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Chapter 801: Mo Yuan Has A Thing For Beauties

Qiao Xi was clearly aware that she had just come into contact with hypnosis and her body had yet to completely adapt to it when she used the skill twice in a row. That was why she suddenly fainted.

She leaned against the bed and asked casually, "What's the situation with Lu Yan?"

Gu Zheng's expression was subtle. "At first, Lu Yan wondered if Han Ye was still alive. For some reason, after attending the art exhibition, he suddenly thought it through and decided to use Han Ye's paintings as the packaging for the perfume. Everyone is very supportive of him."

Qiao Xi sneered in her heart. Lu Yan's assistants were all Gu Zheng's people, so presumably, no one would object.

"Lu Yan is such a suspicious person. It's really beyond my expectations to have him put the packaging into production without any doubts." Gu Zheng looked at Qiao Xi with a smile. "Mrs. Gu, do you know what happened?"

Hearing Gu Zheng's meaningful words, Qiao Xi's heart thumped violently as she said guiltily, "How could I know? Perhaps he suddenly thought it through after not seeing Han Ye at the art exhibition this time."

Gu Zheng smiled faintly. "I don't think he would've made a decision that quickly for no reason. Someone must have said something. I remember that he met you and you two were alone. Did you say something to him?"

Qiao Xi instantly choked. Could it be that Gu Zheng knew?

Impossible!

She pretended to be calm. "Lu Yan did look for me, but it wasn't because of Han Ye. He wanted to encourage me to leave you. He's full of bad ideas!"

Qiao Xi said indignantly, "I told him that I loved my husband so much, so how could I leave him? I reprimanded him a few more times before he left angrily. I don't know what happened after that either."

Gu Zheng smirked. Mrs. Gu's ability to lie through her teeth was getting stronger and stronger.

She lay on the bed and smiled. "Ah Zheng, I'm so tired. I'll sleep first."

Gu Zheng nodded, then stood up and left. He gently closed the door behind him.

After Gu Zheng left, Qiao Xi heaved a sigh of relief. Actually, she had thought of telling Gu Zheng about the hypnosis, but if she did, she would be discovered when she tried to hypnotize him in the future. After all, Gu Zheng was so smart. Perhaps he could rely on his willpower to resist the hypnosis!

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In the living room of Longwan Residential.

Ye Qingyuan was sitting on the sofa and leisurely sipping tea. When he saw Gu Zheng coming downstairs, he could not help but raise his eyebrows. "Ah Zheng, it wasn't easy for you to get the beauty. You have to treat her better. How could you make her faint?! If this happens again, I won't hide it for you."

Gu Zheng curled his lips. "Okay."

Ye Qingyuan had a serious expression. "Your wife is so weak and obedient. It's fine if outsiders bully her, but as her husband, how can you bear to bully her? She's been under so much pressure since she married you. You should treat her better to make up for everything she's done for you!"

Gu Zheng was silent for a moment. "Where did you hear this?"

Ye Qingyuan looked proud. "I have dozens of spies. Nothing in Li City can escape my eyes and ears."

Gu Zheng sneered. "Your subordinates aren't much either."

His dozens of spies found out about these things? They found out that Mrs. Gu was weak and obedient. She was bullied by outsiders and had to endure the pressure of marrying him?

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Four hours ago, in the exhibition hall.

After being humiliated by Qiao Xi and Carter in public, Tang Ruge returned to the lounge angrily.

At this moment, Mu Ling and Mu Ming had just finished looking at the oil paintings on the first floor when they heard everyone talking about Tang Ruge. Mu Ling said excitedly, "Brother! Did you hear that?! Tang Ruge and Madam Tang have lost all their dignity this time! It's really too tragic!"

Mu Ming's expression was indifferent. "Looks like I have to thank Black Tide properly this time. But why has Tang Ruge been targeting Black Tide?! Could it be that she likes Mo Yuan? Is that why she's targeting Black Tide?"

Mu Ling sneered. "Even if Tang Ruge has taken a liking to Mo Yuan, it's absolutely impossible for Mo Yuan to like her! Black Tide is so beautiful! Tang Ruge is inferior to even a strand of her hair. How could she snatch Black Tide's man?"

Actually, she had long known that Mo Yuan was obsessed with looks. Previously, she chased after Mo Yuan to acknowledge him as her master but was always rejected. Although she was not as capable as Black Tide, she was not far off. After all, she was also on the hacker rankings, so she asked Mo Yuan why he did not accept her as his disciple. Unexpectedly, after a long time, Mo Yuan replied: [You're ugly.]

At that time, Mu Ling was dealt a blow. Although she was not as good-looking as Black Tide, she was not ugly either. At least, she was better than Tang Ruge. If Mo Yuan did not like her, he would definitely not like Tang Ruge!

Chapter 802: Perfume Exchange

Mu Ming nodded and thought that Mu Ling's words made sense.

At this moment, Lu Yan walked to a corner and instructed his assistant in a low voice, "Go buy some ointment for bruises."

"Yes, Young Master!"

Mu Ming looked in the direction of the voice and could not help but ask, "Is he Mo Yuan's biological younger brother?"

Mu Ling frowned and sized him up. "He doesn't look like him! He doesn't look like Mo Yuan at all, and he's not as handsome as Mo Yuan!"

Lu Yan was also considered a handsome man, but he looked ordinary compared to Gu Zheng. Although they were biological brothers, the two of them did not have any similarities.

Mu Ming reminded him, "You can't just judge a book by its cover. Gu Zheng was raised as an illegitimate child since he was young. Now, his relationship with the Lu family is like fire and water. Lu Yan was raised by the Lu family and even nurtured as the heir by the Lu and Gu families. He has more than Gu Zheng."

