

## Crazy 671

### Chapter 671: The Forgotten Murderer

“When I returned to Bai Ling,” Li Fei continued to tell the story of his life of crime, “Tao Xiang and I had been staying with Cui Fangyu’s daughter in the old house that was next to the cemetery. I could tell that Tao Xiang cared a lot about the child, even though he kept complaining that she was a burden! He would even take care of the child on his own when he went out for work! He never even let me touch the child!”

He then added, “Tao Xiang had a lot of business going on at that time, so he had to travel for work every few days. He was already living quite well. As such, I felt that he should have a base in the nearby city. Hence, he didn’t stay very often in the old house.”

He then got a glimmer in his eyes as he said, “One day, I took the opportunity when Tao Xiang was not around and looked for Bai Lili to take my revenge!”

The moment he brought up Bai Lili, Li Fei got a puzzled look on his face. “That woman... Mmm... She was actually the only person that I killed who didn’t have any abusive tendencies. Tao Xiang told me that, when he found Cui Fangyu’s daughter, she was well cared for and hadn’t been abused. Hence, when I killed her, there was a tinge of hesitation on my part!”

He shook his head, as if he were trying to shake the memory loose. “However, as the woman led to Fourth Sis’ death, she had to die!”

After he said this, Li Fei’s facial expression changed very quickly. He soon clenched his teeth and said, “Yeah, I forgot to tell you something. Since I had been wandering around and didn’t have a fixed residence, it was only natural for me to get a suitable car...”

Everyone was stunned by his random words and wondered why Li Fei would suddenly redirect the topic from Bai Lili.

“Do you get it? I bought a hearse! Hehehehe.” Li Fei smiled maliciously. “I was already used to it after so many years, I just bought it! After all, I only feel safe when I sit in a hearse! Plus, wherever the hearse goes, it is unimpeded! It’s the perfect cover and getaway car, and it was the perfect container for all of those heads! Hahahaha!”

Everyone at the scene became quiet. If there was anyone who had wondered about Li Fei’s mental health earlier, they would have no doubt that he was absolutely nuts now! After all, only a pervert would be able to travel around with dead bodies and limbs in his car all of the time!

After he stopped laughing, he then added, “Of course, my equipment was all in there, too! But, before striking at Bai Lili, I went to buy a coffin, so that it could be more secretive when I transported her dead body away from the scene! After I killed Bai Lili, I brought her back to the old house next to the cemetery. Then, I used the most advanced method that I knew of to take care of her dead body.”

He then went into further detail about how he handled the body. “Regarding Bai Lili’s dead body, I can still remember clearly that the lady was young and beautiful. Her skin was supple and she was almost a

perfect human specimen! After I was done with the whole process, I was very satisfied with my work. I even admired it for a few days before I sent the dead body away!”

“Pervert!” Ran Tao exclaimed as his position seated next to Zhao Yu. Wu Xiumin was worried that what he said would affect Li Fei, so she sent a death glare at Ran Tao and signaled for him to keep quiet.

“But, after I killed Bai Lili, everything was different!” Li Fei suddenly looked terrified as he said, “I never thought that the end would come so quickly. I intentionally drove a further distance, just like before, and hid Bai Lili’s dead body in one of the forests! But, as I was driving back, I heard on the radio that they had found the dead body!”

His eyes grew wide as he recounted that moment. “The most shocking part was that they brought up Bai Lili’s name. I listened closely and realized that not only did they know that the deceased was Bai Lili, they even knew that Bai Lili lived in Nanjiang, knew her age, and even knew her background!”

Li Fei pulled at his hair in a nervous manner as he spoke. “I remember that very moment, my head nearly exploded! I didn’t understand why this time was different than before. Even if the dead body was found so quickly, they shouldn’t have been able to discover her identity so soon! There wasn’t even a head, and she was sent so far away! That really gave me a shock!”

He then added, “Then, when I heard about gene comparisons and that sort of thing later on, I was really afraid! I got worried that the police would find us if we stayed in Bai Ling, and I wanted to travel to the South, somewhere far far away, with very few people!”

He shook his head. “But, before I left, I was worried that it wouldn’t work if I were to continue to keep those things in my car! So, I kept all of those things in the storage pit in the old house! Hahahaha!”

Li Fei laughed gloomily, and it sent chills down everyone’s spines. “I don’t understand what I was thinking about back then. I kept everything in the storage pit and covered the entrance with random items! I honestly thought that Tao Xiang would never find those things! Or maybe, in my head, I wanted Tao Xiang to know that I killed Bai Lili and took revenge for Fourth Sis. I think that may have been why I hid Bai Lili’s head in the storage pit! Hehehehehe.”

By that point, Li Fei was acting more and more insane. His mental stability was obviously on a downward spiral.

“Li Fei, do you mean that you kept all of the heads and all of the equipment in the storage pit in the old house?” Wu Xiumin quickly asked direct questions. “But, we searched through the entire place and didn’t find anything...”

The heads then appeared in Tao Xiang’s treasure, which Wu Xiumin naturally knew about. But, she had asked this to lure Li Fei to divulge information.

“That was what happened later on!” Li Fei stopped his malicious laughter and continued his story. “Actually, after I drove off, I regretted it immediately! But, I just let him leave! I really never thought it would end up like that...”

“Like what?” Wu Xiumin quickly expressed her curiosity, so she could give Li Fei a sense of satisfaction in answering her.

“Let’s talk about me first! After leaving Bai Ling, I drove South and went to many unfamiliar places! But, I could never find the same feeling as I had before.” Li Fei was clearly in a distressed state as he spoke. “I felt that, after I left Bai Ling, without the few heads and without my equipment, it was like my soul had been removed and I muddled away for days on end!”

He shook his head. “However, I starting dating a few women! But, I didn’t dare spend too long with one person. I would always run away when it was almost time! I also sold the hearse and started driving an ordinary car. Every day, I was idling my life away. At first, I wanted to go back to my old career, but I slowly realized that the time had changed and everything was not like before!”

He went on to explain what he meant by this. “The identification cards could be swiped like credit cards, so nothing could be forged. Plus, the police were starting to confirm the deceased’s identities using DNA comparisons! As such, my chopping off heads and hands wouldn’t be effective anymore! Also, there were so many surveillance cameras all over the place, so I couldn’t even be a thief, left alone be a murderer!”

His face turned grave, tinged with some sadness. “Those skills that the master taught me back then, not one of them was useful! Suddenly, I felt like giving up. In fact, if I hadn’t felt some sort of appreciation from those few women that I had dated, I might have committed suicide!”

He looked like he was about to cry as he said, “I didn’t even have much money, so in order to eke out a simple living, I had no choice but to start looking for jobs in funeral parlors. However, the funeral parlor regulations in the South and the North are very different, as in the South, the management is much stricter, so I didn’t stand a chance.”

He looked truly miserable now. “Hence, I had no choice but to return to the North. Then, I found an assignment in a coastal town and worked for a few years.”

Then, Li Fei started laughing maliciously again. “There is always a way out, eh? I never thought that I would come across another turning point at the most hopeless and dispirited time in my life!”

He had a crazed grin on his face as he said, “One day, after I finished taking care of a dead body in the funeral parlor, I went to a noodle shop across the street. Suddenly, there was someone who sat down at the table opposite me!”

His eyes were wide as he laughed and exclaimed, “Hehe! I thought I would never see Tao Xiang ever again. Who would have guessed that he would pop up in front of me in a noodle shop?”

## **Chapter 672: The Frightening Gemstone Incident**

“I don’t know how Tao Xiang found me!” Li Fei opened the cup cover of his Coke and finished it off. He even started chewing on a few of the ice cubes.

“He said that he just happened to run into me, but I don’t think it was so simple!” Li Fei continued, “Back then, I was scared, yet was happy to see him at the same time! I was afraid that he had already found out that I was the murderer of the Headless Female Corpses Case and wanted to expose me! But, I was also really happy to be able to see him again.”

He then added, "Then, after we talked some more, I realized that he really didn't know anything about the heads. I tried to ask about his story, too. It turned out that, after Bai Lili's dead body was found, Tao Xiang had gotten into some trouble too. He was chased by his enemies and had no choice but to run away with Cui Fangyu's daughter!"

Li Fei paused to chew a few more ice cubes, then said, "Back then, he was worried that I would get sucked into his situation, so he even took the risk to leave me a secret coded message in the old house before he fled, telling me to flee as well! So, he clearly didn't have any idea about the things in the storage pit."

Li Fei was so absorbed in his own story, he looked as though a great weight was being lifted off of his mind when he spoke. "Then, we continued to chat about our recent situations! When Tao Xiang spoke, I could tell that he felt that Bai Lili's death might have involved me. However, he liked Fourth Sis even more than I did, so he didn't dive too deep into the topic."

Li Fei raised his head, almost as if picturing Tao Xiang right in front of him as he spoke of him. "Tao Xiang was a very careful person. He didn't tell me his address, nor did he let me see Cui Fangyu's daughter. But, he did tell me about something else, something that could bring a fortune..."

His eyes grew wide. "He told me that someone was willing to offer a high price for him to steal a gemstone in an exhibition in the capital! After he stole it, he said that he would receive two million in cash! But, he mentioned that he happened to be short one trusty assistant!"

He grinned as he recalled that day. "I knew that he wanted to give me a hand, as he saw that I was in a worse situation than he was. So, he invited me to join him in stealing the gemstone!"

