

Chapter 461 Thief

“Oh, is that so?” Gong Tianhao held his phone, but a cold sneer appeared on his face as he said, “Then let’s go and find out who this Leng person is. Is there really someone threatening her, or is she lying?”

Jiang Tao tore off his clothes to apply the medicine to his body. He frowned. “Tianhao, this person is just a figment of Qin Yan’s imagination. Why are we still going to investigate?”

Gong Tianhao said, “No, this person might really exist. However, he didn’t threaten Qin Yan. In fact, they might have some deals. Under your coercion, Qin Yan must have decided to throw him under the bus. Therefore, there has to be a second person who knows about this, and his surname is Leng.”

Jiang Tao said, “The surname Leng and the ability to trade with Qin Yan... Could it be someone from the Leng Family?”

“That’s why we need to investigate.” Gong Tianhao said, “I need to eliminate all possible dangers for Yu ‘Er.”

Jiang Tao smoked a cigarette and exhaled the smoke. He replied, “Okay.”

After hanging up the phone, Jiang Tao sat on the balcony of the apartment. He placed his phone on the small table and smoked. The smoke lingered in the air.

He shed his coldness and armor. A faint sadness and sorrow appeared on his face.

Jiang Tao lowered his head and muttered, “If you like him, then I will protect this love. Xiao Lingyu, Gong Tianhao, you must be happy.”

He had never been happy since he was young. Therefore, he hoped that the person he liked could be happy.

“I won’t let anyone hurt you. I’ll protect you in the dark, Xiao Lingyu,” Jiang Tao said in a low voice. “Without power, I can’t protect you and protect your happiness. So...” Jiang Tao picked up the red wine on the table, and he gently shook it a few times. The transparent glass made the red liquid in the glass brighter and more mellow. Then, he took a sip and said, “I came back this time to fight for power.”

He understood now.

Without power, he would never have freedom.

Without power, he could only be hurt.

Without power, anyone could hurt the person he liked.

Therefore, he wanted power.

This was for his freedom, his future, and for protecting the person he wanted to protect.

After Gong Tianhao hung up, his heart was heavy.

Jiang Tao had been restricted since he was young due to his identity as the heir of the Jiang Family. He wasn't allowed to have any freedom or emotions.

Therefore, he had always wanted to escape from this identity.

His dream was to be an ordinary person and do what he liked, free and unfettered.

However, Xiao Lingyu's appearance shattered his dream. Jiang Tao couldn't explain why he had fallen in love with Xiao Lingyu. Love came without reason.

Jiang Tao couldn't answer. Love was love.

However, because of his status, he could not love. He was not qualified. However, he hoped that he would become qualified to protect that woman's love and happiness. So he needed to fight for power.

Gong Tianhao sighed softly. He fell in love with Xiao Lingyu and had to let down his good friend.

Following that, his expression became stern, and his expression became extremely cold as he said, "Qin Yan, you sure have guts. You are truly vicious. My Yu 'Er doesn't even know you, but you wanted to use someone else's hands to kill her. You should be prepared to bear the price!"

After saying that, Gong Tianhao stood up and went to the Xiao family. It was in the middle of the night, so the gate was locked. However, the two-meter-tall wall could not stop his determination to leap into the house.

Gong Tianhao took two steps back and started running. He jumped to the top of the wall easily. Then, he jumped into the courtyard quietly without making a sound.

Then, he walked to Xiao Lingyu's door like a thief and gently pushed it open.

The night was very dark. In the dark room, there was a faint fragrance. Gong Tianhao took a deep breath. Then, he sneaked to Xiao Lingyu's bed.

Gong Tianhao's eyes were very sharp. When he saw Xiao Lingyu sleeping soundly, he lowered his head and kissed her forehead. Then, he took off his clothes and trousers. His strong and slender body lay beside Xiao Lingyu. He stretched out his arms and let Xiao Lingyu's head rest on his thick arms.

Just as he laid down, Xiao Lingyu, who was lying on her side, seemed to locate a familiar scent. She turned around and lay in Gong Tianhao's arms. She seemed to be mumbling, "Tianhao, you're here."

Gong Tianhao picked up the thin sheet and covered her stomach. He smiled and replied softly, "Yes, I'm here. Go back to sleep."

Xiao Lingyu replied softly, "Yes." Then, she continued to sleep.

Gong Tianhao, "..."

Gong Tianhao looked at his lover, who was sleeping soundly like a baby in his arms. His face could not help but reveal satisfaction and happiness.

Then, he placed his chin on Xiao Lingyu's head and closed his eyes to sleep.

When the sun rose, and the Xiao family was about to wake up, Gong Tianhao quickly opened his eyes and carefully moved her head away from his arms. Then, he got out of bed and quickly put on his clothes.

Hearing the sounds, Xiao Lingyu opened her eyes. Her eyes were still misty. She rubbed them with her hands and asked, "Is the sun going to rise soon?"

Gong Tianhao chuckled and said, "Yes. Your parents are going to wake up soon. Yu 'Er, I have to go. You can continue to sleep. I'll come back in a while."

He would come over for breakfast in about an hour. He didn't want to hide like a thief anymore. He hoped to get married as soon as possible so that they could sleep in the same bed openly.

However, the date of the wedding had already been set. Even if he wanted to bring it forward, it was impossible.

Fortunately, he only needed to endure for a few more days.

Gong Tianhao quickly left the Xiao family home.

He stepped over the wall and left. Then, Mother Xiao opened the yard gate and walked out. It was normal.

An hour and a half later, Gong Tianhao swaggered over.

Of course, Old Master Gong and Situ Xing followed him.

As for the others, they stayed at home to eat.

There were already many people in the Xiao family. It took Mother Xiao a long time to make breakfast. Plus, she would always make a variety of breakfasts.

Gong Family had many people.

Old Master Gong drank a bowl of red bean porridge and said to Gong Tianhao and Xiao Lingyu, "Hao 'Er, Yu 'Er, go and get the marriage certificate when you have time." Grandpa Xiao was drinking a bowl of soy milk and taking a bite of the fried dough stick. He nodded in agreement and said, "That's right. You should get the marriage certificate. The wedding will be held in a few days."

Of course, Gong Tianhao had no problem with that.

He nodded and said, "Alright then. Yu 'Er and I will go to the civil certificate office to get the marriage certificate later."

"Okay. Eat up then." Grandfather Gong was happy when he heard that. "Be careful on the road and take good care of my granddaughter-in-law, understand?"

Gong Tianhao said helplessly, "Grandfather, you don't need to remind me of that." Gong Tianhao's heart also became slightly excited.

After getting the marriage certificate, he and Yu 'Er would be a real couple. He wouldn't need to sneak over every night like a thief anymore.

Xiao Lingyu held her bowl and gently drank her white congee. Once she drank the fragrant white congee, she felt very comfortable.

Mother Xiao reminded her, "Yu 'Er, you need to prepare many things to get the marriage certificate. Don't forget your household register and Identity Card. Tianhao, you too."

Xiao Lingyu nodded and replied, "Okay."

Mother Xiao also got up and went back to her room. She took out the household register and handed it to Xiao Lingyu, "This is the household register. Go and get your identity card!"

Xiao Lingyu, "... Just how eager is mom to marry me off? Xiao Lingyu sighed. "I'll go and get my ID card now."

Gong Tianhao got up and followed Xiao Lingyu into the house. After finding the ID card, Gong Tianhao held Xiao Lingyu's hand and said with a smile, "Yu 'Er, we're getting married soon."

"That's right. We are getting married soon!" Xiao Lingyu replied with some anticipation and shyness.

Chapter 462 Qin Yan's Scandal

After Jiang Tao left, Madam Qin asked with a serious expression, "Yan 'Er, do you like Gong Tianhao?"

Qin Yan's eyes were already red from crying. After hearing Madam Qin's question, she bit her lower lip and didn't say anything.

Madam Qin said sternly, "Yan 'Er, mommy is on your side. You have to believe Mommy. Mommy will always fight for you!"

Qin Yan cried out aggrievedly, "Mother!"

Madam Qin sighed and held her daughter's head. She stroked her long hair and said, "Yan 'Er, you have to remember that you are Li Jinglan's daughter. You are the eldest daughter of the Qin family and the most honorable woman in the capital. You deserve the best. Do you understand?" Qin Yan blinked as she cried. Then, she smiled and said, "Yes, I understand, mother!"

"Then tell me now. Do you like Gong Tianhao?" Madam Qin asked seriously again.

Qin Yan blushed and nodded, "Yes."

Madam Qin smiled and said, "Oh. I don't even know my daughter can be shy."

Qin Yan's face turned even redder after being teased by her mother. She called out in a long voice, "Mom."

Madam Qin smiled and said, "Alright, I won't tease you anymore."

Following that, her expression changed. She said very seriously, "In the entire capital, the man at the top of the pyramid is Gong Tianhao. Even Jiang Tao is incomparable to him."

Jiang Tao's family background and looks were fine, but the problem was that he didn't have the power to control the Jiang family yet.

Although he was groomed by Old Master Jiang as the heir of the Jiang family, Old Master Jiang needed a ruthless and obedient heir. This heir didn't need feelings.

How could her daughter be happy marrying someone like this? She might get a title, but she won't have a love life.

Moreover, Jiang Tao was not Jiang Huaiyuan's only grandson. Even though he was groomed as the heir, if Old Master Jiang liked it, he could swap the heir anytime he wanted. Then, Qin Yan wouldn't even end up as the mistress of the Jiang Family. The risk was too high.

The most important thing was her daughter didn't love Jiang Tao, and Madam Qin could tell that Jiang Tao didn't like Qin Yan either. If a woman married into a family that didn't treasure her, her life would be extremely difficult. Madam Qin didn't want her daughter to suffer like that.

However, the situation with the Gong Family was different.

First, the two families had equal status. The Gong Family was small. The main branch only had Gong Tianhao and his grandfather. There wouldn't be any infighting and power struggles.

Secondly, it was Gong Tianhao. Other than Old Master Gong, Gong Tianhao was responsible for the stability of the large Gong Family. A man like that would cherish the woman beside him. Plus, the woman she married would be at the top of the pyramid too.

Thirdly, Gong Tianhao famously disliked the company of women. So he would be absolutely loyal to his wife.

Lastly, this marriage would bring bigger benefits to the Qin Family.

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Therefore, no matter how she analyzed it, her Yan 'Er marrying Gong Tianhao was the best outcome.