Mu Ling suddenly thought of what had happened to her and her brother. They originally had a happy family. It was those people from the Tang family who schemed against their parents, causing them to lose their lives. They even took over the family and chased the siblings away.

Their experiences were similar to Gu Zheng's, but the difference was that Gu Zheng relied on his own ability to become the God of Li City. Even if the Gu and Lu families joined forces, they would not be able to shake his status. Meanwhile, she and her brother did not have the ability to overthrow the Tang family for the time being. They could only endure it and wait for an opportunity.

Ten minutes later, the assistant returned to the lounge.

Lu Yan lifted his pants. His knees were red and swollen. He gritted his teeth.

"Young Master, what happened?" the assistant exclaimed.

Lu Yan carefully recalled that he had only gone to see Qiao Xi to test Han Ye. After seeing her, he was very sure that Han Ye had already passed away. He did not know why his knees suddenly started to hurt. What exactly happened?

The assistant asked tentatively, "Young Master, who dares to offend you like this?"

Lu Yan frowned. The only person who could attack him was Qiao Xi, but he did not remember Qiao Xi hitting him at all. It could not be that he was the one who knelt on the floor and knocked himself out, right?

After thinking for a long time, Lu Yan said with certainty, "It's Qiao Xi."

The assistant's mouth twitched slightly as he asked in disbelief, "Who? You mean Mrs. Gu?"

Lu Yan nodded.

The assistant: "..." Mrs. Gu looked so weak and petite. How could she beat Young Master Lu up like this?

Mu Ling, who was outside the lounge, also said in disbelief, "How is that possible?! Who can Black Tide defeat with her small physique? Lu Yan is too tasteless. He actually blames Black Tide after being beaten up?"

Lu Yan changed the topic. "Has the leader of the Dark Net arrived?"

The assistant replied, "He arrived a long time ago and is waiting outside."

After a while, the assistant walked in with the siblings. Mu Ming spoke first, "Young Master Lu, the matter you asked us to investigate has been concluded. Han Ye has indeed passed away, and he doesn't have any family. You can use his paintings without worry."

Mu Ling instantly understood her brother's intentions. Black Tide and Mo Yuan had helped them, so they would return the favor. At that time, they could use Mo Yuan to deal with the Tang family. Lu Yan would also be implicated and suffer a huge loss.

This game was a mutually beneficial deal for them. Both parties had attacked their enemies, but they were not affected at all.

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A month later, all the companies in Li City were preparing their New Year's limited edition products. Gu Corporation was also in the midst of preparing. Coincidentally, Li City was holding a perfume exchange, so Gu Corporation sent their own perfumers to participate. As the president of Gu Corporation, Gu Zheng had to be present to cheer on the perfumers.

Qiao Xi was very interested in perfumes, so she followed along.

The two of them sat in the car. Gu Zheng slowly said, "Mrs. Gu, guess who will win this New Year's product competition?"

Qiao Xi smiled and said, "Is it even necessary to ask? Of course, it's your Gu Corporation!"

"Are you so sure? But the perfumers in the company have already been poached by Lu Corporation. Without unique packaging to attract attention, it won't be easy to win," Gu Zheng said casually.

Qiao Xi curled her lips. "President Gu, I'm your wife! There's no need to hide anything from me, right?! Although those perfumers under you are newcomers, I've smelled the scents they made and know what achievements they have. They're all geniuses in perfumery. Are you still afraid of losing even though you've taken these geniuses under your wing?"

Chapter 803: Mysterious Perfume Master

Seeing that it was almost the end of the year, all the companies were working hard to launch their new products at this time to promote their companies' sales.

After the wave of popularity of the new products ended, various companies would also use this opportunity to see who could win in this competition. It could be considered good luck for the new year.

Now that the famous perfumers of Gu Corporation had been poached by the Lu family, not only did Lu Corporation have many perfumers, but they had also invited the master perfumer, Sally, from overseas to help out. They even used Han Ye's paintings as the packaging. With many factors, Lu Corporation's new perfumes instantly attracted everyone's attention.

At this moment, almost everyone believed that the champion of this product competition would definitely be Lu Corporation.

The corners of Gu Zheng's mouth curled into a disdainful smile, then he held Qiao Xi's hand and entered the venue.

The perfume exchange meeting was held in a hall in Li City. There were more than ten companies attending, and there were more than a hundred people. The entire hall was crowded and lively.

There were many companies under Gu Corporation, and perfumes were just one of their industries. Actually, Gu Zheng did not have to appear. The others did not expect that not only did he come, but he even brought his wife to attend the exchange with him. It instantly caused a commotion.

Everyone knew very well that the Lu family and Gu Zheng did not have a good relationship. Gu Zheng might be here this time because he was afraid that the Lu family would occupy the perfume market and affect the interests of Gu Corporation.

Qiao Xi and Gu Zheng were strolling around the hall, but a figure like Gu Zheng was the most dazzling presence no matter where he went. Everyone's gazes would occasionally land on the two of them.

Gu Zheng ignored everyone and leaned close to Qiao Xi as he asked, "I heard that the Lu family originally wanted to invite a mysterious perfumer, but they didn't manage to. Do you know about this?"

Qiao Xi's heart skipped a beat. "You're talking about Mu Jin? How would I know? I don't even know Mu Jin. Perhaps she's already married and has children, so she's no longer involved in the perfume industry! Moreover, it's very rude for so many people to disturb a girl!"

"How did you confirm that Mu Jin is a woman?"

Qiao Xi: "..."

How... How should she explain this?

"Although most of the people who like perfumes are women, the ratio of men to women in perfumers evens out. How did you determine that Mu Jin is a woman, Mrs. Gu?"

