

Fake Marriage 151

Chapter 151: Were You Called by Other Names in the Past?

“Were you called by other names in the past?” All these years, he still could not find Song Xing despite the financial ability and connections the Long family had. This left Long Feiting suspecting that she might have changed her name. But if he couldn’t even find her with the name Song Xing, it would be like finding a needle in a haystack if she had changed her name; he’d have no way to look for her.

Therefore, he could only try to find someone by the name of Song Xing. And now, he’d learned that this girl’s situation was so similar to his. If she were to say that she was called Song Xing in the past, then it was extremely possible that she was his Little Star!

Long Feiting had been sending people to search for her in Yun Cheng all this time. He chose to study at Yun University also because he hoped to bump into her during these few years.

Indeed, coming to Yun Cheng was the right thing to do. The Song Xing he met previously who did boxing had eyes that were very similar to hers. And the girl he was looking at now also had very similar eyes to those that were in his memories!

He believed that Song Xing had to be one of them!

That year, the human traffickers, who were afraid that the abducted children would attract attention with their voices, had stuck duct tape over their mouths. After bringing them deep into the mountains, they no longer taped their mouths. However, they were locked in a dusty and dark basement. Only on the last night when they had escaped did Long Feiting see Song Xing’s face clearly. But at that time, her small face had been extremely dirty. Therefore, he could not see how she originally looked like. He could only remember that pair of clear big eyes distinctly.

Thus, he could only rely on the similarity to those eyes to find her.

“No... I did not change my name... I only had a nickname... Little Star...”

Long Feiting’s eyes glistened at that. “Then that Chubby Brother of yours, what was his name?”

As he had met several fake Song Xings in the past few years, there were a few times when Long Feiting had been duped. This left him not talking about the situation beforehand no matter how similar she looked to Song Xing and only asking about the other party’s situation first.

That year, he secretly overheard those people talking about how they were going to bring the children into another city the next day. When that time came, they would let those families who did not have children but wanted to buy one to choose first. The ones who were not picked would be crippled and sold to the beggar’s community to let them beg on the streets. Little Star advised that they should all try to escape that night.

Many children did not dare to escape. Even he was a little afraid, and only Little Star and he were the bravest amongst the rest.

She said she had a plan and she was a local of Yun Cheng. She was familiar with the city and could definitely help them escape, as long as they cooperate with her plan.

Under her persuasion, many kids who did not dare to escape eventually agreed to her plan.

His Little Star was extremely clever. She led more than ten of them, with the oldest being only 11 and the youngest only at 3 years old, and successfully escaped from the hands of the five human traffickers.

Although she had hurt her leg in the end and he was the one who carried her back into the city, she got herself injured to save him. If not for her, he would have rolled over an overhanging cliff with a torn body and crushed bones. Therefore, it was she who saved him, not the other way around!

When he thought about this, Long Feiting's excitement simmered a little as Mu Kexin said earlier that it was Chubby Brother who saved her.

If she was the Little Star from that year, it was clear that she was the one who saved him. Why did she say that it was he who saved her?

However, as it had been so many years and this was the first time he had met someone with such similar circumstances, he did not dare to let such a chance go even if there were some differences.

That year, when Little Star brought them to a safe place and was about to leave, he told her that his name was Long Feiting and that she had to remember his name. After he had been picked up by his family, he would definitely get them to bring him to find her!

Chapter 152: Becoming Indifferent

At that time, she was already 11 years old. Someone as smart as she definitely would have remembered his name.

As long as she could say his name, she was very likely Little Star!

"I fell extremely sick when I went home at that time. I have forgotten many things and could remember only the Chubby Brother..." Mu Kexin furrowed her eyebrows as if she was trying her hardest to remember to the point of having a headache.

Although Long Feiting was very unsatisfied with such an unsure answer, he thought about how probable it was for an 11-year-old girl at that time to fall sick from the injury and shock after going through such an ordeal.

"Is there anyone in your family with the surname 'Song'? Are you from Yun Cheng?" She said her nickname was Little Star, but her surname was different. Could it be that she considered everything due to her intellect and was afraid that those human traffickers would look for her when they had woken up, and that's why she gave the surname of her relative instead?

Long Feiting's train of thought could be considered as half right.

That year, Mu Huan and her granny had been relying on each other to live after being chased out of the Mu family. After saving those kids and afraid that those abductors would find out about her surname through their own channel and take their revenge on her, she did not dare to enter with the kids. She left after sending them to the entrance and watching them head in.

