

Power and Wealth

Chapter 288 – Falling Elevator!

Night.

Mr. Sakamoto had gotten the news of his driver and men's arrest slightly later. When his assistant told him about what happened, he was furious. Zhang Zhifeng was arrested, and two of his men were beaten up by the Police. This is like slapping him in his face. He immediately called up Yan Tai County Government and Xiang Daofa to demand the release of his men.

Xiang Daofa immediately sends Secretary Zhou to the Public Security Bureau.

After a series of talks and negotiations, the two Japanese men were released in the end.

But Dong Xuebing had contacted the Citroën's driver, and his wife, who was beaten up by them, to record statements at the Bureau and the footage of them pushing and shoving the Police Officers was also filed into the Public Security's system. The two Japanese men cannot be released so easily. They had to pay a hefty fine for their release.

The driver, Zhang Zhifeng, was not so lucky.

After knowing Dong Xuebing's mother's life is in danger. It is still undergoing surgery in the hospital, and no one dares to bring up about his release again.

Although Luan Xiaoping had suffered a heart attack because of Meng Xianglin's threats, the site visit team was the one who knocked her down first. Zhang Zhifeng had knocked her down and escaped from the accident scene, and now, the victim is still under surgery, and no one knows if she can survive or not. Who dares to release him? No one is willing to bear the responsibility!

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1 am.

County's People Hospital. Dong Xuebing was pacing up and down in front of the

operating theater.

It's already one hour! Why is the operation not completed?

Five minutes pass... ten minutes passes...

Dong Xuebing cannot wait any longer. He walks over to open the door of the operating theater, hoping to see his mother. But when he touched the door, he heard footsteps behind it. The door opened, and the hospital's Director and a few leaders walked out in their gowns.

Dong Xuebing took a deep breath and asked. "My mum..."

The hospital Deputy Director flashed a smile. "Don't worry. The surgery is a success."

"Thank you... thank you..." Dong Xuebing quickly shook their hands gratefully.

Two nurses pushed Luan Xiaoping, who was in her bed, out of the operating theater.

"Mum!" Dong Xuebing rushed over. "How are you feeling?"

Luan Xiaoping was awake. This procedure does not need to put her under general anesthesia. She smiled when she saw her son's worried face. "I am fine. Sorry for making you worried."

"Thank god..." Dong Xuebing's eyes were red.

A doctor interrupted. "Let the patient rest."

Dong Xuebing also fell asleep by resting his head on the bed not long after Luan Xiaoping fell asleep

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The next morning.

Dong Xuebing's phone rang.

Dong Xuebing opened his eyes, and the sky is bright. His mother was still sleeping, and he quickly steps out of the ward with his phone. He looks at the number, and it was from Xie Huilan.

"Sister Xie."

“Is Aunty alright now?”

“The doctor said the surgery is successful, and she should be fine now.”

“That’s good.” Xie Huilan said. “I received news that Mr. Sakamoto had given up on investing in Yan Tai County and seems to have contacted other Counties. He will be visiting other places for site visits, and Party Secretary Xiang is furious. Secretary Hu just told me that she saw Secretary Zhou throwing a smashed TV remote into the bin. It should be Party Secretary Xiang smashing it on the floor... Hahaha... you have offended many people this time.”

Dong Xuebing replied apologetically. “Sorry, Sister Xie.”

“What’s there to apologize? You had done the right thing.”

“Thank you.” Dong Xuebing hangs up after chatting for a while more.

With Xie Huilan’s support, Dong Xuebing felt much better. He did not think he had done anything wrong. Running away after an accident is a criminal offense, and the charges cannot be dropped because of whatever reasons. Xiang Daofa has no authority to make this decision, and Dong Xuebing had acted according to the procedures.

After Mr. Sakamoto decided not to invest in Yan Tai County, this incident is considered over.

Without this investment, the Public Security Bureau and the Procuratorate Office will not let Zhang Zhifeng off. He was charged for all the offenses he committed. However, Dong Xuebing has no intention of letting this matter rest. He still remembers his mother was in critical condition because of Meng Xianglin. Dong Xuebing is a vengeful person, and he will settle the score with him!

Back in the ward, Dong Xuebing’s mother woke up.

Luan Xiaoping smiles at her son. “You were here the whole night?”

“Yes. Are you feeling better?”

“I’m feeling much better now. Oh, that driver...”

“He is arrested and will be getting a lifetime ban from driving. But I don’t know if he will be sentenced to jail.”

Luan Xiaoping’s face changed. “That man is part of the investment site visit team, right? You arrested him... will it...”