Qiao Xi instantly choked. After a long time, she retorted, "She's called Mu Jin! How could a man be called Mu Jin? This name sounds like a girl with an outstanding temperament!"

Gu Zheng smirked. "Is that so?"

Qiao Xi lowered her head nervously. The perfume industry did not pay much attention to men and women. Many men would also come up with elegant and artistic names. It was not strange for a man to call himself Mu Jin, but at this moment, for the sake of clearing her name, Qiao Xi could only brace herself and say, "I just guessed it! I can't be sure that Mu Jin is definitely a woman, but this name sounds very much like a woman's name!"

Gu Zheng smiled and nodded, not making things difficult for her anymore.

On the other hand, everyone was praising a young woman in gorgeous clothes.

"Mengyan, so you're the mysterious perfumer named Sally that the Lu family invited! You're really too awesome!"

"Sally is very famous internationally. I didn't expect her to be so young! Mengyan, you've been studying perfumes overseas all these years! As expected of the Xia family's daughter!"

Xia Mengyan's movements were elegant as she raised her head and replied indifferently, "Yes. All these years, I've been painstakingly studying perfumes overseas. I also participated in the International Fragrance Competition four years ago and won the championship. I only returned after being invited by the Lu family."

"Mengyan, why are you suddenly collaborating with the Lu family? Don't you know that President Gu and the Lu family..." The person's expression was subtle, and everyone understood what he meant.

"What's wrong with President Gu and the Lu family?" Xia Mengyan looked confused. It was obvious that she did not know.

The person stammered, "I can only tell you that President Gu and the Lu family are competitors. President Gu is also attending the perfume exchange this time to compete with the Lu family for first place. Aren't you afraid that President Gu will blame you for helping the Lu family?"

Xia Mengyan's expression changed. "What exactly is going on? I agreed to help the Lu family because I met President Gu in the Lu family when I was young. I thought that he and the Lu family... Forget it, I've already signed a contract with the Lu family. No matter what, I'll do my job. I can't go against my professional ethics because of outside affairs."

Chapter 804: Who Doesn't Like Beautiful Women?

"Mengyan is indeed an internationally renowned perfumer. She's too professional!"

Everyone was praising her when someone suddenly broke the peaceful atmosphere. "Mengyan, you probably don't know yet, but... President Gu is already married."

Xia Mengyan's expression changed as if she had been struck by lightning. "He's married?"

"Yes, his wife is called Qiao Xi. I heard that she's related to your Xia family! She seems to be the biological daughter of your aunt, Xia Yunlou!"

Xia Mengyan reacted for a while. Qiao Xi was her aunt's daughter?

Xia Yunlou was Old Madam Yin's daughter. Back then, after Old Madam Yin and Xia Cheng got married, they gave birth to three children. After the two of them divorced, Xia Yunqiu and Xia Yunyi left with Xia Cheng. Only Xia Yunlou stayed in the Xia family.

Xia Mengyan's father was Xia Cheng's illegitimate child. He was also the only heir of the Xia family.

Although Xia Yunlou was Old Madam Yin's daughter, she was very close to the illegitimate child and had nothing to do with the Yin family. Hence, the Xia family also knew that Xia Yunlou's biological daughter had been found.

However, Xia Mengyan never expected that the daughter of the Xu family who had been missing for 20 years was Mrs. Gu. In that case, Mrs. Gu and she were considered sisters!

At this moment, everyone was discussing in low voices. "Qiao Xi is really lucky! Although she went missing when she was young and couldn't grow up in the Xu family, she had an adoptive mother who doted on her and left her with a huge inheritance. Now, she's married to President Gu and has become the supreme Mrs. Gu."

At this moment, Xia Mengyan could not help but be a little nervous. She immediately picked up her phone and sent a message to her parents. The other party quickly replied: [Mengyan, don't worry. The old master doesn't like Qiao Xi, so the Xia family won't acknowledge her. You're the only daughter of the Xia family.]

Xia Mengyan heaved a sigh of relief and smiled. "I've been overseas all these years and haven't heard anything about President Gu's marriage. The two of them probably haven't held a wedding yet, right?"

"That's true! They've been married for so long but there hasn't been a wedding. It looks like President Gu doesn't like Mrs. Gu much either." Everyone looked disdainful.

"I heard that even her biological mother doesn't want to acknowledge Mrs. Gu. She relied on her face to get to where she is today. Before long, President Gu will lose his interest in her. She'll be in trouble then!"

"That's right. Only an independent woman like our Mengyan is worthy of an outstanding man like President Gu. This time, Mengyan will definitely become famous with the release of Lu Corporation's new products. At that time, President Gu will naturally see how good you are!"

"I heard that Mrs. Gu will be coming too. What right does she have to come? She doesn't know anything. She'll just be a joke if she comes!"

Everyone laughed. "Mengyan is the trump card of Lu Corporation. Mrs. Gu is just a loser who depends on men. How can she be compared to Mengyan?"

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Xia Mengyan had a proud expression. She wanted to see what Qiao Xi had to compare herself to her!

At this moment, someone shouted, "President Gu is here!"

Everyone immediately looked up. Xia Mengyan also looked at the door excitedly. Her eyes were filled with admiration, but they were immediately buried by cold hatred.

Gu Zheng was tall and exuded a noble and elegant aura. Qiao Xi was petite and cute. Her perfect face made everyone envious.

No wonder Gu Zheng, who had never been close to women, suddenly got married. No wonder Gu Zheng doted on Mrs. Gu so much.

"Mrs. Gu, you're so beautiful!"

"To be honest, I think Mrs. Gu is much better-looking than Miss Xia. If I were President Gu, I would choose Mrs. Gu too! Who doesn't like beautiful women?"