Madam Qin said, "Yan 'Er, since you like him, I'll do everything I can to make sure you marry Gong Tianhao."

Qin Yan immediately said happily, "Mom, thank you." In her heart, she suddenly imagined herself becoming the most beautiful bride in the world, marrying Gong Tianhao, having children with him, and becoming the most honorable lady in the capital. But, Qin Yan suddenly quivered. She asked worriedly, "But mom, what about the marriage with the Jiang Family?"

Madam Qin gently patted her shoulder and said confidently, "Don't worry. Leave everything to Mom. Mom will take care of everything. Just wait patiently to be Gong Tianhao's most beautiful bride."

Qin Yan nodded with relief, but then she said worriedly, "But mom, Tianhao seems to have a woman he likes now. And I can clearly feel that he doesn't like me. What should we do?"

Speaking of that woman, Madam Qin snorted in disdain, "Hmph, that is just a random slut that flew out of nowhere. Who is she to compete with you?" Then, she tidied Qin Yan's hair and said, "As for Gong Tianhao not liking you, love can be cultivated. My Yan 'Er is smart and beautiful, virtuous and dignified. As time passes, he will definitely fall in love with you."

Qin Yan was completely relieved. She hugged her mother and said gratefully, "Thank you, Mom. You are my angel." While the mother and daughter were discussing how to get married to Gong Tianhao, the internet had exploded.

Everyone in the Qin family was caught off guard.

All kinds of gossip about Qin Yan were exposed on the Internet.

Previously, the netizens revealed that Qin Yan was abusing small animals. Her Angel persona was destroyed.

Now, this scandal was related to Qin Yan's frivolous nightlife. She was seen with different men in the nightclubs. There were many pictures.

"Isn't Miss Qin supposed to be pure? Isn't she supposed to be a maiden who hasn't been in any relationship? With the way she's acting, she definitely doesn't need a relationship!"

"Miss Qin is beautiful, and she has a good figure too."

"Hehe, this Miss Qin is really open-minded."

"How can this Miss Qin act so pure in front of the public but so salacious in private?"

"Haha. We'll never understand the life of the rich and famous."

"Actually, if I can be Miss Qin's boyfriend for a day, I'd die."

"Haha. You should look at yourself in the mirror first."

"Well, you can always find a way to mix into her private parties! It looks so fun!"

Qin Yan's pretty little face was livid with anger when she saw the insulting words on the internet.

She cursed angrily, "Those bastards, those lowlifes!"

Madam Qin's expression was also abnormally ugly.

Just a moment ago, they were still discussing how to use Qin Yan's good looks and good reputation to win the favor of Old Master Gong.

The next moment, a servant came over to report that some gossip about Qin Yan had been exposed on the internet. The servant was tactful in using the word, gossip because it was actually a full-on scandal.

In the beginning, Madam Qin didn't mind it. So what if her daughter killed some small animal? As long as the Qin family did some work, such news would definitely disappear in two days. Plus, they could earn back Qin Yan's reputation too.

Madam Qin wasn't anxious at all.

She replied indifferently, "Okay, I got it. You can go."

The servant opened his mouth and wanted to say something, but when he met Madam Qin's sharp gaze, he could only respectfully reply, "Yes!"

Not long after the servant went out, Qin Yan's big brother, Qin Junfeng, walked over. His footsteps were a little hurried, and his expression was dark.

Madam Qin saw her son's expression, and she asked, "Son, what's wrong? What happened?" Qin Junfeng glanced at his sister, who still had tears in the corner of her eyes and had a delicate and pitiful expression. A sudden fury consumed him. He took a deep breath and said, "Nothing!"

Chapter 463 Getting a Marriage Certificate

Gong Tianhao drove Xiao Lingyu to the civil bureau in the county. On the way there, he picked up a phone call. "Well, since she dared to do those things, then she should be prepared to bear the consequences!" Gong Tianhao said coldly. Xiao Lingyu had never seen such a ruthless Gong Tianhao.

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She didn't know what had happened to make Tianhao angry.

She had heard rumors about Gong Tianhao in her previous life. People said that this business emperor was cold and heartless! However, the Gong Tianhao who Xiao Lingyu knew was a big fluffy teddy bear. This was the first time she had seen him like this.

After Gong Tianhao hung up the phone, Xiao Lingyu asked curiously, "What's wrong?"

Gong Tianhao smiled and said, "There was a fly buzzing about. I sent someone to deal with it."

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This fly thought she was a butterfly. Hah!

Before meeting Xiao Lingyu, Gong Tianhao did not know much about love and emotions. However, he fell in love with Xiao Lingyu at first sight. After a long process, he finally faced his true feelings. Gong Tianhao had a high IQ and EQ. As his relationship with Xiao Lingyu grew, he slowly learned about emotions.

From Jiang Tao, he knew that Old Master Jiang came after Xiao Lingyu because of Qin Yan. He started to analyze the incident.

Situ Xing was very knowledgeable about relationships. He immediately confirmed that Qin Yan actually liked Gong Tianhao. Gong Tianhao was disgusted.

It was worse because Qin Yan was so pretentious. In the past, he never did anything to Qin Yan because she didn't provoke him. However, Qin Yan had crossed his bottom line this time.

Therefore, he immediately sent people to investigate Qin Yan. The result was shocking. This woman was like those packaged and fake socialites in the capital, pure on the outside but rotten on the inside.

Once he saw the photos, he immediately tossed them away. He was disgusted beyond belief. He went to find Xiao Lingyu or he might vomit.

After that, he gave his order. He exposed all of Qin Yan's private pictures on the internet. He freed his brother and took revenge on Qin Yan.

Xiao Lingyu was his treasure. He wouldn't even dare to talk too loudly around her but this woman wanted to kill her! Such guts!

Gong Tianhao concluded his thoughts and told Xiao Lingyu, "It's nothing. There's a fly at Beijing who has decided to come to disturb me. I find it annoying so I send people to deal with it."

"Okay." Xiao Lingyu nodded and didn't ask any more questions. This was Gong Tianhao's matter, and he would deal with it himself.

Gong Tianhao hid his excitement and asked with a smile, "Yu 'Er, we're getting married soon. We can become a legitimate couple in the future."

Xiao Lingyu nodded and said, "Mm, in the future, you don't have to be sneak around anymore."

Gong Tianhao, "..."

Gong Tianhao nodded in agreement and said with some grievance, "Yu 'Er, we are already engaged. Isn't it normal for us to live together? Why do your parents still insist on separating us at night?"

Xiao Lingyu naturally knew the reason why Father and Mother Xiao separated them.

Xiao Lingyu was silent for a moment before saying, "The elders in our village are more conservative. A couple can only live together after they are married."

Gong Tianhao was slightly puzzled and asked, "Is that so?"

Xiao Lingyu nodded with certainty and said, "Yes, of course."

It was unknown whether Gong Tianhao believed her or not. He nodded and said, "Okay."

Xiao Lingyu, who felt slightly guilty, "... Technically, she was not lying. She merely didn't tell the whole truth.

Gong Tianhao's car was good and he was a good driver. It didn't take long for them to reach the civil bureau.

The bureau opened at 9 am. It was 8.30 am when they arrived. It wasn't a big day for marriage, so they didn't need to queue.

Gong Tianhao and Xiao Lingyu took a walk under the trees. Soon, the door of the bureau opened.

After Gong Tianhao helped Xiao Lingyu into the building, he found a seat for Xiao Lingyu to sit down. He went to get some materials to fill in. After he was done, the two of them went to take their wedding photos, and they could get their marriage certificates on the spot.

Gong Tianhao could not hide his excitement and joy. Before he met Xiao Lingyu, he had never thought of getting married.

He had never thought that he would have a son before he got married. He was surprised, shocked and overjoyed.

He also never thought his marriage officiating would be so ordinary. He went to the civil bureau to get the marriage certificate with the woman he loved.

For someone of his status, he didn't need to come to the bureau in person. With a word, the bureau would send people over. However, he now understood that he had to be there personally for something as sacred as this.

"Yu 'Er, take a seat first. I'll go and ask about the procedure." Gong Tianhao said. After all, this was his first time getting married so he didn't know many things. Gong Tianhao took some instructions and documents from the staff. He then returned and sat beside Xiao Lingyu. He frowned and said, "Yu 'Er, the staff said that we can opt to do a health examination before getting a marriage certificate." He glanced at Xiao Lingyu's stomach and thought for a moment before saying, "Let's skip it. The health exam is not compulsory."

The staff told him that the examination was a routine physical examination to find diseases and ensure the happiness of the marriage.

Gong Tianhao had a routine check-up every six months and was very healthy.

As for Xiao Lingyu, she was certain she was in the pink of health because she had been drinking the spring water.

Also, Gong Tianhao knew it was inconvenient for a pregnant woman to undergo a physical examination. He didn't want Xiao Lingyu to suffer even a little.

Xiao Lingyu thought for a moment and said, "Alright, let's skip it."

After the two of them filled in some documents and handed them in, they took their wedding photos. In a while, a bright red marriage certificate was produced.

Gong Tianhao held the marriage certificate and was so excited that he couldn't control himself. Then, in front of everyone, he bent down and carried Xiao Lingyu by her waist, like a prince carrying a princess. Xiao Lingyu was shocked at first and couldn't help but yelp. Her two hands subconsciously circled Gong Tianhao's neck.

Gong Tianhao hugged Xiao Lingyu and spun around a few times before saying loudly, "Yu 'Er, we're married. We're finally married."

Gong Tianhao and Xiao Lingyu were handsome and beautiful. In this bustling hall, they were especially eye-catching.

"This man is so handsome and so masculine!"

"This woman is not bad either. She is really beautiful!"

"They are a perfect match!" "Judging from their clothes, they are rich."

"If I can marry such a handsome and rich man, I'd wake up laughing in my sleep."

"It's 9 in the morning. Stop daydreaming!" Small discussions sounded in every corner of the hall.

Then, most of the people at the bureau stood up at the joy of this newly-married couple to give them a thunderous applause. They gave them their blessings.

"Kiss the bride!"

“Kiss the bride!”

The people at the bureau cheered.

Chapter 464 Celebration

After coming out of the Civil Bureau, Gong Tianhao and Xiao Lingyu went to their own supermarket and shop to take a look.

As soon as they arrived at the shop, they saw Xiao Xinxin entertaining customers while Zeng Yaozu stood beside her. The customer said something, and Zeng Yaozu turned to the shelf to get it. When he turned around and saw Xiao Lingyu and Gong Tianhao, Zeng Yaozu’s eyes lit up, and he said happily, “Boss, you are here!”