She was also afraid that those human traffickers would find one of these kids and learn of her real name through them. Therefore, when Long Feiting asked her persistently for her name in front of so many children, she could only casually say the name "Song Xing."

"I am from Yun Cheng, and my granny's surname is Song. What about it?" After saying that, Mu Kexin struggled against him and said, "Let go of me! Why are you asking me so many questions?! Who are you?! Why do I have to tell you all this?!"

Long Feiting looked at Mu Kexin for a long while before releasing his grip on her. "Sorry, I was just curious and asked too much."

It seemed like she was very likely his Little Star from that time! However, he needed to investigate this a little more thoroughly.

"It's... It's okay..." Mu Kexin lowered her head, seemingly afraid of something.

"Are you from Yun University?" Long Feiting knew they were all students from the way they looked. With Song Xing's intellect, she would definitely be studying at Yun University if she was a student at a university nearby.

"No..." Mu Kexin lowered her head even further.

Before waiting for her to say anything else, the girl sitting beside her answered him, "We are from Xin Medical University."

Hearing this, Long Feiting furrowed his eyebrows. Xin Medical University was a private university nearby. As long as one had the money, he or she could attend the school regardless of their skills.

His Little Star, who was so intelligent, said that she wanted to be the leading figure in the medical world. To study medicine, one would definitely enter the most well-known Yun University in the country and not some third-rate medical specialization.

This made him suddenly feel that the girl before him was not the Little Star from that year.

In Long Feiting's eyes, Song Xing was his idol. She was the most intelligent and beautiful being to have ever existed in this world!

During these years of searching, he had always wondered what she would be like right now. She was an extremely incredible person in every single appearance he conjured in his head.

He could not accept that she would become such a mediocre person.

But this mediocre girl in front of him looked so much like his Little Star.

"I... I really wanted to attend Yun University... but, but after falling severely ill that year, it made me... unable to study too hard. The moment I do... I will have a headache..." Mu Kexin lowered her head as her voice began to choke up with emotion.

Long Feiting: "..."

Could it be that his Little Star had become stupid and mediocre after falling ill?

Long Feiting's heart became filled with complex emotions when he thought about this possibility.

Chapter 153: Killing Two Birds with One Stone

That night at the Mu family.

"How did it go? Did Long Feiting believe your words?" Lin Qingya asked.

Lin Qingya was doted on by Mrs. Gu and went to the Gu family's house often. Once, she overheard Mrs. Gu telling Gu Chenyi's father that Feiting had entered Yun University for the sake of looking for a girl called Song Xing.

As Lin Qingya was once a very good friend of Mu Huan, she knew that Mu Huan often used the alias "Song Xing" when she was outside. Therefore, she took note of that information.

When Gu Chenyi's father had gone to work, she pretended to be curious and asked Mrs. Gu why Long Feiting was looking for a girl named Song Xing.

Mrs. Gu told her what happened that year when Long Feiting was kidnapped, brought into the mountains of Yun Cheng, and saved by an 11-year-old girl. However, he couldn't find the lady after the incident and could remember only the girl's eyes. All these details were told to Lin Qingya.

Lin Qingya grew up with Mu Huan and had always been her best friend. She knew every matter that happened to Mu Huan from when they were young until now. Therefore, she naturally knew and remembered clearly the huge incident when Mu Huan was kidnapped by the human traffickers.

Mu Huan had once told her about the entire process of her kidnapping incident. She was instantly sure that Mu Huan was the Song Xing that Long Feiting was looking for!

This left her utterly stunned.

Based on the meaning behind Mrs. Gu's words, it seemed like Song Xing was very important to Long Feiting. If he could find her, he would definitely offer her his entire family's assets.

If he were to find out that Mu Huan was Song Xing, she would have an even more resplendent life that could not be suppressed!

Therefore, after thinking about it, she eventually decided to find Matriarch Mu and asked Mu Kexin to impersonate Mu Huan.

This way, she could ruin Mu Huan's second chance at having a bright life. Secondly, as she had used and plotted against Bai Xuexian previously, leaving the Mu family extremely dissatisfied with her, they had been looking for a chance to destroy her. If she let Mu Kexin pretend to be Mu Huan, it meant that she'd have something to use against the Mu family. Therefore, they would not dare to ruin her.

It was killing two birds with one stone!