"Don't spout nonsense! Miss Xia and President Gu have known each other since they were young. Moreover, you can't just look at a woman's appearance when she's married to a virtuous man. Miss Xia is capable and knows how to make perfumes. Of course, she's more outstanding than Mrs. Gu!"

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On the other side, Lu Xiang's expression turned cold. Why was Qiao Xi here?

She kept having the feeling that Qiao Xi was a very strange woman. Every time she encountered Qiao Xi, any plan would fail. Hence, she thought that an encounter with Qiao Xi was bad luck.

Lu Xiang immediately said nervously, "Ah Yan, quickly chase that woman out. We can't let her in."

Lu Yan looked at Qiao Xi who was not far away and instantly felt a sharp pain in his knee. His eyes were filled with anger as he immediately instructed his assistant in a low voice.

When the assistant heard Lu Yan's instructions, his eyes were filled with disdain. However, he was welltrained and naturally would not expose himself in front of Lu Yan. Instead, he nodded and left.

At this moment, someone asked in surprise, "I keep having the feeling that I've seen Mrs. Gu somewhere before. Is she... the Xu family's biological daughter who went missing for 20 years?"

Chapter 805: Xi Xi, Long Time No See

A while ago, the news of the real and fake daughter had spread throughout the city. Everyone had heard about it. If Mrs. Gu was really Xia Yunlou's daughter, then Xia Mengyan and Mrs. Gu could be considered cousins.

Everyone subconsciously looked at Xia Mengyan, and Qiao Xi also noticed the young woman in the crowd.

Xia Mengyan smiled and went forward to greet her. "Xi Xi, long time no see."

Qiao Xi raised her eyes to glance at the woman in front of her. She did not expect to meet Sally so soon. She really did not want to see this woman!

Previously, when she was overseas, she did not get along with Sally. Now that they had met in the country, she heard that Sally's surname was Xia. What was her relationship with Xia Yunlou?

Xia Mengyan smiled and said, "You don't know yet, right? I'm the daughter of the Xia family. Xia Yunlou is my aunt, so I'm your cousin."

Qiao Xi nodded, her expression unchanged.

Xia Mengyan smiled gently. "Xi Xi, I thought that we could get along well from before. I didn't expect you to be my cousin. Are you also here for the perfume exchange today? Are you also a perfumer?"

The entire venue was silent as their gazes shifted between the two of them.

Apart from perfumers, there were also representatives from various companies who came to participate in the perfume exchange. However, Qiao Xi did not have a position in Gu Corporation. She did not have the qualifications to represent Gu Corporation, so who was she?

Xia Mengyan caught hold of Qiao Xi's weakness and deliberately exposed her scars in public. "Xi Xi, ever since Aunt got a divorce, she's been crying all day. She's about to go blind from crying. I don't know what happened between the two of you, but she's your mother, after all. What hatred can there be between mother and child? I hope you can make a trip back to the Xia family with me to see Aunt—"

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"Miss Xia, you already said that you don't know what happened. What right do you have to say these words in front of Xi Xi?" Gu Zheng interrupted Xia Mengyan. His voice was indifferent, but it made one feel a chill.

Xia Mengyan's body trembled, and her face turned pale.

On the other hand, Lu Yan's assistant brought the young masters of the Lu family in. When he saw Xia Mengyan's aggrieved expression, he was instantly unhappy. Moreover, the Lu family and Gu Zheng were not on good terms to begin with. At this moment, he said arrogantly, "Mrs. Gu, this is the perfume exchange conference. Unrelated people can't participate. Are you going to leave now, or should we get someone to send you out?"

Gu Zheng's entire body emitted killing intent, but Qiao Xi asked with a smile, "Are you chasing me away?"

"If you're sensible, you'd better leave yourself. It'll be embarrassing if you're chased out. We're not targeting you. This is the rule of the perfume exchange." The Lu family was proud.

Qiao Xi walked to the sofa in the resting area and sat down. She lazily leaned to the side and asked gently, "Then why is Miss Xia here?"

When the Lu family heard this, they immediately laughed.

Xia Mengyan hurriedly explained, "Xi Xi, have you forgotten? I'm the internationally renowned perfumer, Sally. I'm also the chief perfumer invited by the Lu family."

With that, Xia Mengyan looked at Gu Zheng and said gently, "President Gu, long time no see. I didn't expect your wife to be Xi Xi. We can be considered to be related to each other now."

Everyone present knew that Xia Mengyan was the chief perfumer invited by the Lu family. However, Mrs. Gu even asked such a stupid question in public. She was really embarrassing President Gu!

Qiao Xi's eyes were clear as she said slowly, "So, you're participating in the exchange while representing the Lu family?"

Xia Mengyan was just about to nod when Qiao Xi chuckled. "Then why can't I participate while representing Gu Corporation?"

If it were any other time, it would be understandable for Mrs. Gu to attend banquets while representing Gu Corporation. However, the requirements for the perfume exchange meeting were strict. Only the

higher-ups of the company were qualified to attend. However, Mrs. Gu clearly did not meet these two requirements.

Gu Zheng stood beside Qiao Xi with a calm expression.

Song Shijing explained loudly, "Miss Xia isn't the only one in this world who can participate in the production of perfumes. Our young madam is the designer of Gu Corporation's new perfume packaging. Of course, she has the right to attend the perfume exchange."

The entire venue was in an uproar. Obviously, everyone did not believe that Qiao Xi could design packaging.

Xia Mengyan lowered her eyes aggrievedly. "I'm sorry, I've offended you. I just didn't expect Gu Corporation to let Mrs. Gu handle their packaging design."

"Miss Xia, you knew Young Madam before this, so you should know her identity. How could you ask such a silly question?"

Song Shijing looked disdainful. "Our young madam is the internationally renowned designer Gu Shan. Don't you know that, Miss Xia?"

