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The hot pot restaurant was indeed not as quiet as the restaurant they used to go to. However, the steaming pot looked quite warm, and the soup inside was half spicy and half not, which was actually quite great.

They were used to those elegant hotels. It was a different kind of meal here. Hassan calmed down and stood up to look at the dishes on the table. After looking around, he only saw the vegetables. So he said, "Alyssa, you're so stingy! This table is full of vegetables. It's your first time to invite your boss to dinner, and you should at least order some meat!" "I ordered a lot of meat, which is especially tender. When the dishes are served later, you can try them." Alyssa didn't expect that Hassan would be so approachable when he relaxed. She felt that the atmosphere was much better at this point. She turned her head to Leon, "Honey, do you want to take off your jacket? It might be hot when you eat later." "Okay." Hearing Alyssa's words, Leon nodded and quickly took off his jacket. As he watched their interaction, Hassan's face looked grim. They seemed to have a particularly good relationship. Such a good relationship was really enviable.

But they just sat across from him. He could only keep his head down and not look at them.

The more Hassan looked at them, the more uncomfortable he felt.

Luckily, the waiter soon came with the meat.

Hassan hurriedly put the meat into the pot, "Let's eat!"

When Alyssa saw that Hassan was ready to eat the meat, she stopped him, "The meat is not well cooked. Mr. Wood, raw meat can be poisonous."

Raw meat?

Looking at Alyssa's nervous expression, Hassan suddenly wanted to tease Alyssa, and he said seriously, "Do I need to cook this? I didn't know that."

"Of course, Mr. Wood, this must be cooked. It's easy to get sick from eating raw ones. You will also get diarrhea. My goodness, haven't you ever eaten hot pot before?"

Alyssa said as she put in a lot of meat and vegetables. She also stood in front of Hassan, stopping him from eating the uncooked stuff.

Looking at Alyssa's expression, Hassan couldn't help but laugh.

Leon also laughed. He pulled Alyssa to sit down and came up to Alyssa, "He's teasing you, silly girl."

Hearing Leon's words, Alyssa froze. She looked up at Hassan, "You lied to me? How dare you."

Hassan laughed, "You're the one who thought I was going to eat raw meat, and then, you said that I lied to you. You have no evidence to justify your assumption that I am going to behave in a certain way. Girl, it's not that I'm bold, it's that you're still lacking in social experience. Why don't you come to my company for a few more days and I'll give you a boost of experience?"

Hassan half-jokingly said his thoughts.

In fact, he just came today to see if Alyssa was still interested in working in his company.

After Spring Festival, some big shots from his company hadn't left, but several interns had. There was also a female employee who was pregnant. She came back with a big belly. It was obvious that she was pregnant before the Spring Festival, but she never said anything.

Naturally, he couldn't assign important work to someone pregnant. However, there was too much work to handle. He desperately needed more staff now.

Yesterday, the HR department sent a few interns who looked quite capable.

Before working, they were obviously strong men, but after working, they turned into delicate women. They were not even as good as women.

He fired them all in anger.

When there was no one to do the company's work, he thought of Alyssa.

He knew that Alyssa was going to pursue her studies. But even if she had to study, she would not have no extra time at all. He had thought about it before he came. Even if Alyssa asked for a super-high salary, he would say yes.

But when he finished what he wanted to say, Alyssa was very quiet.

Probably because Leon was still with her. But he looked up and noticed that Leon didn't seem to have any intention of trying to change Alyssa's mind. He wanted to say it again.

At that moment, Alyssa said.

"Mr. Wood, I'm pregnant. I don't think I can stand the intensity of Citic's work. So, thank you for your kindness. I really can't continue to work for you."

Alyssa looked up at Hassan and smiled. In her last life, she couldn't have children. In this life, the father of her child was someone she loved. She cherished this child more than anything. It seemed that this child would make up for everything she missed. She wanted an opportunity to practice and knew that children, family, and men were not everything for a woman. But she just wanted to be at home and have a baby now. In the future, she would do whatever she wanted to do. Hassan froze at Alyssa's words. After a few seconds, he looked at Alyssa's belly. Then, he lowered his head. She really didn't look like she was pregnant. For a moment, he suddenly hoped that Alyssa was lying to him. She was just trying to find a good way to refuse him. He said softly, "Alyssa, money is very useful. Having children shouldn't be all that matters to women. Most of the women have to bring up their children, so many women nowadays do not have children easily. Shouldn't you reconsider that too?" This was a new era now. With the opening of the two-child policy, there would be even a full opening of the policy for more children to be born subsequently.

Who should bring up the children?

Women were at a disadvantage in this regard.

As long as his female employees were married, he would warn them.

When his female employee had a baby, he would inevitably give her project to someone else.

When Alyssa was silent, he continued, "I've never denied the 'patriarchy' in the workplace. Women's energy will be focused on the family when they have children. They are bound to have a perfunctory attitude toward work. Girl, before you have a child, you have to think about what you want?"

"I just want my husband Leon."

Alyssa said Leon's name without hesitation. She turned her head to look at Leon, who also looked at her.

Alyssa took Leon's hand and turned her head to look at Hassan, "I appreciate Mr. Wood's kindness. Your words remind me. Women should be self-reliant and have their own lives, but I love my husband more and I am willing to contribute to him."

Hassan froze for a moment, not knowing what to say.

Leon looked at Alyssa with infinite warmth in his eyes. Now he not only felt needed, but also loved.

Hassan did not say anything, but Alyssa smiled at Hassan, "Mr. Wood, you are right. For women, love is not everything. Money is also important. I can tell what I need more. If I will still work in Mr. Wood's company in the future, I would like to ask Mr. Wood for more advice. My treat for Mr. Wood's dinner today is a kind of early bribe."

To be continued