

Substitute Bride's Husband Is An Invisible Rich Man

Chapter 231: Change in Expression

In Hong Jing's CEO's office, Mo Dong was looking at the video on his phone with a livid expression.

Ear-piercing voices came from the phone.

"Director He, your Hong Jing employee is disrespectful to their guests! You still want to protect her? Do you not want to collaborate anymore?"

Upon hearing this, the veins on the hand that was holding the phone popped out. It was as though the force was going to be used to crush the phone.

"Mo Dong, you've only watched the video of your daughter's first day in Hong Jing. I've sent the subsequent videos to your phone. You can go back and watch it slowly."

"I just don't know if this is your daughter's personal behavior, or if it's on your orders?"

"The collaboration between Hong Jing and Mo Real Estate is based on equality and mutual benefit. If you think that Hong Jing is inferior to Mo Real Estate, then I think this collaboration should end here!" Song Yun said with a cold expression.

Mo Dong held the phone and took two deep breaths to calm himself down. He said to Song Yun in a calm tone, "CEO Song, this time Mo Lian is in the wrong. But please believe me, CEO Song, I and Mo Real Estate have no intention of looking down on Hong Jing."

"I think CEO Song already knows about the relationship between Mo Lian and Mo Yan. Mo Lian only has a personal grudge against Mo Yan, not against Hong Jing."

Song Yun sneered. "Personal grudge? Then I wonder what Director Mo means by appointing your daughter, who will mix personal feelings with work, to be the project manager? To let her head this collaboration to hone her skills?"

Song Yun's words were merciless. Not to mention that Hong Jing was developing rapidly, their income from this project was not high to begin with. The main purpose was to establish a connection with Mo Real Estate, but it seemed that there was no need for that now.

What Hong Jing wanted was a win-win collaboration, not to develop Hong Jing in the direction of being Mo Real Estate's 'subsidiary company'.

Mo Dong was mortified and humiliated by Song Yun's ridicule.

Normally, the princes and princesses of legitimate companies would mostly listen and learn from the side if they wanted to participate in a large collaborative project between two companies. Only when they were faced with a company that was of a much lower level than their own would they treat collaboration as a practice, holding important positions without much experience, so Mo Dong's attitude was really suspicious.

On the first day that Mo Lian had arrived, Song Yun had been observing her working style and her attitude towards collaboration.

Song Yun herself had never had the experience of building a company from the ground up. She would not use experience to measure a person, but she valued ability. You could be lacking in experience, but as a project manager, you had to show your ability as a leader.

As Mo Dong had said, Song Yun knew that Mo Lian and Mo Yan did not get along, so she did not appear when Mo Lian made things difficult for Mo Yan on the first day. But from the second day onwards, she knew that this Mo Lian was not just targeting Mo Yan.

Mo Lian was very confident. Hong Jing would definitely take on this collaboration, so after the various sales managers had come up with their respective sales plans, they still did not make a choice. Instead, they let the various sales managers accompany them daily.

This aloof appearance made Song Yun inevitably get angry. She had been in the business world for some time and was not tempted by personal gains and losses.

"CEO Song, this time, it's my fault for not thinking properly. I hope CEO Song can forgive this mistake. Regarding the collaboration, I will send someone to renegotiate. Mo Real Estate will give 3% of the project's profits as compensation this time."

For Mo Dong to be able to reach his current position, other than having people to help him, there was also his character of being flexible. This kind of shameless attitude was precisely his key to survival in the business world. Many people thought that he was being sincere, but of course, this was only on the surface.

However, Song Yun did not know at this time.

Seeing that Mo Dong did not defend his daughter and was willing to bear all the mistakes, the anger in Song Yun's heart lessened quite a bit.

Later, seeing that he took the initiative to provide benefits, she could not say anything more. She could only wait for someone else to come and appraise it before making a decision.

Song Yun saw Mo Dong to his private car. A second ago, Mo Dong was smiling and asking Song Yun not to send him off, but the next moment, he had closed the car window and changed his expression.

“Song Yun, who do you think you are? How dare you mock me? When I established Mo Real Estate, it’s not even clear where you were working! How dare you talk about equality with me? Whore!”

The driver was already used to Mo Dong’s sudden change of expression. No matter what he heard, he pretended not to hear it.

“Go home.”

Chapter 232: Did Not Want to See Her

In the next few days, Mo Yan found that she was much more relaxed. It was not because her workload had decreased, but because she did not have Mo Lian around to torment her or call for meetings daily.

Mo Dong had sent other people to discuss the Mo Real Estate project, and finally decided to let Team D take over.

Just as Mo Yan had gotten up and gone to search by the bookcase for information, a knock suddenly came on the glass door.

“Come in.”

Mo Yan turned and saw Li Guoguo holding the door and sticking her head in.

“Sister Mo Yan, are you busy?”

Seeing that it was Li Guoguo, Mo Yan couldn’t help but frown slightly.

“What’s the matter? Come in and tell me.”

Li Guoguo chuckled. Without waiting for Mo Yan to speak, she ran to the sofa and sat down. She unceremoniously picked up a tangerine from the plate of fruits and started peeling it.

“Sister Mo Yan, it’s almost noon. Do you want to go to the cafeteria or eat outside?”

Mo Yan glanced at her and said, “The cafeteria. I have an appointment with sister Xu.”

“Oh, oh! Then I’ll go with you.”

Seeing that she didn’t make any move to leave, Mo Yan asked, “Is there anything else?”