Li Fei recalled attentively, "I told him right away that I was out of practice and probably couldn't help him much, but he insisted that we work together and said that I would just be his assistant, which wouldn't require any skills! He even said that he would give me one-third of the money!"

He shook his head and said, "Of course, I couldn't refuse such a great deal! So, I quit my job at the funeral parlor that same day and drove my car back to the capital with him. At first, everything went smoothly! Tao Xiang lived up to his reputation as the king of thieves. Actually, all I did was to keep watch. I wasn't of much use otherwise, and anyway, he could totally do it all alone!"

He chuckled a bit, remembering Tao Xiang. "He was really different from me. He was like Superman, proficient in various kinds of advanced methods. Even until the very last moment, when he got the gemstone, I still have no idea how he did it!"

Li Fei said, "After we got the gemstone, the only part of our mission left was to trade it! As the king of thieves, Tao Xiang never exposed himself! That was also the reason why he wanted me to help him. It turns out that he wanted to me complete the deal with for him!"

His eyes were really wide again. "Of course, I had no reason to refuse him, as I would be able to get six hundred thousand in cash after the deal was done! With that amount of cash, I could live comfortably for the rest of my life! So, I went! We agreed to make the trade underneath an abandoned television tower in the suburbs. It wasn't until I saw a few bearded men standing there that I realized that the people who hired Tao Xiang to steal the gemstone were foreigners!"

He shook his head. "Although I live in seclusion and always kept to myself, I could tell that something was not right when I looked in those foreigners' eyes! As I suspected, the moment I showed them the gemstone, they immediately took out their guns and wanted to kill me to shut me up!"

Li Fei said anxiously, "Luckily, Tao Xiang had anticipated this and threw some tear gas over. He then pulled me away by my arm. At the crucial moment, I snatched the gemstone back and started running behind with all of my strength! As those foreigners were super fast, they caught up with us and started shooting at us!"

He was getting breathless now, as if he was reliving that very moment. "I really thought the two of us were doomed! Besides running, we didn't know what else to do! Suddenly, there was a slope that we hadn't notice, which we fell down. Unfortunately, Tao Xiang's head hit a huge rock as we rolled down it. I didn't see it clearly, but he didn't respond at all when I shouted at him!"

He shook his head, recalling the incident, "We ended up in a deep ditch. Then, I picked him up and carried him along the ditch back to my car. Then, we fled as fast as we could!"

"However," Li Fei said sadly, "Tao Xiang was badly injured! He moaned and groaned in the car, and he even had foam that was coming out of his mouth. No matter how much I shouted at him, he didn't respond at all. I got panicked then, as I didn't have much money on me and I didn't know where to drive."

He then said, "We definitely couldn't go to the hospital, and we sure couldn't check in to any hotels! I didn't even know where Tao Xiang lived and I didn't have a home to go back to!"

Li Fei said in distress, "I could only let him sleep in the car and stay in a coma. I knew that Tao Xiang would be finished if it continued like this, though. I really had no choice but to drive back to Bai Ling directly, then go to the old house that was next to the cemetery to settle him down!"

He shook his head. "Then, Tao Xiang was not in a good situation. I felt that he might not survive the night, but I couldn't see any obvious external injuries when I checked his head. But, he was just like a person in a vegetative state. He couldn't eat or drink, so I could only find ways to infuse fluids into his body!"

His eyes were wide again. "I remember that we stayed in the old house for a day or two and Tao Xiang really smelled bad, so I took off his clothes and gave him a sponge bath. Surprisingly, when I took off his watch, I realized that it was double-layered. There was a hook underneath it, and after I opened it, I saw that there was something like a radar that kept beeping!"

He looked into the distance as he spoke, as if he was looking at the watch right then. "Although I was out of step with the times, I could at least understand some basics, so I knew that Tao Xiang's watch was no ordinary item! So, I got online to search and realized that that item was a high-tech GPS alarm system that belonged to the military!"

Li Fei said, "At first, I thought that the GPS was tied to Cui Fangyu's daughter, so that Tao Xiang could find her at all times! But, I slowly realized that the GPS might really be pinpointing at Bai Ling! In the end, I finally thought it through. As Tao Xiang was the king of thieves, he had stolen many amazing items in the past! The GPS alarm system might be pointing at his treasure's location."

Li Fei shook his head and admitted, “Actually, I didn’t think too much about it all back then. My only thought was that I wanted to save Tao Xiang and also get the money! So, I followed the GPS. I never thought that the GPS would lead me to Fourth Sis’ grave! Tao Xiang had hid his treasure in Du Manting’s grave!”

Li Fei was talking very fast now. “I was shocked! After all, many years had passed, yet Tao Xiang was still in love with our junior! He even hid his treasure at her grave, almost like it was a memorial to her!”

Then, Li Fei rubbed his hands together and said, “I immediately found a metal shovel and dug through the night. As expected, I found a big box of treasure! I was, of course, really happy and excited. I quickly moved the treasure into my car and drove back to the old house!”

Then, Li Fei’s face grew solemn and he said slowly, “But, I never thought that, when I returned to the old house with the treasure in my arms, I would see Tao Xiang, who had woken up, running towards me with a metal shovel in his hands. When he got to me, he struck me on my head with that da\*n thing!”

### **Chapter 673: Not a Misunderstanding**

“At first, I was really caught by surprise!” Li Fei said quickly. “I don’t know how Tao Xiang suddenly woke up, nor do I understand why he attacked me! That heavy strike knocked me on the ground!”

“Then, Tao Xiang really started acting crazy! He slammed the shovel on my head and my body over and over again, while I rolled around in pain. I really thought that he was going to kill me!” Li Fei admitted.

“I was cornered, so I kicked him! He fell down, then we started hitting each other. Although Tao Xiang had been in a coma for a few days, he was still very strong. I couldn’t win against him, and in the end, I think I might have grabbed a vase and hit him on the head with it and knocked him out!” Li Fei recalled.

“After he fell on the ground, I suddenly realized that Tao Xiang had run over from the the North end of the house. I ran over and saw that he had opened the entrance to the storage pit. That explained why he had wanted to kill me! He must have seen those things that I left there in the past! Then, when he saw me coming back with his treasure, he thought the worst!” Li Fei rubbed his hands together anxiously and continued his story.

“Actually, to be honest, I don’t blame Tao Xiang, even though he treated me like that. Tao Xiang was my one and only relative after all! Besides, he wasn’t mentally prepared for everything, as it all happened so suddenly. So, it was totally understandable that he couldn’t accept it.” Li Fei truly didn’t seem angry about this.

Then, Li Fei switched the topic. “As I went back to explain to explain to Tao Xiang about what had happened, I never expected that he, who had just been lying on the ground a moment earlier, would be nowhere to be seen! He had just vanished into thin air!”

Li Fei’s eyes grew wide as he recalled that moment. “I was frightened to death! I quickly looked for him. At first, I thought Tao Xiang would take my car and flee, but my car was still parked right there! Then, I searched around the house, but couldn’t find him anywhere! Then, as it was already dark, I finally realized that I wouldn’t be able to find him!”

He shook his head. "So, I had to flee from there as well! Hence, I quickly headed back to the house and repacked the treasure. The first thing that I thought of was to run away with the treasure! But, I thought about it again and assumed that Tao Xiang must have reported all of this to the police. Once the police arrived and saw the heads and other things, I wouldn't be able to escape!"

He exhaled slowly, then continued, "So, as I wanted to take care of those things, I decided to burn down the house!"

Li Fei was absorbed in his own memory at this point. "I always keep a container of emergency petrol in my car because I used to wander around and was afraid that I would run out in the middle of nowhere. So, I quickly brought out the petrol and carried it to the storage pit. I wanted to burn everything down!"

His eyes gleamed as he retold the events of that day. "When I entered the storage pit, the very first thing that I saw were the scattered cash notes on the ground! They had fallen out of a black plastic bag! Then, I saw that one of the urns where I had kept the heads had been opened!"

He took a deep breath, then added, "It was then that I understood that Tao Xiang had hid money in the storage pit as an emergency fund. When he suddenly woke up, he had wanted to take out his money. But, when he took out his money, he realized that there were many other things in the storage pit! Then, when he saw the heads, he was frightened."

He shook his head. "He must have been so shocked that he threw away his money! Then, he definitely realized that I was the one who left the things there, and that I was the serial killer of the Headless Female Corpses Case! So, he left the money and ran away! Coincidentally, I returned home at that same moment, so he picked up the metal shovel and wanted to kill me! It was a misunderstanding... A cruel twist of fate..."

Listening to Li Fei trying to reason with himself, people who were listening couldn't agree. After all, what's to be misunderstood, as isn't a murder just a murder? No matter who it was, they would have surely had the same reaction as Tao Xiang.

Li Fei jumped right back into his story. "At first, I poured out quite a bit of the petrol!, but I suddenly realized that, even if I set the all of the things on fire, the heads would remain! Plus, if I were to set the house on fire, I would attract attention. So, I realized that I couldn't set the house on fire and would have to think of other methods."

Li Fei smiled bitterly. "Suddenly, I thought of an idea! I started packing my things, including the heads, my equipment, and the cash notes. I then put them all in my car. Of course, I packed Tao Xiang's treasure, as well as the Indian gemstone."

