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Chapter 771: The Capital's Socialite Was Slapped in the Face

Li Xing'er couldn't be bothered to argue with Tang Ruge and left with Gu Yao and Qiao Xi.

After learning that Tang Ruge's painting was going to be exhibited at the International Painting Exhibition, all the Tang family's relatives and friends came to observe. As soon as they entered, they heard the news that Cui Xian had become a disciple.

Madam Tang asked in confusion, "Ruge, I heard that Qi Zhong's teacher is here too. When you see that senior later, you must perform well and leave a good impression on him."

Tang Ruge's face darkened.

Madam Tang had always been gentle. Seeing that Tang Ruge was silent, she asked softly, "Ruge, why aren't you saying anything? Do you remember what I said?"

Tang Ruge bit her lip and stared at everyone. Was it not enough for outsiders to see her embarrassed? Now that the Tang family was here to join in the fun, how could she raise her head in the future?

The person in charge looked at Madam Tang and came forward to greet her. "Madam Tang."

Madam Tang smiled warmly. "Hello, Mr. Charlie. Ruge kept a low profile and didn't tell her family when she attended the exhibition. We only came to take a look because we heard about it from others."

The person-in-charge turned around and saw the Tang family. He wanted to save Tang Ruge some face, so he said calmly, "Madam Tang, follow me. I'll show you around."

"Mr. Charlie," Madam Tang said with a smile, "Do you know who's Senior Cui Xian? Although Ruge is young, she's already Senior Cui's grand-disciple. Since they share this relationship, I have to bring Ruge to meet him."

As soon as these words were spoken, the surroundings fell silent.

The man in charge frowned. "I don't think... that's necessary."

Madam Tang was a little puzzled. "But it would be against the rules if we don't greet him."

"Mom! Stop it!" Tang Ruge interrupted hurriedly.

"Ruge, you're too shy. Senior Cui is your grandmaster, so you have to pay him a visit." Madam Tang persuaded gently. She had always wanted to nurture Tang Ruge into the number one socialite in the capital.

Although her daughter was not as beautiful as Qiao Xi, her talent was far superior to Qiao Xi's. Now that she had become Qi Zhong's disciple and Cui Xian's grand-disciple, it was only a matter of time before she became the number one socialite in the capital.

If she did not make use of this art exhibition to make a name for herself, it would seem too deliberate if she wanted to use this identity in the future.

Madam Tang did not notice that something was wrong with Tang Ruge. She continued gently, "Mr. Charlie, can you tell me where Senior Cui is? I want to bring Ruge—"

"Madam Tang." The person in charge interrupted with a subtle expression, "Senior Cui is admiring paintings with Senior Fu and doesn't want anyone to disturb him. It's better if you don't go."

Madam Tang's expression suddenly stiffened. What the person in charge said made sense, but she really did not want to let go of this opportunity.

"And don't worry, Miss Tang has already met Senior Cui. You don't have to greet him anymore. Miss Tang, what do you think?" The person in charge's mocking gaze landed on Tang Ruge.

Tang Ruge's breathing stopped, and her expression gradually became ferocious.

Madam Tang seemed to realize that something was wrong, but it was too late.

The person in charge originally wanted to save Tang Ruge some face, but since Madam Tang insisted on seeing Senior Cui, he decided to tell the truth. "Miss Tang probably hasn't had the time to tell you that she and Mr. Qi Zhong have offended an artist. That artist is Senior Cui's master. Therefore, Senior Cui has already publicly announced that he has severed his master-disciple relationship with Mr. Qi Zhong. Hence, Miss Tang is no longer Senior Cui's grand-disciple."

When he said this, the Tang family members looked embarrassed, and the others also had subtle expressions.

The person in charge continued, "Miss Tang publicly asked that artist to apologize to Mr. Qi Zhong and even mocked her for not knowing how to appreciate favors. In the end, even Senior Cui was ashamed of the work she took out. Unfortunately, Madam Tang, you arrived a little late and didn't see that exciting scene."

Madam Tang and everyone in the Tang family looked at Tang Ruge. Tang Ruge trembled, and her face turned red and white as if she was about to suffocate.

As the eldest daughter of the Tang family and a socialite in the capital, when had she ever been looked down on and mocked by everyone?

However, she could not refute because what the person in charge said was true.

Madam Tang's gentle face suddenly stiffened as she looked at her daughter in disbelief. "Ruge?"

Tang Ruge trembled and took a deep breath, but the mocking voices still lingered. "Is she the only socialite in the capital? Are the standards of socialites so low now?"

Chapter 772: She's The One Who Should Apologize!

"I heard that Tang Ruge is very talented. It's a pity that her character is so bad despite her talent!"

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"The Tang family is a scholarly family. Didn't they teach her how to behave?"

"That Miss Qiao painted works that even Senior Fu and Senior Cui praised. The two old seniors are still fighting to be her disciple, while Tang Ruge is only Qi Zhong's disciple. What right does she have to mock MIss Qiao?"

"How dare Tang Ruge call herself a socialite from the capital? She even invited her family to visit? For the Tang family to raise such a daughter, she must not be a good person! Moreover, Madam Tang insisted on visiting Senior Cui just now. What right do they have to visit her?"

Everyone kept mocking her. Madam Tang's expression was extremely ugly, and the Tang family also lowered their heads. No one dared to refute, afraid that they would tarnish the Tang family's reputation further.

As the mistress of the Tang family, Madam Tang had always been calm and composed. Her image represented the entire Tang family. She could not refute and only quietly listened to everyone's accusations.