Hearing that, Xiao Xinxin and the customer also turned around.

Xiao Xinxin called out excitedly, “Sis.”

The customer also knew Xiao Lingyu. He smiled and said, “Boss Xiao, it’s been a while.” Then he noticed her stomach.

“So, you two kissed just like that?” Grandma Xiao’s eyes widened as she listened to their marriage story. She was clearly surprised by the openness of the young people nowadays.

After all, when she got married to Grandpa Xiao, they would be stared at even if they just held hands. But, now the young man was so open that he kissed his bride in public.

Xiao Lingyu blushed. She lowered her head as if she wanted to hide under the table.

However, Gong Tianhao said generously, “Yes, everyone was so enthusiastic. We shouldn’t let them down.”

Everyone, “...” When did his skin become so thick?

Under the table, Xiao Lingyu twisted Gong Tianhao’s muscles. Gong Tianhao didn’t seem to know pain at all. His expression didn’t change as he chatted with the Xiao Family with a smile.

At this moment, Mother Xiao said, “Now that you two are married, we should celebrate. Today, I’m going to cook more dishes so that everyone can eat to their heart’s content.” Everyone’s eyes lit up as they said excitedly, “That’s great!”

Old Master Gong immediately ordered the dishes, “Qiuying, I want braised pork.”

“...” Mother Xiao nodded. “Alright, no problem. Are there any other orders?” “Yes. I want braised duck!” “I want braised radish with beef brisket!”

Mother Xiao was in a good mood that day, and so they had to take advantage of that. She didn’t reject anyone. If they didn’t take this opportunity, who knew when it would come again?!

Most of the orders came from the carnivorous men. Yes, they had delicious vegetables, but they were still vegetables. They wanted to have meat for a celebration. Fortunately, the Xiao family did raise

chickens, ducks, fish, and prawns. As for pork, beef, and other meats, they could go to town and buy them since transportation was so convenient.

Mother Xiao smiled and nodded, "Alright then. Today is a big day. I'll make an exception. I'll go prepare the ingredients now."

"Second Aunt, I'll help you!" Xiao Lingyun said with a smile.

"We'll help too." Eldest Aunt Xiao smiled. "There are more than twenty dishes. If we don't help, Qiuying won't be able to handle it." Grandma Xiao and the two girls also went to help.

Father Xiao called his two younger brothers and their families who were working in the county town. He told them about Xiao Lingyu and Gong Tianhao's wedding and told them to come home for lunch. After getting the marriage certificate, Xiao Lingyu dropped by her shop, so third uncle and fourth uncle Xiao already knew about this. So they would definitely rush home for the celebration.

Fortunately, both stores finished their business around noon. When they cleaned up, it was almost lunchtime.

For the big day, Mother Xiao decided to show off her culinary skills. All 22 dishes were beautiful, fragrant, and delicious.

In addition to the Xiao family and the Gong family, Father Xiao also invited the village chief, the village elders, and a few family friends. These people were glad to hear about the happy occasion. They thought back to the time when Xiao Lingyu came home with her luggage and told everyone that she wanted to farm the land at home. Everyone was shocked. Then, the Chen Family came to cause trouble, and the villagers found out Xiao Lingyu had gotten pregnant with an unknown man. Many people were concerned about her.

How was she going to get married if she was pregnant with a bastard child? Was Xiao Lingyu going to be a spinster in the village?

However, as more young men came to find Xiao Lingyu, these people's worries changed.

These young men looked good, and their family background was not ordinary. Would their families accept a girl who was pregnant with a child with an unknown father? Definitely not!

They wouldn't like their own son to marry a girl who was already pregnant with the children of another man.

Amidst their worries, Gong Tianhao suddenly appeared and openly pursued Xiao Lingyu. He even told everyone that he didn't mind Xiao Lingyu's child at all.

The people were happy. Xiao Lingyu was very lucky to have found this handsome and sincere man. These people had watched Xiao Lingyu grow up, so they wished her well.

Then, they received the news that Gong Tianhao was the father of the child all along. This was really fate! "Little girl, Second Grandpa wishes you a lifetime of happiness!" Second Grandpa was of the same generation as Grandpa Xiao. "When I saw you were holding a book and reading it under the tree every day, I knew that you'd make something of yourself. I'm glad to see that I was right!"

Xiao Lingyu was pregnant and could not drink, so she used fruit juice as a substitute for wine and said with a smile, "Thank you, Second Grandpa! I'll use fruit juice as a substitute for a toast."

Second Grandpa Xiao smiled happily and said, "Good, good. This is a toast to you!"

The others also toasted the young couple. However, it was Gong Tianhao who drank most of the wine.

With Gong Tianhao's status, not many people would have the chance to drink with him. However, after coming to Taoyuan Village, he started to understand the peace of the ordinary people. Here, he did not have the cold aura of an emperor. Here, he was just an ordinary man with a little money.

He liked Xiao Lingyu and the members of the Xiao family, so he respected and liked the people that Xiao Lingyu liked.

Everyone drank the toast. They were really happy for Xiao Lingyu.

"Little Girl Yu, Tianhao is really a good child. He is good to you. In the future, you will definitely live a happy life."

"Little Girl Yu, if Tianhao bullies you, you can tell Grandpa Seven. Grandpa Seven will teach him a lesson. Although Grandpa Seven is old, I have many children. I will help you bully him back!"

"Tianhao, we have watched Yu 'Er grow up. She has been smart and sensible since she was young. She knows that education is the only way out. Therefore, she has always been diligent and hardworking. She always gets first place in every exam. She was the first place scorer from high school to university. She was our county's top scorer too." Second Grandpa Xiao laughed as he recounted Xiao Lingyu's past. However, his eyes also revealed a look of heartache.

"We all know that the girl is smart and sensible. She is good at studying, which is why she is able to do so well. However, not many people saw the hard work she had put behind it. She was up studying every day until midnight. It would make no sense if she didn't succeed."

"Elders like us have noticed how hardworking Yu 'Er is. We always knew that she'd one day be able to fly out of this small village.

"She didn't prove us wrong. She is the first university student from our village. She has made us very proud."

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Xiao Lingyu was the first university student from the Xiao Family and Taoyuan Village. Xiao Lingyu was also the first to land a nice job in the big city.

Because of that, the life of Xiao Zhengyang's family got better. Everyone in Taoyuan Village saw it. Some got jealous. They urged their sons to study hard because they still favored sons over daughters. Not many could treat their children equally like Xiao Zhengyang and his wife.

The majority of the people in the village were not as open-minded as the few elders.

Therefore, the reason why Xiao Zhengyang invited these elders over for the celebration was that he really respected them. Gong Tianhao listened to these elders talk about Xiao Lingyu's past and felt both admiration and heartache.

One's success is 1% talent and 99% hard work.

Xiao Lingyu was very smart, but she was also very hard-working. It was why she was able to get into university and work in a big city. In the eyes of the entire village, she lived a very decent and fresh life.

Now, Xiao Lingyu was bringing the entire village to prosperity. She was a god of wealth in the eyes of the entire village.

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The village was happy for her to marry Gong Tianhao.

Xiao Lingyu was capable and married a rich husband. Naturally, some people were envious too. But they could only grumble behind her back.

That night, the Xiao Family set up three big tables, and it was very lively. The elders had a very good time. When Gong Tianhao sent Xiao Lingyu into the house, he felt a little excited and proud. He thought to himself, 'I can finally stay here openly!'

However...

Gong Tianhao was a little dumbfounded. When Grandmother Xiao and Mother Xiao urged him to return to the Gong Family, he asked in puzzlement, "Grandmother, Mother, Yu 'Er, and I are now officially husband and wife. Why can't we spend a night together?"

He wanted to sleep with Xiao Lingyu openly. He didn't want to sneak over like a thief anymore.

Xiao Lingyu's face turned red. She glared at him and returned to her room shyly.

She also wanted Gong Tianhao to stay the night and sleep with her, but she couldn't say something as embarrassing as that. Therefore, she had to leave this to Gong Tianhao to handle.

Mother Xiao was silent, but Grandma Xiao said with a smile, "Tianhao, you know that Yu 'Er is pregnant, right? These last three months are the most dangerous. You're a young man full of vigor. I think you understand why you two can't spend the night together, right?" Grandma Xiao's face was full of smiles, but her words were serious.

Even Gong Tianhao couldn't help but feel his ears turn red. He finally understood why the Xiao Family was stopping them from sleeping together in the same room. In the past, he thought it was because the Xiao Family was conservative. Therefore, he kept waiting. Finally, they were married but then...

Gong Tianhao's face turned slightly red, and the corners of his mouth couldn't help but twitch. He wanted to tell them that their worry was unfounded. Actually, Gong Tianhao had been climbing over their walls every night to sneak into Xiao Lingyu's room. Of course, he couldn't really say that.

If he did, Grandma Xiao and Mother Xiao might break his legs. His grandfather wouldn't forgive him too. Gong Tianhao pleaded, "Grandma... I will control myself. I will never..."

“No!” Grandma Xiao said very seriously, “You youngsters are too rash. What if you cause your son to have a premature birth?!”

Old Master Gong sat at the side and watched the show. He added fuel to the flame, “Yes, in-law, you’re right. This young man only cares about himself and doesn’t care about the consequences. He must be strictly prohibited.”

Gong Tianhao’s head turned black. He looked at Old Master Gong and gnashed his teeth as he called out in a dark voice, “Grandfather...”

Old Master Gong waved his hand and said with a smile, “Hao ‘Er, even I can’t help you this time. The minority obeys the majority. You’d better obediently return to your own bed.”

Gong Tianhao, “...” He was really the world’s most miserable groom. He had been looking forward to the wedding night, but the whole world was blocking him from entering the bride’s room. They were afraid that he’d be too impulsive!

The elders all blocked him, so what could he do?

He could only... be obedient.

Then, Gong Tianhao helped Old Master Gong back to the Gong family home.

Old Master Gong chided and said, “Tianhao, it’s fine. You and Yu ‘Er are already husband and wife. There will be plenty of time for you to be together in the future. After Yu ‘Er gives birth to the boy in her belly, you can do whatever you want. No one will care about you.”