He cocked his head to the side, then closed his eyes for a moment. "Then, I evaluated my life. I realized that I might be living an entirely different life from that moment onwards. Then, as I longed for a beautiful future, I drove back to Du Manting's grave. This was because I had yet to bury the pit after I dug out Tao Xiang's treasure, so the treasure box was still in the soil!"

He took a breath, then added, "Then, I opened the container and put all six heads in the box! Then, I locked the box and buried it in its original place. I did it very carefully, and I even found some dry soil to sprinkle above the ground so that no traces would be left behind. Then, I threw all of the containers away!"

Li Fei had a smug look of success on his face. "After I did that, I felt much better! I felt that, if Tao Xiang were to report to the police about me, I would just secretly report about the things that were now at the cemetery. If the police were to unearth those things, Tao Xiang would become the suspect instead of me!"

Then, Li Fei paused again. As Wu Xiumin understood criminal psychology, she immediately told Ran Tao to increase the temperature in the room secretly. She then told Cui Lizhu to pass him a warm glass of orange juice.

Li Fei took a few sips and steadied his excited emotions. He then continued, "Then, I had Tao Xiang's treasure and the Indian gemstone. I thought that I had everything and could live a good life from then on! Unfortunately, that was not the reality of the situation."

He shook his head. "I realized that, although Tao Xiang's treasure was very valuable, the items within it were very difficult to sell, as they were all stolen goods. If I wanted to sell them, I had to go through the right channels."

He sighed. "But, most of the people who were underground merchants would only deal with familiar customers! As I was a stranger, if I was to suddenly look for them to sell them a stolen item, they'd either suspect me as a police spy or steal all of my loot!"

He was clearly still a bit frustrated as he recalled the situation. "In order to change all of the items into cash quickly, I could only take the risk and visit Sixth Bro! His surname is Gao, but I had forgotten his name long ago. I heard from Tao Xiang when we were on the way to the capital to steal the gemstone that Sixth Bro was running an antique business in Bai Ling somewhere. He also said that he had many connections."

Li Fei continued. "So, I thought that maybe Sixth Bro could help me. I found him according to the address that Tao Xiang had given me before. When I found him, he was walking on crutches and looked quite pathetic! Although he said that he had fallen down, I think he was really beaten up!"

Then, Li Fei sighed, "Although we were disciples of the same master, I had no choice but to sell the things that were worth a dozen million to him at a price of only one million! Because this was so, I didn't sell him all of Tao Xiang's things, but merely half of them!"

Li Fei recalled, "Still, one million was no little amount to me then! In fact, that was an amount that I'd never dreamed of! So, I took the money and left Bai Ling."

He shook his head again and admitted, "I really thought that it would change my life! I figured that I wouldn't have to live a tough life like before!"

Li Fei said bitterly, "But, reality gave me a tight slap across the face. A few years later, I was shocked that my life was still a mess, regardless of any amount of money that I had. Everything was just like before..."

#### **Chapter 674: The Life of A Serial Killer**

"At the beginning, I did enjoy a few days of comfort. I had good food, drank good wine, wore warm clothing and even had fun with a few women." Li Fei smiled faintly, but he looked sad.

He then admitted, "But, no matter how rich I was, I knew that it wouldn't change the fact that I was a murderer. No matter where I stayed, I never felt safe. I always felt that the police would suddenly break into the house and take me away."

He shook his head. "At first, I even got in touch with some people and gave them a lot of money, as they promised to clear my name. But, in the end, those people were all quacks. Then, I wasted a lot of money on fake IDs. Also, those women who stayed with me were all eyeing my money, so I stopped visiting them!"

He sighed. "In my mind, a million should have been a lot of money, at least sufficient to last me the rest of my life! But, the actual reality was the total opposite. Within two years, it was almost all gone! I couldn't even afford a decent house!"

Li Fei sounded more and more bitter. "It was such a joke. I used to wonder why master, who was so good at stealing and Tao Xiang, who was the king of thieves, lived so pathetically. I couldn't understand why they didn't live a more wealthy life."

He shook his head. "It wasn't until I turned sixty that I finally understood. We are thieves and our hearts are thieves' hearts. We will forever live in the shadows. Even when we are under the sun, we will feel as though we are about to be exposed!"

He really looked sad now. "Just look at me. I brought so many treasures with me and even had the priceless Indian gemstone, yet those things couldn't provide me with the ideal life that I wanted. Forget about the dream, I couldn't even live like a normal person!"

He sighed again, clearly upset. "I didn't dare save the money in the bank, and I couldn't live a peaceful life and enjoy my work. The worst part was that I couldn't fully trust anyone! I had no friends, no family, and no woman. Then, on top of all of that, I had to constantly think about how to store my things so that the others couldn't find out anything!"

He closed his eyes, as if wishing it all away. "Compared to my life before, beside the somewhat heightened living standards, everything else was the same. I still frittered away my days, always living in fear. I didn't even know where I should go or what I wanted."

He opened his eyes again and said, "Once, when my money was almost gone, I went to one of the underground black merchants in one of the cities to sell a jade carving. In the end, I didn't manage to sell it, and I nearly lost my life! I was being eyed by those people, and if I hadn't have thrown the jade carving at them, I might not have been able to run away!"

He shook his head, remembering the danger of that day. "From then on, I was like a bird that was startled by the mere sound a tree branch breaking. I didn't dare reveal the treasures to anyone after that! As for the gemstone, I certainly didn't say a word about it. In fact, I have been carrying it with me all this time!"

His eyes grew wide as he divulged that information finally. "Then, I finally understood why Tao Xiang wanted to bury the treasure in the cemetery! Everything was totally different from what I had imagined!"

He let out another heavy sigh, then said, "Then, for a few years, I quickly resumed my old ways. I dressed in tatters and lived miserably. The worst part was that I was growing old. I was no longer a young man! As such, those commonly seen symptoms of the elderly gradually appeared in me, so I spent quite a bit of money to see the doctor too."

He blinked, then recalled, "After I wandered around for a few years, I returned to Bai Ling and the old house that was next to the cemetery. The old house was really solid, as even after so many years, it had remained the same. Maybe it was because it was near the cemetery and there was no one around, but no one seemed to have paid any attention to the house."

He then said, "I was thinking that, if I were to leave the world one day, I might as well die there! Ever since my memory formed, that's the only place that I remembered, so that was the place that I missed the most! By then, I wasn't worried about the police anymore, so I hid all of my valuables above the ceiling in the old house. Then, I was thinking about some ways to exchange the treasure for some money..."

He paused to take a breath, then continued his story. "However, before that, I still had to make a living wage, so I looked for jobs on the internet. Coincidentally, Xiang Lin Funeral Parlor was hiring, and it wasn't too far from the old house. Plus, an embalmer was the only occupation that I was familiar with my whole life. Hence, I went for the interview!"

He smiled then, remembering it. "I was still using the fake ID with the name of Xia Lianxi on it back then. Once they saw my skills, they, of course, hired me instantly as the new embalmer. Thus, I returned to my old profession. Later on, I felt that it was inconvenient to travel back and forth to the old house, so I rented a house that was closer to the funeral parlor."

He then added, "Honestly speaking, it felt good to go back to my old profession. I felt myself settling down and was even starting to pick up where I had left off in advancing my previous skills."

He smiled again at this memory. "I felt the same feelings as before all over again. I started looking for ways to improve and continued to research on the topic that I had yet to complete when I was young. I bought a lot of related books and researched the perfect way to preserve a dead body!"

He was smiling really wide now. "As the process required a kind of stabilizing agent, I purchased Hydrazine Enamine from Bai Ling High School in the funeral parlor's name. Then, I tried to test it with the latest version of embalming liquid. Although I had yet to succeed, I believe that, if I had been given more time, I would have definitely succeeded!"

Li Fei finally lifted his head and looked at the police officers who were on the scene. He then sighed and said, "Actually, I was prepared for this day to come! Honestly speaking, I was not afraid of being caught, nor was I afraid of being dragged in for the cases that I committed when I was young! Anyway, I already lost my entire life, so I have nothing left to lose!"

He smiled bitterly. "When I was taking care of a dead body yesterday around midnight, I suddenly thought of a new formula. So, I drove the hearse that belonged to the funeral parlor back to the old house, as I wanted to bring some of the chemicals over! Who knows what time it was when I drove the hearse out, but I saw a large number of police cars driving towards the funeral parlor as I was leaving."

His eyes were wide. “Then, when I drove the hearse back to my rented place, I saw another bunch of policemen there! It was then that I understood that the police had finally found me!”

Li Fei finally looked at ease as he said, “Of course, my first reaction was to run away! You had yet to arrest me after all! So, I drove the hearse back to the old house, as I wanted to take the treasure with me! But, when I realized that your car was right behind mine, I realized that it was impossible for me to escape!”

He shook his head. “As I had lived a pathetic life, I was not reluctant to leave. So, after I entered the house, I took out the treasure and put the Indian gemstone into my pocket and readied to be on my way.”

Then, Li Fei paused and looked at Zhao Yu. He then said bitterly, “But, I never thought that you would arrive and arrest me! However, it wasn’t a big deal that you arrested me. To me, my ending was always the same!”

Li Fei said in relief, “On the contrary, I felt at ease to finally be able to expose the secret that was hidden in my heart all this time. Police officer, I now that I have told you the pathetic story, could you let me see Tao Xiang?”

“You... What do you mean?” Suddenly, Zhao Yu could tell that Li Fei had a hidden message behind what he had just said, so he asked his question carefully.

