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Chapter 1151: Eyes Are Windows To The Soul

Gu Zheng sized up Qiao Xi and stared at her for a moment before smiling meaningfully. "So that's how it is!"

Qiao Xi was slightly guilty from his gaze, but she did not want to be discovered, so she said righteously, "I did sleep at 10:30 pm, but I wasn't used to suddenly changing beds, so I woke up in the middle of the night. I played games for a long time and only fell asleep at two in the morning. Is there something wrong with that?

"Ah Zheng, you're too suspicious. I just had insomnia, but you suspected me of doing something bad outside. You have to change your habit."

As soon as she finished speaking, Gu Zheng laughed out loud. His voice was hearty, and his chest trembled slightly. He said happily, "Xi Xi, you look so cute when you explain in a panic."

Then, Gu Zheng said slowly, "I didn't say that you went out to do bad things. You seem to be a little guilty after explaining so much, though."

Qiao Xi's expression suddenly stiffened. As expected, nothing could be hidden from this bastard. She even hated herself for explaining too much. Gu Zheng did not say that she had done something bad, but she seemed to have confessed.

Qiao Xi's throat seemed to be blocked, and she remained silent for a long time.

Suddenly, Song Shiyu shouted from outside, "President! Something big has happened in the main residence. Let's go take a look!"

The corners of Qiao Xi's mouth instantly curled up, but she still had to suppress her smile with all her might in front of Gu Zheng, so the corners of her mouth twitched.

For some reason, it was a little later than she had expected, but what should have happened still happened. Lu Yan was blind and his identity was exposed. At the same time, Old Master Lu was unconscious again. The Lu family was probably going to turn the world upside down!

Qiao Xi forced herself to think about sad things before managing to control her smile. She pretended to be alarmed and said, "Ah Zheng, something big must have happened in the main residence. Let's go quickly!"

Gu Zheng nodded as usual.

Qiao Xi sighed in her heart. Song Shiyu had come at the right time. Otherwise, she really did not know how to explain it to Gu Zheng. She quickly got up, put on her clothes, washed up, and followed Gu Zheng out without makeup.

On the way, Gu Zheng glanced at her and asked softly, "Xi Xi, you seem to be looking forward to it. Could it be that you know what happened in the main residence?"

This bastard was testing her again!

Qiao Xi calmed down and smiled sweetly. "How could I know? It's just that I hate the Lu family, so I'm definitely looking forward to their misfortune! Is there a problem with that?"

Gu Zheng nodded thoughtfully, but Song Shiyu pursed his lips. When he came in, he did not say whether it was a good thing or a bad thing that happened in the main residence, but Young Madam was very sure that the Lu family had encountered misfortune. Wasn't it obvious enough?

When they were about to reach the main residence, Qiao Xi realized that she had said something wrong. She hurriedly changed the topic. "Ah Zheng, what's going on in the main residence so early in the morning?"

Gu Zheng turned his head to look at her and asked with a smile, "Xi Xi, you don't know?"

Qiao Xi's entire body trembled as she was quick to respond, "I don't! I don't stay in the main residence. How would I know what's going on there?!"

Gu Zheng raised an eyebrow. "From what you said just now, I thought you knew very well!"

Qiao Xi lowered her head and did not retort anymore. She knew that she was not Gu Zheng's match.

The two of them arrived at the main residence. At this moment, many people were gathered outside the door. The villa was already in a mess. Lu Xiang's flustered voice and Lu Yan's angry roar came from inside.

Qiao Xi stood outside the door and pretended to be curious. "Ah Zheng, what's wrong with them? I hear Lu Yan shouting that he can't see. He was fine yesterday, so how can he not see today?"

Gu Zheng said slowly, "He must have done too many bad things. Even the fairy can't stand it anymore, so she made him blind."

Qiao Xi's heart trembled: "..."

Fairy? Was she talking about her?

She pretended to be calm. "That's right! Eyes are windows to the soul. What's the use of a heartless person like Lu Yan having eyes? By the way, doesn't Old Master Lu dote on Lu Yan very much? Why do I only hear Lu Xiang's voice but not Old Master Lu's?! Old Master Lu is too heartless. His own grandson is blind now, but he's not saying a word."

A smile appeared in Gu Zheng's eyes, and Qiao Xi beamed.

The two of them entered the main residence and saw the chairs in the living room. The tea set and ornaments on the table had all been smashed into pieces, and the floor was covered in fragments.

The servants hid in a corner and trembled. No one dared to make a sound. Lu Xiang pointed at the crowd and questioned, "Tell me! Why did Ah Yan suddenly lose his eyesight? What did you feed him or what did you use on him?"

Chapter 1152: They're All Poisoned

As soon as Lu Xiang finished speaking, a servant rushed down from upstairs and shouted in a panic, "Second Miss! Bad news! The head of the family... The head of the family has fallen into a coma again!"

Initially, everyone thought that it was strange. Things were already like this downstairs, but Old Master Lu had not come downstairs yet. Now, the servant actually said that Old Master Lu was unconscious again!

Lu Xiang felt as if she had been struck by lightning. She stood rooted to the ground in a daze. Her ears buzzed. After calming down for a long time, she said with trembling lips, "What did you say? My father is unconscious?"

The doctors from the Medical Association hurriedly went upstairs to diagnose the old master. After a while, the doctors went downstairs and determined that Old Master Lu was poisoned. Lu Yan also lost his eyesight because of poison.

Qiao Xi grunted coldly. "Lu Yan has been poisoned! Old Master Lu has also been poisoned. Who exactly did this? There are so many bodyguards around the Lu family's main residence. Who could've entered the main residence and poisoned them? The Lu family must've done too many bad things. Even the fairies in the sky couldn't stand it anymore, so they punished them! Ah Zheng, don't you think so?"

Gu Zheng lowered his eyes and smiled. "Xi Xi, not only are there bodyguards but there are also surveillance cameras."

What he meant was that if the Lu family wanted to investigate the culprit, they could start with the surveillance footage. Perhaps they could find clues. However, Qiao Xi was not nervous at all. She had already dealt with the surveillance footage.