When everyone was done, Madam Tang said apologetically, "I'm really sorry, everyone. I apologize for Ruge. I didn't expect her to be so rude and offend a senior. Mr. Charlie, don't worry. I'll bring Ruge to apologize to that senior!

"Ruge, you're so insensible. Hurry up and follow me!"

Everyone from the Tang family looked embarrassed. They originally came to see the eldest miss of the Tang family's glorious scene. Unexpectedly, as soon as they arrived, they heard that Tang Ruge had offended a senior in the oil painting world and even caused Senior Cui to sever ties with Qi Zhong.

After what Tang Ruge had done today, it was impossible for her to gain a foothold in the painting world in the future. Moreover, she would tarnish the Tang family's image and implicate everyone in the Tang family.

Madam Tang held Tang Ruge's hand and reprimanded her sternly, "Ruge! What's wrong with you today? You're usually so obedient. Why did you offend a senior today? Who's that senior? Hurry up and apologize!"

Tang Ruge's lip was almost bitten till it bled as she said in a trembling voice, "It's Qiao Xi."

There was silence. Madam Tang even thought she was hallucinating. She said in disbelief, "Say that again. Who is it?"

"It's Qiao Xi!" Tang Ruge cried aggrievedly. "Mom, I didn't do it on purpose. I didn't know that Qiao Xi knew how to paint. She even told me before that she didn't have a single complete painting, but now, she's attending the art exhibition with a perfect painting! I was afraid that she would offend Master and it would make it difficult for her to gain a foothold in the oil painting world, so I persuaded her to apologize to Master and ask Master to forgive her and take her in as his disciple. But she actually embarrassed me in public and..."

Madam Tang finally reacted. That Qiao Xi...

Impossible! How could she paint? And she had someone like Senior Cui take a fancy to her?

Tang Ruge looked around at the mocking stares and pointed fingers. She was close to breaking down. She didn't know what to do. She felt as if her life had been ruined.

Not only that, but she also had to apologize to Qiao Xi. Otherwise, she would be hated by everyone.

"Wait!" Madam Tang looked at the painting hanging on the wall and couldn't help but frown. "Ruge, is that Qiao Xi's painting?"

Tang Ruge slowly raised her eyes and looked at the mocking and disdainful gazes of the Tang family. Her heart ached, and an unbearable feeling of shame filled her heart. She wanted to roar and make everyone shut up and forget what had happened today.

However, as a socialite from the capital, she had to maintain a gentle image at all times. Faced with everyone's disdainful gazes, she could only smile and answer with difficulty, "Yes."

As soon as she finished speaking, Madam Tang narrowed her eyes and said coldly, "Ruge, you don't have to apologize."

Tang Ruge looked up at her mother in surprise.

Madam Tang's eyes were filled with certainty. Then, she pulled Tang Ruge to a corner and took a photo of the painting. "What right do you have to apologize to Qiao Xi? She should be the one apologizing!"

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At this moment, Qiao Xi and Cui Xian had already come out of the studio and saw Gu Zheng. She hurriedly ran over. "Senior, can you help me ask when Han Ye will be coming?"

Gu Zheng leaned lazily against the wall. He looked gentle and refined in a light-colored suit, but his eyes were extremely deep and gave off a cold aura that kept people away. It was tempting, but it also made people afraid to approach him. This man had a natural charm that attracted the opposite sex.

Chapter 773: Solved My Concern

Gu Zheng looked at Qiao Xi with a burning gaze and asked softly, "You want to see him so badly?"

Qiao Xi hurriedly nodded. The main reason she agreed to attend the art exhibition was because of Han Ye. She wanted to see what her idol looked like.

Gu Zheng's lips curled up slightly as he said with a smile, "Maybe you've already seen him, but you just don't know that he's Han Ye."

Qiao Xi pondered for a moment. Had she seen Han Ye? She had seen many people just now, but none of them looked like Han Ye.

"Mrs. Gu, think about it carefully. There's someone's painting—"

Before Gu Zheng could finish speaking, a gentle male voice suddenly sounded. "Miss Qiao, we meet again."

Qiao Xi did not even need to turn around to know who it was. When she turned around, she indeed met Lu Yan's cold but smiling eyes.

What was wrong with this person?! She was about to find out who Han Ye was from Gu Zheng's mouth, but he came over to interrupt her!

Lu Yan did not seem to notice the disgust in Qiao Xi's eyes. He slowly walked over and casually said, "President Gu and Xi Xi, are you here to visit the art exhibition as well?"

Qiao Xi really hated people who came over looking for trouble. She clearly didn't want to care about these people, but they just had to come over and cause trouble!

Looking at Lu Yan's gaze, Qiao Xi suddenly remembered the purpose of her trip here. It was to confirm if Han Ye was still alive. With Lu Yan's personality, he would definitely repeatedly confirm Han Ye's news before selling Lu Corporation's new perfume.

Moreover, Lu Corporation had previously poached a few of Gu Corporation's perfumers. In Lu Yan's opinion, Gu Zheng came here for Han Ye and to cause trouble for the Lu family. Therefore, he would definitely keep a close eye on Gu Zheng and see if he could obtain any reliable information from him.

Qiao Xi snorted coldly. "What does it have to do with you why we're here?"

Lu Yan seemed to understand something. Facing Qiao Xi's rudeness, he was not angry. Instead, he smiled. "Xi Xi, have you seen the person you want to see?"

Qiao Xi's expression instantly froze, then she pretended to be angry. "It has nothing to do with you!"

Her appearance made Lu Yan even more certain that Gu Zheng and Qiao Xi were also here to look for Han Ye. They hoped that Han Ye was still alive. This way, Lu Corporation's perfume would not be able to be listed on the market. Unfortunately, they did not see Han Ye.