“I heard from the news that you had arrested Tao Xiang, but...” Li Fei said solemnly, “Forgive me for being blunt. There aren’t many people who have seen Tao Xiang. So, I wanted to see if you had arrested the correct person...”

### **Chapter 675: The Forgotten Times**

At first, after they heard Li Fei’s confession, everyone was in deep thought. Before that, no one would have expected that this major case would be so complicated. Li Fei’s dark and violent life shocked people, and also saddened them.

Everyone’s minds were in turmoil and were checkered with contradictions. No one could understand what Li Fei had done.

The only thing that one couldn’t deny was the fact that Li Fei’s unfortunate childhood did seem to have played a huge role in this major case! After all, Li Fei was clearly biased!

However, leading up to his murderous background, there were many thought-provoking facets. These included his experience with the lack of protection for non-adults, domestic violence, abuse, robbery and so on. As such, the problems that been unearthed by this major case were numerous!

But, before they all had the time to wrap their minds around the mountain of information that Li Fei had just shared, he had suddenly said something that was so shocking...

After Li Fei had finished speaking, Zhao Yu raised his eyebrows.

“Hey, what do you mean?” Ran Tao sent a death glare toward Li Fei. “Do you actually think that we got the wrong person?”

“I know Tao Xiang,” Li Fei said seriously. “He wouldn’t allow himself to be caught by the police so easily! Besides having perfect thievery skills, Tao Xiang is a master at disguising himself! Plus, in this world, there are very few who have seen Tao Xiang. So...”

“Don’t be silly!” Ran Tao interrupted him, then extended his hand and pointed at Cui Lizhu. “Take a good look at her! Do you know who this girl is? Let me tell you, she is Cui Fangyu’s daughter. She was brought up by Tao Xiang himself!”

“Hey, Ran Tao, what are you doing?” Cui Lizhu pushed Ran Tao’s finger away, as she found annoyingly too near to her face.

From the beginning, Cui Lizhu had been confused. Although she was willing to expose her identity to Li Fei, as Li Fei seemed to be someone who was close to her family, the fact that Li Fei was the mad serial killer struck terror in her heart!

“What? You can’t fool me!” Li Fei was naturally shocked to hear this. Then, when he took a closer look at Cui Lizhu, he shook his head and said, “She doesn’t even look like Fourth Sis at all!”

“Bullsh\*t. How can one fake DNA?” Ran Tao spat out the words.

“Oh yeah?” Li Fei creased his eyebrows. “You and that DNA again. It turns out that there was already such technology when Cui Fangyu died!”

“Ran Tao, inform Captain Sun to bring Tao Xiang here!” Then, Zhao Yu weighed his options and ordered Ran Tao to collect the prisoner.

Zhao Yu was actually worried that Li Fei might be right. What if the psychotic man that we arrested isn’t Tao Xiang after all? We’ll be in big trouble then...

Although the possibility was quite low, Zhao Yu didn’t dare do things the sloppy way. He knew that, from the very beginning, only Cui Lizhu’s one-sided statement had certified Tao Xiang’s identity. Hence, he was worried that there might just be some cunning plot behind all of this.

Following Zhao Yu’s orders, Ran Tao soon brought the psychotic Tao Xiang into the interrogation room with Captain Sun’s help. As the real murderer had now been arrested, Tao Xiang wasn’t being guarded as strictly as before.

Just as Tao Xiang entered the interrogation room, Cui Lizhu lost control and immediately went forward to touch Tao Xiang’s hand. Her tears were flowing down her cheeks, which painted quite a heart-wrenching scene.

“Who is knocking on my window?” Tao Xiang was humming an old song and completely ignored Cui Lizhu.

“Sec... Second Bro... Tao...” Li Fei could see Tao Xiang’s face clearly, and his tears were falling uncontrollably too. He could barely get any words out, as he was so emotional.

Looking at the scene before them, Zhao Yu and the rest relaxed. Finally, at the very last moment of the case-closing period, there weren't any other surprises. This psychotic old man really was the king of thieves, Tao Xiang!

"Dad, how are you? Did they put you in a difficult position? Dad..." Cui Lizhu was crying her lungs out, but Tao Xiang only pushed her away.

He then said, "Don't disturb me. I can't remember the lyrics. What's the next line? Who is knocking on my window? Who... Forgotten the times..."

"You... Are really Fourth Sis' daughter?" Li Fei was no longer in doubt of Cui Lizhu's identity, so he said emotionally as tears welled up in his eyes, "You are all grown up now! The last time I saw you, you were only a baby! It's really you! Cui Fangyu, that b\*stard, he only had one child three generations in a row. I thought he wouldn't have anyone that carries his family name. Girl... Woo woo... Your mother and I... Woo.... I miss my Fourth Sis! I miss her so much."

Both Li Fei and Cui Lizhu cried their lungs out.

"Shh! It's so noisy. I don't want to play with you anymore!" Tao Xiang waved his arms, which shocked the police detectives who were behind him. This was because they saw that Tao Xiang's handcuffs were gone! They had disappeared in the blink of an eye!

"Hey!" The police detectives all yelled out simultaneously and moved towards him to pull Tao Xiang into their grasp. However, Zhao Yu extended his hand to stop them, while signaling them not to move any closer.

Li Fei finally realized something and quickly pointed at Tao Xiang, then asked Cui Lizhu, "What happened to him? He seems to be..."

"You forgot? He injured his head!" Ran Tao said. "His injury led to this mental instability that you're now seeing before you! Now, do you know why Tao Xiang didn't expose the secret in the old house?"

"Ah... It is no wonder you police were able to arrest him!" Li Fei shook his head in dismay, having finally understood the situation.

"Hey? What do you mean?" Ran Tao immediately stared at him. He then spat out the question, "Are you making fun of us?"

"It's all my fault!" Li Fei didn't bother with Ran Tao, but came before Tao Xiang and hammered his own chest, while he said, "Back then, I shouldn't have hit you with the vase!"

When Wu Xiumin heard this, she couldn't help but correct him. "Li Fei, can't you tell? The external injury, of course, played a part in Tao Xiang's going crazy, but actually, psychological stress was the biggest cause! If he hadn't have seen the heads in the storage pit, maybe he wouldn't be like this now..."

After Wu Xiumin said this, the room was completely silent.

"Who is playing the chords? It's the forgotten times..." Tao Xiang was still singing that strange song.

"Woo woo... It's my fault! It's all my fault!" Finally, Li Fei knelt before Tao Xiang and wailed. "Second Bro, I'm sorry! I'm so sorry."

“Eh? Master? Why are you here?” When Li Fei knelt down, Tao Xiang suddenly stopped singing and looked at Li Fei.

He then asked, “Master, why are you crying? Do you miss me? Master, I miss you too. Master, I’m sorry! It’s all my fault.”

“Junior, it’s me. I’m not Master.” Li Fei quickly touched Tao Xiang’s shoulder and tried to clarify the situation.

“That’s right. You’re my master. Master, I kneel down before you. Please forgive me... I beg you.” Then, Tao Xiang knelt down in front of Li Fei.

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One night a dozen years ago in Bai Ling, in the courtyard of an alloy aluminum shop.

The sky was dark and there were a few people standing in the courtyard. Right in the middle of the courtyard, there was a woman’s body that had a pair of fire tongs stabbed through the throat. Her body had been laid on the ground and there was blood all over the place.

“Master, Eldest Bro was trying to save me. He didn’t want to do it. I beg you, please forgive me!” The girl named Du Manting knelt before an old man as she pleaded with him.

“Shut up! He ran away, yet he wants me to forgive him?” The old man’s bloodshot eyes were wide open as he roared and his body quivered. “He’s not a child anymore. He killed his master’s wife! How can I forgive him? I need to go and look for him. I need to catch him! He should pay with his life! I was so blind. I raised a wolf in my own home! Li Fei! I must tear him into pieces! Ah...”

“Master, master, it wasn’t Eldest Bro’s fault. Let him go. Actually... Woo woo... Actually...” Du Manting held master’s legs tightly and begged determinedly, “I was the one who killed master’s wife! I killed her by accident. You can punish me!”

“Fourth Sis, what are you talking about?” The boy named Cui Fangyu, who was next to her panicked. “What are you blabbing about at such a time?”

“Alright! You killed her, right? Then, I have to catch the eldest back to clarify this, too! The two of you better not even think about running away!” The old man kicked Du Manting to the side.

Then, he ordered the two other boys, “You two look after her! D\*mn! Such a rebel! I am going to ask for help in getting Li Fei back.”

Just as the old man turned around, the older boy ran over and seized the old man’s throat!

“Second Bro! You...” Cui Fangyu was stunned and shouted, “What are you doing?”

“Tao, Xiang, you crazy b\*stard! Oh, ugh...” The old man couldn’t speak anymore, and his face was red from Tao Xiang’s trying to choke him to death!

“If the master isn’t dead, Eldest Bro and Fourth Sis can’t live!” Tao Xiang seized control of the old man’s throat and said brutally, “So, today, we can only do this...”

“Ah!” Although Cui Fangyu was pale, he quickly went forward and pulled the old man’s shoulders so that he couldn’t struggle. Du Manting shivered as she clenched her teeth and held onto the old man’s legs...

## **Chapter 676: There Is Tough Work Ahead and a Long Way to Go**

“It’s snowing! It’s snowing!” Ran Tao pointed outside the window and said, “I knew it. It was so dark outside, so I knew that it would definitely snow!”