Gong Tianhao, “...” Grandfather, you must be doing this on purpose. Why are you laying on the sarcasm on my big day? Gong Tianhao rolled his eyes, and a glint flashed in his eyes as he asked, “Grandfather, when my grandmother was pregnant with my father, did you also sleep in a separate room from my grandmother?”

“How is this possible?” Old Master Gong denied it without thinking. But it was possible.

Many older generations had this custom. After their daughter-in-law became pregnant, the husband and wife had to sleep in separate rooms until the child was born.

Back then, after Grandma Gong became pregnant, the older generation of the Gong family made the two of them sleep in separate rooms.

However, Old Master Gong would sneak into his wife’s room every night after his family was asleep. With his wife in his arms, there were a few times when he almost lost control of himself.

Great Grandmother Gong, or Old Master Gong’s mother, found out about his son’s sneaky activity and decided to move into the room to sleep with her daughter-in-law.

Old Master Gong was resented heavily by his father. Because of Old Master Gong’s disobedience, even his father had to lose his wife. So, great grandfather Gong began to torture his son.

During that period of time, life for Old Master Gong was hard. Of course, he would never tell his grandson about it.

But Gong Tianhao was very shrewd.

When he saw the guilty look in his grandfather's eyes, he knew his grandfather was lying. Gong Tianhao said without batting an eyelid, "Then grandfather, are you saying that our Gong family doesn't have the culture of separating rooms after the wife is pregnant?"

"Of course not!" Old Master Gong said without thinking

But then he realized that his grandson was trying to trick him. His expression immediately changed, and he scolded, "Little Brat, what do you mean? Even if our Gong family doesn't have this culture, the Xiao Family does. Are you telling me you can persuade your mother-in-law and the others?"

Gong Tianhao shrugged his shoulders. "Maybe I can!"

The customs and lifestyle of the older generation conflicted with those of the younger generation. It would depend on cunningness on how to navigate the conflict.

The moon was quiet, and the silver light was dazzling!

The same thing was happening again that night outside the walls of the Xiao Family. A figure who was skilled in martial arts jumped into the courtyard from the outside and sneaked into a room quietly.

While Xiao Lingyu was sleeping, she felt movement on the other side of the bed. She turned around and opened her eyes blurrily. She rubbed her eyes and said, "You're here."

Then, he carried Xiao Lingyu into his arms with a smooth and gentle movement. He opened his eyes and stared at Xiao Lingyu, who was sleeping soundly like a baby. He was affectionate and persistent.

Suddenly, he felt a little wronged.

He pinched her nose and said softly, "You heartless little girl. Tonight is our wedding night. I've gone through so much to come to find you, but you're sleeping soundly without any guilt."

Xiao Lingyu snored. Gong Tianhao, "..."

Chapter 466 The Internet

"Feng 'Er, what's wrong? Why do you look so pale?" When Qin Junfeng arrived at his sister's room, Madam Qin noticed that there was something wrong with his expression.

Then, she noticed the thing in his hand. She asked curiously, "What's that thing in your hand?" She reached to take the thing from Qin Junfeng.

Qin Junfeng looked at his sister with a strange expression. He clenched his hand tightly. He asked with concern, "Sister, how are you now? Are you still uncomfortable?"

Qin Yan smiled and said, "Thank you for your concern, brother. I'm quite well now."

Qin Junfeng nodded and patted her shoulder, saying, "Well, that's good. You rest well in the room. I have something to discuss with mom."

Qin Yan immediately acted up. She pouted, "Brother, is there something that you can't let me know?"

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Qin Junfeng smiled and said, "Sister, you're not young anymore. You need to stop pouting like a child."

Qin Yan smiled and said, "No matter how old I am, I'm not as old as you, brother. So it's natural for me to act like a child in front of my brother."

Qin Junfeng nodded and said, "You are right. You are my younger sister. I'll always be there to protect you."

Madam Qin chuckled, "Girl, don't you know that your brother dotes on you the most?"

Qin Yan stuck out her tongue and pulled Qin Junfeng's sleeve. She chuckled, "Of course I do. My brother cares about me the most!"

Madam Qin was a little displeased. She scolded with a smile, "Girl, are you saying that your father and I don't care about you?"

Qin Yan turned her head and pulled Madam Qin's hand as she said with a smile, "Mom and Dad also care deeply about me."

Then, Qin Yan noticed the photo in Qin Junfeng's hand. She reached out to take the photo from his hand, "Big Brother, what is that thing in your hand?"

Qin Yan's movements were too fast. Before Qin Junfeng could react, she had already taken the photos away from him. He tried to snatch them back, and one photo scattered to the ground.

The picture entered everyone's eyes. Qin Junfeng quickly bent up to pick the photo up, trying to hide it.

"What is that?" Madam Qin asked with a very stern expression. "Give it to me!"

If she was not mistaken, the photo was a picture of Yan 'Er. But if it was true...

Madam Qin felt dizzy.

When Qin Yan saw that photo, she was first dumbstruck, and then the color of her blood immediately faded. Her face was extremely pale, and her expression was extremely flustered. She felt uneasy.

Qin Junfeng looked at his sister's expression and frowned slightly. However, he did not say anything. He only pursed his lips tightly and looked at his mother. "Give it to me!" Madam Qin shouted sternly again. "Qin Junfeng!"

Qin Junfeng had no choice but to hand the photo to Madam Qin.

At this moment, Qin Yan suddenly reached out and quickly snatched the photo away.

Madam Qin and Qin Junfeng looked at Qin Yan with serious expressions. "Yan 'Er!" Madam Qin shouted sternly with a very serious expression.

Qin Yan held the photo tightly. Her face was pale as she bit her lips. She looked at her mother with a flustered and aggrieved expression. Then, she called out, "Mom!"

Madam Qin said, "Yan 'Er, give me the photo!" Qin Yan didn't dare to go against her mother when she was so serious.

Madam Qin saw how frightened her daughter was, and she cooled down slightly. Madam Qin said in heartache, "Yan 'Er, I am your mother. No matter what happens, no matter what you have done, I will always be on your side. Good girl, give me the picture. We need to see what has happened before we can solve it." Then, Madam Qin turned to Qin Junfeng and asked sternly, "Qin Junfeng, what's going on?"

She looked at the other photos in Qin Junfeng's hands and said, "Give them to me!"

Qin Junfeng glanced at his sister and sighed softly. Then, he handed the remaining photos to his mother.

Madam Qin took the photos and flipped through them one by one. Her pupils contracted violently, and her expression was incredulous.

'How is this possible? How can the slutty woman in the pictures be her beautiful and pure daughter?'

Qin Yan saw Madam Qin's expression and immediately felt nervous and afraid.

She frantically snatched the photos from her mother's hands. As she flipped through them, her eyes shook, and she revealed an expression of disbelief. Then, her face turned pale.

"No, no. This isn't real!" Qin Yan flung the photos away in anger and fear.

The pictures were all unsightly.

Qin Yan shook her head nervously and said, "No, no, the woman inside the pictures isn't me. It's not me..."

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Her nervous and flustered reaction caused Madam Qin and Qin Junfeng to frown. The pictures must be real for her to react like this.

"Yan 'Er!" Madam Qin cried out with a heartache, "Mom knows that you've been framed. Yan 'Er, you have to calm down."

Madam Qin knew her daughter very well. She knew whether Qin Yan had been framed or not. However, Madam Qin was ready to lie to herself. Someone had framed her daughter. Therefore, Qin Yan was still the innocent daughter she knew. "Mom... It's true. I'm framed." Qin Yan knew her mother well too. Madam Qin was very protective of her daughter. So she wouldn't want to believe the pictures were real. Then, she would convince Qin Yan's father, Qin Xingbao, that the pictures were not real too. Then, everything would be fine. If her father found out about the truth, the family law would be worse than a whip.

Madam Qin comforted Qin Yan and then asked her son seriously, "Feng 'Er, where did you get these photos from?"

Qin Xingbao shook his head and said, "Someone delivered them to the house for Dad. But I intercepted them, so Dad still doesn't know."

Madam Qin immediately nodded and said, "Feng 'Er, you did the right thing. We need to investigate this matter clearly before we let your father know. Otherwise, I'm afraid he will beat Yan 'Er to death."

Qin Xingbao loved his daughter very much. However, there was something that he loved more than Qin Yan, and it was their family reputation.

Qin Yan heard her mother's words, and she shivered. Her face revealed a terrified expression. She also knew the consequences.

Qin Yan shook her head, and her hands tightly gripped her mother's sleeves. She said with a very panicked expression, "Mom, save me. I don't want to die!"

Madam Qin gently patted her shoulder and said very firmly, "Yan 'Er, with mom around, that will not happen."

"Feng 'Er, do you know who sent these photos?" Mrs. Qin asked.

Without waiting for Qin Junfeng to answer, Qin Yan suddenly shivered. Her eyes suddenly widened, and she said in surprise, "Could it be him?"

"Who is it?" Madam Qin and Qin Junfeng asked quickly.

Qin Yan said, "It's that person with the surname Leng!"

Leng Feiyang had brought up her dirty history when she made a deal with him. In any case, Qin Yan was certain that only Leng Feiyang knew about her salacious history when she was abroad.

Madam Qin and Qin Junfeng's brows wrinkled.

When Jiang Tao interrogated Qin Yan, Qin Yan threw the man with the surname Leng under the bus.

After Jiang Tao left, Qin Xingbao and his wife pressed Qin Yan for more details about this Leng man. Qin Yan told them that he was just a normal private detective. He was the one who captured the picture of Gong Tianhao and the woman.

At the time, Qin Yan didn't tell them the private detective also had some dirt on Qin Yan! Madam Qin felt like fainting.

She had to find the man with the surname Leng. Otherwise, the consequences would be unimaginable.

"Who is this man?" At this moment, Qin Junfeng asked with a serious and puzzled face.

Qin Yan's heart skipped a beat, and her whole body shivered involuntarily.

Madam Qin said, "He's a private detective. Yan 'Er has worked with him before. However, he threatened her in the end." Madam Qin didn't hide this from her son because she still needed his help.

"A private detective?" Qin Junfeng asked with even more confusion, "Sister, why would you need a private detective? And why would you work with him?" How did you end up being threatened by him? His sister shouldn't be that stupid.

Qin Yan's skin shivered. She opened her mouth and said, "I..."

However, Madam Qin interrupted, "Yan 'Er asked this man to investigate her fiance."

"Jiang Tao?" Qin Junfeng frowned in surprise. "Yan 'Er, why would you investigate Jiang Tao?" Jiang Tao was the heir of the Jiang Family, and he was groomed by Old Master Jiang when he was young. He was not someone that could be trifled with.