Li Guoguo stuffed the remaining two pieces of tangerines into her mouth. She jogged to the chair opposite Mo Yan and sat down. “Sister Mo Yan, have you asked brother-in-law about what I told you before?”

“He’s been busy recently and doesn’t have the time.”

Mo Yan said as she marked out the information she needed.

“Even if he’s busy, it’s not like he doesn’t have time for a meal! Sister Mo Yan, help me ask brother-in-law out! I really want to ask him about the stocks.”

“Investing in stocks is risky. If you don’t have any savings, I don’t recommend touching that.”

“Sigh! Brother-in-law is the god of stocks! Let him help me take a look before I make a purchase. Then I won’t make a loss.”

“It was coincidental that he hit the nail on the head. Don’t throw the words “god of stocks” around carelessly.”

“Sister Mo Yan, I’m begging you!”

Li Guoguo saw that Mo Yan was still unmoved. She couldn’t help but get up and run to Mo Yan’s side, acting coquettishly.

Mo Yan sighed. “Guoguo, you don’t know anything about it and only know how to rely on others. In the end, it won’t work. Let’s not talk look too far back into the past. Just looking at what happened these few days. Do you know how many investors lost their hard-earned money in Soaring’s bankruptcy? Do you also want to become like them?”

“That’s why I asked brother-in-law to have a look at it for me! Sister Mo Yan, I’m begging you. I’m really not greedy. I just want to earn some pocket money by myself. You know that my performance in the company has always been bad. I just want to earn more so that I don’t have to ask for money from my parents anymore.”

Mo Yan had always yielded more easily to the soft approach. With Li Guoguo begging her like this, she really couldn’t refuse. She could only say that she would go back and ask Luo Tao.

After Li Guoguo had left, Mo Yan didn't even want to eat anymore. She didn't know when it started, but she didn't really want to see Li Guoguo. She had an inexplicable feeling.

Mo Yan sent a message to Xu Tian that she wouldn't go to eat, so she stayed in the office for some time.

After a while, there was another knock on the door. Mo Yan thought it was Li Guoguo again, so she covered her ears and pretended not to hear it.

"Mo Yan, open the door. It's Xu Tian."

"Sister Xu?"

Mo Yan ran over and unlocked the door.

Xu Tian brought the packed food to Mo Yan. "What's wrong? Aren't you eating?"

Mo Yan sighed listlessly.

"Sister Xu, why didn't you go to the cafeteria? Didn't Li Guoguo want to eat together?"

Xu Tian chuckled. "It's fine even if I don't go. There are plenty of people who want to eat with her now."

"Oh? Is that so?"

"You've never been close to others and are considered close to Li Guoguo. With your promotion, if they can't get close to you, they'll look for Li Guoguo."

Xu Tian pushed the lunchbox in front of Mo Yan, but Mo Yan didn't pick it up. She rested her face against the table.

"Sister Xu, I realized that I really don't want to see Li Guoguo now. Why do you think that is?"

"What happened recently?"

Mo Yan thought for a moment and told her about Li Guoguo wanting Luo Tao to help her look at stocks.

"What did you say?"

"I said that Luo Tao is busy and I will ask him when he is free."

Mo Yan was not deceiving Li Guoguo. She did ask, but once she got home, she saw Luo Tao typing in front of the computer. Occasionally, she saw him on the computer either translating books or reading financial news, or chatting with others.

The tacit understanding between her and Luo Tao was that they would not invade each other's privacy. It was probably formed when they first got married.

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Chapter 233: Listen to His Wife

That was the previous night, before they went to bed. After showering, Luo Tao's body was enveloped in the fragrance of shower gel.

She was lying on his lap watching dramas on her phone while he was watching the financial news on TV.

In the past two days, the news was mostly about three companies in Jing City going bankrupt simultaneously. Some said that foreign influences wanted to intervene in Z country's market, others said that it was the competitors' vicious competition, and yet others said that the matter was related to the Huo family. In short, there were many different opinions, and no one had definitive proof about it.

Luo Tao changed the channel. The screen was showing the recent changes in the stock market, and there was a commentator explaining it at the side.

Mo Yan glanced at the television and suddenly remembered Li Guoguo's request. "Luo Tao, do you have time recently? Li Guoguo wants to treat you to a meal."

"Li Guoguo?" Luo Tao didn't know who it was for a moment.

"You've seen her in Jing City before. She's shorter than me, and she's quite cute."

Luo Tao had no idea what Mo Yan meant by cute. However, he did remember a few people who were shorter than Mo Yan.

"Well, why does she want to treat me to a meal?" Luo Tao asked.

"Didn't you ask Director He to sell off his Soaring shares? Director He listened to your words and sold them. Not only did he not lose money, but he also made a fair sum. Everyone in the company said that you're a god of stocks, so Li Guoguo also wants you to help her take a look. Do you want to go?"

After saying that, Mo Yan put down her phone and looked up at Luo Tao.

Luo Tao stroked Mo Yan's hair and asked, "Do you want me to go?"

Mo Yan pouted unhappily. "I'm obviously asking you, why are you asking me back?"

"How I plan my time naturally requires my wife to make the decisions." Luo Tao said as he kissed Mo Yan's smooth forehead.

Mo Yan's face was slightly red as she turned her head to the side. "I, I don't really want you to go."

"Why?"

Mo Yan thought for a moment and answered, "The stock market changes rapidly. This time, you were right about Director He's stock, but not necessarily the next time. Even if you were right the next time, what about in the future? More and more people are looking for you. It's hard to guarantee that there won't be any mistakes. Just like Soaring's stock, many experts have failed."

