"Stop it! You are an embarrassment. Just stay at the back," roared Ye Tian in fury. He hurriedly yanked Ye Ya's wife away.

Ye Ya's wife was so petrified she went pale and instantly shut up.

Then Ye Tian introduced himself as he trembled, "Secretary Ji, did you go to the wrong place? This is the Ye family, and no one here goes by Chu."

Hmm?

"Is this the wrong place?" asked Ji Yi-Hai as you turned to look at the man beside him.

This time, it was someone Ye Fan had met before.

It was none other than Lin Ping-Zhi whom he crossed paths with at 99 Steamboat Restaurant. He was there with Chen Nan.

"Ping-Zhi, check the address. Is this the wrong place?"

"It's the right place. This was the address that Mr Lei gave us. 286 Yeyang. It's right!" replied Lin Ping-Zhi with certainty as he checked his phone.

"So you're that Ji Yi-Hai that Lei San talked about? The Secretary of Jingzhou?"

Just as Lin Ping-Zhi wondered whether they were at the right place, a calm voice quietly came from the courtyard.

"How dare you? You punk! You're just a useless live-in husband! How can you call Secretary Ji by his name? Do you want to die?"

The sudden sound of his voice left everyone in horror.

And they turned in the direction of the voice and discovered it was Ye Fan.

Shen Bi-Chen was furious and scolded Ye Fan sternly right away.

Ye Tian and the others were equally shocked and scolded Ye Fan one after another.

[&]quot;How dare you?"

[&]quot;How can you use this tone on

Secretary Ji?"

"Hurry up and apologize to Secretary Ji this instant!"

"He's such a brat. He wants to get us all killed!"

"Ye Xi-Mei, look at this awful son you raised!"

Ye Ya was in shock and he scolded Ye Fan angrily too.

In the end, he was so angry that he even called his older sister's name in full.

Ye Xi-Mei was equally surprised, and her face turned pale.

After all, he was the leader of Jingzhou,

so he was an important man. How could Ye Fan make the fatal mistake of disrespecting someone like him?

"That was stupid of you, Fan. Hurry up and apologize to Secretary Ji," said Old Master Ye anxiously nonstop with a sigh.

Just as everyone reprimanded Ye Fan, Ji Yi-Hai and the others unexpectedly bowed and paid their respects to Ye Fan to everyone's shock.

"I, Ji Yi-Hai, come bearing our well wishes for the holidays."

[&]quot;I, Lin Ping-Zhi..."

[&]quot;I, Wu Zhi-Ming..."

"I, Dong Xing..."

"We wish Mr Chu a happy new year! We wish Mr and Mrs Chu good fortune in the new year! And we wish Mr Chu's mother and grandfather a long healthy life!"

Their voices echoed through the air and merged like streams.

Then their reverent voices and words converged into waves and came crashing down on the shore!

Silence.

A deathly silence fell.

The huge residence went completely quiet.

Ye Tian, Ye Ya, and Ye Xi-Lan were all astounded by the sight.

Everyone in the family was dumbfounded!

They stared as those city officials paid their respects to Ye Fan. They were so terrified that waves of shock flooded through their hearts.

"Is...is Secretary Ji here to visit him...
him? But how can that be? That's
impossible! Absolutely impossible! He
is just a live-in husband. How could men
as noble as Lin Ping-Zhi and Ji Yi-Hai
come and send their well wishes for the
new year personally?" said Ye Tian in
shock as his mind went blank.

Ye Ya and his wife looked on in

disbelief.

"How could the leader of Jingzhou wish him a happy new year? That's impossible! It can't be happening!"

"Is he fit? They are actors! They must be actors! The punk must have invited these actors," roared Ye Ya's wife indignantly.

Ye Jian's eyes were bloodshot. In his heart, he was equally resentful.

He used to despise Ye Fan, so he couldn't accept it when he realized what incomparable power and status he had.

So everyone in the family did everything they could to convince themselves that this was all fake and Ye Fan merely

hired actors to fool them.

They were convinced Ye Fan was still the same man. The boy whom the Chu family abandoned like a dog and the submissive useless live-in husband.

This was human nature.

They couldn't stand seeing someone they hated doing better than them.

They couldn't stand the sight of getting trampled on by someone they looked down on.

But could these things be avoided simply because they didn't want to see it?

Just us everyone looked on in disbelief,

a car could be heard outside the old residence.