Madam Qin immediately interrupted her son's question and said angrily, "Why else could it be? Your sister suspected that Jiang Tao had another woman. So she asked this detective for help. How is Yan 'Er wrong?"

"Huh? Is Jiang Tao cheating on Yan 'Er?" Qin Junfeng frowned. He found it unbelievable.

Similar to Gong Tianhao, there was no woman by Jiang Tao's side too. However, different from Gong Tianhao, the women by Jiang Tao's side would disappear for no reason.

As time passed, no woman dared to get close to him anymore.

Madam Qin knew her son. He would find out the truth if they continued this questioning.

Madam Qin said, "When Yan 'Er was with Jiang Tao, she found out that he had another woman. That man is really a bastard!"

Madam Qin was still angry that Jiang Tao had come to interrogate her daughter. "So Yan 'Er asked a private detective to investigate him. However, in the end, the private detective threatened Yan 'Er instead."

Qin Junfeng was even more confused.

He asked in puzzlement, "Why would the detective suddenly threaten you? Doesn't he want future business anymore? This doesn't make sense. Sister, what exactly is going on?"

Qin Yan hid behind her mother. A guilty look flashed across her face, and then she became aggrieved and angry,

"That Leng guy is a bastard. He liked my beauty and wanted to befriend me. I rejected him. He became angry out of embarrassment. He said he had things about me when I was abroad.

"I was really scared at that time. But I still refused him. I spent a lot of money to escape from his nest. Brother, do you know how scared I was at that time?"

"If I didn't give him the money... I didn't know what would have happened." Qin Yan conveniently explained away the money she had given Mr. Leng.

However, Qin Yan didn't know that one lie would have to lead to a lot more lies. Eventually, the whole thing would be exposed.

"Yan 'Er, with your mother, father and brother by your side, no one will be able to harm you." Madam Qin comforted, "We will teach that Leng Bastard a lesson!"

Qin Junfeng heard his mother and frowned again. He did not say anything but stared at his sister with a sharp gaze. "Feng 'Er, you must find that bastard," Madam Qin instructed her son. "You must teach him a lesson. Also, you must not let him spread these photos!"

Madam Qin didn't care if the photos were real or not. However, she knew that if they were spread, many people would think they were real.

"Okay!" Qin Fengjun nodded.

At this moment, Qin Junfeng's cell phone rang.

He picked it up and saw that it was a call from his subordinate.

"Speak!" Qin Junfeng spat out a word coldly.

"What did you say?" When he asked this, his gaze deliberately stared at his sister and then said, "Okay, I got it. Immediately notify the public relations department and quickly take down this news.

"What? They can't be taken down?! What are you doing? Can't you handle this small matter? Stop wasting my time. If you can't do it officially, find a hacker. Get this done. If you fail, don't come back to the office tomorrow."

Qin Junfeng's face was solemn and cold, giving Madam Qin and Qin Yan a fright.

After he hung up the phone, Mrs. Qin immediately asked, "Feng 'Er, what happened?"

Qin Junfeng said seriously, "These photos have been posted on the internet. They are now for the whole world to see!"

"What?!"

Chapter 467 Find a Scapegoat

Madam Qin and Qin Yan were shocked when they heard that Qin Yan's disgusting photos had been posted on the Internet.

"How could this be?" Madam Qin asked incredulously. Then, she flew into a rage and said, "Which bastard did this? Is it that Leng Bastard?" Madam Qin's first suspect was that Detective Leng. After all, that person had used this matter to threaten Qin Yan.

Qin Junfeng was calmer than Madam Qin. He asked Qin Yan, "Sister, what kind of person is this Leng Feiyang?"

Qin Yan shook her head and said, "Brother, I don't know."

Qin Junfeng asked again, "Then how did you contact him and trade with him in the first place?"

In his eyes, his sister was such a pure and kind girl. He had never thought that one day, this sister would do something so outrageous and rebellious.

Moreover, she was so good at hiding it that even her closest family members didn't know anything about it.

At this moment, his heart was a little complicated.

However, Qin Yan was his sister. No matter what, he had to protect this sister and not let anyone bully her.

When Qin Yan heard her brother's question, her heart was so nervous that she clenched her fists tightly.

She said, "I was introduced by a friend I made when I was abroad."

Qin Junfeng asked sharply again, "What friend?"

Qin Yan bit her lips and was unwilling to say anything. She couldn't tell them that he was her one-night-stand, could she? She was afraid that her father would break her legs.

Madam Qin saw Qin Yan's expression and thought of the things she saw in the pictures. Her head was dizzy. However, she did care about her daughter. Madam Qin stopped her son and said, "That's enough, Feng 'Er. What we need to do now is to figure out how to salvage Yan 'Er's reputation."

If the Jiang Family used this to cancel the engagement, then Qin Yan's reputation would be ruined.

"Also, have the things on the internet been removed?"

Madam Qin wanted Qin Yan to end the engagement, but they couldn't let the Jiang Family take the initiative. Plus, her Yan 'Er had to have her reputation intact when the engagement was dissolved. Otherwise, even if she became the mistress of the Gong family in the future, such a tainted reputation would probably accompany her for the rest of her

life.

Therefore, the most important thing now was to save Yan 'Er's reputation. No one would have a daughter-in-law with a smear on her name.

Qin Junfeng's expression was grim as he said, "Mom, Sister's photos can't be taken down! I'm also looking for the reason why. Also, I've found a hacker to see if we can forcibly take down the pictures."

Madam Qin was shocked when she heard that.

As for Qin Yan, she was completely dumbfounded.

The pictures couldn't be taken down? Then... it meant that her reputation was ruined. Would Gong Tianhao still marry her after he saw those photos?

Qin Yan was completely flustered.

She tightly gripped her mother's sleeves. She looked at Qin Junfeng and revealed a terrified expression. "Brother, brother, you have to help me. I... I don't want anyone to see me like that. I don't want my reputation to be tarnished. Brother..."

Madam Qin comforted her. "Yan 'Er, don't be afraid. It'll be fine. Nothing will happen to your reputation."

Just like before, the incident of animal torture had been salvaged. How did the Qin Family do it? With money and power, of course! How could ordinary people fight with the Qin Family? If the Qin Family wanted, these people would disappear off the face of the Earth.

The posters were approached by the Qin Family people and they were threatened to take off their harmful posts against Qin Yan if they wanted to live. They were told to praise Qin Yan's kindness too. Just like that, Qin Yan's reputation slowly recovered.

However, before that incident was over, this one came.

This time, the case was even more serious. In just a few minutes, the internet was flooded with photos of Qin Yan.

Just as Qin Yan was crying in fear, Qin Junfeng's phone rang again.

"Young master, the photos of Miss Qin can't be taken down. Even the top hackers can't do anything." The voice on the phone said.

Madam Qin was furious. "What are you people doing? Why can't you do something so simple?"

The person on the other side seemed to have recognized Madam Qin's identity and said calmly, "Madam Qin, someone is stopping us from doing anything. We've used all our connections, but there's nothing we can do. Moreover, when the hackers broke in, they encountered a top-tier defense system. There's no way to break in and find the original pictures."

"How is this possible?" Madam Qin didn't believe it at all and scolded loudly, "Is it because you didn't try your best? Let me tell you. I've spent a lot of money to hire you. If you can't even do something as simple as this, what's the point of us feeding you?"

The person on the other end was displeased. But since he was paid, he had to endure this humiliation. He explained, "Madam, it's not that we didn't try our best. It's that we have really encountered an obstruction."

"In the entire capital, who would obstruct the Qin Family?" Madam Qin said angrily, "That's enough. Stop finding excuses. I order you to take down those photos now!"

After saying that, Madam Qin hung up the phone.

Qin Junfeng, "..."

Qin Junfeng frowned and said in confusion, "Someone is blocking us. But who could this party be? Could it be that Leng person?" At this point, Qin Junfeng had another question.

He asked Qin Yan, "Sister, why did that person suddenly release your photos? Didn't you give him money already?"

Qin Junfeng did hear that there was a person who specialized in investigating the privacy of the upper-class circle. His surname was also Leng. This man was very capable. He had the grasp on the dirt of many people in the capital, but he was still alive. It was clear that he had some abilities.

However, this man was principled in his ways. If you didn't offend him, he would never attack you. He would never do anything too outrageous.

Qin Junfeng wondered if his sister was talking about this man. If she was, then the credibility of her story...

Qin Junfeng was somewhat silent.

Of course, compared to a stranger, he naturally trusted his sister more.

However, as the next head of the Qin family, he had to have a clear and calm mind. Otherwise, one mistake and the Qin family would suffer a devastating blow.

Hearing her brother's question, Qin Yan's small face turned pale again. Her mouth opened and closed, looking quite aggrieved.

After making up a lie, she had to make up another lie to cover up this lie.

Qin Yan bit her lip. She seemed to be hurt by her brother's distrust.

She said, "Brother, he has taken a fancy to me. He wants me... wants me to be his lover. I was not willing, so he wanted to take revenge on me. Brother, you have to help me." She was certain that Leng Feiyang didn't have any background or backing, so Leng Feiyang was the best scapegoat. Once Leng Feiyang was found, the Qin family would pin everything on him.

Qin Junfeng sighed softly and said helplessly, "Okay, I'll go find Leng Feiyang now." After saying that, he looked at Madam Qin and said, "Mom, I'll go take care of things first."

"Okay, go quickly!" Madam Qin urged. As soon as Qin Junfeng left, Qin Yan's entire body softened.

She seemed to have thought of something and immediately reached for her phone. She opened the front page of the news. All she saw was gossip about her and those disgusting photos.

The comments under the articles were even more filthy.

"No!" Qin Yan threw her phone away. She fell to the side of the bed and wept.

Madam Qin picked up her daughter's phone. She saw all the horrible news about her daughter. Her face turned from green to red to purple to black. In short, it was very amusing. The veins on her hand that were holding the phone were exposed. As she read the comments, her fury burst.

"This is too much. What kind of people are these?" Then, she turned her head and comforted her daughter, "Yan 'Er, don't worry. I will definitely clear your name and restore your reputation. I won't let anyone hurt you." In her eyes, her daughter was always a treasure, and no one could bully her."

"Mom!" Qin Yan hugged her mother and broke down and cried, "How can this be?"

Madam Qin caressed her hair and said, "Yan 'Er, don't be afraid. Everything will be fine."