Chapter 806: Mrs. Gu Is Gu Shan

Song Shijing looked disdainful. "Miss Xia, you've been overseas for so many years. If you've never heard of the designer, Gu Shan, then you've been living in vain!"

Qiao Xi: "..."

As expected of Gu Zheng's assistant, he had a sharp tongue.

Everyone discussed in low voices. "Mrs. Gu is Gu Shan?"

"Gu Shan doesn't have many works, but every one of them is exquisite. Her international reputation is also more resounding than Sally's. What right does Miss Xia have to look down on Mrs. Gu?"

Seeing Gu Zheng's cold expression, everyone quietly left. Not long after, only a few people were left.

Xia Mengyan lowered her eyes with an unhappy expression. She originally wanted to embarrass Qiao Xi in public, but she never expected that she would shoot herself in the foot.

She looked up and smiled indifferently. "Of course, I've heard of Gu Shan. I just didn't expect Mrs. Gu to be Gu Shan."

Gu Zheng ignored her words and turned to look at Qiao Xi. He said gently, "The perfume exchange will start in a while. Do you want to rest first?"

Qiao Xi nodded. Gu Zheng held Qiao Xi's hand and was about to leave when Xia Mengyan suddenly said, "President Gu, long time no see. Do you still remember—"

"Why haven't you left?" Gu Zheng's tone was instantly cold and filled with impatience. He probably thought that since she had embarrassed herself in public, she would be too embarrassed to continue staying here.

Xia Mengyan's expression froze. "President Gu..."

Gu Zheng did not even bother to look at Xia Mengyan. Instead, he bent down and asked Qiao Xi gently, "Shall we go to the lounge? It's too noisy here."

"President Gu!" Xia Mengyan shouted, her expression extremely ugly. "I know you're angry with me and blame me for working with the Lu family, but when I agreed to work with the Lu family, I didn't know about your relationship with the Lu family.

"I can promise you that after this collaboration ends, I won't help the Lu family anymore. I'll do my best to help you in the future, so can you forgive me on the account of our past relationship?"

Qiao Xi could not help but raise her eyebrows when she heard Xia Mengyan's words. From the sound of it, she and Gu Zheng were old friends?

At this moment, Gu Zheng looked up slightly and sized up Xia Mengyan.

Xia Mengyan met Gu Zheng's gaze and smiled. "President Gu, I knew you wouldn't—"

"Who are you?" Gu Zheng looked at her in confusion. The entire hall instantly fell silent, and the air seemed to have frozen.

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Qiao Xi and Gu Zheng stood there casually, but Xia Mengyan could not take it anymore. She gradually lost control of her expression. Her face was pale, and the corners of her mouth were even twitching slightly.

After a long time, Xia Mengyan gradually calmed down and explained helplessly, "President Gu, you saved me when I was five years old, so I'll never forget you."

Gu Zheng looked at her thoughtfully.

Xia Mengyan was instantly excited. "Do you remember? I'm that little girl who wore a pink princess dress!"

"I don't remember." Gu Zheng said mercilessly again, "I'm really sorry, Miss Xia. I really don't remember you. After all, not everyone has a good memory like you. You still remember what happened when you were five years old."

As soon as he finished speaking, Xia Mengyan's expression froze and gradually became ferocious.

Gu Zheng glanced at her with disdain, then held Qiao Xi's hand and turned to leave.

Looking at their intimate backs, Xia Mengyan gritted her teeth. Because there were too many people here, she did not chase after them.

On the other hand, when Gu Zheng and Gu Zheng were about to reach the lounge, Qiao Xi asked curiously, "Ah Zheng, do you really not know Miss Xia?"

Gu Zheng replied without hesitation, "Do I need to know her? She's not my relative or friend. To me, she's just a boring passerby. It's normal for me to forget her."

Qiao Xi nodded and habitually stroked her hair. She did not notice that Gu Zheng's gaze was suddenly burning.

Only then did Gu Zheng realize that she was wearing a thin top and a long lace skirt. The clothes revealed her exquisite collarbone and fair neck. No wonder those people had been staring at her just now.

He frowned and took off his jacket to cover her. His voice was domineering. "Put on my jacket!"

Qiao Xi said softly, "But... my clothes are too feminine today. I won't look good in your suit jacket."

"You'll catch a cold."

Qiao Xi took off his jacket and said with a smile, "It's okay. The perfume exchange will only last for two hours. Moreover, there's a heater in the hall, so it's not cold at all. Other girls are wearing less clothes than me! Don't worry, I'll wear the jacket after the exchange. I won't catch a cold."

Chapter 807: Bringing Up The Past

Gu Zheng's hot palm landed on her shoulder, caressing her delicate skin. His touch was slightly cold. He was silent for a moment, then his eyes suddenly burned. "Are you sure you don't want to wear it?"

The man's handsome face suddenly approached her. His eyes were filled with gentleness, but they carried a trace of a smile. His entire body emitted a sense of invasion, causing Qiao Xi's heart to beat violently.

Seeing that she did not respond for a long time, the man said in a low voice, "Alright."

As soon as he finished speaking, dense kisses landed on Qiao Xi's collarbone. Hot air filled her entire body, causing her to tremble. His slightly cold lips gradually became hot with a trace of impatience and ferocity, leaving marks on her fair skin.

After a long time, Gu Zheng slowly looked up and licked his lips. His voice was hoarse and a little lingering. "Mrs. Gu, aren't you going to wear it now?"

Qiao Xi gradually recovered from her shock and looked at him with dazed eyes.

His body was slightly stiff as the flames in the depths of his body roared. At this moment, Qiao Xi's face was red, and her fair collarbone was filled with red marks. She looked at him innocently. With just a glance, the self-control he was proud of was about to disappear without a trace.