Very quickly, the bright voice of the boy at the door pierced through the air!

"Lei Ao-Ting, the heir of Lei Group, is here!"

"Mrs Lei from Lei Group is here!"

"Mr Lei San, the head of Lei Group and the Lei family, is here!"

What?

Lei Group?

"Master...Master Lei San?"

It was yet another twist to the plot.

The town was still in shock at the arrival of Ji Yi-Hai and the others. Before they managed to recover, Master Lei San from Lei Group turned up. The news crashed into the already tumultuous ocean like a massive rock and caused yet another tsunami.

In an instant, waves of shock surged through the residence!

Ye Tian and Ye Ya were so startled that they couldn't say a word.

Ye Jian and his mother were so surprised that they almost forgot to breathe.

They stared dead straight with their pupils constricting.

Even the worldly wise Old Master Ye was so anxious that he stood up.

He trembled as his face contorted in astonishment.

"Master...Master Lei San, is...is here too?"

Just as the Ye family sat petrified, the townsfolk watching on outside instantly exploded.

"Oh my god!"

"All the leaders of Jingzhou came to visit them."

"Even Secretary Ji bowed to him."

"And now even Master Lei San is here?"

"Is there a dragon in the Ye family or something?"

Many people were exclaiming in shock.

The sound of everyone inhaling deeply could be heard.

Ever since Yeyang existed, no one had seen anything as spectacular as today.

All the important men of Jingzhou had gathered here, so everyone was undoubtedly awestruck.

"The Ye family is going to become strong and powerful one day," said someone enviously.

The main lead, Ye Fan, was surprisingly calm while everyone was flabbergasted.

The entire time, he sat with a calm look on his handsome face.

He seemed like a king smiling as he indifferently watched everything play out before him.

No matter who his guests were, not a ripple undulated through the man's heart.



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Lei San and his family's arrival swept past them like a violent storm.

The entire Ye family fell silent, and only the cold wind was audible.

A man's name was everything.

After all, Lei San's reputation preceded him.

Ji Yi-Hai was the government leader of Jingzhou, while Lei San was the leader of Jingzhou's corporate circle.

More importantly, Lei San had been in control of Jingzhou for decades, and the Lei family was a prestigious family.

Considering his background, Ji Yi-Hai couldn't compare to Lei San.

After all, Ji Yi-Hai had only been transferred to Jingzhou for less than three years.

How could he compare to Lei San in terms of reputation?

Also, Lei San was the first person Ji Yi-Hai visited when he first arrived in Jingzhou.

Since Ji Yi-Hai was new to the territory, he had to rely on Lei San a lot.

That was how reputable Lei San was.

So his arrival undoubtedly caused an explosion among the people.

Everyone in the Ye family got anxious.

Before they even had the time to consider who Lei San was visiting, everyone hurried over to welcome him anxiously as they trembled.

"Come! Let's go welcome Master Lei! Hurry up," said Ye Ya's wife as she scrambled to rush over.

Ye Tian and the others naturally hurried over too in huge strides.

Even Old Master Ye wanted to get up and go out.

"Dad, don't go. You are getting on your age, so just stay put here," said Ye Xi-Lan. She was the only person in the family who kept her cool.

After all, she moved to Jianghai after

she got married, so even though she had heard of Lei San, she wasn't as fearful as Ye Tian and Ye Ya.

Ye Xi-Mei was brimming with anxiety too. She got up and wanted to go out and receive them.

But Lu Wen-Jing pulled her back.

"Auntie Xi-Mei, you don't have to go. Since you are Fan's mother, he's the one who has to greet you first, so just stay here," chuckled Lu Wen-Jing.

"Jingjing, be careful what you say.

Master Lei is no ordinary person. How
can we expect him to greet us first?"
said Ye Xi-Mei with her face pale the
moment she heard Lu Wen-Jing.

After all, if Master Lei heard her, he might get angry.

Ye Tian and Ye Ya had already gone out to welcome him.

Even Shen Bi-Chen, Qin Feng, and the other government officials went over to ask after him one after another.

"Hello, Master Lei!"

"Master Lei, happy new year!"

"Happy new year, Master Lei!"

In an instant, all the guests turned to wish Lei San a happy new year in unison.

Their reverent voices merged and

echoed through the halls.

The sight was so grand that it seemed as though they were there to welcome a newly crowned emperor!