"Sigh! Even if we catch the culprit, it's meaningless! Lu Yan is already blind. It looks like he'll go crazy soon!"

Gu Zheng nodded and said, "The person clearly knows that there are so many bodyguards and surveillance cameras around the Lu family's main residence, yet they still dared to poison the people in the main residence. This means that they're completely confident that they won't be discovered. Xi Xi, what do you think?"

Qiao Xi was speechless. She kept having the feeling that this bastard was secretly mocking her.

Seeing that she was silent, Gu Zheng did not continue teasing her and looked up at Lu Xiang.

At this moment, the main residence was in chaos. Lu Xiang's mind was buzzing. Today, the direct descendants of the Lu family were going to pay respects to their ancestors, but now that the head of the Lu family was unconscious and the heir of the Lu family was blind, the entire Lu family would fall into Gu Zheng's hands. The old master had to wake up!

The doctors told Lu Xiang seriously, "Old Master Lu was poisoned around 11 o'clock last night. It's been so long, and the poison has already penetrated deep into his body. He can't wake up for the time being. Young Master Lu and Old Master Lu were poisoned at about the same time. Both poisons are very strong, and it's been a few hours since they were poisoned. It'll be very difficult for them to recover."

Gu Zheng looked at Qiao Xi who was beside him and lowered his voice. "Xi Xi, Old Master Lu and Lu Yan were poisoned at 11 o'clock!"

Qiao Xi widened her eyes and pretended to be surprised. "11 o'clock! Everyone was busy for the entire day, so they would have long been resting at that time. That person must have planned it out seeing as they poisoned the two Lu family members while everyone was asleep!"

Gu Zheng bent down and whispered into her ear, "Although there are many surveillance cameras in the Lu family's mansion, there's a small path that doesn't have any."

Qiao Xi cried out in surprise. "So that's how it is! I didn't expect that in order to save money, the Lu family didn't install any surveillance cameras on that small path. We must get them installed after this. If the culprit manages to escape, we won't be able to catch them!"

Song Shiyu: "..." 'I really have to give it to you two! One of you was the one who poisoned, while the other was the one who deleted the surveillance footage, yet you two are still pretending to be innocent!'

"Are you very happy that the culprit managed to run away?" Gu Zheng asked with a smile.

Qiao Xi's heart trembled, but her expression did not change. "How is that possible?! A dangerous person appeared in the Lu family's mansion. It made me very afraid as well! It's best if we catch them as soon as possible. The people who were poisoned today are Lu Yan and Old Master Lu. Perhaps it'll be us tomorrow. It's really too terrifying!"

On the other hand, the doctors from the Medical Association had already examined the two patients and shook their heads helplessly. "Second Miss Lu, we've given Chairman Lu medicine. The poison in his body has temporarily stabilized, but we can't guarantee when he'll wake up. As for Young Master Lu's eyes, they need long-term treatment. He won't be able to recover in the short term."

Lu Yan sat on the sofa, his face pale. His lips were pursed tightly. When he woke up in the morning and opened his eyes, it was dark in front of him. At first, he thought that the sky was not bright yet. It was only when Lu Xiang came over and knocked on the door that he knew that he could not see.

Suddenly falling into endless darkness, Lu Yan could not remain calm. The gentle mask he had maintained for many years finally cracked.

Usually, Old Master Lu and Lu Yan were the ones in charge of the Lu family. Now that one of them was blind and the other was unconscious, Lu Xiang was instantly at a loss. With her ability, she could not manage the Lu family at all. She did not know what to do for the ancestral worship ceremony today.

Chapter 1153: Lu Yan Is Uneasy

Lu Xiang's expression darkened. Why did it have to be on the day of the ancestral worship ceremony? Lu Yan was blind, and the old master was unconscious.

At the thought of this, Lu Xiang suddenly turned to look at Gu Zheng. Her fingers trembled as she pointed at Gu Zheng. "You! It must be you! Only you would poison my father and Ah Yan!"

Gu Zheng's expression was indifferent. There was no fluctuation in his deep eyes at all. There was even a trace of disdain.

Lu Xiang hated Gu Zheng's expression the most. He was clearly the bastard that no one wanted. He had been abused by Huang Lilan since he was young. The Gu and Lu families hated him, but now, he was high and mighty. He was not respectful or afraid of her at all. Instead, he was filled with disdain.

She was furious and roared, "Gu Zheng! Take out the antidote! Why are you so vicious?! I'm going to call the police! Guards! Quickly arrest this culprit who harmed his family!"

The main residence instantly fell silent. The servants all stood in the corner, not daring to move.

Lu Xiang pointed at the group of people and shouted angrily, "You bunch of trash! If you don't dare to do it, I'll do it myself!"

As she spoke, her face turned ferocious as she rushed toward Gu Zheng like a shrew. "Quickly take out the antidote! You must have poisoned them, you—"

"Second Miss Lu, what evidence do you have to say that Gu Zheng poisoned them?" Qiao Xi stood in front of Gu Zheng and grabbed Lu Xiang's wrist. Her expression was cold, and her voice became low. "It's slander if you don't have any evidence! I can sue you for slander!"

Everyone's gazes landed on the two of them. Lu Xiang struggled, but Qiao Xi's hand was like an iron clamp that did not waver in the slightest.

On the other hand, Lu Yan's vision was dark. His heart was filled with panic, and he could only sit on the sofa without daring to move. Hearing Qiao Xi's voice, Lu Yan gritted his teeth, and his heart was filled with resentment.

At this moment, Lu Xiang had already gone mad. She pointed at Qiao Xi and roared furiously. "Let go of me! Gu Zheng, it was you who poisoned them! Give me the antidote! If you don't take it out, I'll definitely make you regret it. Aren't you afraid that if news of this gets out, it'll affect you?"

The entire venue was deathly silent. A moment later, Qiao Xi sneered. "Second Miss Lu, the doctor said that Old Master Lu and Lu Yan were poisoned at 11 o'clock last night. At that time, Gu Zheng and I were resting in Yun Court. How could we have come to the main residence and poisoned them by avoiding the bodyguards and surveillance cameras?