Lin Qingya knew that Matriarch Mu could see through her intentions. However, she knew Matriarch Mu's greed well enough. For the sake of making the Mu family even better, she would definitely agree in order to catch a huge fish like Long Feiting.

Indeed, Matriarch Mu eventually agreed to it.

“He probably believed half of it. But he still has his doubts and will definitely investigate to confirm it,” Mu Kexin said.

“Then it is more or less settled. For this period, all you have to do is to attend school obediently. Do not get close to Long Feiting or discuss with people about him. Treat him like a crazy passerby, that’s all.”

“I know,” Mu Kexin said indifferently.

Her indifference left Lin Qingya and Matriarch Mu extremely surprised.

Mu Kexin was a brainless girl with a small chest who only knew how to make a din all day long. Although her looks were only decent, she found herself to be exceptionally beautiful, as if any man who saw her would be enchanted by her.

Matriarch Mu and Lin Qingya were worried about asking her to do something like this. Despite training her for a long time, they were still apprehensive that night, afraid that she would spoil it. They did not expect that she would perform so well and still remain so indifferent about it!

“Kexin, it seems like you have finally grown up,” Matriarch Mu said in a gratified manner.

When Lin Qingya had looked for her to make a deal and told her about the plan, she was extremely hesitant about it because she thought Mu Kexin would not be able to do it. However, she was reluctant to give up on a big fish like Long Feiting. In addition, if Long Feiting found out that Mu Huan was the Song Xing he was looking for, Mu Huan would become Long Feiting’s life savior. The things she had to suppress about her would no longer be important.

Chapter 154: Congratulations

She would not allow the slightest possibility of Mu Huan escaping her clutches!

However, it was not plausible to get another person to carry out the assignment. Only Kexin, Mu Huan’s half-sister who shared a similar look as her, could be sent for this task.

It was good that it turned out fabulous as planned. Well done!

“Kexin, you surprised us!” In this entire plan, Lin Qingya was most worried about Mu Kexin. In the end, the girl’s performance was near-perfect!

The girl looked at them and laughed. They were surprised that she had grown up?

How could she not?! How could she not put in a stunning performance?! If she failed this time, her life would be destroyed totally! She didn’t want that! She did not want to attend a third-rate university and then be exiled to a small hospital under the Mu family to be an insignificant employee.

She wanted to stand high and above the rest, like what she used to enjoy. No, more than that, she wanted to live a better life than before!

So, she had to grow up! She had to work hard!

After the fall of her mother, she was no longer useful when the plan to marry her off to Bao Junyan went afool. Matriarch Mu no longer had the desire to groom her and had abandoned her plan to send her granddaughter to study abroad. Throwing her to a third-rate university to study pharmaceuticals, she

was intending to send her grandchild to a pharmacy in one of the hospitals under the Mus after her graduation and leave her to her own devices.

She had been leading an indulgent life for so many years, but Mu Kexin's dream was to bask in glory and to do better than Mu Huan. How could she take this humiliation lying down? Knowing her predicament, she knew if she did not make full use of this opportunity, her life would be a goner. This was her one and only chance of a lifetime. Hence, she threw in her all. Naturally, her efforts paid off.

"Matriarch Mu, have you covered up Kexin's medical records when she was hospitalized during that period?" Lin Qingya asked, looking at the old lady. She was pretty sure that Long Feiting would investigate Mu Kexin's records.

Actually, Mu Huan was not abducted at that time. Instead, she was drugged by her stepmother, who then got someone to take her away. Not to be trifled with, after the girl escaped, she secretly put in some croton tiglium in Bai Xuexian's food as revenge. This would get the woman to suffer diarrhea so bad that she could hardly stand! Visit web novel. live If You like manga , comics

And this was what happened to Mu Kexin, who, out of greediness, took the bowl of rice instead of her mother.

When the girl became too weak from constant trips to the toilet, she stumbled and fell from the stairs, breaking her right leg as a result. Although Mu Huan broke her leg too, it was her left instead. But for the old woman, this was a negligible fact that could be covered up easily.

However, with Mu Kexin's spoiled temperament, the hospital stay dragged to more than a month even though it was not a serious matter. Turned out that this long stay fitted well into her story of a bad bout of illness.

"Everything's ready." One thing about the old woman was her meticulous attention to details.