Ye Jian and the others looked at Lei San with their eyes burning as envy and excitement brimmed from their hearts.

Even his name alone was revered.

Lei San didn't say a word to them.

Despite this, everyone in the Ye residence scrambled over to greet him.

Who else could compare to him in Jingzhou in terms of reputation and status?

"That's what a true man is like!" sighed Ye Jian deeply.

Lei San unexpectedly turned a deaf ear to their well wishes.

Instead, he shocked Ye Tian and Ye Ya by pushing them aside and walked straight into the courtyard.

Lei San and his family halted before Ye Fan.

Then a powerful voice rang through the air.

"Mr Chu, I, Lei San, am here with my family to wish you a happy new year! In this new year, I hope your family is blessed with harmony. Also, I wish you success in your career, and may your

power spread far and wide!" said Lei San as he bowed.

Lei Ao-Ting and his mother stepped forward to give Ye Fan their well wishes for the new year.

In an instant, everyone fell silent.

Ye Tian was completely petrified.

Ye Ya's face trembled hard.

Ye Ya's wife and the others stared dead straight in shock.

"Is Master Lei here to see him too? How can that be? He is a useless abandoned son and a live-in husband. How can he deserve this respect from him?" thought Ye Tian resentfully in his heart with his

eyes bloodshot.

Even Shen Bi-Chen and the rest of their guests were astonished.

They couldn't believe that Lei San would ignore them and wish a youngster like Ye Fan a happy new year.

Did that mean out of all these people present, none of them could compare to the youth, Ye Fan?

In an instant, all eyes turned to the courtyard to look at the man who was quietly drinking tea.

Many of them were curious who on earth the young man really was.

The richest man in Jingzhou, the city

mayor, and Lei San all came to visit him for the holiday.

"Heavens! Who on earth is he?" asked Shen Bi-Chen in surprise with his face pale and body trembling.

He was terrified. After all, Shen Bi-Chen had already offended Ye Fan.

Since the damage was done, Shen Bi-Chen couldn't help feeling scared.

He asked Ye Tian deeply with a trembling voice, "County Mayor Ye, didn't you...you say he is just a live-in husband? But...but look at what's going on here..."

Shen Bi-Chen was so frightened that he couldn't talk straight.

But how could Ye Tian answer his question?

"Thank you," said Ye Fan as he nodded after Lei San wished him a good year to come, "Secretary Ji is here too. Were you the one who planned it?"

Lei San chuckled and replied, "Mr Chu, I didn't purposely divulge your address to him. Since you were in Jingzhou, he really wanted to meet you. He looked me up several times, trying to get a hold of you. In the end, I gave in."

"That's right, Mr Chu. I was the one who insisted on coming. Master Lei only gave me the address after I kept harassing him. I was the one who decided to come here, so please don't blame Master Lei," explained Ji Yi-Hai

as he walked over.

Ye Fan laughed gently and said, "It's okay. On account of Secretary Ji, I won't blame you for divulging my address. Now that you are already here, please take a seat. You must stay for lunch."

"Then what about the jade?" asked Lei San quizzically.

Ye Fan waved his hand said, "No hurry. Let's wait till everyone's here."

"Haha! Okay then! But before I sit down, I should greet your mother. Where is she?" asked Lei San again.

"She's inside the house. Go on," said Ye Fan as he pointed before him. Lei San, Ji Yi-Hai, and the others all went in.



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"Haha!"

"Madam Ye, happy new year."

"I am here with my family to wish you a happy Lunar New Year."

"You have an incredible grandson."

"Mr Chu is Jingzhou and Jiangdong's dragon."

Lei San, Ji Yi-Hai, and the others asked after Ye Fan's mother and Old Master Ye one after another.

They spoke humbly and in a respectful tone.

But Ye Xi-Mei and Old Master Ye remained dumbstruck by the presence

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of big shots like them.

They couldn't believe what they were hearing.

Old Master Ye found it unfathomable.
His unaccomplished grandson had now brought glory to the Ye family, so they were fortunate to have him.

Even Lei San praised him for being Jingzhou's dragon.

Old Master Ye went into a daze and felt his brain wasn't working right.

Ye Xi-Mei was equally taken aback.

She didn't know what else Ye Fan was hiding from her.

"You must be Mr Chu's wife, Miss Qiu Mu-Cheng, right? I heard that you are both talented and beautiful and run your own business at a young age. If you are interested about opening a branch office in Jingzhou, I can help in whatever way I can."