Lu Yan narrowed his eyes. "Looks like you didn't get to see that person."

Upon hearing this, Qiao Xi was instantly furious. She roared in exasperation, "What nonsense are you spouting?! Is there something wrong with you?! Gu Zheng, let's go!"

Gu Zheng nodded and did not even bother to look at Lu Yan. He held Qiao Xi's hand and left.

As he watched the two of them leave, Lu Yan smiled smugly and said to his assistant, "I tested Qiao Xi just now. From her performance, she hasn't seen Han Ye. She didn't even find out anything about him. It seems that it's indeed as the investigation results say. Han Ye should be no longer alive."

The assistant came to a realization. "Mrs. Gu wanted you to mistake them for having seen Han Ye. This way, the company's perfume won't be able to be listed. It's a considerable loss to the Lu family, but the fact is that Han Ye didn't appear. This is good news for us."

Lu Yan smiled. From the moment Qiao Xi turned around, he had been staring into her eyes. At every question he asked, Qiao Xi's eyes were filled with surprise and panic. It was a guilty conscience that she did not want others to notice.

"Thank you, Mrs. Gu. You've helped me settle my concern."

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At this moment, the two of them left the house. Gu Zheng looked at her with a smile. "Mrs. Gu, you acted well just now. I was almost deceived by you."

Qiao Xi blinked. "If I didn't do that, how could Lu Yan put the perfume on the market in peace? When he saw the panic and uneasiness in my eyes, he'd definitely think that I didn't see Han Ye. In addition, when I looked around and said something else, he was even more certain."

From the moment she saw Lu Yan, Qiao Xi had already begun to lead him into a trap. After he returned, he would definitely put the perfume on the market as soon as possible and not give Gu Zheng a chance to interfere.

Song Shiyu listened to their conversation and sighed inwardly. Young Madam was so scheming! That idiot Lu Yan was not Young Madam's match at all!

"But I have a question." Qiao Xi suddenly stopped in her tracks and looked up at the man beside her.

"Although Lu Yan wants to use this new perfume to make a comeback, how can you be sure that he'll definitely use Han Ye's paintings?"

Chapter 774: Mrs. Gu's IQ Fluctuates

When Gu Zheng heard Qiao Xi's words, he did not answer immediately. Instead, he looked at her with a faint smile.

Qiao Xi rubbed her chin and seemed to be in deep thought. "I think you must have done something, right? For example, did you arrange for some people to manipulate Lu Yan by his side without him knowing? Otherwise, why would Lu Yan choose Han Ye and seek to confirm that Han Ye had already passed away? Why would he take the risk? There are clearly so many painters to choose from, but he chose a painter with unreliable factors?

"Lu Yan is not a fool, but he insisted on using Han Ye's paintings as his products' packaging. Gu Zheng, how did you do it?"

Gu Zheng's lips curled into a gentle smile. He was not surprised by Qiao Xi's guess, but in the next second, Qiao Xi revealed another secret. "Ah Zheng, that assistant beside Lu Yan is your subordinate, right? Lu Yan has always trusted him. The packaging of the perfumes this time was definitely his idea, right?"

Song Shiyu was speechless. Indeed, nothing could escape Mrs. Gu's eyes. This was the end. In Mrs. Gu's eyes, the president was not only a scumbag but also a sinister and cunning scumbag.

Although Lu Yan was indeed someone who deserved to be taught a lesson, the president had arranged spies around Lu Yan. This was his fault. If Young Madam knew that the president was such a person, she would definitely be afraid.

Gu Zheng glanced at Song Shiyu and said gently, "Sort of, but I didn't deliberately arrange spies to be around Lu Yan. It's just that I saved that assistant's life a few years ago, and he wanted to repay me for saving his life."

Song Shiyu was speechless. 'You make it sound nice, but if you had the ability, you wouldn't ask others to help you!'

Qiao Xi looked at Gu Zheng with admiration. Senior was so powerful! He easily saved someone and that person became the enemy's trusted aide.

However, other than this assistant, there was another person. Qiao Xi looked up and questioned, "But why did the two perfumes Sally created this time happen to be jasmine and lilac? They just so happen to reflect Han Ye's paintings, so Lu Yan had no choice but to choose Han Ye's paintings. However, I know that Sally can't be working under you, so why is she helping you? Could it be..."

Qiao Xi's gaze suddenly turned sharp. "She likes you!"

Gu Zheng was a little surprised. He did not expect Qiao Xi to think this way. He smiled helplessly. "Xi Xi, are you jealous?"

Qiao Xi instantly choked. "Sally is even more disgusting than Yao Mengqing. If you get together with her, I'll never talk to you again!"

Gu Zheng really did not expect her to think so. After a moment of silence, he asked softly, "Do you know when those two paintings appeared?"

Qiao Xi thought for a moment. "It seems to be three years ago."

At that time, after these two paintings were released, her grandfather had copied them before he disappeared. Hence, she remembered the timeframe well.

After she answered, Gu Zheng reminded her patiently, "Three years ago, I already knew about the Lu family's plan. The Lu family could only make a comeback through their perfumes, so..."

Qiao Xi's face was filled with surprise. "No way! You mean that Han Ye drew these two paintings three years ago to set up a trap for Lu Yan? Why did he do that? Is that trash Lu Yan worthy of Senior Han Ye making two paintings for him?"

Gu Zheng was speechless. What happened to Mrs. Gu's IQ?