"Then, I must congratulate you, Matriarch Mu. Your elder granddaughter married Bao Junyan, and now, your young granddaughter has become the benefactor of the influential Long family. By the time the plan is fully carried out, she will have married into the Long family. The Mu family will enjoy fame and glory more than ever before, and the Mus' reputation will soar to new heights!" When the vile girl realized that Mu Kexin had the potential to marry into the Long family with her continual good performance, she turned insanely envious.

Long Feiting had an incredible background!

It was a pity that she did not look like Mu Huan. If she did, she would not have given up this rare opportunity to Mu Kexin!

"You'll enjoy it more when we have it good." The old woman's words hid a subtle message for the listener.

The older one knew very well what the girl had in her mind. Hence, she was warning the younger one that they shared a common interest in this matter and that she should drop the idea of using this to blackmail the Mus subsequently.

"I understand. Don't you worry, Matriarch Mu!" Lin Qingya was a smart girl. She might be greedy, but she knew when to call a stop. She would fight only when it's a sure-win game.

For instance, Gu Chenyi.

She would be happy if she could smoothly marry into the Gu family.

Chapter 155: Wanton Thoughts

"Since we know it was Mu Huan who had saved Long Feiting, why did you want me to insist that it was Chubby Brother who had saved him? Wouldn't this make it more suspicious?" Mu Kexin could not comprehend the logic of their story.

"Long Feiting is a very smart fella. If you had narrated the event clearly, pretending to have amnesia would not work as an excuse. The sickness was supposed to wipe out much of your memory." Although Mu Huan did describe the incident to her former good friend, she had not specified how she had managed to escape.

So some details had to be mangled on purpose so Mu Kexin would not be interrogated by Long Feiting!

She could be exposed at any moment!

"How about Mu Huan? She is on the same campus as both of you. If she were to find out about me and Long Feiting and recall the past, she may expose me. What should I do?" The girl got worrisome.

"Mu Huan has helped many people since she was a kid and always got into dangerous missions like this. She has long forgotten this abduction. Besides, they seem to have been involved in some disputes recently and she's keen to avoid him now. This means that even if she's curious about your entanglement with Long Feiting, she won't pay much attention to this matter, let alone want to expose you."

Lin Qingya had not wasted her years of friendship with Mu Huan. The former really knew her inside out.

Just as Mu Kexin was about to add something, Lin Qingya received a call from her boyfriend. His mother was admitted to the hospital and he wanted her to pay a visit.

Lin Qingya quickly rushed to the hospital.

At Yun University.

After she was done with her night revision class, Mu Huan received a call from her hubby. He was waiting for her at the gate.

The girl hastily rushed out without further ado. She did not want to keep him waiting.

The man was looking through his documents inside the car when he heard the car door being opened. He looked up instinctively.

The sight of her caused his heart to flutter, and yet, at the same time, it filled him with much ambivalence. When she was at home, she would don a much more mature and ladylike outfit. This was the same at night for her pajamas; hence, he did not feel their age difference.

This was different from what she wore to school nowadays.

Take today, for instance. She looked like a girl in high school, naive and childlike, in her sailor dress.

The fact that she had, indeed, just finished her high school only made him feel old.

“Hubby!” she called out to him sweetly.

The smile on her small face along with her young, saccharine voice could melt anyone’s heart.

He reached out and pulled her into his arms.

Although they had done more intimate acts than this, she was still not used to displaying such intimate behavior with him in public. She involuntarily tried to wriggle away from him as a result.

His eyes burned with arousal as he said to her, “Don’t move.”

“...”

When she first met him, she had regarded him as a highly desirable man-god for the aloof type. But now, she deemed herself as blind for having drawn such a conclusion!

What aloof type was she thinking of? He emerged as the absolute man-god for all types!

She decided that the atmosphere should not continue in its ambiguity.

“Hubby, you said you wanted to take me out for a nice dinner, right? Where are we going?”

“We’ll go for a nice dinner later.”

“Why?” If he doesn’t want to eat now, is he thinking of heading home instead?

Her cheeks flushed red and warm the moment she considered this possibility. Even her bodily temperature seemed to be rising!

“My brother’s wife has been admitted to the hospital. Let’s pay her a visit.”

“Oh?” She was stunned. Was it just her wanton thinking?

“What is it?” Bao Junyan dipped his head and looked at her. This was when he caught her face blushing hot and red.

Chapter 156: Do You Like His Simplicity?

He placed his palm over her forehead. “Are you having a fever?”

She answered with her head hanging low, “No... Nope...”

Feeling her cool forehead with the back of his palm, he affirmed with furrowed brows, “Yeah, there’s no fever.”