"Wife, don't you believe me?" Luo Tao asked with a smile in his eyes.

"It's not that I don't trust you, but I don't want you to take unnecessary risks. Don't look too far back. Just this time, many people will lose money because of the changes in the stock market. If they can't find a scapegoat, they can only curse those analysts. I don't want the person I like to be scolded like this one day. My heart will ache."

Even though he had guessed Mo Yan's thoughts, Luo Tao still wanted her to say it so that he would be at ease.

Ever since Huo Yu had said those words to him, he would be woken up every time he slept alone. He would dream of Mo Yan saying that she was not his wife and that she was leaving. At that time, he would quietly open the door, and would only be at ease when he saw Mo Yan still sleeping soundly in the room.

"Wife, you said that everyone in your company calls me god of stocks. Then don't you want me to help you buy some stocks? You wouldn't scold me even if I said something wrong. If I'm not wrong, it can also increase the income of the family."

Mo Yan reached out to pinch Luo Tao's cheek. The delicate touch in her hand made her pinch turn into a touch, a caress.

"I don't need you to increase our income in this way. I don't know whether you're really a god of stocks. I just know that life is pretty good right now. The two of us work hard and get lazy together after work. I don't want to worry about the stocks closing high or

low, being in the red or green. If you were to really trade stocks, how would you have time to give me attention?"

Luo Tao chuckled. "Stocks aren't as important as you. Even if it's the stock market, I wouldn't ignore you. However, since my wife said not to do it, then I won't do it. Just don't complain that I don't make enough in the future."

"Of course not!" Mo Yan pinched Luo Tao's cheeks with both hands.

"When I married you, I didn't think that you didn't have enough money. Money can be slowly earned. Who I marry is the most important!"

Luo Tao looked into Mo Yan's glittering black eyes. Those beautiful eyes seemed to reflect only his figure, and she, too, belonged to him alone. This feeling of being in full possession of another made Luo Tao's heart beat wildly.

"Being able to marry you is my greatest fortune."

Luo Tao's last words fell between their lips...

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Chapter 234: An Unexpected Result

"Actually, you don't want him to go, right?"

Xu Tian said with certainty, causing Mo Yan to blink her large eyes at her.

"Yes, I don't want Luo Tao to go. I'm afraid that Guoguo will blame us if she loses money due to the purchase of the wrong stocks. But today, she came to beg me again. She said that she just wanted to get some pocket money, so she won't get too involved."

Mo Yan picked up her chopsticks and began to eat. The dishes that Xu Tian had ordered were all items that she often ate in the cafeteria, and she hadn't expected that sister Xu would remember them.

"How did she say it? Learn from me."

Xu Tian picked up a piece of carrot and placed it in Mo Yan's bowl.

Seeing the red carrot waving at her, Mo Yan's face fell. She really didn't like carrots.

“Carrots aid in recovery of the bones. Don’t be picky.”

Mo Yan endured the discomfort and swallowed a small piece of carrot. She listlessly repeated what Li Guoguo said to Xu Tian and then spoke about Xu Wan, who also hoped that Luo Tao would buy some stocks for Mo Yan, and Xu Wan could then follow suit.

After listening to Mo Yan’s narration, Xu Tian lowered her eyes and nodded.

“Then what are you going to do now?” Xu Tian asked.

“If it really cannot be helped, we’ll meet once! She trusts Luo Tao so much, why don’t we let Luo Tao directly persuade her and tell her the dangers of being addicted to the stock market?”

“That’s fine too. When are you going?”

“I don’t know. I still have to call Luo Tao again to ask about the time.”

“Okay, then let me know when the time is set. I’ll go with you.”

Mo Yan’s jaw dropped in surprise. “Huh? Sister Xu, you’re also interested in these things!”

Xu Tian’s lips curled up slightly. “Who wouldn’t be interested if there’s money to be made?”

Mo Yan smacked her lips twice. Alright! Sister Xu was right. There was no one who wasn’t interested in making money, except for silly people like her.

In the afternoon, Mo Yan gave Luo Tao a call. The time was set for that night.

Although it was a little last-minute, it was better to get it over and done with! She really couldn’t bear Li Guoguo’s harassment any longer.

When Mo Yan told Li Guoguo about this news, Li Guoguo almost jumped up. She even specially emphasized that she shouldn’t tell others about this matter.

However, Li Guoguo smiled at her and said, “Of course I won’t tell others! Brother-in-law is so handsome. What if others see him and have him in their sights?”

Hearing this, Mo Yan felt that something was not right, but she still could not figure it out.

When it was time to get off work, Mo Yan was pulled out of the office by Li Guoguo, catching the attention of a group of colleagues.

Previously, because of Mo Lian, she had had to work overtime almost daily, only leaving once the office area was empty. This was the first time she had been able to leave on the dot.

Just as she reached the door, Li Guoguo met two people she did not expect to see.

“Sister Xu? Sister Xu Wan? Why are you here?”

Xu Wan smiled, “I heard that Mo Yan will go out for dinner with her husband tonight. I’ll follow and be a third wheel. I also want to see if this legendary god of stocks is really that amazing.”

“What about Sister Xu? Are you also asking brother-in-law to have a look at the stocks?” Li Guoguo asked.

Before Mo Yan said anything, Li Guoguo had already questioned the two of them.

“Of course, why not if there’s money to be made?”

After saying that, Xu Tian and Xu Wan looked at each other and smiled, causing Mo Yan to raise her eyebrows. When did these two become so familiar with each other?

“Ah! So many people!” Li Guoguo’s tone was obviously depressed.