Ji Yi-Hai and Lei San went back into the courtyard and sat next to Ye Fan after wishing his mother and grandfather a happy new year.

It was the first time Ji Yi-Hai met Qiu Mu-Cheng, and he was left awestruck, so he praised her nonstop and invited her to expand her business into Jingzhou.

Also, it was a show of goodwill towards Ye Fan.

Qiu Mu-Cheng smiled and shook her head as she replied, "Probably not. Even a tiny county mayor has the right to speak arrogantly to my husband and even wanted to lay his hand on him. If a weak woman like myself expands my operations into Jingzhou, I probably won't be able to leave in one piece."

Qiu Mu-Cheng calmly smiled as she spoke ambiguously.

Shen Bi-Chen's heart turned cold when he heard her while he was standing nearby.

Oh no, he was done for!

Sure enough, Ji Yi-Hai frowned and asked Qiu Mu-Cheng to clarify, "Miss Qiu, what do you mean?"

Qiu Mu-Cheng replied gently, "Secretary Ji, I think you should ask the Jingzhou government leaders instead. Am I right, County Mayor Shen Bi-Chen?"

She suddenly turned her head and looked at the people before her and asked vaguely.

Hmm?

"Shen Bi-Chen? Why are you here too? What's going on? Did you provoke Mr Chu?" asked Ji Yi-Hai as he suppressed his fury. He had turned to look in the same direction Qiu Mu-Cheng did and spotted Shen Bi-Chen with his face pale.

Shen Bi-Chen almost wet his pants. He explained with a miserable look on his face, "Secretary Ji, let me explain.

"Don't bother!" said Ji Yi-Hai. He couldn't be bothered to listen and turned to speak to the man behind him, "Ping-Zhi, call the disciplinary department and take him back for investigation. Suspend him for now. If you learn of any violations, punish him mercilessly."

What?

Shen Bi-Chen instantly panicked out of guilt when he heard this, and he felt as though he had lost a piece of his soul. Then he implored, "Secretary Ji, don't do it. I didn't purposely offend Mr Chu. I didn't know you were friends with him. It

was Ye Tian's fault. He was the one who said that Mr Chu was a useless live-in husband. It's all his fault. Secretary Ji, please forgive me."

Shen Bi-Chen begged nonstop, and his tragic cries kept echoing through the air. In the end, he pushed the blame on Ye Tian.

Ye Tian's face twitched. In an instant, an ominous feeling rose in his heart.

Sure enough, Ji Yi-Hai frowned and said, "Hmm? Who is Ye Tian? Did someone else tell you to disrespect Mr Chu? That's outrageous!"

Ji Yi-Hai had already heard about how incredible Ye Fan was.

Even the Jiangdong government leader sent Ye Fan wine to congratulate him at the Feast of the Sea and Sky.

He was such an important man, but had been offended in Jingzhou by his direct subordinates no less, so it was an utter disgrace for Ji Yi-Hai.

Ji Yi-Hai was furious!

And he immediately decided to punish the culprits severely.

"Secretary Ji, Ye Tian is Yeyang's deputy county mayor," replied someone next to Ji Yi-Hai.

Ji Yi-Hai exploded when he heard this, "How dare he! He's just a deputy county mayor. How can he offend Mr Chu? From tomorrow onwards, remove him from office and investigate him. Get the disciplinary department to expedite this. Both of them have to be punished to the fullest extent if any problems are discovered."

BOOM!

Ji Yi-Hai's words landed on them like a death sentence.

Shen Bi-Chen lost all hope instantly.

Ye Tian swayed hard, and his face visibly turned pale.

Ji Yi-Hai's words meant that Ye Tian's career as a government official was over.

All his pride and achievements instantly dissipated!

He never once dreamed that he would get defeated because of the nephew whom he despised.

"And him. He's a baddie too. He keeps bullying Fan. Uncle Lei, you must help Fan punish him," said Lu Wen-Jing angrily as she suddenly ran over to point at Ye Ya's family.

Lu Wen-Jing undoubtedly witnessed everything that the Ye family did to Ye Fan.

Lu Wen-Jing knew best who treated Ye Fan well or not.

So Lu Wen-Jing pounced on the

opportunity to complain to Lei San.

Ye Ya's eyes instantly twitched. He glared angrily at her and said, "You stupid girl. What nonsense? If you keep spouting nonsense, I'm going to slap you!"