"Be good and put it on."

Qiao Xi tilted her head to look at the mirror at the side. She instantly seemed as if she had been struck by lightning.

Gu Zheng picked up his jacket and wrapped it around her upper body carefully. He would never allow anyone to see such an alluring side to Mrs. Gu.

Seeing that Mrs. Gu had put on his jacket, Gu Zheng touched her cheek gently and smiled. "Mrs. Gu, you're not allowed to wear so little in the future. Otherwise, you'll have to pay the price."

Qiao Xi: "..." Damn! This bastard! He actually thought of such a method to deal with her. Now, she had to wear it even if she didn't want to. She couldn't participate in the exchange meeting with hickeys all over her neck!

She pushed Gu Zheng angrily, but the man took the opportunity to grab her hand and pull her into his arms. His voice was hoarse and low. "Xi Xi, I'll be jealous."

Qiao Xi's entire body trembled. She could clearly feel the man's scorching breath on her neck. She heard him say helplessly, "I'm a man and your husband. I can't accept the gaze of another man on you."

When she appeared in front of everyone, he could clearly see the stunned gazes of those men. At that moment, he began to feel angry and uneasy because his most precious woman was being coveted by others.

Qiao Xi blinked and took a few seconds to react. She reached out to hug the man's strong waist. She replied obediently, "I understand."

Xia Mengyan stood not far away and looked at the two people hugging in the corner, her eyes filled with resentment.

After a while, Gu Zheng let go and said gently, "Wait for me in the lounge first. I'm going to attend a meeting. I'll come back to look for you after it's over."

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Qiao Xi smiled and nodded as she watched Gu Zheng leave. She was just about to enter the lounge when an old roar came from behind. "How shameless!"

This voice was a little familiar. Qiao Xi slowly turned around and saw an old man with an angry expression. After sizing him up, Qiao Xi remembered that the old man in front of her was the Lu family's old master.

Old Master Lu said disdainfully, "You're really a wild girl who grew up in the countryside. You're so shameless. You're hugging a man outside and even wearing a man's clothes!"

Qiao Xi was not angry but raised her eyebrows. "Old Master Lu, my husband and I are legally married. Who said I can't wear his clothes? Who said I can't hug him?"

With that, she looked at the middle-aged woman in the distance and sneered. "Old Master, you're attending the perfume exchange meeting with a mistress. Is this the rule of your Lu family? You haven't even taken care of your own matters yet. Do you have the right to interfere in my affairs?"

Hearing Qiao Xi's ridicule, Old Master Lu's expression instantly turned ferocious. "Qingyun's mother passed away a long time ago!"

Qiao Xi retorted, "So what? Can a mistress attend events openly after the death of the first wife? I think Ah Zheng is very good. He has never had any scandals and only dotes on me. Even if he sits on the supreme throne, there's nothing to nitpick. But you... Tsk tsk."

Old Master Lu choked.

Everyone in high society knew that Lu Qingyun was born from his first wife, while Lu Xiang was the daughter of a mistress he kept outside. It was just that Lu Qingyun's mother died early, so no one mentioned this matter anymore. Unexpectedly, Qiao Xi brought up the past again today. This was clearly a slap to his face!

Chapter 808: Relying On Elders Is Also A Skill

"Old Master Lu." Qiao Xi slowly raised her eyes. "Don't be angry yet. If you want to find fault with us, you have to think of a more appropriate excuse. Isn't it too far-fetched to say that we're shameless? Take your time to think about it. You still have a lot of time. The exchange will take an hour!"

This eccentric attitude angered Old Master Lu so much that his beard trembled. He roared, "I'm Ah Zheng's grandfather!"

"So?" Qiao Xi blinked and had an innocent expression. "Old Master Lu, you're old and your memory isn't good, but I'm still young. Of course, I remember! You can't possibly think that everyone's brains are useless just because you're not smart, right?"

Old Master Lu was so angry that he almost vomited blood. His wrist trembled as he pointed at her. "Qiao Xi! Remember this, I'm Ah Zheng's grandfather. Our Lu family will never accept you! How can an ignorant and incompetent piece of trash like you be worthy of Ah Zheng's noble identity? If you're sensible, divorce him as soon as possible so that you won't be abandoned in the future!"

Old Master Lu's eyes darkened. Qiao Xi was Old Madam Yin's granddaughter and the eldest daughter of the Yin family. If the Yin family's power was used by Gu Zheng, it would be even harder for them to defeat Gu Zheng in the future.

It would be good if Qiao Xi could marry Ah Yan, but if she was unwilling, the Lu family would absolutely not allow her to live in harmony with Gu Zheng!

Qiao Xi's expression remained indifferent when she heard the old master's words. "I'm not worthy of Gu Zheng?"

Old Master Lu snorted. "It's good that you know. Divorce Gu Zheng immediately!"

"How am I not worthy of him? I'm the internationally renowned designer Gu Shan and also the famous oil painter Han Yin. Now that Qiao Corporation is also my business, my net worth is about to surpass the Lu family's. If I'm an ignorant and incompetent piece of trash, then what's Lu Yan?

"Someone who's a famous designer and oil painter is an ignorant and incompetent piece of trash in your eyes, huh? Even if I have a company with good prospects, it's still not worth mentioning in your eyes. What kind of person is qualified in the eyes of the Lu family, then? Is it only someone like Lu Yan who relies on his family to support him and always loses money when doing business? Someone like him who hasn't improved after so many years and is on the verge of bankruptcy? Is that sort of person deserving of praise by you?"

Qiao Xi smiled as she looked at him. "Actually, Lu Yan isn't completely useless. At the very least, he could coax the Lu and Gu families to help him. It's also a skill to rely on your elders! It seems that I can't call him trash in the future!"