“Don’t worry, I won’t really let you treat us. Tonight, your brother-in-law and I will treat you. It can be considered a small gathering.” Mo Yan smiled and comforted her.

“No, I won’t talk about this anymore. I can treat you.”

“Huh?” Mo Yan was puzzled, but Li Guoguo didn’t give an answer.

In the elevator, Li Guoguo was very quiet. Mo Yan and Xu Tian talked about the Mo Real Estate project.

In fact, Mo Yan had initially thought that Mo Real Estate would choose Xu Tian. After all, from the first version of the plan outline, Xu Tian’s sales department had considered it more comprehensively.

“Sister Xu, what do you think of Group D’s plan?”

“It’s more conservative and suitable for a company like Mo Real Estate that has been established for a long time.”

“I feel the same way. I originally thought that they would choose a new model... but if it’s that kind of plan, why would they choose our company? I don’t quite understand. Could it be that they’re interested in our company’s low share?”

Xu Tian shook her head. In fact, she had the same thoughts as Mo Yan. She thought that Mo Real Estate wanted to introduce a new sales model, but the result surprised her.

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Chapter 235: Belongs with Me

Just as she reached the door, Mo Yan saw Luo Tao waiting for her.

He was wearing a shirt and pants that day. He looked like he was 22 or 23 years old. With striking looks and a height of 1.8 meters, he could easily attract attention by simply standing there.

Mo Yan quickly ran to Luo Tao to scare him, but unexpectedly, she saw him look dotingly at her when she was only halfway there.

“Ah! He’s really handsome!”

At some point in time, their colleagues had caught up with them, and the one who had made the exclamation was the first girl to exit.

Mo Yan stopped in her tracks, suddenly feeling a little shy.

The others arrived downstairs one after the other, along with the sound of chattering.

Luo Tao wore a frosty expression as he fixed his eyes on a girl who had taken out her phone to take a photo.

She was startled and quickly put away her phone and left.

Mo Yan also noticed this, so she held Luo Tao’s arm and walked to the front of the crowd.

“I hope everyone doesn’t take photos! If the photos get out, you’ll be questioned by the police! And this person belongs with me! I’ll be jealous if photos are taken without permission.”

The first sentence was threatening, and the last was teasing. Although she appeared to be using a joking tone, they were all adults, so they knew what was permissible — the few who had secretly taken photos of Luo Tao deleted them.

“Where are we going to eat?” Luo Tao asked with a smile.

“Barbecue! I want to eat barbecue! I haven’t eaten it for a long time!” Xu Wan answered first.

Mo Yan thought about it and nodded. She, too, hadn’t eaten it for some time.

“Barbecue is smoky. The clothes of sister Mo Yan and brother-in-law will be soiled easily. Why not have western food instead!”

Hearing Li Guoguo’s words, Mo Yan subconsciously looked at their clothes. She was wearing a white shirt and a short black skirt. Together with Luo Tao’s white shirt and black trousers, they actually appeared to be wearing a couple’s outfit.

“It’s okay, our clothes are easy to wash. If you want to eat barbecue, then let’s eat that!”

“You’re making me want to eat too.” Xu Tian pushed up her glasses.

After deciding where to go, they headed straight to their destination.

The barbecue eatery was chosen by Xu Wan. She had always been familiar with all kinds of food in C City.

After ordering, Mo Yan and Xu Tian continued their earlier conversation. Meanwhile, Xu Wan and Luo Tao picked up their phones and started typing. Only Li Guoguo peeked at Luo Tao from time to time. When Luo Tao saw her, she pretended that she wasn’t looking at him.

“Luo Tao, what are you busy with!”

After chatting with Xu Tian, Mo Yan turned to Luo Tao. She spoke before she got close to Luo Tao. If he had been looking at something that he didn’t want her to see, he could simply turn it off. However, he directly passed the phone to Mo Yan.

“Stocks?”

“Yes, have a look.”

Luo Tao took back his phone, and Mo Yan leaned over as well, resting on him bonelessly.

“You can understand this series of lines and bunch of squares?”

“The red line is the positive line, which means the closing price is higher than the opening price, and the green line is the negative line, which means the closing price is lower than the opening price. There are also the upper shadow, lower shadow, and solid lines.”

Luo Tao's voice flowed slowly like a stream, but Mo Yan couldn't comprehend it.

Mo Yan looked at Luo Tao cluelessly. Luo Tao also felt helpless, and he gently smiled and rubbed Mo Yan's head.

"You don't understand? Then I won't talk about it."

"Okay." Mo Yan nodded obediently.

Mo Yan and Luo Tao seemed to be enveloped by some kind of aura, so no one else could interrupt them.

They made a face at Xu Wan, who could only gaze at the people opposite her with a wistful look.

Xu Tian poured herself a cup of complimentary tea and filled the others' cups. Then, she slowly picked up the teacup and started to blow on it. However, her slightly drooping eyes were filled with relief.

And Li Guoguo's expression was a little intriguing. Expressionlessly, she stared intently at them glued together, as if to stare a hole through them.

The slightly awkward atmosphere was broken only when the waiter served dishes to the table.

As soon as the meat was placed on the grilling grate, a sizzling sound was heard. Soon, the aroma of the meat drifted towards Mo Yan, almost causing her to drool.

The grills were covered with food, which whetted the appetite.

Mo Yan and Xu Wan eyed a piece of barbecued meat at the same time; two pairs of chopsticks caught the meat slices.

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Chapter 236: Has Her Eyes on Your Husband

"Greedy cat, I have my eyes on this meat," Xu Wan was the first to speak.