Song Shiyu was even more speechless. He took back his praise for Young Madam's intelligence. Why didn't she understand? Did he have to tell her personally to let her know that the president was Han Ye?

Gu Zheng seemed to be speechless and did not answer for a long time. After a long time, he slowly said, "Mrs. Gu, don't you understand?"

Understand what?

Qiao Xi looked at him with a puzzled expression. This man was so strange! How could he imply that about Senior Han Ye? Senior Han Ye was clearly an old man who was focused on painting. How could he be so scheming?

The two paintings from three years ago were to lure Lu Yan into the trap? That was impossible!

From Senior Han Ye's paintings, she knew that he must be a kind, gentle, and refined man. He was as gentle as a breeze and did not lose the spirit that a man should have. How could such a person plan for three years to deal with Lu Yan?

Qiao Xi felt that she must be thinking too much. Perhaps it was just a coincidence. After all, jasmine and lilac scents were very common in perfumes and were not rare scents.

Gu Zheng did not explain but smirked. "Junior, do you have any other questions?"

"That's all," Qiao Xi said.

Chapter 775: When Did Big Brother Go Blind?

"Since you're done, Junior, I have some questions for you as well." Gu Zheng looked at her with a faint smile and said in a low voice, "You seem to know a lot about perfumes? And you know what Sally is like too."

Qiao Xi's expression instantly stiffened. She lowered her eyes guiltily. "What's there to be confused about?! Of course, it's because I went to investigate the matter as I was worried about you! Don't forget that I'm a top hacker!"

At this point, Qiao Xi immediately gained confidence and said with a serious expression, "That's right! When you told me that Lu Corporation was going to release new perfumes, I went to investigate some things related to perfumes. At the same time, I also investigated that perfumer, Sally. This woman's character is really not good!

"And her standard is only so-so. You've smelled the new perfume from Lu Corporation. You think it's average too, don't you? Her reputation is so internationally famous. It's probably purely hyped up!

"She put all her focus on hyping her name. How could she have time to develop good perfumes? I only have to move my fingers to know about such things. There's nothing strange about it!"

Qiao Xi said a lot of things to hide her guilt. In the end, she even glanced at Gu Zheng tentatively.

Gu Zheng's expression was calm as he said casually, "Looks like I was thinking too much. I thought that you... knew how to make perfumes?"

Qiao Xi hurriedly waved her hand. "Of course not! You think too highly of me!"

Then, she quickly changed the topic. "By the way, Eldest Brother and Second Brother are coming to Longwan Residential to visit me. They'll come to our house tonight."

Gu Zheng was stunned for a few seconds. They had not said that they were coming to Longwan Residential before. Why were they suddenly visiting tonight?

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At the Shen family's villa.

Shen Yu and Luo Qing sat opposite each other in the living room. Shen Yu narrowed his eyes. "Luo Qing, are you sure that person last appeared in Longwan Residential?"

Luo Qing's gaze was cold. "Ling Pavilion will never make a mistake."

"Gu Zheng is really not simple!" Shen Yu frowned. "He secretly got rid of Lu Yan's minions and dealt a heavy blow to the Lu family, but Little Six thinks that Gu Zheng is being bullied by the Lu family. Could it be that Little Six is being schemed against by such a sinister and cunning man?"

Luo Qing pursed his lips, and a hint of speechlessness flashed across his usually cold face. "Who can scheme against Little Six? And I don't think he'll do such things."

Shen Yu was still a little worried. "Since the people from Ling Pavilion have already found out that Gu Zheng has captured the people around Lu Yan, we'll go to Longwan Residential to investigate. Although Little Six has already married him, we can't be sure that he won't hurt Little Six.

"His methods are so vicious. He never shows mercy to his enemies. If he treats Little Six..." Shen Yu's eyes turned cold. "If he uses his methods on Little Six, how can such a weak little girl like her withstand it?" "

Qin An had just entered when he heard Shen Yu's helpless sigh. The corners of his mouth twitched uncontrollably.

Little Six was weak? When did Big Brother become blind?

However, Qin An could only complain in his heart. Of course, he did not dare to mock Shen Yu in front of him. His elder brother was the same type of person as Gu Zheng. If he offended him, his outcome would definitely be miserable.

Shen Yu said calmly, "I don't care who Gu Zheng is or how vicious his methods are. As long as Little Six likes him, I won't interfere in their matters. But if he dares to harm Little Six, I'll make him regret it even if I have to risk my life!"

Longwan Residential.

Qiao Xi returned to the bedroom, while Gu Zheng went to the third floor underground dungeon.

Song Shijing's expression was solemn. "Luo Qing has already discovered that Lu Yan's original assistant went missing three months ago, but he never realized that this matter was related to us. Perhaps they've already started to suspect something."

"That person is now on the third floor of the dungeon. If Luo Qing finds out about this..."

Gu Zheng's expression was calm. "I expected him to find out. After all, he's the leader of Ling Pavilion."

"It doesn't matter if they find out. They don't care if my methods are vicious or not. They only care about Xi Xi." Gu Zheng smiled meaningfully.

Although Gu Zheng was the young master of the Gu family, he had built a business empire. His current wealth and status had nothing to do with the Gu family. Some people might think that he was lucky, but most importantly, he was ruthless and decisive. He was determined to win no matter what he did.

Luo Qing and Shen Yu had definitely investigated him before. These two people did not care who he was. As long as he was good to Qiao Xi and Qiao Xi liked him, nothing else mattered.

Chapter 776: Send You To Hell

At this moment, the door to the third floor of the dungeon opened. A strong smell of blood assaulted their noses. Gu Zheng slowly walked forward with his long legs.

