet and beautiful as Doctor Sha had said. It was refreshing.

Doctor Sha looked at the time. It was already eight fifty-nine. However, what puzzled him was why Qiao Nian wasn't here yet.

For some reason, Doctor Sha couldn't help feeling nervous.

Seconds ticked by.

Lu Zhu did not want to stay here any longer. He looked back at Doctor Sha and said, "It's getting late. Let's go back early. I'm afraid Doctor Qiao will be worried if she can't find me."

At this moment, Doctor Sha was a little flustered. He did not know how to persuade Lu Zhu to stay.

Nine o'clock sharp.

"I'm here."

A gentle and clear voice sounded from the side and fell into Lu Zhu's ears.

Lu Zhu's cold heart seemed to be instantly enveloped by sunlight. The ice melted and his heart warmed.

He looked over and saw Qiao Nian standing not far away, waving at him.

He didn't know when Qiao Nian had arrived, but her eyes were bright with anticipation. It seemed like she had been here for a long time.

Qiao Nian held a glass bottle in her hand. The glass bottle shone brightly. Upon closer inspection, he realized that the glass bottle was filled with fireflies.

Qiao Nian opened the bottle. The fireflies instantly flew out of the glass bottle, and sparkling light spread out.

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The fireflies made Qiao Nian look even more beautiful, like an otherworldly fairy.

Qiao Nian's red lips curved into a faint smile. Her beautiful fox eyes curved into crescents. They were so beautiful that one forgot to breathe.

His interactions with Qiao Nian during this period of time flashed across his mind like a movie.

The two of them had gone through life and death together. This feeling touched him.

Lu Zhu looked into Qiao Nian's eyes. Unknowingly, Qiao Nian was like a ray of light that illuminated the darkest part of his heart.

Lu Zhu's lips moved slightly.

Qiao Nian looked at Lu Zhu's handsome face and recalled the first time she had gone to the Lu family. Lu Zhu was standing at the door of the Lu family's eldest daughter's room, but he didn't dare to enter.

In that case, Lu Zhu must have loved his sister so much that he was unwilling to face the death of the Lu family's eldest daughter...

At the thought of this, Qiao Nian's heart seemed to be gripped tightly by an invisible hand. Even breathing became difficult.

Her lips moved slightly, and her voice cracked. "Brother."

She had been suppressing this form of address for several days. Today, she finally managed to say it.

Suddenly, tears filled her eyes.

At this moment, she clearly realized that she had a family. She had not been abandoned.

It wasn't that her family hadn't sought her out before. They'd been lied to. They'd been consumed by the pain of her death.

When Lu Zhu heard Qiao Nian's words, his body stiffened, and his pupils involuntarily dilated. He looked at Qiao Nian in disbelief. After a long while, he asked, "What did you call me just now?"

Qiao Nian walked towards Lu Zhu step by step. The fireflies in the bottle spread out bit by bit.

When Doctor Sha saw this situation, he was a little moved for a moment, and his eyes involuntarily turned red.

It turned out that Qiao Nian didn't plan to acknowledge Lu Zhu in the evening. Instead, she appeared at the right time after catching these fireflies.

Seeing that Qiao Nian was getting closer and closer, Doctor Sha silently took a few steps back and gradually moved away, leaving this space to Qiao Nian and Lu Zhu.

When Qiao Nian approached him, Lu Zhu finally saw the dust on Qiao Nian's face. It must have been accidentally dirtied when she caught the fireflies previously. She looked like a house kitten.

Lu Zhu swallowed and said uncertainty, "W-What did you just call me?"

Qiao Nian met Lu Zhu's gaze. Without any hesitation, she said word by word, "Brother."

Qiao Nian had already thought of many scenarios where she would reunite with Lu Zhu. She had also mentally prepared herself. However, when this moment arrived, she was still very nervous.

Lu Zhu stood rooted to the ground, looking at Qiao Nian in confusion. For a moment, he actually treated Qiao Nian as his sister.

Although Lu Qi often called him brother, when Qiao Nian called him brother, his heart trembled violently.

Lu Zhu's breathing involuntarily sank, and he was a little surprised.

After a while, Lu Zhu remembered that Qiao Nian had once told others that he was her sworn brother.

A trace of sadness flashed across Lu Zhu's eyes as he eased the pressure in his heart. His voice was still gentle as he said, "Miss Qiao, if we get married, we'll officially hold a banquet when we return to An City."

Qiao Nian wasn't surprised that Lu Zhu would say that. After all, no one would believe that their sister, who had died twenty years ago, would stand in front of them again.

Qiao Nian shook her head gently. Her beautiful fox-like eyes stared unblinkingly at Lu Zhu as she said, "You've misunderstood. I don't intend to marry you because you're my biological brother."

"Biological brother?" Lu Zhu asked with a frown.

"Yes." Qiao Nian nodded and continued, "Although you might not believe what I'm about to say, this is the truth. Do you remember the questions I asked you after you woke up from the surgery?"