

Chapter 68 The Street Girl

Seeing that I got out of bed, Chu Xiaoxiao stood and blocked the entrance with her body, “Your wounds aren’t healed yet. You’re not going anywhere.”

“Out of my way.”

“If you go out like this, your wounds are going to open, and do you think I want even more work on my hand looking after you?”

“Get out, of my way! This is my business, and mine alone. It has nothing to do with you!”

Though Chu Xiaoxiao was frightened by my tone of voice, she held her ground and refused to move out of the way.

“I won’t... I won’t! You said that you’re going to give me an advertisement company. If you go out like this and just upped and died, who am I going to see to be able to get my company? No, I will not allow you to go.”

She blocked the doorway with defiant eyes, as if even Death himself couldn’t make her give way. If it had been any other times, I’d be able to simply pick her up and tie her onto the bed and be on my way, but with how my body is at this moment, I don’t even have the strength to push past her.

I didn’t have a choice but to ask her to let me go, “Please, sister, miss, lady? Just what do you want? Can you please step aside and let me pass? I really do have something important that I must do.”

“You’re not going anywhere unless you tell me what you’re going to do.”

I said, “I... I need to hurry up and take care of this Chen Yuzhou business, otherwise Lin Fang will never be safe.”

Of course I wouldn’t just tell her about my family matters. About my identity, the less people knew about it, the better.

Hearing my answer, Chu Xiaoxiao thinned her lips, “Well aren’t you just the perfect lover. You really liked Lin Fang that much?”

“Move.”

I really didn’t want to say anything more. If she was determined to keep standing in my way after this, I’ll shove past her even if it means tearing up my freshly healed wounds.

“Alright, fine, I get it, no need to flaunt your love for your woman in front of a single girl who doesn’t have a boyfriend yet. Fine, you can go, but tell me where you’re headed, and I’ll drive you there. Seeing you like you are now, you yourself should know better than anyone else that you won’t be able to walk far in that body of yours, let alone driving yourself.”

What Chu Xiaoxiao said was completely reasonable. I would prefer to do this on my own but my current physical condition isn’t going to give me any advantage when it comes to arguing with her.

She walked me to the car park and helped me into the car, then sat herself down on the driver’s seat.

“So, where are you going?”

Now that I think about it, I don’t actually know where I want to go.

“You didn’t know where you’re headed? Then why did you even slip out of the hospital in the first place!?” Chu Xiaoxiao stared at me, like I was some kind of imbecile.

“Hush, let me make a call.” Taking out my phone, I dialed a number that I thought I would never call again.

I called Zhao Zichen. Now that it has come to this, I had no one else but him to turn to.

Han Kun forbade me from looking into this, which means that, if I do this through my usual connections, Han Kun would know about it in a heartbeat, and he will definitely think of some way to sabotage me.

Of course, I could also get Cai to look into it for me, but his current duties lie with the investigation of the cross border firearm smuggling trades. What I was about to ask from him, should I decide to ask him for help, was no small matter. Besides, throughout all of this, I won’t be able to help at all with this body of mine, so in the very least, I don’t want to have to trouble him unless I really had no other choices available..

So, by the process of elimination, Zhao Zichen was the only one that I could ask this of.

Surprisingly, when he took my call, he didn’t waste time with pleasantries at all. It was as if he had been expecting my call all along, and simply asked me where we’ll be meeting.

“Are you in the hospital now? I’m here in the Tong City Hospital.” I asked.

“I heard what happened, a shame.” Zhao Zichen’s voice sounded far away and absent minded, as if he was working on something else at the moment.

Chu Xiaoxiao was right beside me, and heard the voice that came out of my phone loud and clear. She said, with disgust, “Who’s this snobby brat on the other side of the phone? Does he even know how to speak at all? What does he mean by ‘a shame’ anyway?”

Zhao Zichen said, “Exactly what I mean. I have a patient right here, she needs a heart transplant, but she had been on the waiting list forever looking for a heart that matches hers. And what do you know, that day when you were sent in, I took the liberty of taking a sample of your blood to test it against her, and voila! Perfect match!”

In my heart, I cursed him and his ancestors that had the misfortune of having someone like him in their lineage, but I have use for him just yet, so I held it in and didn’t let my inner thoughts surface up...

“You little twerp, what did you just say!?” Though I held it in, Chu Xiaoxiao didn’t. She yelled back into my phone in my place.

I hurriedly changed the topic, because I had a feeling that if I didn’t, these two may just began fighting hurling insults at each other through the phone. “Where are you now?”

“Who? Me? I’m stealing corpses right now. Or more specifically, parts of the corpse. You see, since you obviously won’t be donating your heart anytime soon, I don’t think she is going to make it after all, but I did notice that she had a rather perfect set of cornea, so... ouch! Hey, stop, stop hitting me, it’s me...! Ah, anyway, I’ll talk to you later, got a bit of a situation here.”