“This is the first snow, right? Just in time!” Zhao Yu came before the window and watched as he sighed with emotions. “Nanjiang hardly gets snow, right? Is this snow from God to signify that we have managed to right the wrongs of the Headless Female Corpse Case and bring justice to the disgraced?”

“That’s unlikely, Team Leader.” Zeng Ke stood next to Zhao Yu and said, “Cui Lizhu’s mother died because of a car accident that was caused by a slippery road, which was most likely caused by snow, too! From what I see, the probability of it snowing here wasn’t any lower than it snowing in the North!”

“Team Leader, there’s something that I can’t understand...” Ran Tao said. “I saw Li Fei pouring petrol all over himself and you lept towards him. Why didn’t anything happen to the two of you? You weren’t even burnt!”

“Oh, my motherf\*cker! Can’t you just be glad when something good happens?” Zhao Yu took an unreasonable attitude towards the reproach.

He then quickly hurled the customary excuse that he had used in the past. “Don’t you know what is called assistance from God? Let me be honest with you, I have the body of the Buddha’s warrior attendant, so no ordinary fire can burn me. If you don’t believe me, let’s compete and see if you can win against me!”

Ran Tao stuck his tongue out and retorted, “I hold you in contempt!”

“Zeng Ke, come over and take a photo for me! Hurry up.” Then, the three men heard Wu Xiumin’s excited voice.

They turned around and saw that Wu Xiumin was fiddling with the Tamil Star. She had the gemstone around her neck!

Due to the gemstone’s uniqueness, the special investigation group had yet to hand it in as evidence. It wasn’t because they had any other sneaky intentions, but Division Chief Jiao had told them to do as such. As the gemstone involved diplomatic matters, Division Chief Jiao had to request official approval from her higher ups before revealing the gemstone to the world again.

“It is so beautiful!” Wu Xiumin enjoyed taking photos with it as she complimented the gemstone. “The Tamil Star! It once witnessed the rise and fall of the Indian Empire! It is such a rare opportunity that is hard to come by, just to see it! If I were to upload to my news feed in the future, those ridiculous friends of mine would definitely be green with envy.”

After she took dozens of photos using various poses, Wu Xiumin finally took off the gemstone necklace and told Zhao Yu, “Come, Team Leader, I have to pass this off to the Bai Ling Evidence Department soon. It is an opportunity that’s hard to come by. Hurry up and take a photo!”

“Forget it!” Zhao Yu waved her off. “I won’t wear that, even if you beat me to death. This thing isn’t any lucky charm! Do you realized that there was not one person who had any good luck after having it on their person? I want to live a life, so take it away!”

“D\*mn!” Wu Xiumin naturally got angry. “I just took so many photos with it around my neck, and then you make such a remark! You are ridiculous!”

“Ah! Team Leader, you’re right! This gemstone is cursed. Whoever wears it is unlucky!” Ran Tao seized the chance to make fun of Wu Xiumin. “Sis Wu, you are in big trouble! Why not let me buy you a few drinks tonight to chase away that unluckiness?”

“B\*stards! Not one of you is a good man!” Wu Xiumin held the gemstone angrily and said, “Forget about it. I shall pass this over to the Evidence Department now. This is apparently a scorching hot bomb, so it’s best not to store it with us!”

“Ran Tao!” Zhao Yu quickly signaled to him. “Hurry up and follow Sis Wu. Take care of the gemstone. This is no funny matter!”

“Okay.” Ran Tao hurried over to keep Wu Xiumin company and the pair walked together to hand over the gemstone.

“Actually, it was just a blue stone. What possessed those people to the point where they lost their rationality over it?” Zhao Yu sighed, then told Zeng Ke, “Zeng Ke, Cui Lizhu was detained temporarily. Figure out a way for me to see if there’s a way to bail her out. Money is not an issue!”

“When you write the report later, remember to emphasize more on Cui Lizhu. Bring her up more. That way, it’ll be easier for me to apply for her to be a special investigator and assign her to our group later!” Zhao Yu said.

“Wow! That’d be great!” Zeng Ke patted his chest and said, “Let me take care of this. To be able to transfer a cat burglar to our special investigation group to become one of our colleagues, now that’s interesting! I feel that Cui is really capable, and in the future, when we need her to take something or use her other skills, it would definitely be useful!”

“Okay!” Zhao Yu smiled, then added, “Oh yeah, I just received a call from Division Chief Jiao. The provincial office arranged a banquet tonight as a mini celebration. We have to attend. Inform the other two later!”

“Okay!” Zeng Ke promised and started working on the computer.

Zhao Yu turned around and looked at the snow outside the window again. Although the snow wasn’t heavy, he felt that it suited the situation perfectly.

Li Fei’s arrest and confession signified the solving of the Headless Female Corpses Case and the Gem Theft Case. This was unprecedented in the Central Criminal Division’s entire history!

The level of both cases wasn’t low, especially the Headless Female Corpses Case. In fact, it was once named the most major national case, and it happened almost twenty-four years ago! To be able to solve such a major case was a merit worth recording in the history books for Zhao Yu’s special investigation group, as well as for him personally.

He wondered what kind of life he would be living in the future. He'd certainly have to deal with a plethora of invitations for various kinds of social activities, as well as would be receiving various commendations and awards.

Once the announcement of the case's resolution was made, it would definitely be on the front cover of every publication and become the hot topic across the nation! As his was the special investigation group that had solved the case, they would all naturally be in the article and in the limelight!

Actually, Zhao Yu knew that, gauging from the number of victims in the crime, the Headless Female Corpses Case might not be greater than the Qinshan Bank Hidden Corpses Case, while years pending might not be longer than the Mianling Kidnap Case too.

However, the Bank Hidden Corpses Case happened secretly and the attention it received was much lower. This was because the police didn't want to make a big scene at the time, either. As for the Mianling Kidnap Case, it was restricted to a small region, so it only heavily influenced Qinshan itself.

In contrast, the Headless Female Corpses Case's dead bodies appeared in various places, and the victims were from various cities too. Hence, the influence of the case was much greater, as it spanned across almost the entire nation.

Also, as the victims' heads were chopped off and their bodies were exposed in such an eerie way, the case was extremely eye-catching, which had caused a widespread panic in the public's hearts. Besides, due to the long period of time that the case had stayed idle, allowing the murderer to roam freely, there were many stories and tall tales that were created among the people. Hence, the case's details and notoriety had spread like wildfire!

Because of these things, Zhao Yu was clear that the Headless Female Corpses Case had set the bar high. Moreover, besides the major cases recorded in Captain Jin's yellow cover notebook, there must be many similar cases in other regions.

So, in the future, the special investigation group that he led would definitely have tough work ahead and a long way to go. They would have a wider platform now, so they would have even more difficult cases awaiting them!

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Although the standard of the banquet was high, the higher ups maintained a low profile, as the case had yet to go to trial. As such, they were merely a few important higher ups, as well as the members from the special investigation team that attended the dinner. They were also only served ordinary dishes and champagne with a low alcohol content.

During the dinner, Zhao Yu started boasting like every potter who praises his own pot. He boasted shamelessly and credited himself for the achievement. He even quoted Captain Jin's famous maxim, "There's a liter of tears behind every crime case," and explained his unique viewpoint about the case.

The higher ups felt that he had a novel style and listened to him attentively. They were impressed by this charming leader of the special investigation group!

Division Chief Jiao nodded her head continuously and looked highly upon Zhao Yu's obvious capabilities. She even expressed her intention to request her higher ups to reward Zhao Yu and his teammates with a special commendation as encouragement.

At the same time, Division Chief Jiao also expressed the other higher ups' and her ardent expectations towards the special investigation group that was led by Zhao Yu. They hoped that the special investigation group could continue to solve similar pending cases to unearth the truth and bring victims justice. In turn, they would be awarded higher accomplishments and rewards.

Although he knew that there was tough work ahead and a long way to go, the higher ups' expectations happened to be Zhao Yu's same personal intentions. As he had come to the post to solve the major cases in the yellow cover notebook, he was naturally that much closer to his goal!

After the banquet, Zhao Yu didn't return to the hotel, but drove himself to a famous local Chinese restaurant. Zhao Yu had already had dinner, so the reason he went there in the snow was naturally not for supper.

It was because he had something that he had to do. There was a miracle adventure waiting for him in the restaurant...

### **Chapter 677: I Haven't Been A Brother for a Long Time**

Entering the restaurant, Zhao Yu swept the snowflakes from his shirt and prayed in his heart...

System Bro, the Headless Female Corpses Case has ended. Please take note of your limits and be kind! I am exhausted, so why not arrange for me to be a hero who rescues a few younger girls? Even better, it'd be best if you'd let me relax. Understand?

As he prayed silently in his head, Zhao Yu entered the restaurant. The restaurant had been luxuriously renovated and had an elegant style.

The waitress greeted Zhao Yu enthusiastically, but Zhao Yu wasn't there to eat. He found a dining table for four according to the GPS on his phone and lied and told the waitress that he was waiting for someone as he sat there on his own.

As there was still some time before the miracle adventure would take place, Zhao Yu felt that it would be inappropriate for him to just sit there and wait all alone. So, he requested that the waiter serve him some complimentary tea.