“I... I’m feeling hot...”

Hearing that, he turned to the chauffeur in the front seat and instructed, “Turn up the aircon.”

Soon, she could feel the cool breeze blowing on her, and the redness on her cheeks gradually subsided.

When he dipped his head to observe her face, he also noticed the pair of long, slender legs that laid exposed underneath her dress. Frowning with displeasure, he told her, "You are not allowed to wear dresses that are this short in the future!"

"..."

Did he mean that I have to cover myself with a long dress under the hot weather like today?

Whenever she complained of the heat, it went to show the extent of her discomfort with heat.

Just as she was about to say something, he commanded the driver, "Stop at the fashion store just in front of us.

"You have to dress prim and proper when you meet your elders."

With that, he made her alight from the vehicle and had her change into a long black dress. Other than her head and hands, the rest of her was well covered up.

"..."

She would be perfect with a face shield.

And, indeed, she had only the eyes exposed at the end of the day.

And this was how she was wrapped up under a hot, sunny day...

Nevertheless, as a docile and dutiful wife, she had to obey without protest, naturally.

In any case, the aircon was blasting away on their journey to the Gu residence, so it was cool still.

While on the road, as she realized that they would be paying a visit to Gu Chenyi's mother, she could not help asking out of curiosity, "Hubby, with the Baos' grand reputation, why was there a need for your cousin to marry into the lady's clan?"

"This was for the sake of his wife, as well as to extinguish any gossip once and for all..."

Bao Junyan's cousin was raised by the man's father. Before he was born, everyone had reckoned that his cousin would be the next heir-in-line. After the man was born, his cousin's followers still expressed their loyalty to him. They would not follow anyone else except him.

However, his cousin was full of gratitude toward his father. There was no way he would fight for the inheritance with Bao Junyan, whom he regarded as his true brother and family. At about this time, he fell in love with the only daughter of the Gu family.

In the end, he decided to marry into the Gu family. The plan was for Bao Junyan to become old enough to help his father with his business before he resigned from his post in the Bao's family business. He did not want his followers to have unkind ideas.

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Hence, even though Bao Junyan and Gu Chenyi's father were only cousins in name, they were as close as biological brothers. The man also doted on Gu Chenyi, his nephew.

"No wonder Gu Chenyi is such a simpleton. He is surrounded by love despite being born into a rich family..." Mu Huan could not help expressing her thoughts.

She had reckoned that the man must have had to go through much bloodshed to get to where he was right now. But it turned out that his was a peaceful and loving experience! After all, she had witnessed how members of the Mu family fought against each other even though their fortune could not be compared to the Baos at all...

"Are you praising him?" the man asked with narrowed eyes.

He thought that she meant the boy was a simple and childlike person[1]

After pondering for a second, she replied, "Well, if this is considered a positive trait, then I guess I'm praising him."

Is calling someone a simpleton an act of praise?

The man kept quiet.

After a momentary lapse.

"Do you like his simplicity?"

"How could I possibly admire that?!" Although his gullible nature was justifiable, this did not mean that she liked the trait!

Obviously, these two were conversing on different wavelengths. Nevertheless, her answer satisfied the man.

"You are his senior now, so if he's ever to agitate you in the future, you can go ahead and reprimand him."

Intuitively, she asked, "Can I punch him?"

There were times when the boy warranted a thrashing!

[1] The Chinese word used here, "dan chun," has a positive connotation, whereas the description used by Mu Huan earlier, "dan chun," has a negative connotation of a foolish or gullible person. The word "chun" used by the two of them has the same pronunciation but differs in intonation.

Chapter 157: Turn His Nose up at Her

"Beat him up?" Bao Junyan lifted a brow. With that petite figure of hers?

Realizing that she had accidentally revealed her true nature, Mu Huan hastily hung her head low. "He's so infuriating at times that even I would want to beat him up."

As the man stroked her head, he said, "Just let me know whenever you feel that way. I'll beat him up, instead. With your weak punches, you won't be able to teach him a lesson at all."

Mu Huan: "Okay..."

It was the first time she had someone saying that her punches were not painful...

At the hospital.

"What a timely arrival, Junyan! Quick, persuade your brother into having me discharged. I've already told him that it's just an old ailment acting up and I'll be fine in a couple of days, but he doesn't believe it and insists on me staying in the hospital!" The way Gu Qianru looked at Bao Junyan upon his arrival was akin to when meeting her savior.