Gu Zheng was still wearing that light-colored suit. The noble and elegant young master appeared in the dark and damp underground prison. He looked indifferently at the man whose hands and feet were bound with chains. "I didn't expect Lu Yan's subordinate to be so stubborn."

The man was lying on the floor, covered in blood. He smiled crazily. "Kill me! I'll never tell you a word! You vicious fellow, you'll go to hell sooner or later!"

Gu Zheng sneered. He had never bothered to pretend in front of outsiders. He only pretended to be gentle in front of Mrs. Gu. Had he been too gentle recently, which made these people forget his ruthless methods?

Gu Zheng sat lazily on the chair and looked at the man with cold eyes. His thin lips parted slightly. "Don't tell me you think I won't kill you because you're very important to me?"

The man lying on the floor froze, his eyes filled with horror. Then, he roared crazily.

Gu Zheng's expression was calm. He did not react to his roar at all. He said slowly, "Will Lu Yan know that you've suffered so much?"

The man lay on the floor, his body twitching violently. "Ah, ah...!"

"I just want to know the truth behind Madam Lu Qingyun's death back then. If you're unwilling to tell me, then forget it. Anyway, I'll be able to find out one day." Gu Zheng's voice was indifferent as if he was talking about something unimportant.

"Since you're unwilling to cooperate with me, I can only send you to hell!"

The man looked up and met Gu Zheng's cold eyes. Knowing that he was about to die, he let out a crazy roar. His roar echoed throughout the entire dungeon.

Gu Zheng knew that this man would not say anything else and gradually lost his patience. He turned around and was prepared to leave.

Suddenly, the man smiled sinisterly. "Gu Zheng! My hands are stained with human lives. I should go to hell! But what about you? Are you a good person? You'll definitely be even more miserable than me after you die! You'll suffer retribution sooner or later!"

Hearing this, Song Shijing shuddered and wanted to cover the man's mouth.

However, Gu Zheng waved his hand calmly. "Let him speak."

"Don't think I don't know what you've done. You set up a trap for Young Master Lu Yan and made the Lu family slowly decline in his hands. You're a sinister and cunning person!" The man shouted, "I've been locked in this dark dungeon by you for God knows how long. I've been tortured by you until I'm half-dead. Other than me, there must be others who have been tortured inhumanely here. You've caused so many lives to be lost. You..."

He paused for a moment before suddenly laughing out loud. "You're vicious, but your face is handsome enough to confuse Mrs. Gu and make her think that you're a gentleman. Unfortunately, paper can't put out fire. Sooner or later, she'll know the truth. Guess what her reaction will be when she finds out?"

Gu Zheng pursed his lips, his eyes deep. His expression did not change, but the next second, the man mocked him eyen more.

"Your weak Mrs. Gu must not know that you're such a vicious man. When that delicate woman finds out the truth, will she break down and leave you because she's afraid? Or will she die like Eldest Miss Lu? Hahaha..."

Gu Zheng: "..." Was this all Lu Yan's subordinates could say?

He looked up and met Song Shijing's eyes. This man was too childish to want to anger him like this.

These people still did not know Mrs. Gu well enough. Beneath her weak appearance was a heart as tenacious as his. How could she be afraid?

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At night, Shen Yu and Luo Qing visited.

The butler and Song Shiyu were very curious about Luo Qing. The pavilion master of Ling Pavilion was as unapproachable as the rumors said. He had a handsome face and faint gray eyes. He looked like a prince from another country.

He hurriedly went forward and said respectfully to the two of them, "Hello, Mr. Shen and Young Master Luo! Please take a seat. Young Madam is still upstairs. Please wait a moment."

Not long after, Qiao Xi ran down the stairs like a butterfly. "Eldest Brother! Second Brother!"

The corners of Luo Qing and Shen Yu's mouths twitched. Didn't Little Six want to pretend to be weak? What kind of weak girl would run down from upstairs?

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Shen Yu looked at her with gentle eyes. "Little Six, did Tang Ruge look for trouble with you again today?"

Chapter 777: Xi Xi Is Gentle And Obedient?

"Tang Ruge shot herself in the foot. I originally didn't want to bicker with her, but she just had to go against me. Great, now the entire Li City treats her as a joke!" Qiao Xi said disdainfully.

"She knows that you're Han Yin?" Shen Yu asked.

Qiao Xi replied confidently, "I haven't even exposed my identity yet. They've only seen one of my paintings, yet they're already stunned!"

"You weren't interested in oil paintings before. Why did you suddenly participate in an art exhibition?" Shen Yu continued to ask.

After Shen Yu's reminder, Qiao Xi instantly frowned and said pitifully, "I went to the art exhibition to see Senior Han Ye. Unfortunately..."

"???" Shen Yu's jaw dropped. A trace of surprise flashed through Luo Qing's eyes. The two of them looked at each other.

Shen Yu was a Best Actor, after all. He quickly calmed down and asked tentatively, "Little Six, are you sure you've never seen Han Ye?"

As soon as he finished speaking, Gu Zheng walked down the stairs and happened to hear his words. He could not help but smile.

Gu Zheng had just walked down the stairs when Luo Qing suddenly frowned. He could clearly smell the strong smell of blood on Gu Zheng's body. Although he had already taken a shower, Luo Qing was too sensitive to the smell of blood and could still smell it.

Luo Qing did not expose him and took a sip of tea.

Shen Yu, who was at the side, looked at Qiao Xi and Gu Zheng in surprise. He moved his gaze back and forth between them before coming to a sudden realization. It turned out that Gu Zheng had never told Little Six that he was Han Ye. Little Six was still foolishly looking for Han Ye!