After Gong Tianhao and Xiao Lingyu received their marriage certificates, Gong Tianhao openly held his wife's hand and walked around the village. He looked incredibly smug. It made people want to beat him

up. 'So what if you got married? Why are you so smug? It's not like others haven't gotten married before.'

Situ Xing, who had never been married before, could not stand the sight of this couple who kept throwing dog food at him.

"..." Situ Xing said unhappily, "I say, you two can show off all you want, but can you not do it in front of me?"

Gong Tianhao glanced at this unwitting third wheel and said, "If you don't want to see it, then get lost. You don't have to be an eyesore here!"

The eyesore, "... He didn't want to be there, but the old master had ordered him to follow them.

Situ Xing said pitifully, "Boss, how about you tell Old Master to get someone else to follow you? Xiao Wang and Xiao Zhang are both good candidates." He was confused. "By the way, why does the old master want someone to follow you?"

Gong Tianhao, "... Grandpa is too free.

Xiao Lingyu blushed slightly and lowered her head.

Gong Tianhao took a deep breath and said with disdain, "Why are you so obedient? Don't you know how to skip your job?"

Situ Xing gritted his teeth and said, "I want to skip work too. But I'll definitely run into the old master's subordinates. Once they report to the old master, I won't be able to go to sister-in-law's maiden home for meals anymore."

Gong Tianhao and Xiao Lingyu were married. Although Xiao Lingyu hadn't moved to the Gong Family, the Xiao Family was indeed already her maiden home.

As for why Xiao Lingyu did not want to move, it was a matter of habit.

She was used to sleeping on the same bed. If she moved to another place, she probably would not be able to sleep. The pregnant woman was the most powerful, so the two families naturally acquiesced to Xiao Lingyu's decision.

"Therefore, I have no choice but to stay," Situ Xing said innocently.

Gong Tianhao glanced at him indifferently and continued to be lovely-dovey Xiao Lingyu. He didn't want to bother with this pitiful person anymore.

The single man had to suffer the dog food. Situ Xing curled his lips and said in a low voice, "So what if you're married? What's so great about being married? Haven't you heard that marriage is the tomb of love? You don't even know that you've stepped into a tomb."

Gong Tianhao's ears were sharp, and his ears twitched. He turned his head and said with a sinister expression, "What did you say?"

Situ Xing quivered and said, "No, I didn't say anything." He looked around and said, "I won't disturb you two anymore. I'll go somewhere else to play." If he ran into Xiao Wang and Xiao Zhang, he had already prepared a plan.

After Situ Xing left, Gong Tianhao said to Xiao Lingyu, "Yu 'Er, I'm sorry because the wedding party will have to be simple this. When we return to the capital, I'll definitely give you a grand wedding, and you'll become the most beautiful and blissful bride in the world!"

Xiao Lingyu was pregnant, and a journey back to the capital might cause accidents. Therefore, they could only hold a simple wedding in Taoyuan Village. From the Gong Family, only Old Master Gong and Gong Tianhao would attend.

Because of safety considerations, Old Master Gong and Gong Tianhao did not invite their relatives and friends to attend the wedding.

However, in order to give face to the Xiao family, Gong Tianhao prepared 20 wedding cars to pick up the bride. The Gong family members who came to attend the wedding were all Gong Tianhao's subordinates.

Of course, in order to dispel the Xiao family's doubts, Gong Tianhao confessed honestly. The Gong family had great power and influence, but at the same time, their enemies were also powerful.

The Xiao family was reasonable. Gong Tianhao didn't inform his relatives and friends for safety reasons.

Furthermore, after the child was born, they would return to the capital and hold another wedding. At that time, the Gong family would definitely announce this matter to everyone.

Chapter 468 Gong Tianhao's Attack

"What did you say?" Qin Junfeng thought he heard wrong when he heard his subordinate's report. "Say that again?"

His subordinate reported, "Young Master, we received news about the Miss' photos. They said... Young Master Gong is behind it." "Gong Tianhao?" Qin Junfeng frowned and was full of doubt.

In the capital, there was only one Young Master Gong and that was Gong Tianhao. However, this confused Qin Junfeng. Why would he come after his sister?

"Is the information we received accurate?" Qin Junfeng asked with his brows furrowed.

His subordinate reported truthfully, "Young Master, it was someone close to Young Master Gong who delivered the news!" At this point, the subordinate paused and said, "Eldest young master, why don't you confirm it with Young Master Gong?"

After all, if Gong Tianhao was really the one behind the attack on Qin Yan, there was nothing they could do about it.

Qin Junfeng rubbed his forehead and said, "Okay, I got it. You can leave."

After the subordinate left, Qin Junfeng took out his phone and made a call.

Gong Tianhao and the Xiao family were discussing the wedding. When he heard the phone ring and saw the caller ID, he walked out.

“Young Master Gong, I’m Qin Junfeng!” Qin Junfeng introduced himself.

“Yes!” Gong Tianhao replied calmly. Then, he didn’t say anything and waited for the other party to speak.

Qin Junfeng asked directly, “Young Master Gong, I’ve received news that you’ve arranged for my sister’s downfall?”

Gong Tianhao admitted directly, “That’s right!”

“Why?” Qin Junfeng frowned and asked with confusion, “Did my Yan ‘Er offend You?”

Logically speaking, even if his sister had offended Gong Tianhao, Gong Tianhao didn’t seem like such a low-class person to use such a method to deal with a girl.

Gong Tianhao didn’t answer him but said directly, “Young Master Qin, if you want to know why, go and ask your good sister. This time, I only gave her a small lesson to give face to the Qin Family. If there’s a next time, it’ll be much worse.” He didn’t wait for Qin Junfeng’s reaction and hung up.

Qin Junfeng had a cold expression on his face, and his brows were tightly knitted together. The culprit was really Gong Tianhao!

Qin Junfeng’s emotions were extremely complicated. He was very sure that his sister was hiding something.

After thinking for a moment, he went to look for his sister and planned to ask her about it. He arrived at Qin Yan’s room, and Madam Qin was still there.

Qin Yan’s emotions fluctuated a lot that day. Madam Qin was also very worried, so she had been accompanying her daughter.

Once she saw her son, Madam Qin asked, “Feng ‘Er, how is it? Have you taken down those photos? After that, you need to get the Public Relations to dispel the rumors and restore Yan ‘Er’s reputation.”

Qin Yan’s accident had tarnished not only Qin Yan’s reputation but also the Qin family’s reputation. Previously, after Qin Yan’s Angel persona was exposed, her reputation plummeted, and the Qin Family’s reputation too. As the family head, Qin Xingbao was so angry that he flew into a rage. He even served the family law on his beloved daughter.

It was clear that to Qin Xingbao, the family’s reputation was much more important than his daughter’s reputation.

With this big scandal, Qin Xingbao would have killed Qin Yan if Qin Junfeng hadn’t intercepted the message. However, Qin Xingbao would find out sooner or later. Therefore, they needed to deal with this before Qin Xingbao found out.

Madam Qin cared a lot about her daughter, so she was very anxious.

Qin Junfeng glanced at Madam Qin, then his sharp eyes looked at Qin Yan and asked, "Little Sister, did you hide anything from brother?"

Qin Yan was shocked and looked at her brother with confusion. She asked, "Brother, what do you mean?"

Qin Junfeng didn't answer her, but his eyes became sharper.

Madam Qin saw this, and her heart skipped a beat. She asked tentatively, "Feng 'Er, what do you mean? Haven't you taken down the photos and news?"

Qin Junfeng nodded. "That's right. Even if I use all the power of the Qin Family, I can't take them down."

Madam Qin was shocked and said in disbelief, "How is this possible? Is the Bastard Leng so powerful? What is his background?"

Qin Junfeng shook his head and said, "Mom, I don't know about that man, but I do know that Gong Tianhao's background is very powerful!"

"What!"

Upon hearing Gong Tianhao's name, Madam Qin and her daughter widened their eyes in disbelief, especially Qin Yan.

"No, this is impossible. This is impossible. Tianhao, he... he wouldn't treat me like this." Qin Yan broke down and burst into tears again. Then, she pulled on Qin Junfeng's sleeve and said, "Brother, you must be mistaken. How could it be Tianhao? I grew up with him since we were young. He wouldn't treat me so cruelly and mercilessly."

Madam Qin calmed down after the initial shock.

"Feng 'Er, is the news confirmed?" Madam Qin asked anxiously. Earlier, she was still thinking about how to get Yan 'Er married to Gong Tianhao. However, Gong Tianhao had stabbed a knife into her daughter's back. This was very bad.

Qin Junfeng nodded and said, "Mom, I have already confirmed this with Gong Tianhao. He has admitted it himself."

When Madam Qin heard this, she staggered back in dizziness. She said in disbelief, "How? Why?"

If the culprit was someone else other than Gong Tianhao, the Qin Family would bully them easily.

Qin Junfeng pursed his lips tightly, and his sharp gaze swept towards Qin Yan. His heart became even more complicated.

He was very sure and certain that his sister must have done something to anger Gong Tianhao. It was why Gong Tianhao had done this.

Qin Junfeng was also angry. Gong Tianhao had gone too far. How could he not give face to the Qin Family at all? Did he think that the Qin Family was so easily bullied?

Madam Qin came back to her senses and asked again, "Feng 'Er, what's going on? Why would Gong Tianhao do such a despicable thing and suddenly target our Yan 'Er?"

Qin Junfeng's expression was very serious as he said, "Mom, Gong Tianhao told me that I have to ask my sister about this."

Upon hearing this, not only Qin Yan but even Madam Qin's face also turned pale.

She immediately understood what Gong Tianhao meant. At the same time, she also thought of Jiang Tao's words. 'If Qin Yan didn't answer this, I won't be able to answer Tianhao. Then, he'll have to make a move.'

At that time, they didn't think this would really happen. She didn't expect that slut to be so important to Gong Tianhao that he'd offend the Qin Family to take revenge on Yan 'Er.

When Madam Qin thought of this, she gritted her teeth and said, "Gong Tianhao has gone too far. Does he treat Yan 'Er like this for that slut that comes out of nowhere? Does he still respect the Qin Family? Does he think he can get away with this?"

Qin Yan kept shaking her head and crying. She was not willing to accept the truth.

She liked Gong Tianhao so much and loved him so much. How could he treat her like this?

He came to destroy her reputation. How could he be so ruthless?