The latter, after receiving a message from his older cousin, lightly advised, "It's better if you remain in the hospital for a couple more days for further observation."

The woman was just about to say something in protest when she caught sight of a young lady behind the man and completely forgot what she was about to say. "Junyan, is this your wife? Quick, bring her closer and let me take a good look at her!"

She was abroad with her son when her brother-in-law registered his marriage, but, after she returned to the country and initiated a formal meeting between them, the man was so busy that he did not have the time to do so.

He then extended a hand to pat his wife on the waist. "This is my older cousin's wife."

Mu Huan stepped forward, feeling involuntarily shy as she greeted, "Sister-in-law."

Gu Chenyi, who was standing beside his mother, almost vomited blood out of heartache upon hearing her greet his mother "Sister-in-law."

He had never liked anyone as much as he liked Mu Huan, and he had harbored the thought of spending his life growing old with her during his pursuit of her. After she agreed to his pursuit, he even intended to bring her home to meet his mother before school started.

She should be addressing my mom as "Mom," but now, she's actually addressing her as "Sister-in-law"! This—

My heart hurts! My heart freaking hurts!

It feels as though I'm suffering from heart disease...

After a careful scrutiny of her sister-in-law, Gu Qianru said with delight, "Good. You're a pretty-looking girl!"

Not knowing what to say in reply, Mu Huan only gave her a shy smile in return.

"I heard that you attend the same college as Chenyi and that you're a freshman, too."

"Yes."

"Now that I have such a young sister-in-law, I feel as though I've become much younger myself!" joked the older woman, laughing.

The older married couple was over ten years older than Bao Junyan while the latter was a decade older than Mu Huan...

Despite her having a younger sister-in-law who was of the same age as her son, Gu Qianru felt no pressure at all. On the contrary, she seemed to be rather fond of her!

With a turn of her head, she looked at her son. "Chenyi, you'll have to pay more attention to taking care of your aunt in school from now on!"

Gu Chenyi: "..."

Mu Huan: "..."

Forget about taking care of me, it's good enough if he doesn't find trouble with me!

"Oh, right. Qingya, come and greet your elders." Gu Qianru beckoned the girl forward.

Lin Qingya: "..."

I have no problem with addressing Bao Junyan as "Uncle," but... to address Mu Huan as... "Aunt"...

I really can't do it as easily...

Nevertheless, she forced herself to greet, "Uncle, Aunt."

Mu Huan: "..."

What's with this indescribable smug feeling?

Bao Junyan swept an indifferent glance over the lass and did not speak at all.

Mu Huan, on the other hand, was at a loss of what to say, so she kept her silence as well.

That got Lin Qingya feeling very embarrassed as she stood there.

Even though Gu Qianru understood that her brother-in-law's silence meant that he had turned his nose up at his prospective niece-in-law, she had a high opinion of the girl and reckoned that the man would slowly get to know about her positive traits once they got familiar with each other. Hence, she played mediator between the two for the sake of her future daughter-in-law. "Your uncle has always been aloof-looking since he was a boy. It doesn't mean that he doesn't like you."

With great difficulty, Lin Qingya eked out a smile in response to her.

Chapter 158: Why Do You Torment Me to Such an Extent?

Gu Qianru's heart ached for Lin Qingya at the sight of her forced smile. On the excuse that she was feeling tired, she, therefore, told them all to leave, lest the lass felt awkward here.

Gu Chenyi's father then called Bao Junyan away to discuss something after they had left the ward.

And so, Mu Huan was left waiting by the doorway. She was about to pull out her phone to fiddle with it to pass time when Gu Chenyi approached her right then.

"Let's talk."

"I don't think we have anything to talk about." She had nothing to talk about with him.

His gaze instantly turned dark and fierce as he reached out to grab her arm.

She tried shaking his hand off, but it was to no avail. His grip was vice-like.

Being the sole heir of the Gu family, he had undergone various types of training from a young age, and so, he had some pretty decent fighting skills. With him gripping her arm so tightly, Mu Huan would have to fight it out with him in order to shake his hand off of her. Unfortunately, they were standing right in front of the ward whereby her husband could possibly return at any time, so fighting was out of the question!

"Release me and we'll talk." Since he wants to talk, so be it, then!

However, the chap did not do so right away. Instead, he dragged her to a quiet and desolate exit before he finally released her.

"Gu Chenyi, what do you have to say that can't be said at the doorway? What you're doing now will easily cause misunderstandings!"