Shen Yu smiled. As Little Six's eldest brother, how could he watch her be deceived?

Hence, Shen Yu asked meaningfully, "President Gu, I heard that you went to visit the oil painting exhibition. How was it?"

Gu Zheng understood what Shen Yu meant, but his expression did not change as he replied, "It was alright."

"President Gu, haven't you seen Han Ye? Han Ye is Grandpa's favorite painter. Little Six also admires him very much. She went to the art exhibition this time to see him!" Shen Yu continued.

Qiao Xi immediately looked at Gu Zheng, only to hear him say casually, "Yes, Xi Xi has been looking for Han Ye for a long time, but she hasn't seen him. Lu Yan has also been looking for Han Ye. He wants to use Han Ye's work as the packaging for his new perfumes. Now that he hasn't seen Han Ye, he thinks that Han Ye has already passed away. I reckon his perfumes can be released as scheduled."

Shen Yu looked up and met Gu Zheng's eyes. Actually, he already knew that Gu Zheng had started setting up the Lu family three years ago. It was time to put his plan into motion now.

Actually, Shen Yu felt that Gu Zheng's hint was already very obvious. After all, Senior Han Ye had no grudges with the Lu family. Why would he set up a trap for the Lu family since three years ago? Only Gu Zheng had a grudge with the Lu family. Moreover, he was the only one who was capable of scheming for three years.

Gu Zheng had already made it so clear, but Little Six still did not understand. Had her IQ dropped?

Shen Yu shook his head helplessly and reminded, "President Gu, our Little Six has a bad temper and is a little stupid. Please forgive her!"

Qiao Xi: "?" 'Are you still my eldest brother? How can you say that about your younger sister?'

Unexpectedly, Gu Zheng looked at Qiao Xi with a doting expression and said gently, "Xi Xi has a very good temper! She's gentle, obedient, and smart. I'll treat her well!"

Gentle and obedient?

Shen Yu almost spat out the tea in his mouth. His expression was subtle. "Haha... As long as you think she's good. Actually... Sigh! Forget it, we all understand."

Gu Zheng sat beside Qiao Xi. Shen Yu also smelled the blood on Gu Zheng's body and could not help but look at Luo Qing.

As the pavilion master of Ling Pavilion, it was not strange for Luo Qing to smell blood. If Shen Yu could smell it too, it meant that before they came, Gu Zheng's body had just been stained with the smell of blood and he had bathed before coming downstairs.

Since the two of them could smell it, how could Little Six not?

Qiao Xi leaned against Gu Zheng's ear and lowered her voice. "My eldest and second brothers suddenly came to visit because they wanted to see if I'm doing well. You have to perform well and not disappoint me."

Gu Zheng's eyes were filled with smiles as he nodded obediently.

This time, Shen Yu and Luo Qing were even more shocked. The two of them were almost hugging each other. Could it be that Little Six still could not smell the blood on his body?

Luo Qing looked at their intimate actions and seemed to understand something. It was not that Little Six could not smell it, but she did not care. Perhaps she was already used to it.

Chapter 778: He Loved Her More Than His Life

Shen Yu's eyes suddenly turned cold. He knew that Gu Zheng was not a good person, and he also knew that the people Gu Zheng secretly dealt with deserved to die. However, it was hard to guarantee that such a vicious man would not attack Little Six in the future.

However, judging from Little Six's appearance, the couple was still very loving. Moreover, Little Six seemed to know what Gu Zheng had done but just did not care.

Qiao Xi knew that her two brothers were coming and had already instructed the kitchen to prepare a feast. However, she was still worried and personally went to the kitchen to keep an eye on them. At this moment, only Gu Zheng and the other two were left in the huge living room.

The temperature in the air suddenly dropped. When Luo Qing saw Qiao Xi leave, he did not beat about the bush and went straight to the point. "President Gu, you smell like blood."

Gu Zheng's expression was indifferent as he said slowly, "Young Master Luo, you have a sharp nose. I've indeed just dealt with a disobedient person."

Luo Qing leaned against the sofa and glanced around the living room. The corners of his mouth twitched. "I didn't expect there to be a cold dungeon under such a luxurious mansion."

Gu Zheng did not comment.

Luo Qing's dark eyes suddenly turned cold, and his voice became low. "Little Six has always liked to pretend to be weak. I didn't expect you to be the one who knows how to hide. Does Little Six already know your true identity?"

Gu Zheng had not told Little Six directly that he was Han Ye and just wanted to tease her. This was the fun between the couple. It was not appropriate for the two brothers to interfere, but it was not a small matter that Longwan Residential had a dungeon.

Little Six had the right to know since she was staying here. If Gu Zheng did not tell Little Six, it meant that he was not being honest with her. How could they be at ease handing Little Six to such a man?

Unexpectedly, Gu Zheng smiled indifferently and raised an eyebrow. "Why? Didn't Xi Xi tell you?"

Luo Qing and Shen Yu frowned, their eyes cold.

The next second, Gu Zheng chuckled and said, "Xi Xi already knows about it. She's been there too, and she doesn't care about this."

Shen Yu abruptly looked up, his eyes filled with disbelief. Even Luo Qing, who was at the side, could not help but be surprised. No man would dare to tell their partner about such a thing. However, not only did Gu Zheng tell Qiao Xi, he even brought her to the dungeon of Longwan Residential. Needless to say, that place was definitely cold and damp. It was most likely filled with the smell of blood too. Ordinary women would turn pale with fright if they saw it.