"You speak as though you're not greedy. I have my eyes on this meat as well. Let go of it," Mo Yan stuck out her tongue at Xu Wan.

“Hey! You’re only left with one hand, and you still want to snatch the meat from me! What a glutton!”

“So you’re aware that I’m injured? Then hurry and leave the meat!”

Just as the two of them were staring at each other, a piece of perfectly-roasted meat was placed on Mo Yan’s plate.

“Eat this.”

Mo Yan sniffed at the fragrant piece of meat and answered obediently, “Okay.”

Xu Wan turned to Xu Tian with a wooden expression. “Sister Xu, I feel that I’m full. I’m stuffed with dog food.”

“Oh? So you’re not going to eat it? You can give it to me,” Xu Tian said bluntly.

Xu Wan glared at Xu Tian. “It was not easy to snatch this away, so I won’t give it to you.”

Xu Tian found Xu Tian’s act of fooling around funny, and her usual aloof expression eased up.

“Enough! Even eating can’t stop your mouth,” Xu Tian said as she picked up a piece of meat for Xu Wan.

“Thank you, sister Xu.”

The four of them were having a lively conversation. Xu Tian was roasting meat for Xu Wan, while Luo Tao was doing the same for Mo Yan. For some reason, they began to compare themselves. It was not long before Mo Yan’s and Xu Wan’s plates were filled with meat.

Just when Mo Yan was about to say that it was enough, Li Guoguo spoke up. “Brother-in-law, can you help me roast a few slices of sweet potato?”

Mo Yan had been eating happily and had forgotten about Li Guoguo. Looking at the small plate of meat, Mo Yan felt a little guilty. She quickly put the sweet potato slices in front of Li Guoguo and placed a few on the grilling grate.

“I’ll bake it for you, Guoguo.”

Just then, Li Guoguo asked about the stocks.

“Brother-in-law, can you help me to see which stocks are doing better recently? I’d also earn a little extra money.”

“Which stocks do you have in mind?” Luo Tao asked.

“I think the outlook is better for Senhua, Qingyu and Lemon.”

Li Guoguo’s eyes lit up as she looked at Luo Tao and spoke eloquently. Although Mo Yan did not understand her analysis, she still felt that it made sense.

Luo Tao didn’t interrupt her analysis, which gave Li Guoguo a lot of courage. She started to speak up more.

After Li Guoguo finished her analysis, she looked at Luo Tao with sparkling eyes and waited for him to give her his evaluation.

Luo Tao was silent for a while and frowned slightly. “I want to know your opinion on these stocks. I’m listening to the suggestions of the analysts online.”

As soon as he said this, Li Guoguo’s face turned pale. The other three people also looked enlightened. It turned out that Li Guoguo’s earlier words were the suggestions of the analysts.

Luo Tao glanced at his phone and said to Mo Yan, “I’m going to the washroom.”

“Okay.”

After Luo Tao left, Mo Yan sighed. “Guoguo, the stock market is really not as simple as you think. You can’t just blindly follow the advice of others and speculate in the stock market on your own.”

Li Guoguo’s face was ashen and looked as though she had not heard Mo Yan speak. Xu Tian and Xu Wan were calm and silent.

“Let’s not look too far back in the past. The flash crash 10 years ago and the stock market crash five years ago. Since you want to speculate in the stock market, you have to understand a little about it.”

“I, I need to go to the washroom.” After saying that, Li Guoguo flew from her seat.

Mo Yan sighed. “The stock market incident this time is really not a good thing.”

Xu Wan rolled her eyes at Mo Yan. “You still have the heart to care about her! You don’t even know that someone has her eyes on your husband. Be more careful!”

“Huh?” Mo Yan looked at Xu Wan in confusion.

“Using the excuse of stocks to meet your husband, do you really think she wants to buy stocks?”

“What do you mean?” Mo Yan frowned.

“Think about it! If this Li Guoguo really just wants to earn pocket money, she could do what I did and let your husband buy it for you, and then purchase the same stocks. Why would she pester you to ask your husband to come out after you’ve repeatedly rejected her?”

Xu Wan rolled her eyes and clicked her tongue.

“No way! Isn’t Li Guoguo in a relationship? He even said that he would take her out to have fun.”

“They broke up. I heard that they broke up after they had a fight,” Xu Tian replied calmly.

“There are so many men. I’m already married to Luo Tao. There’s no need for me to think about my husband.”

“That’s just empty talk. When they come back later, count how many times she peeks at your husband.”

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Hearing what Xu Wan had said, Mo Yan felt her heart sink.

Xu Wan was right. At that moment, Li Guoguo had stopped Luo Tao in front of the washroom.

“Brother-in-law, I’m sorry. I shouldn’t have told you what I heard. I just wanted to show my best self in front of you and sister Mo Yan.”

Li Guoguo raised her head. Her reddened eyes reflected his handsome face, and a pitiful expression was painted on her face.

“Show your best self?” Luo Tao said lightly.

“Yes, yes! Girls always want to show their good side in front of the person they like.”

When Li Guoguo said this, she lowered her head slightly, but it was unclear whether or not her slightly flushed face was intentionally revealed to the man.

“I’m very happy that you like Mo Yan, but I feel that you’re not suitable to trade in the stock market. Don’t interfere casually in something you don’t understand. Otherwise, who knows when you’ll fall into a bottomless abyss.”

After saying this, Luo Tao didn't give Li Guoguo any chance to defend herself. He turned to the side and left.

"Luo Tao? Why are you alone? Where's Guoguo?" Mo Yan asked.