"What kind of misunderstandings? A misunderstanding that the two of us have a relationship that needs to be kept hush? Is that even a misunderstanding? It's a fact!"

"Who the hell has a hush relationship with you?!" She really did not understand what the guy had in his mind and what he wanted to do.

"No? We have nothing between us?" He edged closer to her at once.

She instinctively took several steps back until she was backed up against the wall, her gaze turning cold. "You'd better keep your distance, Gu Chenyi! Otherwise, don't blame me for being rude!"

"What do you want to do with me? Punch me? Come on, try it, then!" He pressed his face closer to her.

"Just what do you want, Gu Chenyi?!" Does he think that I won't dare to punch the daylights out of him just because he's Bao Junyan's nephew?

"It's not what I want but what you want! What the hell do you want, Mu Huan?! Why do you torment me to such an extent?! Why?! WHY?!" yelled Gu Chenyi agitatedly as he grabbed hold of Mu Huan's arm.

"How have I tormented you?" She was truly rendered speechless and at a loss about what she had done to him.

"Why won't you leave my uncle's side when I've already told you to do so?! Why won't you leave him?!" If she had left, he would never have to see her again and feel such heartache at the sight of her being intimate with another man.

"Why should I do as you say?" I don't understand it. Who does he think he is to order me as he likes?!

"Because I'm your boyfriend! Because I like you so much! How could you so nonchalantly marry my uncle and make me call you 'Aunt' when I'm so fond of you?! How could you do this?!" shouted the chap hysterically.

The sight of his hurt and accusatory look had her exerting her strength and pushing him away out of her infuriation.

“Gu Chenyi, don’t you ever accuse me of anything with that victimized look of yours again! Back then, you were the one who refused to believe my words and chose to cut off my last strand of hope, forcing me to marry your uncle out of desperation! I don’t blame you for that, though. Even though we were a couple, you had no obligation to lend me any money. Regardless, you have no right to pin the blame on me for this matter!”

I nonchalantly married his uncle? Did I want that at all? Was I even willing to do that?!

“Fine. Since you said you were forced by circumstances, I’ll take it as that. I’ll give you however much money you want now, so why are you still reluctant to leave my uncle’s side?!” If it’s not out of greed and vanity and she was really forced to marry Uncle, why is she unwilling to leave him now?!

Chapter 159: It Is Redundant Now!

“Gu Chenyi, do you know what ‘winter’s palm-leaf fan and summer’s cotton-padded jacket’ means?” The money that he refused to lend to her during her time of need was redundant now!

“I’ll work hard to live the life that I want! I need neither charity from you people nor for you guys to decide my life!” From now on, I’ll be the decision-maker of my life. No one has the right to decide what I should be doing!

“Whatever you say are just excuses to conceal your greedy nature!” Gu Chenyi persistently reckoned that the reason behind Mu Huan’s reluctance to leave his uncle was greed!

“If that’s what you think, so be it. Just don’t come talking to me about this matter anymore!” She could not care less about what he thought of her, and so, she turned around and made a move to leave.

That was when he suddenly grabbed hold of her. She turned back and was about to give him a punch, but her fist, which was raised high, faltered at the sight of his pained look.

“Xiao Huan, don’t you feel anything at all? Are you really able to become my aunt?” He could not do it at all! There was no way he could call her his aunt when he liked her so much! He was so fond of her!

The thought of her working as a bar hostess was already so unacceptable to him to the point that he could no longer face her, let alone having to see her being with his uncle now and be tortured by those R-rated scenes at night. He was truly about to go crazy here!

“The fact that you refused to believe my words no matter how much I tried proving myself already shows that your feelings for me are not quite so deep. Besides, you don’t believe a single bad thing about what I say about your girlfriend now, so why are you still doing this? Do you think that I should be miserable and lonely for the rest of my life after splitting up with you? Would you only be happy then?”

“No! It’s just... just as long as it’s not Uncle... You can’t let me see you this way...” Despite his claim, he was equally unaccepting of the thought of her being with another man!

“That’s none of my concern! From now on, don’t come talking to me! I have nothing to say to you!”

“How could you be so cruel, Mu Huan? How could you?” He did not understand why she could be all fine and indifferent when he had such great difficulties in letting go of his feelings for her.

“It’s not about me being cruel. I just don’t care anymore because you’re no longer anything to me!”