Ye Ya was dying to strangle Lu Wen-Jing.

The stupid girl was clearly trying to sabotage their family by telling Lei San about this.

But Lei San's eyes had already turned cold.

He hastily raised his head and glared at Ye Ya. Then he suppressed his fury and said in a deep voice, "And who are you

trying to slap?"

'Master Lei, I'm talking about the stupid girl and not you. Please don't misunderstand. The stupid girl was saying nonsense. I was just trying to scare her," explained Ye Ya immediately when he thought that Lei San had misunderstood him.

Instead, Lei San roared once again, "How dare you! Jingjing is like a sister to Mr Chu. How can you insult her? You sure have guts! In that case, it seems Jingzhou is too small for a bold fool like you. You will leave Jingzhou tomorrow. Of course, you can stay, but I promise that you will have a hard time here!"

HUUU!

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Lei San's words sounded like a threatening sword.

Ye Ya instantly panicked and lost all hope.

He staggered before he slumped onto the ground.

What did it mean to feel hopeless?

This was probably it.



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Ye Ya had no doubt Lei San meant what he said.

After all, the Lei family was in control of Jingzhou.

With a word, they could close down a listed company, much less Ye Ya's tiny business in the countryside.

This meant that from now on, Ye Ya would probably have no place in Jingzhou.

"No...no, don't.... Master Lei, I beg you. We have resided in Yeyang for generations. We can't leave. Master Lei, please forgive us and let us off! I'm sorry. I know I shouldn't have done it..." said Ye Ya in a panic now that things had come to this.

He slumped onto the ground and climbed towards Lei San like a dog before he hugged his legs and cried as he implored bitterly.

After all, Lei San wanted to destroy his livelihood.

He had painstakingly worked on the food factory for half his life.

All his connections were in Jingzhou.

If Ye Ya were to leave, all his efforts would go to waste.

Their family would lose everything!

Ye Ya's wife was equally terrified.

She also came over and begged Lei San

to let their family off.

"Get lost! What's the point of begging me? The person you offended is Mr Chu. Unless he allows it, even the gods can't save you!" scolded Lei San furiously before kicking their family aside.

"Mr Chu? Oh yes. We should beg...beg Mr Chu," said Ye Ya after Lei San reminded him.

Then Ye Ya hurried over to Ye Fan and begged him.

"Fan...Fan, I'm sorry. I was wrong. I was wrong to offend you. I can apologize and kowtow you," said Ye Ya fearfully as he shivered.

But Ye Fan didn't say a word and kept sitting quietly as he calmly drank tea.

Ye Ya became frantic when he saw his reaction.

He hurriedly called his wife and son over to kneel and apologize to Ye Fan.

"Are...are we really kneeling? Can't we just say it? You're his uncle. How can he be so heartless?" asked Ye Ya's wife. Despite the panic in her heart, she was reluctant to humble herself and kneel to a live-in husband like Ye Fan.

"Damn you! You stupid bitch! Stop saying this shit! If you didn't keep putting ideas in my head about how awful Fan was and forced me to sever ties with him, would we have ended up

like this?"

He was at his wit's end, but his stupid wife was still putting on airs. Ye Ya instantly flew into a rage and jumped up to slap his wife.

PAK!

It was such a resounding slap!

Ye Ya's wife cried right away.

She lay prone on the ground and didn't dare to get up again.

"And you! Kneel before your cousin!" roared Ye Ya angrily as he glared at Ye Jian.

"Dad, I won't kneel! I'm a man, so I can't

kneel to a live-in husband!" retorted Ye Jian firmly.

Ye Ya kicked him in the stomach right away when he heard this.

"You asshole. Can you stop blabbering shit? Do you want to kill me and your mother and the entire family?" asked Ye Ya so anxiously that he almost burst into tears.

Even a fool knew that his nephew wasn't as simple as he seemed by now.

Although the word 'Fan' meant ordinary, he was anything but that!

If he was an ordinary man, would Jingzhou's government leaders remove Ye Tian from office and investigate

him?

Would Lei San drive Ye Ya out of Jingzhou for his sake?

But Ye Ya didn't think that his son would be too blind to see this. He even dared to act impulsively and say disrespectful things about Ye Fan.