"I didn't see her." Luo Tao said and wrapped a meat roll with lettuce for Mo Yan.

"I have enough. I'm full!" Mo Yan looked at Luo Tao helplessly.

Luo Tao smiled and said, "Eat more and your arm will recover quickly."

Li Guoguo was not experienced to begin with. Luo Tao could see through her thoughts at a glance. It was only because she was Mo Yan's friend that he chose not to embarrass her!

After that, Li Guoguo called Mo Yan and said that she was not feeling well, so she would go back first.

Mo Yan expressed her concern. Seeing that Li Guoguo did not want to say anything more, she did not probe further.

In the following two days, Li Guoguo kept requesting for leave, which made Mo Yan feel a lot better.

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In Jing City, Huo Yu acted quickly. Within a few days, she convinced her grandfather and the Qin family to agree to their marriage. Then, she flew back to C City to capture Qin Yuan and order him to get married.

Luo Tao had received the news that Huo Yu was coming to C City.

"Brother Huo! You really screwed me up! How are you going to make it up to me?"

Luo Tao came to Qin Yuan's place that day to listen to the work report. He did not expect that, as soon as he arrived, he would be grabbed by Qin Yuan and have to listen to his complaints.

"Make up for what? It's your good fortune that my sister is willing to marry you." Luo Tao said as he typed quickly on the computer.

"Bah! Do you want this good fortune?"

Qin Yuan lay lifelessly on the sofa. He had heard that Huo Yu's flight was at three o'clock that afternoon. He was going to see that she-devil again.

“I can’t afford it.”

After saying that, Luo Tao directly made a voice call to Wen Ze.

“Is there a problem with the acquisition?”

“Yes, an unknown entity had acquired a lot of scattered stocks some time ago. We only found out recently and are a little jittery about it.”

Luo Tao pondered for a moment. “Don’t make any moves. First, find out who is on the other side.”

“Yes.”

“Regarding Jing City, Second Uncle is certain about making a move against Third Uncle?” Luo Tao asked.

“According to the information we have so far, Second Master has the intention to do so. There is an 80% probability of Second Master being the one behind Soaring’s bankruptcy.”

“What’s the remaining 20%?”

“It’s very well hidden. We haven’t sent people to investigate yet.”

“Yes, we’ll focus on the acquisition. Jing City can be put aside for now.”

“Okay, brother Huo.”

Qin Yuan saw Luo Tao hang up the phone. He sat up straight and said seriously, “Do you still need funds for the acquisition? If so, I still have some over here.”

“No need, it’s not a matter of funds.”

What the other party wanted was still unknown, so they could not attack rashly.

“Alright! If you need it, just let me know.”

Qin Yuan knew that he could not be of much help now, so he did not further trouble him.

“Okay,” Luo Tao answered casually.

Seeing that Luo Tao had started to use words to get a reaction from him again, Qin Yuan rolled his eyes and said, “Huo Zhen, how about this? Since the marriage between the Qin and Huo families is already a reality, why don’t you tell Huo Yu to put off the engagement until you return to Jing City? That would be great.”

Luo Tao glanced at him indifferently. "The date has been confirmed; just because you want to, you can change it just like that? If you dare to mention it, I'm afraid Uncle Qin will skin you alive."

"That's why I'm asking you to say it! Just say that I'm ignorant and idle. Wait until I can be managed properly before going ahead with the engagement."

"Ha! You have an accurate understanding of yourself."

Thank you for reading on

Chapter 238: Qin Yuan's Past

Qin Yuan choked after hearing Luo Tao's words. "I'm just asking if you can do it!"

"No."

The word was said cleanly, not giving Qin Yuan any opportunity to make him go back on his words.

Qin Yuan wailed, "Huo Zhen pushed his brother into the fire pit. Does it really not hurt your conscience?"

Qin Yuan's unwilling attitude made Luo Tao curious. What did Huo Yu do to Qin Yuan that made him so traumatized.

"Your engagement with Huo Yu was only a temporary measure. Why are you not willing to go ahead with the marriage?" Luo Tao asked, stopping what he was doing.

Hearing Luo Tao ask about this, Qin Yuan was no longer lifeless but had nothing left to live for.

Back then, he and Huo Yu dated for a period of time. At that time, he was annoyed by his father urging him to get married and ran abroad at the slightest disagreement. He used to have a good relationship with Huo Yu, so he directly went to be her neighbor.

They were both at the age where hormones were raging. As time passed, they couldn't recall who fell first, but the attractive duo soon developed feelings for each other and ended up together.

Huo Yu was a bright and flamboyant girl. Her love was red-hot, like a ball of fire, burning with passion for the other party.

At that time, Qin Yuan was at an age of uncertainty. Although he liked her, he did not reject the advances of other girls.

Perhaps it was a man's dream to be surrounded by women, but a girl wanted only The One.

In the end, Qin Yuan paid the price for his immaturity and lost the girl who was devoted to him.

A woman had designs on him and he almost had sex with her. Even though it turned out that nothing had happened between them, Huo Yu had already lost her trust in him.

When the two of them were dating, they did not let their friends or relatives know about it, so they broke up quietly.

In fact, he was overjoyed that Huo Yu had agreed to be engaged to him, but he immediately realized that the fact that she agreed to it so easily was proof that she did not care about him at all.

He did not want to delay Huo Yu a second time because of some unimportant reason...

Seeing that Qin Yuan was silent, Luo Tao took a sip of tea. "Reason?"

"No reason. Anyway, I don't want to be engaged." Qin Yuan firmly refused.