“How could you be like this? How could you?! Did you never like me at all?!” He could not resist asking if her indifference was because of her lack of feelings for him!

“Say, would you still like me if I stabbed you to death? Could you still like me?” When she had gone begging for help in her times of desperation, that stab he had given to her was akin to him killing her.

As he stared dumbfoundedly at her, a flashback of Mu Huan begging him suddenly hit him. Please, Gu Chenyi! Please believe me! What my grandma and the others are saying isn’t true! You’ve got to believe me! Please, I beg of you, save my granny! I beg of you!

Despite her howling so desperately at that time, he ultimately did not believe her words in the slightest bit.

Was I really wrong about her? Have I pushed her into Uncle’s arms by refusing to believe in her when she came begging me for help out of desperation?

The thought of this dreadful possibility had had him stumbling backward in shock.

“No... It can’t be... It’s impossible...” He shook his head in utter disbelief, unable to believe such a fact!

This was something he could not bear at all!

Chapter 160: The Two of You Dated Before?

At the sight of that, Mu Huan said nothing more and turned around to leave.

Seeing that she was about to leave, Gu Chenyi instinctively wanted to go up and grab hold of her. He was afraid that, once she left, she would no longer be his and would have nothing to do with him anymore.

Although she was, in fact, no longer his, a sudden terror seized him and he desperately wanted to grab something of her.

“Why are both of you here?”

The abrupt booming voice startled the two.

His hand, which he wanted to grab Mu Huan’s hand with, was suspended stiff in the air.

“H-Hubby...” The lass felt somewhat guilty even though she had done nothing that was against her conscience.

Bao Junyan looked between the two before he reached out to grab his wife’s waist. “We should be heading home now.”

Her head dipped. “Okay.”

“Chenyi, you should go back. Your girlfriend’s still waiting for you.”

His words got the chap balling up his suspended hand!

The latter had the intense urge to shout at his uncle, Lin Qingya isn't my girlfriend! The one I like is Mu Huan! She's mine, so don't you go hugging her and being so intimate with her!

He ultimately did no such thing, though.

Bao Junyan, on the other hand, left with his woman in his arm without waiting for a response from his nephew.

The apparent eeriness and coldness that she felt emanating from the man were so overwhelming that she dared not breathe deeply at all.

All of a sudden, he halted in his tracks.

Her heart was instantly suspended in the air, and her palms broke out in a cold sweat due to her anxiety!

"Does Chenyi like you?"

"..."

"The two of you have dated before?"

His question got her raising her head in alarm. Has he run a check on us?

Did he find out about those matters? If he has...

Then...

Just as she was letting her imagination run wild, the man's lips suddenly swooped down on hers as he lifted her chin.

That kiss was akin to a tempest out of nowhere!

Her eyes bulged even wider in shock.

What's wrong with him?

Why did he suddenly kiss me after asking me such a serious question when he's in a rage?

Gu Chenyi, who was standing before the window upstairs and watching them leave, smashed his fist hard against the glass when he witnessed this scene!

His eyes were scarlet red and dripping with jealousy!

All of a sudden, a loud shattering sound was heard!

The sound of the shattering glass resounded particularly loud and clear in the quiet night!

The noise shocked her to her senses but, as she instinctively turned her head behind, Bao Junyan's big palm pressed her against his chest.

He did not allow her to move, so she dared not to as well.

His gaze grew increasingly dark as he looked past his shoulder and glanced upstairs.

Without saying anything, he then left with Mu Huan.

She could sense the cold air surrounding the man, but she dared not say or ask anything about it. She could only catch up with his footsteps and leave with him.

It was not until they boarded the car that the man released her from his warm embrace.

The surrounding air had become so eerily cold that she could not help wanting to rub her arms. Still, she dared not move.

Before registering her marriage with the man, she had run an investigation on him after being selected to be his wife. The public evaluation of him was that he was a coldblooded, ruthless, and vicious man, and she had once witnessed this side of him when he was dealing with things, so she knew he was someone whom she could not afford to offend at all cost. Nevertheless, he had never treated her so coldly before. It made her feel that the usual aloof side of him was practically an angel!

She licked her lips and wanted to say something to break the silence, but at the same time, she was at a loss for what to say.

The questions that she had in mind — like “Did you have me investigated?” and “Did you find out about anything else?” — could not make it past her lips.

And so, she could only huddle in a corner of the car as she carefully surveyed the man.

The sight of her huddling away had his gaze turning even more frighteningly cold.