During the banquet, although they only had champagne, Zhao Yu had too much to drink due to having to both his left and right. Plus, he had not rested well for the past few nights, so he felt extremely exhausted. He closed his eyes and leaned back, trying to relax.

But, he couldn't block out some of the noisy diners of a lower class standard that surrounded him. They shouted and taunted each other to drink more, while some laughed loudly. It was so noisy, Zhao Yu couldn't even relax.

Helplessly, Zhao Yu took out his earphones and put them on his ears and played a few songs from his phone. Coincidentally, the very first song that played was a very old song called "Brother."

The song was filled with vagabond vibes and had a really cool sound. Zhao Yu liked it a lot.

He had memorized the lyrics long ago. As the familiar rhythm played, he started humming and lightly singing along, "I haven't been a brother for many years. I do not love the edge of the bed that is cold..."

Sigh!

Singing along with the song, Zhao Yu couldn't help but think of the Headless Female Corpses Case. No doubt, the murderer Li Fei was really a brother. But, he was also helpless and aggrieved!

Theoretically speaking, he did well by his juniors. But, at the crossroads of his own life, he repeatedly made wrong choices. In the end, it led to his downfall.

But, did he really have a choice?

Zhao Yu thought about the cause and effect of the whole situation, then realized that Li Fei had been born in a thief's lair and was abused by his master's wife since he was quite young. It seemed to be his fate to be mentally twisted, as it must have planted a seed that he would do wicked deeds when he grew up.

As he had grown up in such dark times, Li Fei couldn't grow up like a normal, healthy human being! In the end, the case was the same as the Bank Hidden Corpses Case. There was only law that could be considered, but no human feelings. His ending was the same as Qiu Xinyang's. As long as one was a criminal that harmed human lives, they wouldn't be able to escape the punishment according to the law!

Dealing with these kind of criminal cases, the only thing that people could do was to wish for community improvements. In this way, society would hopefully step in and help to eradicate such darkness, so that all children could grow up in more healthy environments and have better chances at succeeding in life.

Ding ling ling.

Just as Zhao Yu was listening to his music and thinking about the case, he heard a crisp noise. Zhao Yu quickly took off his earphone and looked up to see that someone had dropped a wine bottle. Although the bottle hadn't shattered, it was spinning on the ground a bit still.

Then, a woman with long hair appeared before Zhao Yu. The woman appeared to be drunk.

She bent down to grab the wine bottle a couple of times, but she only managed to finally grasp it after a few tries. She gripped the bottle tightly and put it back on the table.

Seriously?

Although Zhao Yu could only see the side of her face, he found her to be extremely familiar. It was at that exact moment that he recalled his side quest. Would my miracle adventure side quest be related to her?

Then, Zhao Yu walked carefully took a closer look at the woman from the side. He then realized that the woman was Wu Fangfang from the special force for the Gem Theft Case!

Why would I run into her here?

Such a coincidence!

Or... Is it?

With his side quest having brought him to this exact spot, he naturally couldn't tell if it was a coincidence. After all, the restaurant was merely a step away from the Bai Ling Police Station, so it was totally normal that Wu Fangfang would appear here.

Looking at the hot-tempered woman, Zhao Yu first thought about their mutual shared resentment and he, of course, wanted to pull a prank on her. But, he gave up the idea after thinking on it for a few moments.

As he thought about it carefully, he saw clearly that the woman seemed to command admiration. She acted with courage and determination, and she loved and hated with audacity and tenacity. Her only downfall was that her temperament was really bad.

Actually, to be able to solve two cases at once, to a certain extent, Zhao Yu had helped the woman out. After all, they had a deadline order for the Gem Theft Case, too. Then, the gemstone was found and the Central Criminal Division's excuse to transfer Wu Fangfang back had fallen through.

However, although the deadline order was dismissed, Wu Fangfang's position took a strange turn. Hence, her future was obviously at a crucial crossroads.

The gemstone was found, so the special force was dismissed. Now, if the Central Criminal Division couldn't transfer Wu Fangfang back to her original branch, they had to find something else for her to do!

But, regardless of what she did in the future, Wu Fangfang would definitely be restricted and excluded due to her previous convictions. So, she was naturally not in a good situation at the moment.

Earlier, before the banquet was dismissed, Division Chief Jiao purposely brought up this very matter with Zhao Yu. It was Zhao Yu's opinion that the best course of action was for Wu Fangfang to write a letter to apply to be transferred back to her original branch. That would be the best arrangement for her, as well as the higher ups in the Central Criminal Division.

Wu Fangfang had been working in the special investigation group for so many years. When she returned, as long as the higher ups in the division got in touch with the police station, it would be fairly easy if she wanted to be a section chief, deputy bureau chief, or an equally high status position of that sort.

However, the stubborn woman firmly refused. She claimed that she would rather be fired than to bow to pressure! Furthermore, she attested that she would never resign!

Zhao Yu changed his mind about her the moment he heard her decision. From Zhao Yu's viewpoint, he couldn't bring himself to think highly of her at all.

Zhao Yu returned to his seat and thought, It seems that Wu Fangfang didn't come here to drink for no reason...

Mmm... Then, why did the system arrange for her to be here in front of me?

Zhao Yu looked to the left, then to the right. He wondered if there would be a few gangsters that would harass Wu Fangfang, or if Wu Fangfang would have too much to drink, resulting in him having to take care of her.

Just as Zhao Yu was looking around, a person came barging in from the entrance. He was a young man, and the moment he entered, he walked towards Zhao Yu angrily.

Huh?

Zhao Yu looked up and found that the young man looked extremely familiar. I seem to have seen him somewhere before...

But, before Zhao Yu could recall who the young man was, he had already run before Zhao Yu and shouted towards the room that was behind Zhao Yu, "Song Xiaoyuan, you are ridiculous!"

The young man was roaring aggressively. "Look at what you did to my family! You can't even bear a few words of scolding? What are you thinking to break up with me now? Are you making fun of me? Today, let's talk about it!"

#### **Chapter 678: I Have Not Been a Jerk for a Few Days**

Zhao Yu leaned his head sideways and saw that there were two good looking girls with slim builds in the room behind him. One of them was wearing a unique yellow sweater, looking cheerful and bright, while the other one was wearing a checkered shirt, looking quite lovely.

Wow.

As Zhao Yu looked at them, his eyes suddenly beamed. He knew the girl in the checkered shirt, too! She was the girl who wore the dragon-shaped bracelet!

Oh.

Zhao Yu finally remembered that the young man who was arrogant and currently shouting was no doubt the rich man's son, who had given Song Xiaoyuan the dragon-shaped bracelet. His name was Liu Xinghui!

Liu Xinghui's dad was still being detained in the Bai Ling Police Station because he had purchased stolen items! However, Liu Xinghui wasn't involved in the crime personally, so he had not been detained.

As Zhao Yu didn't know many people in Bai Ling, he never would have guessed that he would come across three people that he knew at this restaurant! It seemed that the system had put in quite some effort to arrange this side quest!

"You... How did you know that we were here?" Song Xiaoyuan saw that Liu Xinghui had found her, and she suddenly quivered in terror.

She then pointed at the door and said, "You... Leave now! I do not want to see you!"

"Song Xiaoyuan, don't pretend to be an innocent girl," Liu Xinghui said coldly. "Who do you think I am? I'm not just some person that you can summon and dismiss at the drop of a hat! You are ridiculous!"

“Liu Xinghui, what are you talking about? Who is the one that is being ridiculous?” The girl in the yellow sweater suddenly pointed at Liu Xinghui and scolded him. “You think it’s okay to beat people up? What did our Yuanyuan do to you? Your dad was arrested, but what does that have to do with Yuanyuan? Forget about the fact that you scolded her, how could you beat her, too?”

“Xiao Qin, this has nothing to do with you, so show some sense and f\*ck off!” Liu Xinghui spat out the words. “When I gave her the bracelet, I told her to keep low profile. But, look at her, going and flaunting it so brazenly! You saw that Zhang Zichen came back, so you just had to show off, right? Look what happened now! My dad has been arrested!”

“You told me to keep a low profile, but you didn’t tell me that it was stolen!” Song Xiaoyuan cried as she complained, “Now that something happened, you want to blame me. You are the one who is being ridiculous! You say that you are good to me, but why did you hit me? Liu Xinghui, we are finished! Just leave!”

“You!” Liu Xinghui took a step forward and held Song Xiaoyuan by the arm.

He stared at her and shouted, “Song Xiaoyuan, you are so heartless. I was so nice to you. Now that you see that my family is in trouble, you want to plead your ignorance? Are you even human?”

“Hey, Liu Xinghui, who is the one that is heartless?” Xiao Qin saw that Liu Xinghui was going to take action, so she immediately stood in front of Song Xiaoyuan and hit his arm away.

She then said, “You lied to Yuanyuan, then you hit her. How dare you behave so savagely?”

“D\*mn it. F\*ck off. This is between the two of us. Go away!” Liu Xinghui got impatient after Xiao Qin scolded him, and he started tearing at Xiao Qin.

“I won’t go away. This is a public place. What can you do to me here, huh?” Xiao Qin was quite impressive. She protected Song Xiaoyuan, while also hitting Liu Xinghui.

The chaos that had just erupted among the trio suddenly attracted the other diners’ attentions, and they all began to look over. Zhao Yu was still standing at his original spot. He felt that it would be inappropriate for him to take action in such a matter that clearly did not concern him. After all, it was merely a fight between young people.