"Old Master Lu and Lu Yan have both been poisoned. I know you're very sad about it and can't accept this fact. Even so, you can't malign others!!"

Gu Zheng's eyes were still indifferent. Lu Xiang was so angry that she almost vomited blood. As she roared angrily, her voice became hoarse. "I'm not maligning him! It must be Gu Zheng! Only he has the guts to poison them in the entire Lu family's mansion!"

Qiao Xi had a helpless expression. "Ah Zheng and I won't take the blame. Second Miss Lu, why don't you quickly check the surveillance footage? There might be clues. At the same time, it'll prove that Ah Zheng and I never came to the main residence."

Lu Xiang bared her fangs and brandished her claws as she shouted, "Then check the surveillance footage! Hurry up and go!"

Lu Yan sat on the sofa and had a bad feeling. He kept having the feeling that Qiao Xi was guiding Lu Xiang to say certain things, but when he wanted to stop Lu Xiang, it was too late.

His eyes were dry, and he felt very uncomfortable. His heartbeat was chaotic as if something bad was about to happen.

The only way now was to check the surveillance footage. At that time, they would be able to discover who poisoned him and Grandpa. However, Lu Yan was very uneasy. He was the victim, and the person who poisoned him was clearly Gu Zheng. He did not have to be afraid at all.

"Second Miss, I've copied the surveillance footage into my laptop." Soon, the butler came to the hall with his laptop.

Everyone's eyes were fixed on the screen. The surroundings of Yun Court were very quiet. No one entered or left. It was as quiet as a painting.

Gu Zheng glanced at the surveillance footage and looked at Qiao Xi with smiling eyes. Qiao Xi had an innocent expression. "Ah Zheng, why are you looking at me?"

"It's nothing. I just think you're very powerful, Xi Xi."

Qiao Xi's heart trembled. When she went to the main residence yesterday, she kept feeling that someone was watching her. Moreover, when she went to the surveillance room, she realized that the door was open as if someone had been there.

If she did not sense it wrongly, that person must have come to the surveillance room in advance and modified the surveillance footage. That was why she did not see anyone else in the surveillance footage.

There was only one person in the Lu family's mansion who had such superb skills—Gu Zheng!

Qiao Xi could not help but raise her eyes to look at Gu Zheng. The corners of his mouth carried a gentle smile, but his expression was indifferent.

Chapter 1154: He's The Culprit!

"Second Miss Lu, did you see it clearly?" Qiao Xi asked coldly.

Everyone had also clearly seen the surveillance footage. Gu Zheng and Qiao Xi had not left Yun Court since they returned. Lu Xiang's heart felt like it was stuffed with a huge rock as she retorted indignantly, "Maybe they weren't poisoned last night. Maybe Gu Zheng poisoned them a long time ago but the poisons just acted up last night."

Qiao Xi grunted coldly. "Second Miss Lu, this is just a guess of yours. Besides, the doctor has already said that the two of them were poisoned last night. If you don't believe it, you can look for a doctor you trust to re-examine them."

The moment that was said, the doctors of the Medical Association were instantly unhappy. They represented the authority of the Medical Association. An illegitimate daughter of the Lu family actually doubted their medical skills?

Lu Xiang was speechless. She did not expect that Gu Zheng and Qiao Xi had really never left Yun Court. However, who else would poison Lu Yan and the old master?

Gu Zheng was the most suspicious. If Lu Yan lost his sight, he would have a chance to be the heir. If the old master was unconscious, he could also use this opportunity to control the Lu family. Gu Zheng would be the greatest beneficiary.

Just as Lu Xiang was deep in thought, the butler's panicked voice suddenly came from beside her. "Young Master! Why did you go to the master's room so late at night? And what's that in your hand? It was exactly 11 o'clock!"

The moment that was said, everyone looked at the surveillance footage. At 11 o'clock, Lu Yan entered Old Master Lu's bedroom with a white medicine bottle.

One of the doctors asked in disbelief, "Could it be that he poisoned the old master?"

The doctor said that Old Master Lu was poisoned at 11 pm, and the surveillance footage showed Lu Yan entering Old Master Lu's bedroom with a bottle of medicine at night.

No one could see the scene in the room, but only Lu Yan had entered during this period. It seemed obvious what he had done. He was not asleep in the middle of the night and had secretly entered the old master's room. Could it be that he was there to chat with the old master?

At this moment, everyone looked at Lu Yan with eyes that were filled with shock and disdain. Qiao Xi smiled lightly. This was the effect she wanted.

When Lu Yan heard the voices around him, cold sweat broke out on his forehead. He was blind and could not see the surveillance footage, but he did not remember going to his grandfather's room at all, let alone poisoning him.

The hall was terrifyingly quiet. Qiao Xi sighed. "Young Master Lu, I know you don't want Ah Zheng to return to the Lu family, but even if Ah Zheng returns, the old master will still dote on you. How could you poison the old master?"

The moment that was said, the entire venue was silent. Time seemed to have frozen. After a long time, someone said in shock, "It's actually... Lu Yan!"

"I really didn't expect this! The head of the family spent so much effort nurturing a snake!"

"Idiot! Now that the head of the family is poisoned and unconscious, who can protect him?"

Hearing everyone's voices, Lu Yan felt as if he had been struck by lightning. He retorted weakly, "I didn't poison anyone!"

He gritted his teeth and said in an extremely dry voice, "Grandpa is so good to me. Just as everyone said, if he's unconscious, no one will be around to protect me. I won't be so stupid!"

Lu Xiang also stood up to defend him. "It can't be Ah Yan! He's the most filial. Moreover, he was poisoned as well and is blind now. If he really poisoned the old master, why is he blind?"

Qiao Xi said thoughtfully, "Perhaps he deliberately blinded himself. In this way, he'll become a victim as well and no one will suspect him."

"Theoretically speaking, Young Master Lu wouldn't have poisoned the old master. But even if he can come up with many excuses, how will he explain the scene in the surveillance footage? Young Master Lu, aren't you the one in the surveillance footage?"

Everyone nodded. With the surveillance footage as evidence, what else could they deny? At this point, Lu Yan was still defending himself. Other than Lu Xiang, who would believe him?