"Okay." Luo Tao answered indifferently and continued to work.

Luo Tao's attitude confused Qin Yuan. "What do you mean by okay? You don't want to ask anymore?"

"I'm not asking further."

Luo Tao spoke to Qin Yuan while he worked without delay.

"Then what about not getting engaged?" Qin Yuan asked tentatively.

"Tell Uncle Qin yourself."

Qin Yuan rolled his eyes without caring about his image. He already knew that brother Huo was really unreliable. He twisted and turned his words without changing his mind.

"Three o'clock. Don't forget to pick her up." Luo Tao closed his computer and prepared to leave.

Qin Yuan jumped up from the sofa in an instant. "Huo Zhen! You want me to pick her up?"

“Or else? I’ll do the pick-up in Luo Tao’s name?”

Hearing Luo Tao’s words, Qin Yuan fell silent. Although news of the engagement between their families had been released, there would still be people watching Huo Yu before the engagement. Huo Zhen could not show his face yet.

“By the way, don’t let Huo Yu stay in a hotel. Let her go straight to your villa,” Luo Tao instructed.

“My villa!” Qin Yuan’s hair stood on end. He said repeatedly, “No! No, no, no! Absolutely not!”

In the past, the two of them had been living opposite each other every day, and they had liked each other. How could they let Huo Yu stay at his house this time!

Speaking of which, Qin Yuan was the one who could not let go of their relationship. This was also the reason why he subsequently did not get close to women.

When Huo Yu broke up with him, she ended it quietly, making it very clear that the two of them should not make it public. The Qin and Huo families still had dealings with each other, so they could resume their former friendship.

After that, Qin Yuan returned from abroad and ran to C City to run a jade store. Huo Yu stayed overseas and didn’t return for a long time.

Luo Tao briefly glanced at Qin Yuan. “If you let your fiancée stay in a hotel, wouldn’t you be laughed at?”

“The Huo family also has a villa in City C. Let her stay at home,” Qin Yuan said dejectedly.

“Someone is watching.”

Luo Tao had always been cautious, so after discovering that the Huo family’s villa might be surveilled, he never went to that area again.

With all his escape routes blocked, Qin Yuan wanted to die. Why couldn’t he escape?

Imagine that the person you like is about to become your fiancée and live under the same roof as you, but she only sees you as a friend and won’t give you any possibility of developing a relationship. This life is so depressing!

Thank you for reading on

Chapter 239: Qin Yuan and Huo Yu

Even if Qin Yuan was unwilling, he still had to do what he had to.

In order to not let his little lady boss lose her temper, Qin Yuan arrived at the airport half an hour early.

While waiting in the hall, he remembered when the two of them had been together, Huo Yu would pick him up in advance every time he flew to country M.

She could instantaneously locate him in the crowd and would rush over to give him a big hug.

Qin Yuan lowered his eyes, feeling a little dejected. Those days had truly happened a long time ago...

"Little Yuan? Why are you alone?"

Suddenly, Qin Yuan heard Huo Yu's voice.

Qin Yuan looked up, and the light in front of him was somewhat blocked. A young girl in short-sleeved shirt and shorts had already walked up to him.

"Where's my brother?" Huo Yu looked around.

"He can't pick you up in someone else's name. I came alone."

Hearing Qin Yuan say that he was alone, Huo Yu instantly fell silent.

When there were other people around, the two of them could perform very well. It was like the two families had always thought that they did not have feelings for each other, but in reality, it was still a little awkward when they were alone together.

Huo Yu looked at Qin Yuan and changed the topic. "You can just send me to the Huo family's villa later."

Huo Yu wanted to ease the atmosphere, but Qin Yuan felt even more awkward when she said that. He hesitated for a long time before saying, "Brother Huo said to let you stay at my place."

"What?"

Huo Yu's voice went up a few decibels, attracting the attention of the people around them.

Huo Yu met the gazes of the others and laughed. She pulled Qin Yuan out of the airport quickly.

“Qin Yuan, what did you say? My brother asked me to stay at your place?”

Qin Yuan felt better when he saw that Huo Yu was more surprised than him.

“Yes! Your brother asked you to stay at my place.”

“No way! Little Yuan! Didn’t you protest to my brother?” Huo Yu asked in disbelief.

Qin Yuan sat in the driver’s seat and said, “When have either of you ever heard me protesting?”

Huo Yu knew that there was no arguing with her brother. She let out a long sigh.

Her brother had really committed a sin. He insisted on pushing his sister into the fire pit.

If something happened to them while they lived together, how would her brother take responsibility?

Qin Yuan glanced at the calm Huo Yu in the mirror. In the past, when he was with Huo Yu, he would see Huo Yu’s smiling face from time to time. However, after that, when he would occasionally be alone with Huo Yu, she would always have this cold look on her face. She did not chat nor speak much.

Suddenly, Huo Yu seemed to have thought of something and said, “Previously, you told me that my sister-in-law has my brother eating from her hand. Is that true?”

“It’s true. Brother Huo and sister-in-law have changed a lot since they got married.”

Qin Yuan’s heart, which had leapt up because Huo Yu had taken the initiative to talk to him, instantly sunk back down again.

“Didn’t you see it that day? Brother Huo’s look when he saw sister-in-law’s text message.”

“I saw it,” Huo Yu replied as if she had sensed something.

“My brother has really changed a lot. He used to be like a robot, thinking about how to expand the Huo family’s business every day. So what if it’s the number one company in the world? He won’t be able to spend all the money he earns. When he departs from this life, he will go as he came — with nothing.”