Just as they were tearing at each other, Liu Xiumin flew into a rage and slapped Xiao Qin, who instantly fell on the ground. He then ignored everyone’s gazes and pulled Song Xiaoyuan by the arm.

Song Xiaoyuan grabbed on to Zhao Yu’s sofa, as she wasn’t willing to follow him. Then, there was a kind waiter that came to mediate after hearing the commotion. But, Liu Xinghui pushed the waiter away.

Zhao Yu sat on the sofa in distress and thought to himself helplessly as he looked at the scene, If I were to punch Liu Xinghui, how many points would the system give me?

I reckon it wouldn’t be that many, right?

Hmm... Let’s try some other tricks...

As Song Xiaoyuan struggled before him, Zhao Yu breathed in her sweet scent.

Zhao Yu pondered, I haven't been a jerk for a very long time. So, I might as well start to misbehave a little again...

Then, he suddenly jumped on his feet from the sofa and knocked into Song Xiaoyuan's body. At the same time, not only did he knock Liu Xinghui's hand away, he seized the opportunity to hug Song Xiaoyuan's chest and pull her into his embrace.

Of course, his hands weren't idle. He sneakily swept passed her crucial body part.

Mmm... Not bad. He thought to himself. Although her little flower bud is slightly smaller, the good feeling is there.

As he thought to himself, he asked her with concern, "Miss, are you okay? The floor is slippery, so please be careful."

Just as Zhao Yu was behaving mischievously, Liu Xinghui had a minor accident. As Liu Xinghui's hand was knocked away by Zhao Yu, he fell backwards due to the law of inertia.

However, as they were all tearing at each other, Wu Fangfang wasn't idle either. No one knew what that woman was thinking of when she picked up her red wine bottle and attempted to slam it directly on Liu Xinghui's head!

Her strike was strong. If it were to really land on Liu Xinghui's head, his head would have definitely been split into half!

But, as Liu Xinghui happened to fall down, he dodged the bullet. Instead of his head, Wu Fangfang hit the air and nearly fell down herself!

Wu Fangfang looked like she had clearly had too much to drink, so she didn't manage to hit Liu Xinghui. After she missed royally, she held the wine bottle and waved it at Liu Xinghui instead, slurring and yelling, "You... You..."

Liu Xinghui totally had no idea what was wrong with the woman. He quickly moved away from her.

At that moment, the saddest incident took place. As Wu Fangfang had too much to drink, after her chest heaved up and down vigorously, she suddenly vomited!

As she happened to be facing Liu Xinghui, she vomited onto him, splashing his face with her puke! Although she only vomited once, it was like the water dam had broken. After she had finished vomiting, there was even half a prawn that remained stuck on Liu Xinghui's face!

"Ah!" Liu Xinghui almost went crazy, and he quickly ran away from her.

"The h\*ck? That works too!" Zhao Yu held the beauty in his hands as he gawked at the scene before him.

He watched Wu Fangfang slowly return to her seat after vomiting. He reckoned that she was getting ready to black out.

Then, Xiao Qin, who was wearing the yellow sweater, covered her face and ran forward. When she saw Zhao Yu hugging Song Xiaoyuan tightly in his arms, she was dumbfounded.

“Aiyo, that’s disgusting! What happened? Liu Xinghui?” Song Xiaoyuan then realized that Zhao Yu had not let go, so she quickly wriggled away out from his grasp.

Then, turned and told Xiao Qin, “I don’t understand! Liu Xinghui fled!”

As Zhao Yu refused to take advantage of the situation, he could only shake his head. However, his eyes were fixed on Wu Fangfang, who just blacked out.

Then, he told Song Xiaoyuan shamelessly, “Alright, Miss, I just rescued you, but you don’t need to thank me! Hehe.”

He rubbed his hands together and said, “I saved a little beauty, and now, I am going to save the big beauty! Hehe!”

Then, Zhao Yu extended his hands wickedly towards Wu Fangfang.

### **Chapter 679: Hexagram that Didn’t Correspond**

Zhao Yu was very clear that Song Xiangyuan and Liu Xinghui fought and broke up because of the dragon-shaped bracelet. Liu Xinghui stole it from his father’s collection, then gave it to Song Xiaoyun.

But, she had shown it off, which had attracted the attention of the police. Hence, Liu Xinghui’s father was currently being detained at the police station.

However, as they were just a couple at loggerheads after all, it wouldn’t be appropriate for Zhao Yu to get involved in their little scuffle. Besides, since it was the dragon-shaped bracelet that had provided the crucial clue for solving the case, Zhao Yu couldn’t do much about it now. It was out of his hands.

Dealing with the side quest, the only thing that Zhao Yu could do was to take advantage of the situation and get his jollies with a beauty! Facing the mischievous Zhao Yu’s advances, Song Xiaoyuan was forced to keep her grievance to herself.

After all, under such circumstances, she could not possibly pursue the matter further. So, she sent a death glare at Zhao Yu and went to pay the bill at the cashier with the girl in the yellow sweater.

At the moment, there were two waitresses who were upset by the puddle of vomit. Dealing with such a situation, they had to hurry and clean up the scene.

Otherwise, it would affect the other diners and they would be scolded by their boss. However, no one was really willing to do such a degrading and disgusting task!

Zhao Yu was understanding of this. Although he knew that it had nothing to do with him, he took out two hundred dollar bills and passed them to the two waitresses coolly. Looking at the huge tip, the two of them suddenly became energetic and quickly cleaned up the scene.

“Hehehe.” Zhao Yu rubbed his hands together again and sat down next to Wu Fangfang. As Wu Fangfang was already drunk, she didn’t respond at all.

I haven’t been a brother for many years. I do not love the edge of the bed that is cold...

As the scene quieted down, the song was played from Zhao Yu's phone again. He then realized that the music in his phone was set to loop, and it had been playing the song repeatedly.

Zhao Yu turned off his phone, then lifted his wicked hand to take action. Then, after he took a whiff and smelled the alcohol smell, Zhao Yu had no choice but to stop and grab a wet towel on the table. He then held Wu Fangfang's shoulders started to clean her up.

This was the first time that Zhao Yu had gotten so close to Wu Fangfang. To be honest, Wu Fangfang was actually quite good looking.

She had delicate features and her skin was smooth. However, as the woman had been depressed for so long, this led to the corners of her mouth and the tips of her eyebrows having a violent and domineering aura about them. As for her body...

As Zhao Yu cleaned her up, he pulled her closer to take a good look at her.

She's alright. Although she isn't tall, her body is proportionate. However, I really can't bring myself to compliment her capabilities, still. After all, she doesn't have a brilliant brain, and she doesn't have great fighting skills. Besides, there's that volcanic temperament of hers to consider...

Sigh.

Speaking of volcanic temperaments, Zhao Yu couldn't help but recall her story. He remembered that she had splashed water on the higher up, and he also remembered her husband's unfortunate encounter. He even remembered the pathetic look on her face as she had been drinking alone just then.

Then, Zhao Yu reined back his wicked hand that he had already extended into the woman's wool sweater and sighed. Why am I such a gentleman?

Forget it. I shall not pull a prank on you today, then! I will not bring you back to the hotel to take a photo either!

After cleaning her up, Zhao Yu figured that he might as well be a nice man till the very end of the story. So, he paid her bill and carried her to his car. He then planned to send her back to the police station.

But, he soon saw that the snow had gotten heavier outside, and the ground was covered in white. The snowflakes continued to fall, and the scene was extremely romantic. However, as he was carrying a woman who was piss drunk in his embrace, Zhao Yu didn't feel a tinge of romance in the air!

In his heart, he just missed Miao Ying! Such snowy scenery only made him feel more lonely. In fact, he had thought more than once that it'd be great if he could solve the Headless Female Corpses Case with Miao Ying.

Ying, I already solved the first case in the yellow notebook! We got it all wrong back then!

There are another four cases in the notebook. If you don't come back, I'll solve all of them without you.

"Oooooooh..." Just as Zhao Yu was thinking, Wu Fangfang, who was seated on the passenger seat, groaned in agony, which brought Zhao Yu back to reality.

“Hey, sis, although this is just a car that I borrowed from the police station, you better not puke in it!” Zhao Yu advised her. “Hang on, we’ll be at the police station soon. You can puke however you like then.”

Bang bang bang. Vroom!

Just as Zhao Yu spoke, there was noises in front of them! Zhao Yu lifted his head and saw that the door of a Buick MPV had just slammed shut.

The care looked like it was going to drive away, while the girl in the yellow sweater from earlier was hammering on the door.

She looked as though she was mad! It looked like someone in the car had stolen her belongings!

Vroom.

The Buick accelerated and left the girl there.

Hey?

What’s going on?

Zhao Yu could tell that something wasn’t right, so he immediately started the car and drove up next to the girl.

“Ah. It’s you! Hurry up!” Xiao Qin shouted. “Liu Xinghui grabbed Song Xiaoyuan and took her away with him. Hurry up. They’re in that car in front of us!” Then, Xiao Qin opened the door and got in the car.

“Bro, I beg you. Please catch up with them!” Xiao Qin shouted anxiously. “Liu Xinghui is crazy. I can’t tell what he will do to Yuanyuan!”

However, just after she said that, Xiao Qin suddenly saw Wu Fangfang, who was drunk, seated on the passenger seat.

“Mm... You...” Xiao Qin got a shock and suddenly realized the situation. “You... How could you bring her in your car? You... Ah!”