Dong Xuebing poured a glass of water for his mother. "It's fine. I had arrested him according to the law, and who dares to say anything?" Dong Xuebing placed the glass on the side table after Luan Xiaoping drank it. "Mum, tell me what did Meng Xianglin tell you before your heart attack. Did he threaten you and said if you pursue this matter, I might be fired?"

Luan Xiaoping sighed. "Yes."

"This old bastard!" Dong Xuebing cursed.

"Xiao Bing, forget it. I am fine now." Luan Xiaoping was worried about her son.

Forget it?! How can Dong Xuebing let Meng Xianglin off like this? He had almost killed Luan Xiaoping!

Many people in the Public Security Bureau know Dong Xuebing's character. When they heard Chief Dong's mother had a heart attack because of Meng Xianglin, they called Dong Xuebing to ask about his mother's condition. All of them, including Liang Chengpeng, told Dong Xuebing that the driver had been arrested, and he must not be rash. Chief Liang was afraid Dong Xuebing would beat Meng Xianglin up. Others might not beat up a government leader, but all of them knew Chief Dong would surely do it.

Dong Xuebing promised them that he would not do anything rash, but in his heart, he thought otherwise.

At noon, after getting food for his mother, Dong Xuebing went downstairs to grab a bite.

When Dong Xuebing reached the lift lobby at the other end of the corridor, he saw Investment Promotion Agency Chief Meng Xianglin.

Meng Xianglin had come to the hospital for treatment. He is in his fifties and is no longer healthy. When he was forty, he got cerebral thrombosis and needs to receive treatment at the hospital annually. He had received treatment earlier this year, but when he heard Mr. Sakamoto had canceled his visit to Yan Tai County, he was furious. Dong Xuebing had screwed up this investment, and Meng Xianglin will not get the credit and promotion. He got too agitated and developed symptoms of Cerebral thrombosis. He immediately took time off to go for a checkup at the hospital.

Dong Xuebing saw Meng Xianglin.

Meng Xianglin also saw Dong Xuebing, and his face changed. He is furious with

Dong Xuebing for everything that had happened.

Dong Xuebing exploded when he saw Meng Xianglin's expression. F**k! I still have not settled the score with you, and you still dare to stare at me?!

“Hey! What did you say to my mother yesterday?!”

Meng Xianglin replied with a straight face. “What do you mean?”

“What do you think?” Dong Xuebing stared at Meng Xianglin in his eyes. “You are too evil! My mother was knocked down by a car, and you still go and scare her?! Do you know she almost died last night?! Don't pretend no one knows what you did last night! I saw everything through the surveillance footage! When my mother had a heart attack, you were in the ward! You saw my mother had a sudden heart attack, and you left without calling for the nurse! Are you still human?!”

Many people heard their arguments and looked over.

Meng Xianglin replied. “Stop behaving like a hooligan! Is this the behavior of a government leader?”

“I am the one who wants to ask you! You had caused my mother to have a heart attack and left her to die! Are you still a government leader?”

“Don't push everything to me! I did not say anything to your mother! She is the one...”

“F**k you!” Dong Xuebing shouted furiously. “If you did not threaten her, will she suffer from a sudden heart attack?”

Meng Xianglin was also furious and pointed at Dong Xuebing. “Watch your words! When did I threaten her?”

Meng Xianglin can't be bothered with Dong Xuebing. He shouted, “You are wasting my time!” and left for his body checkup. Dong Xuebing realized that Meng Xianglin had not come to visit his mother. Instead, he is here for his health issues! F**k! You caused my mother to suffer a heart attack, and you don't even want to visit her?! You are disrespecting us!

“Chief Dong, please calm down.” A nurse walked over.

The head nurse also comes over. “Have you taken your lunch? Do you need me to get something for you?”

Dong Xuebing suppressed his anger. “Thank you. I’m fine.”

Dong Xuebing looks towards the direction of Meng Xianglin before pressing the lift button. He was thinking of how to deal with this old bastard. Beat him up? But the consequences will be severe. Meng Xianglin is not a criminal and is a government leader. If he hit him, he might be charged in courts. Xiang Daofa might also use this as an excuse to fire him. Beating Meng Xianglin up should be what his enemies wanted.

But other than beating Meng Xianglin up, what else can Dong Xuebing do?

Ding! The elevator doors opened, and Dong Xuebing entered alone.

What else can he do without getting held responsible?

Dong Xuebing was deep in thoughts.

Fifth floor...

Fourth floor...

Third floor...

Crank! The elevator stopped suddenly on the Third Floor.

But before the elevator’s door open, there was a loud squeak, and the lights of the elevator go off!

Dong Xuebing was shocked and immediately grabbed onto the metal railings. Crash! There was a jerk, and a few loud noises were heard from the top of the elevator. The next moment, Dong Xuebing was in a state of weightlessness!