Gu Zheng's burning gaze landed on Qiao Xi, and the corners of his mouth curled up slightly. Xi Xi was really too beautiful when she stood up for him.

Lu Yan bit his lip until it bled. His vision was dark, but he could still feel the disdainful and disgusted gazes around him. However, he did not poison anyone at all!

He clenched his fists tightly and smashed them fiercely onto the table. He gritted his teeth and said, "Qiao Xi! You're wrongly accusing me!"

"Young Master Lu, you know very well whether you're innocent or not. Moreover, everyone has seen that you're the one in the surveillance footage." Qiao Xi grunted coldly. "If it weren't for the surveillance footage, I'm afraid Ah Zheng would have taken the blame for you. Could it be that your motive for poisoning Old Master Lu was to frame Ah Zheng?"

Without waiting for Lu Yan to retort, Qiao Xi turned around and said unhappily, "Ah Zheng, after paying respects to your mother, let's leave the Lu family. We shouldn't interact with the Lu family anymore. They're constantly thinking of ways to frame you. How annoying!"

Chapter 1155: She's Suspected Of Being An Accomplice

The surrounding discussion made Lu Yan's heart drop. He wanted to explain, but he did not know what to say. He could not see anything now, and this group of people was saying that they saw him in the surveillance footage.

Lu Xiang's face was ferocious as she almost broke down. For the first time, she felt helpless. It was as if a thousand-kilogram rock was pressing down on her body. She could not breathe.

Qiao Xi frowned unhappily and questioned, "Second Miss Lu, we've already found the culprit who poisoned Old Master Lu. What do you want to do with him? Not only did this person cause Old Master Lu to be unconscious, but he also tried to frame Ah Zheng. You can't let this go. After all, when you thought that Ah Zheng was the culprit just now, you wanted to call the police to arrest him. If you don't deal with Lu Yan, everyone will think that you're still biased toward him and indulge him even after he poisoned Old Master Lu!

"Could it be that the poisoning is also related to you, Second Miss Lu? After all, if you two poison Old Master Lu, you and Ah Yan can monopolize the Lu family's assets."

As soon as these words were spoken, everyone could not help but gasp. This crime was huge. Qiao Xi meant that if Lu Xiang did not deal with Lu Yan, she would be suspected of being an accomplice!

"Qiao Xi!" Lu Xiang roared angrily as her temples twitched.

Qiao Xi covered her ears with a disdainful expression. "Lower your voice. I'm not deaf. Old Master Lu is unconscious, but you're not worried at all. Instead, you're concerned about Lu Yan. I suspect there's a good reason for you two to conspire to harm Old Master Lu!"

The surroundings instantly fell silent. Gu Zheng had a smile on the corners of his mouth as he nodded elegantly. "Xi Xi, you're right."

Lu Xiang instantly panicked and retorted in horror, "I didn't! Ah Yan would never have poisoned my father. The surveillance footage is fake! You must have tampered with it!"

As soon as she finished speaking, the butler said helplessly, "Second Miss, we've already found the medicine bottle in Young Master's room. The doctor has confirmed that it's the poison that poisoned Old Master. I think we should quickly get Young Master to admit his mistake! Otherwise, if this matter blows up, it won't be good for our Lu family."

Qiao Xi's gaze paused. She had long taken the medicine bottle away, so why did the butler say that he found poison in Lu Yan's room? Moreover, even if the butler had found the medicine bottle, shouldn't he tell Lu Xiang about it in private? If he said it in front of everyone, wouldn't it be equivalent to telling everyone that Lu Yan had indeed poisoned the old master?

How could the Lu family's butler be so unreasonable? In that case...

Qiao Xi gulped and could not help but look at the man beside her. This butler was one of Gu Zheng's people!

At this moment, Gu Zheng was still elegant and noble as if everything that was happening had nothing to do with him.

Lu Xiang's face was pale. Her legs went weak as she fell onto the chair. She never expected that after her father fell back into a coma, not only would Ah Yan lose his eyesight, but he would also become the culprit behind the poisoning.

Just as everyone was about to leave, someone said indignantly, "The surveillance cameras captured it very clearly. It was clearly Lu Yan who poisoned the old master. Now that the truth is out, shouldn't Second Miss Lu and Lu Yan apologize to President Gu? Old Master Lu taught Lu Yan well, but he actually poisoned Old Master Gu for the sake of power. He's really heartless!"

"I think Lu Yan was afraid that President Gu would snatch his position as the heir after returning to the Lu family, so he poisoned the old master. That way, he could inherit the Lu family as soon as possible. He's vicious!"

Hearing the ridicule from around him, Lu Yan gritted his teeth. "Gu Zheng!!!"

"Young Master Lu, we can hear you. There's no need to be so loud." Qiao Xi's tone was mocking. "Young Master Lu, you're the heir of the Lu family now. If Old Master Lu continues to be unconscious, according to the rules, you'll be the next head of the family. The entire Lu family will fall into your hands, right?"

"Qiao Xi! What nonsense are you talking about? My father will definitely wake up!" Lu Xiang shouted at the top of her voice, "The heir of the Lu family can only be Ah Yan. Gu Zheng can forget about it!"

Qiao Xi had an indifferent expression. "Second Miss Lu, you're so protective of Lu Yan. Do you think he's your son?! Since you're so confident, just wait and see!"

Lu Xiang's expression suddenly darkened. She wanted to curse, but Qiao Xi and Gu Zheng had already turned around and left.

Hearing their footsteps getting farther and farther away, Lu Yan's expression was as gloomy as ink. He gritted his teeth and said, "Aunt, we absolutely can't let Gu Zheng enter the ancestral hall!"

Lu Xiang hurriedly went forward and comforted him. "Ah Yan, we haven't lost yet. You're still the heir of the Lu family. As long as Gu Zheng announces that he's giving up the inheritance in public, no one will fight with you anymore!"

Lu Yan took a deep breath. His body was extremely tired, and his vision was still dark. His eyes were empty as if he had lost his soul.