And then he hung up the phone. I had no idea just what he was playing at over there at his end.

“So, this is the man that you’re going to ask help from? Are you sure that he is even sane?”

Chu Xiaoxiao muttered, and seeing that I didn’t speak, she started the car and began driving heading out of the hospital car park.

But suddenly, four blue Buicks drove in from the entrance, all business models, the types that could seat 7-8 people. They drove in, parallel to each other, taking up the space of the driveway completely, blocking the path.

Seeing that the exit was being blocked, Chu Xiaoxiao pulled her car to the side to wait for them to pass.

“Something isn’t right.” I thinned my eyes, and got Chu Xiaoxiao to stop her engine for now.

Since she had just been through a car accident, Chu Xiaoxiao was a little overly sensitive towards cars that just suddenly appeared from nowhere. She did as I instructed immediately, and stopped her engine.

And sure enough, these Buicks wandered in and parked themselves randomly. Then their door opened and groups and groups of men came down, all wearing hoodies. A few of the leader-looking people even communicated with each other using hand signs.

“They’re... these people definitely didn’t come here for the doctors.”

Even Chu Xiaoxiao could tell, that none of these people looked a little bit sick at all.

“Don’t make a sound. They got blades on them.”

I pointed to let Chu Xiaoxiao see. Around their waists, they all had an unnatural bulge, which they covered up with their jackets, but sometimes as they moved, the hilts of their knives still peeked out.

“Then what do we do? Try to run away?”

“They might not have come for us. It’s obvious that with a group this big, they’re either Black Dragons or Red Lanterns. If it’s the Red Lanterns, then we have nothing to fear. But if they’re Black Dragons, we can’t hide from them.”

When Chu Xiaoxiao was in high school, she walked her share of the hoods and made somewhat of a name for herself in Tong City, but of course, what she had done back then was nothing short of little child’s play in the eyes of real gangs. If I told her that flaky doctor that I just call was a mafia boss of one of Tong City’s two largest gangs, it will probably frighten her to bit.

Chu Xiaoxiao’s mindset switched immediately, “Yes, you’re right, we can’t hide from them. If they, if those people really had came for us, then Lin Fang is in danger!”

“Wait for me in the car.” I said.

And immediately Chu Xiaoxiao reached and grabbed me, but she hadn’t realized that the place she grabbed was right over where my wound is. An intense pain shot through me, hurting me so much that my eyes blacked out momentarily.

“You’re not going alone. I’m... I’m coming with you.”

I grabbed her hand and pulled it away from my wound, “If I bring you along, you’d be the end of me before they even get to me.”

Finally realizing what she had done, Chu Xiaoxiao smiled awkwardly at me and got out of the car, then came over to my side to help me out of her car.

“No need, I can do this myself.”

Though my wound hurts, I’ve been through worse. This wasn’t anything serious in comparison.

Getting out of the car, I took off my coat and wrapped it around my waist over my wounds, then pulled it in tight and tied a knot with it to secure it in place. My face whitened from the pain, but I regained mobility. Chu Xiaoxiao stared at all of this with her eyes wide in surprise.

“Are all soldiers as tough and hardy as you?”

“This is nothing. Once I had a mission around the border at the southwest, one of my squad members stepped on a landmine, and the shrapnels tore a hole through his stomach. He simply looked at it, then stuffed his intestines back inside the hole, then went outside and killed some more enemies before he finally went down himself.”

Chu Xiaoxiao was at a loss for words, “You soldier types really are tough. Although, I didn’t know that you’ve been through so much in your life.”

I was simply stating a fact just then, and I didn’t mean to boast at all. But hearing the admiration and concern in her voice, I regretted it a little. Lin Fang said that Chu Xiaoxiao have feelings for me, and since I don’t plan to reciprocate her feelings, I should watch what I say around her so as to not give her any wrong ideas.

Pulling my thoughts in, I said to her, “Alright, follow behind me, and don’t make a sound.”

There wasn’t a lot of people in the car park. The group of hooded men sticks out like a sore thumb, and everyone who walked by went around them, avoiding to make eye contacts with them. We went and mingled in with the crowd, and followed behind them quietly from a little distance.

I secretly messaged Xia Genghuai, telling him to bring a group of people he can trust to the Tong City Hospital. Judging from how things looked, it’s quite likely that a fight would soon break out here. I also told him to go about doing this discreetly, and keep it secret from their superiors, in case that they were in it together with the Chen’s.

The hooded group went all the way into the hospital lobby, and looked around. They talked amongst themselves, muttering about something.

Then suddenly, they fell quiet and gave each other a look. Then all of a sudden, they sprung into action and began shoving and kicking people all around them. It immediately caused panics and uproars in the crowds.

“Tear this place down!”

They all drew their weapon, and began slashing and smacking things. They didn’t use their weapons on people, but they smashed up everything else they could see. Chairs, tables, plants, counters, windows... everything in sight.

People scattered about in terror, and even the hospital security guards froze in fear.