No, her Tianhao would not treat her like this. It must be that woman's fault.

Yes, it must be her fault.

If that woman hadn't appeared, Gong Tianhao would have definitely liked her, fallen in love with her, and married her. Then, he wouldn't treat her like this.

It was that woman who had stolen everything from her.

Everything was that woman's fault.

At this moment, Qin Yan forced all her hatred onto that woman she had never seen before.

Qin Yan sat on the bed and hugged her mother's waist, "Mom, Tianhao wouldn't do this to me. It must be that woman. It must be that woman who instigated him to do this. I hate that woman. Mom, you must help me!"

Qin Junfeng, who was standing at the side, frowned when he heard his sister's words.

"Woman? What woman?" Qin Junfeng asked sternly. His instincts told him that the reason Gong Tianhao had done all these had to do with this woman.

Qin Yan did not seem to hear her brother's question. Instead, she continued to cry, "I like Tianhao so much. How can he like another woman? What's so good about that woman? How am I inferior to her?"

Madam Qin immediately comforted her daughter. "Yan 'Er, you are the best woman in the world. No one can compare to you.

“Gong Tianhao, that bastard, must be blind for not liking you. Yan ‘Er, don’t cry. Mommy will help you.”

At this moment, Qin Junfeng understood, and a look of disbelief flashed across his eyes. He asked, “Little Sister, do you like Gong Tianhao?”

This news was too unexpected for him. His sister liked Gong Tianhao and his sister found out about the other woman Gong Tianhao really liked. After that, his sister must have done something to that woman and that angered Gong Tianhao.

That was why Gong Tianhao did this to this sister.

At the same time, this lesson was also a stark warning to the Qin family.

Qin Junfeng’s face darkened, and he said in an unusually serious tone, “Qin Yan, you have to explain everything clearly for us to save you. Otherwise, the entire Qin family will be dragged down by you.”

Chapter 469 Yan Siming’s Loss

Ever since Gong Tianhao and Xiao Lingyu got engaged, the two families had decided on an auspicious date. It was October 18th on the Chinese Calendar. It was an auspicious day.

After they got engaged, the two families began to prepare for the wedding.

The Gong family had given Xiao Lingyu a betrothal gift of 3.6 million. This news spread through the village. Every family with a daughter was filled with envy. At the same time, the other villagers were extremely envious of Xiao Zhengyang and his wife. They were too lucky. They had a promising daughter, and their daughter had married a rich man.

Of course, Xiao Lingyu was born with a good background. She graduated from a famous university and was beautiful. Naturally, there would be outstanding men who would pursue her and marry her.

If they wanted their daughter to be married off with an astronomical betrothal gift, they could only raise their daughter to be as outstanding as Xiao Lingyu.

However, the preference for sons was still quite serious in the rural area. They were not many families that would send their daughters to school. Daughters were to be married off, so there was no point in spending so much money on them. It would only benefit their in-law.

Therefore, most daughters were told to work instead of study. Because of this, many girls, who wanted to study, suffered. When these families saw other daughters earn big money at big companies and marry rich husbands, they would come back to blame their own daughters for not being good students.

They said that equality was important. But it would take some time before that concept was really implemented.

However, when some villagers heard that Xiao Zhengyang had received 3.6 million in betrothal gifts from Xiao Lingyu’s marriage, their minds changed. If they raised their daughters well, they could fetch expensive betrothal gifts too.

The Gong Family and the Xiao Family lived less than two hundred meters apart. Some of the traditional procedures on the wedding day could be canceled, but neither of the families did. It was important to follow traditions.

The Xiao Family believed Xiao Lingyu's happiness was the most important. However, the traditions still had to be followed.

Of course, the traditions nowadays had become much simpler than before.

The two families decided to hold one shared banquet. Two banquets would be a waste of money and energy. Most importantly, it would be taxing on the bride. It would not be wise for her to get tired. The two families discussed and decided to have a shared banquet.

The villagers were quite happy. Previously, many of them discussed whether they should attend the banquet organized by the Gong Family. The Gong Family didn't attend the villagers' banquets, but it was true that they had helped them a lot. Plus, they had to provide gifts if they attended the Gong Family's banquet.

The villagers were concerned about money. In the past, they were very poor, and they used to be very wise with money. They had to give gifts when attending a banquet.

However, the Gong Family had only arrived at Taoyuan Village for a short period of time. Other than Xiao Lingye's graduation banquet, they hadn't participated in other banquets. Therefore, the Gong Family had never given the villagers any gifts. However, now that they were holding a wedding banquet, some villagers became quite calculative. The gift-giving should go back and forth and not one way.

So when they heard the two families would only hold one banquet, many people secretly heaved a sigh of relief.

That was good. They only needed to attend the banquet once and not twice.

The Gong and Xiao families did not pay any attention to the thoughts of these villagers. They didn't really care.

In the Yan Group's office, Yan Siming, who had just received Xiao Lingyu's wedding invitation, looked through the names written on it. His eyes which were filled with electricity widened, and he furrowed his brows in disbelief.

Then, his eyes turned red.

He never thought that Gong Tianhao and Xiao Lingyu would get together so quickly. How long had it been? Two months? They were already getting married.

Yan Siming had no idea that the two had already married. They were only holding the wedding party as a formality. If he knew, his heart would hurt even more.

Yan Siming glanced at the invitation and then picked up his phone. His fingers touched the screen and swiped a few times. His fingers pointed at a contact. He wanted to press it, but he hesitated. Perhaps it was the undetermined nervousness and fear in his heart.

Xiao Lingyu was the first woman he liked. He had thought of marrying her, but his family blocked him every time. Before he could convince his family, he had already received the news of her marriage. It came too suddenly. It dealt him a heavy blow. He was lost in his own thoughts for a long time. In the end, Yan Siming did not press the button. Instead, he stood up, picked up his coat that was hanging on the hanger, and left the office.

Just as he was about to leave the office, Secretary Wang held the document and said anxiously, "Chairman, there's a large meeting at ten o'clock. You need to attend it." So, where are you going now?

Yan Siming said without turning his head, "You and Vice-President Guan will attend it on my behalf."

With that, he took large strides and left.

Secretary Wang looked at Yan Siming as he disappeared around the corner. Secretary Wang sighed and went to look for Vice President Guan.

Yan Siming reached the underground parking lot and drove away. It shook the guards posted at the parking lot.

"Is that the chairman?"

"Of course. That's the chairman's car. The person driving inside must be the chairman."

All the employees knew that their chairman was obsessed with cleanliness and did not want others to touch his car.

"The chairman drove so fast. Is he okay?" An employee said worriedly.

"He'll be fine." The other employee said, "Our chairman is as good as a racing car driver." After that, the employees gossiped for a while and then went upstairs.

Two hours later, Yan Siming arrived at the entrance of Taoyuan Village. The car stopped.

Yan Siming leaned against the back of his chair and looked ahead.

In front of him was Taoyuan Village, Xiao Lingyu's home.

However, the man, who was fully at ease on the business battlefield, felt fear.

For the first time in more than 20 years, he had fallen in love with a woman. It was also the first time he had truly put her in his heart and wanted to pursue her. However, she was about to be someone else's bride. How sad was that?

What could he do? Could he question Xiao Lingyu? What right did he have?

At that moment, he and Xiao Lingyu were just friends. He was not her boyfriend or her husband. So what could he do?

Both the man and the woman were single. They could get married. Moreover, they were in love.

But his heart was in so much pain!

This was a heartache that he had never experienced before.

He felt sad. This sadness was like how he had lost something he treasured. He hadn't even experienced love, but he had experienced the loss of love. It felt bad.

Yan Siming placed his hands on the steering wheel as the corners of his mouth revealed a faintly discernible bitter smile.

The woman he liked was about to get married, but he was not the groom.

Who could he blame? Gong Tianhao or his grandfather? But these were all excuses. The one at fault was himself.

He was domineering and decisive in the business world, but he became indecisive and hesitant in his relationships.

He also had to blame himself for being too confident. He thought that with his qualifications, as long as he wooed Xiao Lingyu slightly, Xiao Lingyu would obediently throw herself into his embrace.

But he forgot that Xiao Lingyu was not that kind of woman. He only felt the danger after his love rival appeared. But once he saw Xiao Lingyu's pregnant stomach, he felt relieved. He did not think that Gong Tianhao would really marry a woman who was pregnant with an unknown child. That was because Gong Tianhao's status and family background did not allow him to do so.

Even if Gong Tianhao pursued Xiao Lingyu, it might just be a temporary interest.

Someone with a strong personality like Xiao Lingyu would definitely not bow down to Gong Tianhao's status and power.

Compared to Gong Tianhao, he felt that he had an advantage.

Yan Siming thought of something and narrowed his eyes in disbelief. He remembered something very important. Gong Tianhao's grandfather's attitude towards Xiao Lingyu was the opposite of his own grandfather's.

Grandfather Gong seemed to like Xiao Lingyu very much and did not mind the child in Xiao Lingyu's stomach at all. In fact, Old Master Gong helped Gong Tianhao to pursue Xiao Lingyu.

Yan Siming furrowed his brows tightly and had a deep suspicion in his heart.

No matter how open-minded Old Master Gong was, it was impossible for him to accept a child with an unknown father, right?

Could it be that the rumors in the capital were true? Was Gong Tianhao infertile?

Xiao Lingyu was the perfect excuse to cover up this truth. So the person the Gong Family really fancied was not Xiao Lingyu but the child in her stomach?

At the thought of this, Yan Siming became a little agitated, and his expression was a little angry.

'No, they can't use Xiao Lingyu like this.'

Yan Siming immediately started the car and drove into Taoyuan Village.

Very soon, the car arrived at Xiao Lingyu's home.

The Xiao family was already bustling with activity.

The day after tomorrow was the day of Xiao Lingyu and Gong Tianhao's wedding. The preparations were well underway. They needed to prepare some food ingredients for the big dishes at the banquet. They also needed people to help with the decoration and so on.

This was Yan Siming's first time visiting a countryside banquet. When he saw the bustle in the courtyard, he was a little stunned.

The atmosphere was lively and peaceful.

It was different from a hotel banquet. The hotel had prepared everything. They only needed to have a good meal before leaving. As for how the dishes came about, the guests didn't have to care at all.

Just as Yan Siming was standing at the entrance of the courtyard in a daze, Mother Xiao noticed him.

When mother Xiao saw Yan Siming, she was a little puzzled. She asked, "Siming, why are you here so early?"