Chapter 1156: Live Broadcast Of The Ancestral Worship Ceremony

Lu Yan leaned against the sofa and panted heavily. "Yes, I haven't lost yet. It hasn't reached the last moment. It's still uncertain who will win."

Gu Zheng was very proud now, but he would not continue to be proud.

Lu Yan clenched his fists tightly and said word by word, "Aunt, in my current situation, I can't participate in the ancestral worship ceremony. I'll leave the ceremony to you and Fifth Uncle. You can't let Gu Zheng enter the ancestral hall."

At the same time, Qiao Xi received a USB drive from Ji Nan. She inserted it into her laptop and opened it. Then, she revealed a surprised expression. "There are so many things here! You've been busy in the Lu family for the past two years!"

Ji Nan smiled in embarrassment. "Since you've given me your orders, I'll naturally do my best. There are also some audio recordings of Lu Bai here. This evidence is enough to overturn the Lu family."

Qiao Xi sighed lightly. "The tide is turning. The Lu family will definitely go bankrupt after this."

The identity of the heir of the Lu family, Lu Yan, would be exposed during the ancestral worship ceremony today. He would be chased out of the house after losing his eyesight. At the same time, all kinds of negative news were exposed about the Lu family. The already unstable Lu Corporation wouldn't be able to withstand such a blow at all.

Lu Bai was unconscious. As the heir, Lu Yan should stand up and take charge of the situation. However, he couldn't even protect himself. After his identity was exposed, the Lu family would naturally not listen to his orders. Moreover, Lu Yan had poisoned the old master and was an illegitimate child. In addition to his crime of pretending to be Lu Qingyun's son, the Lu family would definitely not tolerate such a person becoming the next head of the family.

"Investigate who that butler belongs to." Qiao Xi was silent for a moment before asking softly.

Ji Nan hesitated for a moment before replying, "This butler has been in the Lu family for decades. He should be Lu Bai's subordinate."

Decades? In that case, the butler should not be one of Gu Zheng's people. Then why did he say those words in public? Did he hate Lu Yan for poisoning Old Master Lu?

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On the other hand, Gu Yao was reviewing documents in the Gu family's company office when he suddenly received a call from his assistant. After he picked it up, he found out that the Lu family's ancestral worship ceremony had made the headlines.

As a century-old family in Li City, the Lu family held an ancestral worship every year. This was not anything special. Why was it on the news?

Gu Yao stopped what he was doing and suddenly remembered that Gu Zheng was also attending the Lu family's ancestral worship. Could it be that Gu Zheng and Qiao Xi had done something big?

After thinking carefully, he suddenly recalled Lu Yan's identity. With his understanding of Gu Zheng, Gu Zheng would probably take this opportunity to expose Lu Yan's true identity. From then on, Lu Yan would no longer be a member of the Lu family. He would not be able to target the identity of Lu Qingyun's son and rely on that to commit crimes. He would just be an illegitimate child born to Huang Lilan.

After hanging up, a notification popped up on Gu Yao's phone. He clicked on it and was stunned.

Live broadcast of the ancestral worship ceremony?

'F*ck! Are you kidding me?! Aren't they going too far?'

An hour later, the direct descendants of the Lu family were prepared to enter the ancestral hall to pay their respects. However, Old Master Lu was still unconscious. As Lu Yan was blind, he could not attend either, so the host was the fifth uncle of the Lu family.

Fifth Uncle and Lu Xiang looked at each other and had a tacit understanding. Lu Xiang took out her phone and wanted to send Lu Yan a message, but she realized that there was no signal on her phone. Soon, the others also realized that there was no signal in the Lu family's mansion, but they thought that perhaps the surrounding circuits were being repaired. They did not take it to heart. Anyway, the ancestral worship ceremony was about to start, so they did not have time to look at their phones.

Lu Xiang's mind was filled with how to deal with Gu Zheng, so she did not care about there being no signal.

Ji Nan, who was in the crowd, sneered in his heart and gestured to his subordinates. The invisible cameras around him were turned on and aimed at the interior and exterior of the Lu family's ancestral hall.

A live broadcast of the ancestral worship ceremony would soon spread throughout the country. At that time, Lu Yan's true identity and the Lu family's actions all these years would be made public.

Qiao Xi stood obediently by Gu Zheng's side. Gu Zheng glanced at Ji Nan and the people around him and asked softly, "Xi Xi, what's your plan for today?"

Qiao Xi smiled sweetly. "You'll know in a while. Just watch!"

The next second, the clock rang. The direct descendants of the Lu family could now enter the ancestral hall to pay their respects. At this moment, all the major platforms on the internet were dominated by the topic of the Lu family paying respects to their ancestors.

The netizens clicked on the notification curiously and realized that it was a live broadcast. They started chatting in the live broadcast: [Is it the Lu family from Li City? They're actually doing a live broadcast of the ancestral worship ceremony! Amazing!]

Chapter 1157: Better To Be Cautious

The live-stream was very lively. Someone said in a disdainful tone: [The Lu family is doing a live-stream of them paying respects to their ancestors! The Lu family's company is in a difficult situation now, so they're starting to earn money by doing live-streams?]

[We're not here to see the ceremony. We're here to see the two handsome men, Gu Zheng and Lu Yan! I heard that they're the two men that the socialites of Li City want to marry the most. We can't marry into a rich family, but we can look at how big families pay respects to their ancestors online to broaden our horizons!]

Although the Lu family was not as prosperous as before, they were still a century-old family. A starving camel was still bigger than a horse. Naturally, they lived a life of a noble family that ordinary people could not reach. The Lu family's residence also included several villas. They were expensive and could not be bought by ordinary people even if they were to work for a few lifetimes. Hence, the Lu family's live broadcast attracted many people's attention.

No one in the live-stream explained why they wanted to do a live-stream, but this live-stream inexplicably became a hot topic and attracted many netizens to watch it.

At this moment, outside the Lu family's ancestral hall, Gu Zheng's eyes narrowed slightly. He had already noticed the location of the cameras. Then, he leaned close to Qiao Xi's ear and chuckled. "Xi Xi, don't you feel like we're being watched?"