Xiao Qin wasn’t done talking yet, but Zhao Yu slammed his foot on the gas pedal to chase after the Buick, startling her.

“Call the police! No, I will call the police... You... Stop the car. Ah!” Xiao Qin clearly thought that Zhao Yu was a gangster who was taking advantage of this woman, so she screamed in terror.

“Shh!” Zhao Yu shushed her. “I am the police! Who are you trying to call?”

Zhao Yu drove really fast, while Xiao Qin grew pale and Wu Fangfang suddenly was catapulted over onto Zhao Yu’s thigh because of the shaky car ride. Her face landed in between his legs, which wasn’t a pleasant scene to watch!

“The h\*ck?” Zhao Yu tried to to push her away, but that looked even more shady, as the car was shaking!

“What are you trying to get her to do to you? B\*stard! Ah, stop the car! Quick, stop the car!” Xiao Qin screamed again.

“Motherf\*cker!” Zhao Yu was going crazy too. He wanted to shout at her to shut up, but his phone rang at that exact moment.

“Look at this. I am a police officer, and so I am talking to the police now, too. Stop shouting!” Zhao Yu drove at a steady speed as he looked at his phone.

At first glance, he was surprised. He thought Zeng Ke and the others were looking for him because of urgent matters, but when he looked at the phone number, it was a call from Qinshan!

Who is calling me? It is already so late. Why would someone be calling from Qinshan?

These bunch of numbers seem familiar too...

Zhao Yu was worried that there was an emergency, so he quickly answered the call. As he was driving and he didn't have a bluetooth earphone, he had no choice but to activate the handsfree mode on the loudspeaker.

“Hello? Police Officer Zhao, is that you?” The voice of a gentle woman could be heard on the other end of the phone.

“Ah! It's you?” Zhao Yu recognized the voice of the female head nurse, Yao Jia!

This is interesting. I didn't get a Kan hexagram, so why would I come across so many women at once?

It was already close to midnight, so he had to wonder why would Yao Jia call him so late. Plus, Zhao Yu had changed his phone number after he joined the special investigation group, so this was strange. Besides the few people that he was close to in Qinshan, no one else should know his new phone number!

Is Yao Jia in trouble?

## **Chapter 680: Right Time To Flirt**

“Yao Jia, I am Zhao Yu. What's wrong? What happened?” As Zhao Yu was chasing after the Buick, he was naturally straightforward when he answered the phone.

Screech.

As the driver of the Buick in front of them realized that there was someone chasing him, not only did he accelerate faster, but he even started maneuvering the car to start taking many sharp turns.

Zhao Yu was shocked by this, but he quickly turned his steering wheel to follow the Buick closely. As the change of direction was too sudden, the right side of the car spun out of control and they hit a rubbish bin!

“Ah!” Xiao Qin landed heavily on the back seat and screamed in terror again.

“Mm?” Yao Jia heard a woman's scream from the other side of the phone, so she quickly asked with curiosity, “Police Officer Zhao, are you not in a convenient situation to talk?”

“Go ahead! Don’t worry about it!” Zhao Yu held the steering wheel tightly and managed to straighten the car.

He then drove through the slippery snow-covered roads and continued to chase after the Buick. Then, as Zhao Yu sped up again, in the blink of an eye, he was right behind the Buick!

“Oh, you know,” Yao Jia spoke with some hesitation, “I heard from your colleagues about you, so I... I wanted to ask...”

“Woo. Bleh.....” Just as Yao Jia was speaking, Wu Fangfang, who still had her head in Zhao Yu’s lap, suddenly retched.

“Don’t puke on my crotch! You’d better! Mmm...” Zhao Yu yelled at her angrily, but immediately regretted it.

Cough cough, cough cough... Luckily, Wu Fangfang had nothing to puke, so she merely made a bunch of dry heaving sounds and coughed a little.

“Mm.” Yao Jia was even more shocked now. “Police Officer Zhao, where are you? What is going on? Why don’t we talk when you’re not so busy?”

Zhao Yu could tell from Yao Jia’s reply that she had definitely misunderstood him and the current situation. He quickly clarified, “Nothing is going on. There’s someone who is drunk here. Go ahead and tell me whatever it is you need to say.”

Zhao Yu could tell that something was up. He was worried that Yao Jia was really dealing with a difficult situation.

“Oh... I’d like to ask if Police Office Miao... Mmm... Your girlfriend... Did you find her yet?” Yao Jia asked timidly.

Just as she asked the question, Xiao Qin screamed again, “Ah!”

That scream could have startled the whole universe and moved the Gods themselves! It turned out that, as Zhao Yu had sped up, he was heading straight forward and was about to hit the Buick!

Bang!

With a loud crash, the car shook vigorously, causing Xiao Qin to roll to the ground from her seat, while Wu Fangfang dove deep into Zhao Yu’s private parts! The Buick’s tire tracks and screeching brakes left a line on the road and its exhaust pipe was giving out black smoke. In the end, it regained its center of gravity and drove away!

“Motherf\*cker!” Zhao Yu then stepped on the gas pedal again, but he didn’t forget to tease Yao Jia over the phone, “Head nurse, why are you bringing this up again? My girlfriend is gone, and you are trying to take advantage of the situation! You wanted to get the excellent hot guy into your embrace instead?”

“Let me, let me go! Woo woo...” Xiao Qin was frightened after the near accident, so she started crying her lungs out. She then put on her seatbelt as she pleaded with Zhao Yu, “I want to get out! Please, I beg you!”

“Mm... Police Officer Zhao, how can you still can make jokes at this time?” Yao Jia spat out her words. “I think you have enough women over there to keep you busy. I’m afraid you’re not worthy for someone to entrust you with their life...”

“Hehehe.” Zhao Yu giggled, then quickly explained himself, “I knew that you would misunderstand me. Let me tell you, I am in the car! I am chasing a criminal! The ones in the car with me are those that I rescued heroically! Oh, hold on...”

Just then, Zhao Yu stepped on the gas pedal again and crashed into the Buick once again. The car’s bumper and headlights were all broken, but the car itself was still traveling at high speed.

The police car that Zhao Yu had borrowed was an old Jetta without police tags. After the crash with the Buick, he was naturally at a disadvantage. After hitting the car twice, forget about the police car’s bumper, even its front hood was badly warped!

“Alright, so be it!” Yao Jia said. “I called to tell you something specific!”

“Oh? What is it?” Zhao Yu asked, while shifting to drive the Jetta parallel to the Buick.

Through the Buick’s window, he saw that there was not only Liu Xinghui in the car alone, but that there were two or three young men with her. He could also see that Song Xiaoyuan was being restrained by these people.

“Do you remember the nurse named Xiao Ai in our department back then?” Right at that crucial moment, Yao Jia strangely brought up a random person.

“Oh yeah! I sure remember her! Hehehe...” As Zhao Yu had been under Yao Jia’s care for half a month, he, of course, remembered all of the pretty nurses!

“You have such a dirty mind! You act differently now that you have a higher ranking!” When Yao Jia was rebuking him, Zhao Yu turned the steering wheel and hit the Buick yet again! Xiao Qin screamed in terror again, while Wu Fangfang was still retching on his thigh.

Screech.

The Buick was pushed against the metal railing by the side of the road, which caused fire sparks to dance all over the roadway.

“I’m only telling the truth! However, I have to wonder why you are bringing up the nurse?” Zhao Yu joked, “Please don’t tell me that you are trying to be a matchmaker!”

“What? I know that you are a loyal boyfriend, so I wanted to help!” Yao Jia chuckled. “So, what happened was... Xiao Ai got married, and she just got back from her honeymoon in New Zealand with her husband.”

Then, the driver of the Buick suddenly turned his steering wheel and squeezed Zhao Yu to the side of the road. He did this easily, as the Buick was much heavier than the Jetta. After it was pushed over, the Jetta was squeaking as though it was going to fall apart!

“No. Ah. I don’t want to die! Woo woo...” Xiao Qin quickly covered her eyes.

“Head nurse, can you get straight to the point?” Zhao Yu held onto the steering wheel as he urged Yao Jia to spit it out! “I have something going on here. If you don’t tell me right now, I might not ever hear it!”

Vroom.

The Jetta was pushed to the edge of the pedestrian lane by the Buick. Its rearview mirror fell off, the windshield shattered, and the worst part... There was a phoenix tree at the end of the road! If Zhao Yu were to hit it, the car and everyone in it would be doomed!

“Alright. Alright. So...” Yao Jia sped up as she spoke, “In New Zealand, Xiao Ai took many photos, as she was on her honeymoon. I saw your girlfriend in one of those photos!”

“Huh? What?” Zhao Yu roared in surprise. “What did you say?”

“That Police Officer Miao! Xiao Ai was taking a photo, and she happened to capture her in the background inadvertently!” Yao Jia repeated herself.

“The h\*ck?” Zhao Yu’s eyes were wide open.

He suddenly exerted all of his strength, and right before the Jetta hit the tree, he activated an Invisible Spring Launcher and used it on the Buick. Then, the Buick bumped in the air about two meters high, while Zhao Yu turned the steering wheel and stopped right below the Buick!

Kuang.

With a loud thud, the Buick landed heavily, right at the Jetta’s hood. As the top of the car was narrow and imbalanced, the Buick slipped off really soon. It then spun out and hit the big tree. Then, it didn’t move anymore!