Qin Yuan was amused by her words. He had always liked Huo Yu’s contented and happy personality.

Being with her would be very relaxing. Without too strong a desire for material things, he would stop and appreciate the beauty around him.

Huo Yu would find joy in simple things and share it with him, allowing him to experience life with her.

“You’re right.” Qin Yuan smiled.

Huo Yu raised her eyebrows. In the past, Qin Yuan always liked to disagree with her, but today, he had undergone a transformation? He was going along with her.

“Oh right! What did you mean when you said you wanted to work for my brother in the name of pursuing her? Is that girl like a damsel in distress? Does my brother have to help her with everything?”

The first sentence had just ignited the little flame in Qin Yuan’s heart, but the second sentence had extinguished it. He thought that Huo Yu was jealous, but who would have thought...

“Not really. It’s just that sister-in-law’s constitution is a little special and she often encounters trouble.”

In order not to cause unnecessary misunderstandings, Qin Yuan still explained.

“Isn’t that just a damsel in distress? ! I have to tell my brother to be careful. It wouldn’t be good if he gets entangled by a woman of unknown origin,” Huo Yu said with a serious expression.

Qin Yuan was at a loss for words when he mentioned this. Back then, he was almost set up by the damsel in distress.

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Chapter 240: Mo Yan, ‘Damsel in Distress’

He thought of what Huo Yu had once told him about the definition of ‘damsel in distress’.

Qin Yuan sighed and spoke again, “Trouble goes looking for sister-in-law, not the other way around. Sister-in-law is very good to brother Huo. Don’t misunderstand and give them trouble.”

Qin Yuan was clear about the relationship between Huo Zhen and Huo Yu. If Huo Zhen was caught between his sister and wife because of something he said, Qin Yuan would be a sinner.

"I see!" Huo Yu nodded thoughtfully.

"I'm quite curious about what kind of girl can charm my brother. When will you bring me to meet her?" Huo Yu said excitedly.

"I won't," Qin Yuan firmly refused.

Previously, CEO Song of Hong Jing had inquired about his relationship with his sister-in-law and asked if he was pursuing her. At that time, he neither admitted nor denied it in order to help his sister-in-law solve the problem. In the end, he was treated as his sister-in-law's suitor.

Now, he was asked to bring his fiancée to meet the rumored 'sweetheart'. What was this all about?

"Qin Yuan, give me a reason."

When he heard Huo Yu's voice drop a few degrees, Qin Yuan instantly shivered. He had to admit that the members of the Huo family really had their own ways of attacking him.

"Give me a reason too. On what basis should I bring you to meet her? Or do you just want to have a look at her and leave?"

Huo Yu frowned. Indeed, she did not intend to just have a look and then leave. She wanted to get in contact with her. As for the reason, she had not thought of it.

Qin Yuan glanced at the unhappy Huo Yu and felt a little depressed.

"I heard that the Mo family is planning to hold a charity banquet. If you want to meet sister-in-law, you can try your luck."

"The Mo family? The Mo family that replaced the bride?" Huo Yu sneered.

"Yes, sister-in-law's original family, but she has already cut off ties with them," Qin Yuan replied.

Huo Yu understood Qin Yuan's meaning after thinking for a moment. Because ties had been broken off, she was unsure whether Mo Yan would attend.

"I got it. Let's wait until the Mo family sends an invitation!"

As the old saying went, if someone mentions you behind your back, you would sneeze. As such, Mo Yan had already sneezed several times in the office.

Li Guoguo sat opposite Mo Yan and watched with reddened eyes as Mo Yan sneezed non-stop.

“Sister Mo Yan, do you have a cold?”

Mo Yan shook her head. She was fine earlier, but had suddenly sneezed.

Sniffing, Mo Yan said, “Guoguo, it’s your boyfriend’s fault that he cheated on you. You don’t have to be too sad. It’s just that you didn’t meet the right person.”

That day, Li Guoguo came to work as usual. It was just lunch time, but she had already been barricaded in the office. Then, she was made to listen to a love drama.

From how Li Guoguo met her boyfriend on the dating app, to how her boyfriend had pursued her and purchased many items for her, to how good her boyfriend was to her when they met... In the end, her loving boyfriend actually cheated on her and even wanted to break up with her. He must have been seduced and so on. Mo Yan felt her head spin on hearing that.

She only wanted to focus on her tasks and work hard. She really didn’t want to be an Agony Aunt!

“Sister Mo Yan, how did you meet brother-in-law? Sister, brother-in-law treats you so well. Can you teach me how it’s done?”

Hearing Li Guoguo mention Luo Tao, Mo Yan immediately felt alarmed. She recalled what Xu Wan had said the other day.

“Your brother-in-law and I got to know each other through family introductions. There’s nothing special about us.”

Mo Yan didn’t want to mention Luo Tao in front of Li Guoguo anymore, so she kept it vague.

“Sister Mo Yan, tell me about it! You and your brother-in-law are so close. Is there a trick to it? I want to learn too. I don’t want to break up with him. I want to win him back.” Li Guoguo stared at Mo Yan to show her sincerity.

Mo Yan lowered her eyes and asked tentatively, “What do you think of Luo Tao?”

“Brother-in-law is wonderful! He is handsome, and his voice is pleasant to listen to. He also knows how to trade stocks and do translations. He is simply the ideal boyfriend!” Li Guoguo said with longing.

Mo Yan's eyes were cold. She had been willing to take care of Li Guoguo because when she had been alone, Li Guoguo stood by her side. However, did Li Guoguo think she was stupid by setting her sights on her husband?

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