Qiao Xi knew that there were cameras around, so she tried her best not to enter the range of the cameras. Faced with Gu Zheng's question, she could only laugh dryly. "Those people from the Lu family must think that we're a perfect match, so they're taking a few more glances at us."

The man smiled elegantly, then raised his eyebrows. "Xi Xi, don't you realize that everyone's phones have no signal?"

Qiao Xi hurriedly took out her phone to take a look and pretended to be surprised. "Ah! It's true! What kind of lousy place is this?! There's actually no signal!"

Gu Zheng's expression was calm as he quickly glanced at her phone. Realizing that her signal was normal, he could not help but smile. Then, he secretly put his phone, which also had a signal, in his pocket. "Yes, it's indeed not good here. We'll leave after the ancestral worship ceremony."

Qiao Xi thought that Gu Zheng would definitely not notice it, so she lowered her head and smiled like a little fox that had succeeded.

Gu Zheng stroked her hair affectionately and sneered. "Xi Xi, it's better to be safe than sorry. If you play such a big game, you'll be easily discovered."

Qiao Xi had an innocent expression. "Ah Zheng, what are you talking about? Why don't I understand?! I've always been very serious about paying respects to my ancestors. What's this talk about playing? Don't always say strange things."

The two of them stood in a corner. There were very few people around, and no one heard their conversation. At this moment, Lu Yan, Lu Xiang, and Fifth Uncle, who was in charge of the ancestral worship ceremony, were at the front.

Today's ancestral worship ceremony was for the direct descendants of the Lu family to enter the ancestral hall to pay their respects. The others had to pray outside the ancestral hall. Many large-scale ceremonies would be carried out as well. The netizens in the live-stream had never seen such a big scene and were excited.

[The ancestral worship ceremony is so complicated! As expected of a century-old family. I've really learned something new today! Moreover, only the direct descendants of the Lu family can enter the ancestral hall!]

[That's right! Large families value their direct descendants very much. This is the Lu family's mansion, so naturally, the owners of the Lu family's mansion will pay respects to their ancestors. But I remember that Gu Zheng is Lu Qingyun's wandering son! Lu Qingyun was Old Master Lu's most beloved daughter. Logically speaking, Gu Zheng should enter the ancestral hall!]

[Is Gu Zheng here? Where is he? Why don't I see him?]

Gu Zheng was the god of Li City. The netizens wanted to see him. After all, who wouldn't love a handsome, rich, and capable man?

Actually, Gu Zheng rarely showed his face, but everyone knew that this president was a handsome man. He was even more handsome than celebrities, but everyone looked around and did not see Gu Zheng. Could it be that he was not participating in the ancestral worship ceremony?

No way!

Even if Gu Zheng did not want to interact with the Lu family, he would still pay his respects to his mother, Lu Qingyun!

At this moment, Qiao Xi was hiding in a corner and asked meaningfully, "Why isn't Lu Xiang sensible at all?! Why isn't she inviting you over at a time like this?"

Gu Zheng's expression was indifferent as if everything was expected.

Qiao Xi nodded thoughtfully. "Lu Xiang definitely doesn't want you to enter the ancestral hall, but you're a direct descendant of the Lu family. What right does an illegitimate daughter like her have to stop you from entering the ancestral hall?"

The glint in Gu Zheng's eyes grew brighter. He already knew what Lu Xiang wanted to do, and he knew that Qiao Xi had long guessed it too. Even so, Qiao Xi insisted on pretending to rack her brains before saying, "Lu Xiang doesn't have any other excuses now. She'll probably mention your mother and say that Eldest Miss Lu visited her in her dreams and doesn't want you to pay your respects. Ah Zheng, don't you think so?"

Gu Zheng smiled affectionately. "You're right."

Chapter 1158: Dreamt Of Lu Qingyun

Qiao Xi took out her phone to take a look. There were already millions of viewers in the live-stream. Everyone was anxiously waiting for the Lu family's direct descendants to pay respects to their ancestors.

In a few minutes, the door of the ancestral hall would open. The Lu family had to enter the ancestral hall to pay their respects to their ancestors under everyone's gazes.

[Is President Gu not here yet?]

[I think I saw President Gu standing in a corner! He's also a direct descendant of the Lu family. Why is he standing behind?]

[Did you notice that there seems to be something wrong with Lu Yan's eyes? His face is very pale! He seems to be sick. My heart aches for Brother Lu Yan!]

Lu Yan had a gentle appearance. At this moment, he was sitting in a wheelchair with a pale face, making him look even more lovable. However, compared to Gu Zheng, he looked pale.

At half-past 10, everyone was ready to enter the ancestral hall, but Gu Zheng still did not walk to the door.

Lu Xiang glanced at Fifth Uncle, feeling uneasy. "Do you think Grand Old Master will..."

Fifth Uncle pursed his lips. "Impossible. The grand old master has been in a vegetative state since long ago. The doctors from the Medical Association tried to treat him, but it was useless. Unless the divine physician appears, it's absolutely impossible for him to wake up. However, the divine physician went missing a few years ago. The grand old master isn't around, so no one will stand up for Gu Zheng."

For some reason, Lu Xiang felt a little uneasy. Two major events happened to the Lu family early in the morning. She kept having the feeling that the ancestral worship ceremony would not go smoothly.

The grand old master of the Lu family was Lu Bai's father, the previous head of the Lu family, and Lu Qingyun's biological grandfather. He had always doted on Lu Qingyun. Whenever he woke up, he would always be protective of Lu Qingyun. Hence, even though Lu Bai hated his daughter, he had no choice but to listen to the grand old master's instructions and let Lu Qingyun manage Lu Corporation.

Now that the grand old master had already become a vegetable, he could no longer wake up. Even if he really opened his eyes, he probably would not have the strength to stand up for Gu Zheng in front of everyone.

Originally, they did not care about the grand old master at all. However, Lu Xiang saw the grand old master's capable assistant this morning. That person had a smile on his face as if he had good news to share. From then on, she felt a little uneasy. She kept having the feeling that the grand old master was about to wake up.

However, on second thought, the grand old master had been unconscious for so many years. Why would he wake up on this day? Moreover, even if he woke up, he might not recognize Gu Zheng.