They had lived with Little Six for more than ten years. They knew that she was different from other women and would not be afraid, but how could Gu Zheng be sure that Little Six would not be afraid? If she was afraid and distanced herself from Gu Zheng, what would he do?

Gu Zheng took a sip of tea. "You're Xi Xi's brothers. You grew up together, so you know her and care about her. But don't forget that I've known her for ten years. I was her senior in the past, and I'm her husband now. I care about her as much as you do. I love her more than my own life."

The air was silent for a few seconds. Shen Yu chuckled. "Second Brother, I suddenly feel that our worries are unnecessary."

Luo Qing frowned. "Don't call me that."

Actually, the two of them had only come here to make Gu Zheng give them his promise, but now, they realized that they were thinking too much. Promises were useless. If Gu Zheng was sincere to Qiao Xi, he would do his best to protect Xi Xi even if he did not make any promises.

Now, it seemed that Gu Zheng did... love Xi Xi very much.

"President Gu, I have another question," Shen Yu asked hesitantly.

Gu Zheng secretly held his forehead. These two people were still worried as if they were afraid that he would hurt Xi Xi. He would rather be injured than let Xi Xi get hurt at all.

"Please go ahead, Mr. Shen."

Shen Yu's expression was subtle, then he asked tentatively, "Um... You don't really think that Little Six... is gentle and obedient, do you?"

The huge living room was silent. After a moment of silence, Gu Zheng suddenly laughed. The corners of his mouth were full of smiles, and his eyes were gentle like water. "Whether she's gentle or not, she's the woman I love the most."

Shen Yu understood that it did not matter to Gu Zheng whether Little Six was gentle or not. He did not need so many reasons to like someone.

However, he also understood one thing. Gu Zheng also knew that Little Six was not a gentle and obedient girl. It seemed that Little Six's gentle image had collapsed!

Half an hour later, the food was ready. Qiao Xi specially opened a bottle of wine.

Everyone sat down. Shen Yu smiled meaningfully. "Little Six, President Gu said that he'll bring you to see Han Ye tomorrow!"

Chapter 779: The Two Brothers Misunderstood

Qiao Xi's eyes instantly lit up, and her cheeks turned red as she looked at Gu Zheng with pleasant surprise. "Ah Zheng! Are you really bringing me to see Han Ye?"

Gu Zheng looked at her hopeful gaze and smiled dotingly. "Yes."

After giving Mrs. Gu so many hints, she still could not figure it out. By the time she guessed Han Ye's identity, it would probably be too late.

However, he really did not understand why Mrs. Gu was so smart at times and so cute at others.

When everyone was almost done eating, Qiao Xi and Gu Zheng stood up and left. While the two of them were gone, Shen Yu looked around and pulled Luo Qing's sleeve. He said in a low voice, "I have something to tell you."

"Tell me."

Shen Yu hesitated with a subtle expression. "Third Brother told me that Little Six asked him for medicine the last time."

Luo Qing asked, "What medicine?"

It had been a few months since the incident. Shen Yu only found out about this now. He said in a complicated tone, "It's that kind of medicine... Ahem... It's the medicine for men to take. Gu Zheng doesn't seem to be capable in that area."

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When Luo Qing, who had always been calm, heard this news, the corners of his mouth twitched. Then, he revealed a confused expression. "You mean... they've been married for so long but haven't done it?"

"Little Six is still young. She might not care about this, but if she wants to do it in the future and Gu Zheng can't, will something bad happen?"

Shen Yu had a heavy expression. "Is Third Brother's medicine effective? Little Six is a girl. We can't just ask Gu Zheng if he's impotent. As big brothers, it's not appropriate for us to ask directly. If Gu Zheng loses his dignity, he'll inevitably take his anger out on Little Six. After all, this concerns a man's dignity. No man can withstand such humiliation."

Luo Qing looked up slightly. "Why don't... we let him try this medicine?"

After Qiao Xi and Gu Zheng sat down again, Qiao Xi could not help but feel that her two brothers were acting strange. Why were they getting her and Gu Zheng to drink?

After dinner, Qiao Xi was already drunk to the point her entire body was limp. Her face was red as she lay on the table.

Shen Yu hurriedly said, "Little Six, it's getting late. You and Gu Zheng should go upstairs and rest. We're full too."

Qiao Xi's eyes were slightly dazed as she held the wine glass in her hand and said loudly, "Brother, let's continue drinking!"

Seeing that she was already drunk, Shen Yu turned to look at Gu Zheng. "President Gu, Little Six is drunk. She must be feeling unwell. Help her take a shower and rest early."

At this moment, Gu Zheng had already noticed the subtle changes in his body. He did not know where Qiao Xi's two brothers heard such rumors, which motivated them to secretly drug him.

Gu Zheng carried Qiao Xi back to the bedroom and gently placed her on the bed. Then, he went to the bathroom to fill the bathtub with water and said softly, "Xi Xi, go take a shower."

Her head was dizzy, and she did not have any strength left in her body. She only snorted and turned her head to ignore him.

Gu Zheng bent down and whispered in her ear, "Mrs. Gu, your two brothers seem to have misunderstood. Shouldn't you help me explain the trouble you caused?"

Qiao Xi opened her sleepy eyes and looked at him with a confused expression. "What misunderstanding?"

Gu Zheng looked at her red cheeks and dazed eyes. The restlessness in his body grew stronger and stronger. He could not help but reach out and pull her into his arms, feeling her soft body and hot body.

The man's lips curled up slightly in an extremely satisfied smile. "Actually, there's no need to explain. I'll prove myself with my actions."