The wedding banquet was the day after tomorrow after all.

"Auntie," Yan Siming called out and then smiled. "It's so lively here."

Mother Xiao smiled and explained, "This is how it is when we hold a banquet in the countryside. We have to prepare many things. Come, Siming, come in and sit!"

Yan Siming nodded and walked into the living room. He looked around and asked, "Auntie, where's Lingyu?"

Mother Xiao smiled and said, "This child has gone to the reservoir with Gong Tianhao to watch others fish."

Yan Siming, "..."

Chapter 470 Yan Siming's Attack

Yan Siming was led by a child to the reservoir.

From a distance, he saw a pair of couples standing by the reservoir. The man was handsome, and the woman was beautiful.

The man held the woman's waist, and the woman leaned slightly against the man's chest. Both of them were looking at the reservoir, being very intimate and peaceful.

Yan Siming clenched his fist and then let go.

Then, he walked up to them and raised his signature ruffian smile.

"Xiao Lingyu." Yan Siming stepped forward and called out.

When Xiao Lingyu heard the call and saw Yan Siming, she also looked very happy as she called out, "Big Brother Yan!"

On the other hand, when Gong Tianhao saw Yan Siming's appearance, he couldn't help but tighten his grip on Xiao Lingyu's hand. Then, he said with a smile, "What a rare guest, chairman Yan! Chairman Yan, are you here to attend my wedding with Yu 'Er? It seems a little early. My wedding with Yu 'Er is the day after tomorrow." As he said this, he raised a smug smile and continued, "However, guests are guests. Regardless of whether they are early or late, they are our honored guests. Don't worry. Since you're here, we'll find you a place to stay."

Xiao Lingyu, "... Why is there such an intense gunpowder smell in the air? Yan Siming, "... Did he think I didn't see his smug smile. I'll make him unable to smile later.

Yan Siming suddenly said in a very serious tone, "Xiao Lingyu, I have something to tell you in private." He wanted Gong Tianhao to get lost.

Gong Tianhao immediately felt the alarm. He looked at Yan Siming warily and said in a bad tone, "Yan Siming, if you have something to say, just say it in front of me. Yu 'Er and I are already husband and wife. I'm not so generous to let my wife be alone with another man." His words were very direct, revealing a strong sense of dominance and possessiveness.

Xiao Lingyu, "... This man is childish. I'm already married to him. Does he need to be so guarded?

But these words were taunts in Yan Siming's ears. Yan Siming's face darkened as he said with a cold smile, "Gong Tianhao, do you mean that Xiao Lingyu is not allowed to have her freedom after marrying you? Is she not allowed to speak to another man in the future? Does that mean she can't have any friends by her side in the future?"

Gong Tianhao's expression immediately turned ugly. He immediately said, "It's Yu 'Er's freedom to make friends with whoever she wants. As her husband, of course, I won't interfere. However, why shouldn't I stop a man who has ulterior motives toward my wife? I am not going to hand my wife over to some other man."

Yan Siming, "... This man is really too infuriating.

Xiao Lingyu stood at the side and did not make a sound. She only tugged at Gong Tianhao's sleeve.

Yan Siming gritted his teeth and said, "Gong Tianhao, don't go too far. What do you mean by me having ulterior motives? Don't I have the right to pursue a girl I love?"

Gong Tianhao said indifferently, "But that right halts after the girl chose me."

Yan Siming, "... But when Yan Siming remembered Gong Tianhao was the one who married Xiao Lingyu for an ulterior motive, he felt a wave of anger in his heart.

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He did not argue with Gong Tianhao. Instead, he looked at Xiao Lingyu and said, "Lingyu, I have something to say to you. Can I talk to you alone?"

"No!" Gong Tianhao denied him. 'How can Yan Siming be so thick-skinned? Does he not see me?'

Yan Siming completely ignored Gong Tianhao. He just stared at Xiao Lingyu. Xiao Lingyu thought for a moment and nodded. "Okay!"

She noticed Yan Siming's expression and was sure that Yan Siming might really have something to tell her.

"Yu 'Er?" Gong Tianhao immediately cried out a little aggrievedly. "Are you really going to abandon your husband and leave with another man?"

Xiao Lingyu's face darkened. Then, she told Gong Tianhao, "Yes. Are you going to stop me?"

Gong Tianhao did not say anything. He only looked at Xiao Lingyu with an aggrieved expression.

Xiao Lingyu's heart softened. Then, she sighed softly and said, "Alright, I'll just go there and talk to him. That's fine, right?"

Xiao Lingyu pointed to a place beside the reservoir. It was not far away. Gong Tianhao was not satisfied. But there was nothing he could do. Xiao Lingyu had always had her own opinions.

She ignored Gong Tianhao and nodded at Yan Siming, "Brother Yan, let's talk over there. I'm sorry. This man gets jealous too easily."

The bitterness in Yan Siming's mouth thickened, but he only nodded, "Okay." The two walked to the side.

Xiao Lingyu looked at the reservoir and sighed lightly, "Brother Yan, if you have anything to say, just say it."

She knew that Yan Siming was interested in her.

But that was only interest, not love. Yan Siming had not really met someone he truly loved, so he treated affection as love. Once he met his true love, he would understand that he didn't really love her.

Yan Siming stood beside Xiao Lingyu. He could see the perfect curve of her side profile, her clean and white skin, and she looked delicate and beautiful.

When he turned his head, he saw the smile on her face.

That smile looked so happy and beautiful.

Yan Siming stared at her deeply for a moment and then asked, "Xiao Lingyu, do you love him?"

Xiao Lingyu nodded and said without hiding anything, "Yes, I love him."

The light in Yan Siming's eyes dimmed slightly. Then, he asked again, "What about Gong Tianhao? Does he love you too?"

When he asked this question, his fists were tightly clenched.

Xiao Lingyu nodded, "Yes, he loves me very much."

"No, he doesn't love you!" As soon as Xiao Lingyu said this, Yan Siming retorted without thinking

“Yan Siming, don’t push it!” At this moment, Gong Tianhao’s furious voice came from behind them, “Who told you that I don’t love Yu ‘Er? This is just your own guess.” Xiao Lingyu and Yan Siming turned their heads when they heard the voice.

Then, they noticed that Gong Tianhao was less than ten steps away from them.

Xiao Lingyu’s forehead was immediately covered with black lines. She asked somewhat speechlessly, “Why did you follow me?”

How could she not notice?

Gong Tianhao immediately went forward and said in a fawning manner, “I’m just worried about this man who has ulterior motives.”

Xiao Lingyu, “...” What exactly was he worried about?

Gong Tianhao immediately said with an unpleasant expression, “Thankfully, I did follow you here, or else I wouldn’t have known how cunning this man is. Yan Siming, I thought you’re a man, but you deigned to talk behind other people’s back.”

Since he was caught, Yan Siming simply admitted, “Gong Tianhao, I didn’t talk behind your back. I’m just asking for the truth.

“Since you’re here, I’ll ask you directly. Gong Tianhao, tell me. Are you really marrying Xiao Lingyu because you like her and love her?”

Gong Tianhao’s face darkened. He didn’t expect Yan Siming to question his feelings for Xiao Lingyu.

Gong Tianhao said seriously, “Yan Siming, what do you want to confirm? Fine, I’ll answer your question.

“I’m marrying Xiao Lingyu because I love her. Are you satisfied now?”

Yan Siming shook his head and narrowed his eyes. A suspicious light flashed in his eyes as he looked at Gong Tianhao. A faint mocking expression appeared on his face as he said, “There are rumors in the capital that you, Gong Tianhao, are infertile. So, isn’t your purpose of marrying Xiao Lingyu because of her child?”

“Ah, what? Young Master Gong is infertile?” Unknowingly, some villagers had gathered around them. Hearing Yan Siming’s words, they were filled with astonishment.

“How is this possible?” A villager immediately sized up Gong Tianhao from head to toe with a suspicious gaze.

Gradually, the discussions spread. However, the villagers were apprehensive of Gong Tianhao and could only whisper among themselves.

“This explains why such a rich Young Master Gong actually took a liking to the pregnant Xiao Lingyu. He just wants the child in her stomach.”

“No, didn’t the Gong family and the Xiao family tell everyone that the child in Xiao Lingyu’s stomach is Young Master Gong’s?”

“Clearly, they are lying. After all, Young Master Gong is rich and powerful. He’ll lose a lot of face if it is revealed that he is infertile.”

The villagers’ voices were small, but Gong Tianhao’s ears were sharp. Gong Tianhao and Xiao Lingyu heard them all.

Gong Tianhao’s face was dark and gloomy, but he couldn’t be angry at these villagers. His face was dark and cold. He looked at Yan Siming sharply and said coldly, “Yan Siming, I have no idea you’re so despicable. How can you bring up these baseless things? Don’t you know that slandering others is against the law?”

Yan Siming’s expression wasn’t too good either. To be fair, when he said those things, he didn’t notice there were so many villagers around them. He didn’t mean to make this into a gossip. However, it was impossible to take his words back now.

So, he could only tightly press his lips together.

Xiao Lingyu’s expression was also unsightly.

Yan Siming had gone a little too far this time. He only had her best interest, but how could he say such baseless things?

Xiao Lingyu was about to retort when Gong Tianhao stepped forward and wrapped his arm around her thick waist. He said in a very domineering manner, “Yan Siming, give up now. No matter how you plan to sow discord, you will not shake my relationship with my wife. As for my infertility, I’m sorry to disappoint you, but the child Yu ‘Er is carrying is mine.”

“How is this possible?” Yan Siming widened his eyes in disbelief when he heard that the child was Gong Tianhao’s.

The unknown child’s father was actually Gong Tianhao? How was this possible? Was there such a coincidence in this world?

A high and mighty young master of the capital as well as a village girl who came from a farming family were people from two completely different worlds. But they had a child together?

Gong Tianhao knew that Yan Siming didn’t believe him. He snorted coldly, “I knew you wouldn’t believe it.

“But that’s the truth. Back then, Yu ‘Er was drugged at the Marriott Hotel and accidentally broke into my room.

“However, Yu ‘Er left when I was away on a business meeting. Otherwise, she wouldn’t even need you to deal with Huiqing Group.”

When Yan Siming heard what Gong Tianhao said and looked at Xiao Lingyu’s expression, he immediately confirmed that what Gong Tianhao said was the truth.

Gong Tianhao did not need to lie to him.

Yan Siming suddenly felt pain surge up.