At the thought of this, Lu Xiang suddenly felt confident. As long as they did not relent, what right did Gu Zheng have to enter the ancestral hall?

Lu Yan was blind and could not walk. He could only sit in a wheelchair, but his face was still gentle. He was no different from the gentle noble young master in everyone's impression.

Gu Zheng's expression was indifferent as he stood quietly in a corner.

Thump!

The butler rang the bell. The ceremony had reached the most important part. Everyone from the Lu family looked up and saw Lu Xiang clear her throat before saying loudly, "Before we enter the ancestral hall, I have something to say."

The audience in the live-stream could not wait anymore and posted comments crazily. Qiao Xi lazily raised her eyes and shot Ji Nan a look. Ji Nan hurriedly aimed the camera at Lu Xiang and gave her a close-up.

Lu Xiang did not know that there were cameras at all. She said seriously, "Last night, I dreamed of my sister. She told me..."

Everyone was puzzled. Why was Lu Xiang talking about this before paying respects to her ancestors?

The corners of Qiao Xi's mouth curled up. It was indeed exactly as she had guessed. Lu Xiang was helpless and could only use Eldest Miss Lu Qingyun's name to force Gu Zheng to leave.

"Sister knows that we're holding the ancestral worship ceremony today. She doesn't want to see anyone related to Huang Lilan. She originally had a beautiful marriage and a happy family, but she eventually died of depression. All of this is Huang Lilan's fault, so..."

Everyone looked at her with burning eyes. Lu Xiang gritted her teeth and said, "President Gu, in order to fulfill my sister's wish, please leave!"

The entire venue instantly fell silent.

Everyone looked at each other and could not help but look at Gu Zheng at last. Just because Lu Xiang dreamed of Lu Qingyun, she wanted to chase Gu Zheng out of the Lu family?

However, in the Lu family's mansion, the only person related to Huang Lilan was Gu Zheng. After all, Gu Zheng was raised by Huang Lilan for more than 20 years. Even though Huang Lilan did not treat him well, he had always been Huang Lilan's son all these years.

The surroundings were terrifyingly quiet. The fifth uncle of the Lu family hypocritically stood up to mediate the situation. "Lu Xiang, it was just a dream. How can we believe it? Although our Lu family is holding the ancestral worship ceremony today, we can't be too superstitious. How can we chase President Gu out because of this?"

Chapter 1159: Huang Lilan's Biological Son

Gu Zheng sneered. Did Lu Xiang and Fifth Uncle really think that they could not tell?

Qiao Xi also knew clearly in her heart that Lu Xiang had long discussed it with Fifth Uncle. That person must be on Lu Xiang's side. Immediately after, Fifth Uncle said, "But you're about to enter the ancestral hall, yet you actually dreamed of Qingyun. If Qingyun is really unhappy, it won't be a good thing for us. After all, Qingyun is the daughter the head of the family dotes on the most. She passed away at a young age. If she has any requests, we should do our best to satisfy them. If the head of the family is present, he'll definitely respect Qingyun's wishes!"

Gu Zheng leaned lazily to the side, his figure tall. He was expressionless as he quietly listened to Fifth Uncle's words, but his aura was strong, and he exuded a chill.

At this point, Fifth Uncle even pretended to be sad. "President Gu, you also know that it's all thanks to Qingyun that the Lu family is where they are today. Even if this is just a dream, we can't go against Qingyun's wishes. I hope you can understand us. Please leave first. If you have the chance in the future, come and pay your respects again."

The live-stream fell silent, and the scene was terrifyingly quiet. The rest of the Lu family also widened their eyes. Although Gu Zheng grew up by Huang Lilan's side, he was Lu Qingyun's biological son! Now that Lu Qingyun appeared in Lu Xiang's dream to forbid Gu Zheng from participating in the ancestral worship ceremony, what exactly was going on?!

Everyone looked at Gu Zheng, waiting for his response. After a long silence, he said calmly, "Alright."

???

Gu Zheng actually agreed?

If he agreed, it would be equivalent to admitting that he was hated by Lu Qingyun. How could someone who was hated by his biological mother be qualified to be the heir of the Lu family? Wasn't he giving the opportunity to Lu Yan?

Amidst the silence, Qiao Xi said slowly, "Ah Zheng is kind and doesn't want to make things difficult for everyone. Moreover, as Madam Lu Qingyun's son, he should fulfill his mother's wish. It's normal for Madam Lu to hate Huang Lilan! Ah Zheng understands!"

Everyone was dumbfounded. They did not expect President Gu and Mrs. Gu to really agree. Lu Xiang, who was at the side, was extremely excited and hurriedly said, "Alright! Since you've agreed, please..."

"However, Ah Zheng is just Huang Lilan's adopted son. Moreover, he was snatched away by Huang Lilan when he was born. At that time, he didn't know anything at all and was forced to become an illegitimate child. Eldest Miss Lu was such a kind and tolerant person. She'll definitely understand Ah Zheng. Why would she chase Ah Zheng away? Hence, I think there must be someone else she doesn't want to see!"

As soon as Qiao Xi finished speaking, her gaze swept past everyone as she said casually, "If Ah Zheng, who was forced to become Huang Lilan's son, can't participate in the ancestral worship ceremony, then Huang Lilan's biological son surely isn't worthy, right?!"

Her words were light, but they caused ripples in everyone's hearts.

Huang Lilan's biological son? Who was it? The only people who grew up by Huang Lilan's side were Gu Zheng and Gu Yao. Now that it was confirmed that neither of them was Huang Lilan's biological son, could it be that her biological son was someone else?

Lu Xiang's face was pale as intense fear engulfed her heart. She shouted uncontrollably, "Shut up! You're spouting nonsense!"

"Second Miss Lu, don't be so agitated! I'm just asking questions. Considering how you want to chase Ah Zheng away, then Huang Lilan's biological son should also withdraw from the ceremony, right?" Qiao Xi questioned in a sharp voice.

The secret that Lu Xiang had hidden in the depths of her heart was about to be dug out. She was so afraid that her entire body was trembling as she pointed at Qiao Xi with trembling fingers.