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Qiao Xi's mind was in a mess, and she really did not understand Gu Zheng's words. Gu Zheng had already picked her up and slowly walked to the bathroom.

Gu Zheng gently placed her into the water and lay her down in the warm water. The surroundings were filled with steam, causing Qiao Xi to sober up a little. What exactly did her brothers misunderstand?

They were worried that Gu Zheng would not treat her well, or perhaps Gu Zheng had some secret. That was why they specially came to Longwan Residential to seek an explanation from Gu Zheng.

After dinner, their attitude toward Gu Zheng had clearly softened a lot. It meant that the misunderstanding had been resolved. Since that was the case, what else was there to explain?

Qiao Xi lay in the bathtub and thought for a long time. Then, she suddenly reacted. Previously, she had told Xue Yi that Gu Zheng was not good in that aspect, so Xue Yi told Third Brother about it. The next day, Third Brother sent that medicine over.

Later on, she knew that she had misunderstood Gu Zheng, but she forgot to explain it to Third Brother. Actually, Gu Zheng was very capable!

Chapter 780: How Are You Going To Make It Up To Me?

Did her two brothers think that Gu Zheng was impotent?

Qiao Xi's expression changed as she abruptly struggled to get up from the bathtub. Gu Zheng heard the sound of water and hurriedly walked over. His scorching palm landed on her smooth and fair back as he asked softly, "What's wrong?"

Qiao Xi's lips trembled nervously. "Ah Zheng, I think I understand what they misunderstood."

Gu Zheng knew that it was Luo Qing and Shen Yu who drugged him. They were afraid that he would not be able to do it, but Qiao Xi was too embarrassed to say it, so they secretly did something to him.

Although they were being kind, they were thinking too much.

The man's thin lips parted slightly, and his voice was filled with ambiguity. "What do you understand, Mrs. Gu?"

Qiao Xi lowered her head, wishing for nothing more than to plunge her head into the bathwater or immediately fall unconscious from the alcohol.

This misunderstanding was too big. Her brothers suspected that her husband was incapable, so for the sake of her happiness, they specially came to Longwan Residential. They were being too disrespectful to Gu Zheng!

Gu Zheng reached out and gently stroked her red cheek. He said in a hoarse voice, "Mrs. Gu, they're all suspecting that I can't do it. My dignity as a man is gone. How are you going to compensate me?"

Qiao Xi shrunk back in fear. At this moment, even though Gu Zheng's eyes were filled with gentleness, his eyes were filled with aggression. He was like a crazy beast that would tear her apart in the next second.

However, the 'tearing' she was talking about was not abuse. It was just that this man's physical strength was really too good. How could such a weak woman like her endure it?!

She slowly looked up and met Gu Zheng's eyes that were filled with affection. This man was exuding temptation from head to toe. She really could not control the feelings in her heart. She raised her head slightly and pecked his warm lips.

Gu Zheng's eyes were burning, and his body was slightly stiff. His palm moved across her back, then he suddenly picked her up and wrapped her in a towel. He wiped the water off her body anxiously.

Qiao Xi curled up in Gu Zheng's embrace, her body trembling slightly. She was shy and afraid. She closed her eyes and could clearly feel the man gently placing her on the bed.

She was naked, and the dark bed sheet complemented her snow-white skin. Her seaweed-like black hair was scattered on the bed, adding a trace of charm to the scene.

The man's Adam's apple bobbed as intense desire erupted in his eyes. The drug in his body had already taken effect. He could no longer control the restlessness in the depths of his body.

Qiao Xi heard the crisp sound of a belt buckle and slowly opened her eyes. The man in front of her was looking down at her from above. He swiftly took off his clothes, revealing his strong abdominal muscles. His entire body emitted male hormones, making Qiao Xi unable to control herself.

This man was really too seductive. One look at him was enough to make her blush and her heart skip a beat. Why didn't she realize before that Gu Zheng was so charming?!

Qiao Xi closed her eyes shyly and felt the man approach her. Then, a scorching kiss landed on her cheek, lips, and collarbone. His breath filled her nose as she gasped slightly. Her forehead was covered in sweat.

For some reason, Qiao Xi felt that Gu Zheng was especially anxious tonight as if he could not control himself anymore.

After struggling until midnight, Gu Zheng stood up with a satisfied expression and carried Qiao Xi to take a shower again. At this moment, Qiao Xi did not even have the strength to raise her hand and could only let Gu Zheng do as he pleased.

She had already drunk some alcohol and was doing intense exercise now. At this moment, Qiao Xi's mind was a mess. She thought of the poison in Gu Zheng's body and her missing grandfather. She was still thinking about how to explain this misunderstanding to her eldest and second brothers.

She turned over and gasped in pain.

What was wrong with Gu Zheng today? Could it be that her eldest and second brothers' misunderstanding had angered him?

She looked at Gu Zheng uneasily, then secretly picked up her phone and searched: [What should you do if your husband is misunderstood and he gets angry because of it?]

Looking at the strange answers, Qiao Xi could not help but blush. They were all funny answers that were utterly useless.

On the other hand, Gu Zheng slightly opened his eyes. As he looked at Qiao Xi's back and the faint light from her phone, he had roughly guessed what Mrs. Gu was doing.

The corners of Gu Zheng's mouth curled up slightly. He suddenly turned around and hugged her tightly. Then, he said slowly, "Mrs. Gu, there's a good way to compensate me."

The next morning.

Gu Zheng went downstairs in satisfaction.

At this moment, Luo Qing and Shen Yu were eating breakfast. "President Gu, are you still going to today's art exhibition? If Han Ye doesn't show up, everyone will be very regretful."