"Qiao... Xi!" Old Master Lu gritted his teeth and shouted. He was so angry that he was panting. He had lived for most of his life, but he was actually angered to the point of speechlessness by a 20-year-old girl!

"Hey! Old Master, you have to take care of your health! Also, let me remind you that I have medical skills. It's not that easy to extort me. If this is discovered by others, your Lu family will be the one losing face!"

Qiao Xi crossed her arms and said arrogantly, "Don't even think about finding someone to deal with me. Although I look weak, those who go against me all end up in a miserable state. If you have the time, why don't you help Lu Yan manage the company? Otherwise, you won't even know how you went bankrupt!"

"Qiao Xi!" Old Master Lu's angry roar echoed in the corridor. His eyes almost popped out. "Listen carefully. No matter what, Gu Zheng is my grandson. If you anger me, I can make him bear the reputation of being unfilial with just one sentence!

"Apologize immediately, or I'll make you two pay the price!"

Qiao Xi was silent. She knew that Gu Zheng did not care about his reputation, but she could not ignore this problem. After all, rumors were scary. She could not let the Lu family seize the bad reputation of being unfilial to threaten Gu Zheng.

After thinking for a moment, Qiao Xi's eyes suddenly lit up. She had almost forgotten that she knew hypnosis!

Old Master Lu looked at her sinister smile and felt his entire body go cold. He retreated in horror. "Qiao Xi, you... What are you doing?"

"Old Master Lu." Qiao Xi abruptly raised her eyes.

The moment he met her eyes, Old Master Lu's body suddenly stiffened. His eyes were empty and bloodshot. He lowered his head like a puppet.

Qiao Xi leaned closer and ordered in a low voice by his ear, then took a few steps back.

Not long after, she heard Old Master Lu roar angrily, "Qiao Xi! I'm warning you to withdraw from this competition immediately. I won't allow anyone to stand in Ah Yan's way! I'm Gu Zheng's grandfather. He has to listen to everything I say. Otherwise, he's unfilial! If he goes against the Lu family, I'll absolutely not let him off!"

Chapter 809: He's Trash

At this moment, passersby happened to hear the old master's roar and immediately gasped. However, they did not notice the stiffness in the old master's tone.

Before everyone could react, they saw Qiao Xi's eyes turn red. She was as weak as a little white flower. "Old Master Lu, Gu Zheng has been bearing the reputation of being an illegitimate child for so many years. He even had to endure the Lu family's revenge. Now that he has recovered his identity, the Lu family hasn't even apologized. Now, you're even forcing Ah Zheng to give up his resources to Lu Yan! They're both your grandsons, so why are you biased toward Lu Yan? Moreover, Lu Yan isn't good at doing business and has already caused the Lu family to lose billions. Aren't you being too arbitrary by insisting on doing this?!"

Lu Yan clenched his fists angrily.

Unexpectedly, in the next second, Old Master Lu seemed to be possessed as he roared, "Even if Lu Yan isn't good at business, he's still the grandson of our Lu family. I want to give all my resources to him!"

Qiao Xi covered her face and cried. "I finally know why you don't like Ah Zheng. It must be because Ah Zheng is too outstanding and makes you feel pressured. The reason you like Lu Yan is because he's stupid and useless, but what's the point of telling me all this? Go look for Ah Zheng and tell him! I can't make the decision regarding the company's matters!"

Everyone revealed looks of disdain. Mrs. Gu was already crying, yet Old Master Lu was still unwilling to let her off! He did not dare to look for trouble with Gu Zheng but was making things difficult for a weak woman here. He was simply going too far!

Old Master Lu stood in front of Qiao Xi and was unwilling to let her leave.

Qiao Xi lowered her eyes and said weakly, "Old Master, don't be angry anymore. Take care of your body! Otherwise, what will Lu Yan do if you're not around? He's not good at business and is useless. Sooner or later, he'll destroy the Lu family!"

Old Master Lu was instantly angry. "Shut up! It's all because of you, you b*tch! You angered me! Why are you here for the exchange?! Get lost immediately!"

Qiao Xi's eyes changed. In the next second, Old Master Lu raised the walking cane in his hand and smashed it fiercely at Qiao Xi.

Everyone was shocked and hurriedly rushed over to stop Old Master Lu. "Old Master, what are you doing?"

"Mrs. Gu only told the truth. You can't hit her!"

"He actually wanted to hit Mrs. Gu in public. How does he bully her behind our backs, then?! If he's really upset about this, he can look for President Gu! The Lu family clearly doesn't dare to face President Gu head-on, so they're making things difficult for Mrs. Gu behind his back."

"Could it be Lu Yan's idea?! Now that Lu Yan has officially taken over Lu Corporation, he definitely has to make a name for himself. However, President Gu is also releasing a new perfume, so perhaps Lu Yan got Old Master Lu to look for trouble with Mrs. Gu."

Hearing everyone's discussion, Lu Yan's gentle face instantly darkened.

Qiao Xi was still crying. "No wonder the old master stopped me from scolding Lu Yan and wanted to hit me. It turns out that he's afraid that Gu Zheng and I will threaten Lu Yan's interests. But they're both your grandsons, so how could he..."

As she spoke, Qiao Xi raised her eyes to look at Lu Yan, only to see the corners of Lu Yan's mouth twitch slightly.

At this moment, everyone was indignant. Was there something wrong with the Lu family's heads? Why did they have to go against the powerful Gu Zheng? Meanwhile, they treated the useless Lu Yan as their treasure and doted on him!

Although everyone did not say anything, their eyes were filled with disdain. Their impression of the Lu family was greatly reduced. If the Lu family was really handed to Lu Yan, who would dare to work with them in the future?