"Mrs. Gu, who's the son you're talking about? Is he at the scene?" An elder from the Lu branch family could not help but ask, "The Lu family won't invite outsiders to the ancestral worship ceremony. The people attending the ancestral worship ceremony are all from the Lu family. Moreover, Huang Lilan doesn't have a biological son at all. Mrs. Gu, did you remember wrongly?"

If the son of a mistress could participate in the ancestral worship ceremony but Eldest Miss Lu's biological son had to be chased out, then the Lu family would be too muddle-headed. Hence, this elder could not help but stand up and ask.

The corners of Qiao Xi's mouth curled up as her burning gaze landed on Lu Yan. She said meaningfully, "Young Master Lu, who do you think I'm talking about?"

Young Master Lu?

Everyone was dumbstruck. Could it be that the person Qiao Xi was talking about was Lu Yan?

After a long silence, someone asked tentatively, "Mrs. Gu, y-you're saying that Lu Yan is Huang Lilan's biological son?"

Impossible! Lu Yan had grown up in the Lu family since he was young. If he was Huang Lilan's son, why would he be left at the Lu family's door? Moreover, the Lu family had also done a DNA test back then and confirmed that Lu Yan was Lu Qingyun's son.

Chapter 1160: Sowing Discord Between The Brothers

Everyone looked at Qiao Xi with slight displeasure. Although the Lu family's actions were unreasonable, they could not casually slander Lu Yan just because Qiao Xi hated him!

Their gazes kept wandering between Lu Yan and Qiao Xi, and a trace of doubt arose in their hearts. To be honest, Lu Yan was indeed not similar to Miss Lu Qingyun at all.

Lu Yan's vision was dark, but he could sense everyone's sizing gazes. His heart was in turmoil. After suppressing his fluctuating emotions for a long time, he gritted his teeth and said, "Miss Qiao, watch your words."

Lu Xiang's eyes were filled with horror. She bared her fangs and brandished her claws as she shouted, "Qiao Xi! You're taking revenge. Just because I'm not letting Gu Zheng participate in the ancestral worship ceremony, you want to slander Ah Yan. Ah Yan is already sick, yet you're still bullying him. Why are you so heartless?!"

Fifth Uncle also stood up and berated, "Mrs. Gu, please apologize to Ah Yan. The children of our Lu family are definitely innocent. How could we raise the child of a mistress? Lu Yan has always been Qingyun's child. He's the direct descendant of the Lu family!"

Everyone's doubtful gazes landed on Qiao Xi. It seemed that Qiao Xi could not stand Lu Xiang wanting to chase Gu Zheng away, so she slandered Lu Yan.

The comments in the live-stream exploded...

[No way! How could Lu Yan be Huang Lilan's biological son? What nonsense is this woman talking about?!]

[This woman is always mysterious when she speaks. She can't casually slander others just because her husband is being targeted! Young Master Lu Yan has always been so gentle. Such a gentle and elegant young master is definitely not the son of a mistress!]

[Why would President Gu marry such a woman? President Gu and Lu Yan are biological brothers. If it weren't for this woman instigating things, the two of them wouldn't have so many conflicts!]

Seeing that the situation had stabilized, Lu Xiang's expression softened. Then, she said indignantly, "Qiao Xi, please apologize to Ah Yan immediately. Don't delay our ancestral worship ceremony!"

Lu Yan also heaved a sigh of relief and said in a serious tone, "Miss Qiao, you're slandering me without any evidence. I can sue you. I hope you can apologize to me seriously!"

Lu Xiang's heartbeat was chaotic, and her eyes were filled with panic. She was afraid that she would not be able to keep the Lu family's secret that had been hidden for many years. Then, she shouted self-righteously, "Yes! Qiao Xi, you don't have any evidence and only know how to spout nonsense. We're letting you off easy by just asking you to apologize! Leave the Lu family immediately after you apologize!"

Qiao Xi remained silent and even smiled in disdain. Lu Xiang felt that she had been insulted and looked at Gu Zheng angrily. "President Gu, you clearly know that Ah Yan is your biological younger brother. The two of you are brothers from the same mother! How can you let Mrs. Gu sow discord between the two of you? Ever since he found out about your identity, Ah Yan has always felt sorry for you and wanted to

do his best to make it up to you. However, your wife publicly slandered Ah Yan as the son of a mistress. You're trying to harm him!"

Gu Zheng's expression was normal as if he did not hear Lu Xiang's complaint at all.

Qiao Xi turned her head slightly to look at the door behind her, and the corners of her mouth curled into a confident smile.

All these years, the Lu family had always been under Lu Bai's control. It seemed that everyone had forgotten that the former head of the family was still alive! Lu Bai's father, who was also Lu Qingyun's grandfather, was only unconscious. He was not dead.

After Lu Qingyun's biological mother committed suicide, Lu Bai married his mistress and brought back Lu Xiang, who was a few years younger than Lu Qingyun. Lu Qingyun then had to live under the same roof as the mistress and the illegitimate daughter. Lu Qingyun's life was naturally very difficult, but fortunately, the grand old master doted on Lu Qingyun very much. He nurtured her management skills since she was young and handed the company to her to manage when she reached adulthood. Lu Qingyun did not let the grand old master down. Lu Corporation reached greater heights with her guidance, which was also the Lu family's peak.

When Lu Bai saw that his daughter was like a fish in water in the business world, he was not happy at all. Instead, he felt that Lu Qingyun and her biological mother made him look very useless and stole his limelight. Hence, the more outstanding Lu Qingyun was, the more he hated her.

It was precisely because of this that Qiao Xi did her best to awaken the grand old master of the Lu family. As long as he appeared, coupled with the evidence in her hands, Lu Yan's identity would definitely be exposed.

"Second Miss Lu, I was just asking Young Master Lu just now. The others are all very shocked, but you're the only one who's very flustered and angry. Why is that?" Qiao Xi looked at her with disdain.

Just as Lu Xiang was about to retort, Qiao Xi spoke first, "Everyone is right. Huang Lilan's biological son is Lu Yan!"