Shit!

Dong Xuebing’s heart skipped!

The elevator is falling! It is free falling!

Damn! Did the elevator crash? Am I going to die?

One second after Dong Xuebing realized what was going on, there was a loud crash, and he felt the impact of the elevator hitting something. The impact was no lesser than a magnitude ten earthquake! Crash! The overhead fluorescent tubes were smashed into pieces, and Dong Xuebing’s legs were numbed. He fell onto the floor and couldn’t even stand.

Pain!

Dong Xuebing's lower body was in excruciating pain!

Dong Xuebing was gasping for air as he sat on the floor of the pitch dark elevator. He could faintly hear people shouting outside as the people outside realized the elevator fell.

One second...

Two seconds...

The elevator was not moving anymore.

Dong Xuebing wiped his cold sweat off his forehead. After experiencing countless near-death situations, he was still scared out of his wits if it was someone else, who knows what might happen.

Luckily, the danger was over.

Eh? Wait a minute!

Dong Xuebing, who was waiting for someone to rescue him, suddenly brightens up!

That's it!

BACK 3 minutes!

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The scenes changed.

The pain was gone all of a sudden!

Dong Xuebing could feel his body jerked, and the next moment, he is standing in the brightly lit corridor. His current position is in front of the window on the fifth floor, and many patients and nurses are looking at him.

“Chief Dong, please calm down.”

“Have you taken your lunch? Do you need me to get something for you?”

The nurse and the head nurse were beside Dong Xuebing, speaking to him.

Dong Xuebing clenched his fist and replied. "Thank you. I'm fine."

Dong Xuebing turned and pressed the elevator. The elevator is still on the first floor, and he remembered the elevator would stop on the second and fourth floors before reaching the fifth floor. He still has around 1 minute, but he was afraid of changes. After pressing the button, he turns to the nurse. "Please help me hold on to the lift. I will be right back."

The nurse nodded. "Ok."

"Thank you!" Dong Xuebing said, before running towards the corridor.

At a bend, Dong Xuebing saw Meng Xianglin walking in front. They had just finished arguing, and Meng Xianglin had just walked away.

"Wait!" Dong Xuebing shouted.

Meng Xianglin was speaking to a doctor about his condition. He turns and asked. "What is it?"

Dong Xuebing suppressed his anger and quickly said. "I want to speak to you. Come, let's talk over there."

"I have nothing to talk to you!" Meng Xianglin shouted.

Dong Xuebing sneered. "What's wrong? You are even scared to talk to me?"

Meng Xianglin looks at the doctor beside him, before walking towards Dong Xuebing. He is not afraid of Dong Xuebing or getting beaten up by him. They are in public, and Dong Xuebing will not dare to do anything to him. Dong Xuebing saw Meng Xianglin walking towards him and started walking towards the elevator. From a distance, Dong Xuebing saw the nurse holding the elevator door open with her hand.

"Where are you going?" Meng Xianglin looks at Dong Xuebing. "I am busy!"

Dong Xuebing replied. "We will talk in the elevator. There are many people here, and it is inconvenient."

Meng Xianglin does not know what Dong Xuebing is up to, and he frowned. "If it regards your mother, we don't need to talk. I am not free!"

“It’s not about that. Come in, and you will know.”

The nurse was still stopping the elevator doors from closing. “Chief Dong, the elevator is here.”

“Thank you.” Dong Xuebing smiled and entered the elevator.

Meng Xianglin hesitated and looked around, before following Dong Xuebing into the elevator. There is a CCTV camera in the elevator, and Meng Xianglin is not worried about Dong Xuebing doing anything to him.

Dong Xuebing pressed the first-floor button.

The elevator door starts to close slowly.

Suddenly, Dong Xuebing took a big step forward and stepped out of the elevator.

Meng Xianglin was stunned. “You...”

Dong Xuebing laughed. “I suddenly remembered something. You go down to the first floor and wait for me.”

After Dong Xuebing finished saying this, the doors closed, and Meng Xianglin did not manage to get off the elevator. He is furious and felt Dong Xuebing is making a fool out of him!

This brat!

Meng Xianglin hit the walls of the elevator in anger as the elevator moves down.

Fifth story...

Fourth story...

Third story...

Just when Meng Xianglin was still cursing Dong Xuebing in his heart, the accident happened. The elevator’s lights went out, and there was a loud snap! It sounded like the elevator’s cables had snapped, and the elevator started falling!

Eight meters...

Six meters...

Four meters...

This freefall feeling is like falling off a cliff!

Meng Xianglin's face turns green, and his soul also left his body. He could sense death reaching out for him!

I'm dead... This is Meng Xianglin's final thoughts!

Crash!