Old Master Lu had been in the business world for decades and had never been looked down on like this. His chest instantly hurt as he gritted his teeth. "Qiao Xi!"

Lu Yan hurriedly went forward to support the old master. When the old master felt someone else's touch, his eyes instantly returned to normal. He hesitated for a few seconds and really did not understand why he suddenly wanted to hit Qiao Xi.

He did indeed hate Qiao Xi, but he would not beat her up in public.

Lu Yan walked forward and looked at Qiao Xi with a smile. "Xi Xi, I'm really sorry. Grandpa is old and rash. He didn't deliberately target you. Let's forget about this matter."

Qiao Xi grunted coldly. "Young Master Lu, how can you say those words so easily? After all, you're not the one who almost got beaten up. Are you just going to let this go?"

The smile on Lu Yan's face froze as he clenched his fists.

"I naturally don't want to bicker with all of you, so I'll have to trouble the Lu family to stay away from me in the future and not disturb my life anymore." Qiao Xi left angrily after she finished speaking.

Chapter 810: Setting Up A Trap

Lu Yan was about to chase after her when he was stopped by someone. That person frowned. "Young Master Lu, Mrs. Gu entered a private lounge. It's not convenient for you to enter. Moreover, Mrs. Gu won't bicker with the Lu family. Don't make things difficult for her anymore."

He stopped in his tracks and looked at Qiao Xi's back view with narrowed eyes. He never expected that Qiao Xi was the famous designer, Gu Shan. She would probably use her trump card this time.

Now that Gu Corporation no longer had an ace perfumer, the perfumes they produced would definitely not be as good as Sally's. They could only work on the packaging. However, no matter how beautiful the packaging was, it was useless if the smell was bad. The customers would not pay for it.

On the other hand, Xia Mengyan was hiding in a corner with vicious eyes. Qiao Xi had Gu Zheng as her backer and was really not easy to deal with. If she returned to the Xia family one day, she would be even more unable to deal with.

Xia Mengyan rolled her eyes, picked up a pen and paper, wrote a note, and placed it on the coffee table in the lounge.

Not long after, the person in charge of Lu Corporation's perfume department staggered to the lounge area. He reeked of alcohol. As soon as he sat down, he realized that there was a note on the coffee table. He was dumbfounded when he saw the signature.

Qiao Xi? Wasn't she Gu Zheng's weak wife?

The person in charge looked at the note and revealed a wretched smile. He did not expect Mrs. Gu to be so bold as to leave a note for him in the resting area. Was she not afraid of being discovered?

On the other hand, Xia Mengyan was chatting with a few young ladies when she bumped into Tang Lingyun from the Tang family. Everyone gathered together to talk bad about Qiao Xi.

Xia Mengyan said calmly, "Mrs. Gu is a little willful, but it's just a misunderstanding between her and Tang Ruge. Lingyun, you have to know that if President Gu refuses to forgive the Tang family, the consequences will be very serious."

Tang Lingyun was exasperated. "It's all Qiao Xi's fault! My sister wanted to help her out of goodwill, but she was played back by her. Now that she's being mocked by the entire high society, she hasn't dared to go out for many days!"

Xia Mengyan's voice was gentle, but every word she said intensified the conflict. "Mrs. Gu doesn't just have Gu Zheng as her backer. She's also my cousin and has the Yin family protecting her. If you offend her, your Tang family will be in trouble. Your marriage might even be affected."

Tang Lingyun was even angrier when she heard this. She wished for nothing more than to tear Qiao Xi into pieces and feed her to the dogs. Tang Lingyun was already stupid to begin with, so after being provoked by Xia Mengyan, she instantly lost her mind.

She slammed the wine glass on the table and shouted at Xia Mengyan, "You're Qiao Xi's cousin, so you're not a good person either! So what if someone is protecting you? If you offend me, you won't have a good ending!"

With that, Tang Lingyun left angrily.

Xia Mengyan was not angry. Instead, she smiled. When she looked up again, her eyes were filled with worry. "The Tang family is a scholarly family, after all. I really can't bear to see the Tang family get implicated. Unexpectedly, Miss Tang doesn't appreciate my goodwill. Forget it. Just pretend I never said anything!"

On the other hand, Tang Lingyun rushed to the lounge, raised the glass on the table, and smashed it at Qiao Xi. The people outside were all stunned by this sudden change.

Qiao Xi reacted quickly and dodged this attack, but the corner of her white dress was still stained with wine.

Tang Lingyun roared angrily. "Qiao Xi! Don't even think about threatening me. I'm not afraid of you!"

Qiao Xi was speechless: "..." Was this person crazy?

Ever since the art exhibition, Qiao Xi thought that the Tang family would definitely calm down for a period of time. She would naturally not look for trouble with the Tang family as well. Unexpectedly, Tang Lingyun suddenly barged into her lounge today and smashed a glass at her.

Qiao Xi looked at the fragments all over the floor and felt displeased. A wave of killing intent appeared in her eyes, but because there were many people present, she could only maintain a smile. "Please excuse me for a moment. I'll go change."

Everyone could not help but sigh at how weak Mrs. Gu was. Tang Lingyun was already bullying her so badly, but Mrs. Gu did not lose her temper.

After Qiao Xi left, she wanted to find an empty lounge to change. After walking around, only Room 109 was available.

She stood at the door and thought for a moment. She remembered that Room 108 was empty previously. Why was there suddenly someone here? No one would come at this time, right?

She had a feeling that this lounge was deliberately left for her. As for the purpose, she was not sure.

After hesitating for a moment, Qiao Xi pushed the door open and entered. She took out a dagger from her bag to protect herself, then hid behind the door and quietly waited. Not long after, the door opened again.