"No, I won't! I won't kneel! Ye Fan is an unwanted child and a useless live-in husband. He's not good enough for me to kneel and pay respects to," roared Ye Jian deeply as he gritted his teeth even when his face was covered with blood from the slap.

"I told you to kneel! I told you to bloody kneel, but you refuse?! You're going to get it from me, you little son of a bitch!"

said Ye Ya angrily.

He kept hitting Ye Jian repeatedly when he refused to kneel.

In the end, Ye Jian finally agreed to do it when he could no longer bear the pain.

"Fan, we're sorry. We will all apologize to you. I promise to stop disrespecting you and your mother from now on. Fan, can you forgive me? I beg you. Please help me to put in a good word and ask Master Lei to let us off," said Ye Ya with tears trickling down his face as he knelt and implored Ye Fan.

Ye Jian and his mother were just putting on airs moments ago. Now they knelt before Ye Fan like pathetic abandoned dogs hanging their heads sadly without

uttering a word.

But Ye Fan continued to sit and drink tea quietly.

It was as though he didn't see or hear Ye Ya's family at all.

He just kept giving them the cold shoulder.

Ye Xi-Lan was infuriated by Ye Fan's arrogance.

In an instant, Ye Xi-Lan walked out into the courtyard angrily and pulled Ye Ya and his family up.

She coldly said as she pulled them up. "Why beg him? He's a heartless ingrate. If things go south, you can come to

Jianghai with me! Jianghai is a provincial capital, so it's far better than a tiny place like Jingzhou. Any business there makes more money than here." Ye Xi-Lan sounded cold and angry.

She turned to look at Ye Fan sarcastically.

"He's just well-connected in this stupid Jingzhou. How dare he act so arrogantly? How could he ignore his biological uncle when he knelt and apologized? Is he a big shot now?" said Ye Xi-Lan loftily.

But she certainly had the right to be proud.

Her family resided in Jianghai. Since it was the provincial capital, it was

economically far better than Jingzhou.

In comparison, Jiangzhou was considered a tiny city.

So it was no surprise that Ye Xi-Lan had a sense of superiority.

"That's right. Uncle Ya, Aunt, don't beg him. He's just a useless live-in husband and doesn't deserve to accept this. Just listen to Mum and come to Jianghai with us. No matter how powerful Master Lei is, his reach doesn't go beyond this tiny place. He wouldn't dare to try anything funny in Jianghai!" said Jiang Yu-Qing as she came over to persuade Ye Ya and his family.



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Jiang Yu-Lang chimed in and said, "Uncle Ya, my little sister is right. Why are you afraid of him? At worst, just come to Jianghai with us. My father is upper management in a company. Given his connections, he can always find you a decent job. Why lower yourself and beg Ye Fan? He's just a live-in husband. How dare he put on such airs? He swaggers around as though he is the King of Jiangdong or something."

Jiang Yu-Lang and Jiang Yu-Qing couldn't stand Ye Fan's cockiness, so they stepped forward and scolded him.

After he heard what they said, only Lei San shook his head and smiled.

Followed by Ji Yi-Hai.

Then Lin Ping-Zhi and Wu Zhi-Ming smiled too.

In the end, Lei San's family and all the Jingzhou government leaders smiled.

A sense of mockery swept from their smiles.

They looked like they had heard the joke of their lives.

"Hmm? Why are all of you smiling? Was I wrong? Compared to Jianghai, isn't Jingzhou just a tiny place? Isn't a live-in husband asking to be despised?" asked Jiang Yu-Lang indignantly in an angry tone the moment he heard their sneering.

Lei San and the others didn't give a hoot

about this teenager.

Lei Ao-Ting walked over to them. He shook his head and gently laughed as he said, "You're absolutely right.

Jingzhou is a tiny place compared to Jianghai. But so what? Mr Chu has the entire Jiangdong at his feet, let alone your little Jianghai. But you did get one thing right. Mr Chu really is the King of Jiangdong!"

"Nonsense!" Ye Xi-Lan and her kids coldly laughed when they heard what Lei Ao-Ting said.

"Him? He's a live-in husband. How could he be the King of Jiangdong? You must be joking! Do you think we will believe that? If he really was the King of Jiangdong, why didn't all the other

provincial big shots come to wish him a happy Lunar New Year? Didn't his guests all come from Jingzhou in the end? No one from Jianghai, Haozhou, and Yunzhou came. Not a single one came!" sneered Ye Xi-Lan with ridicule.

She felt that they were blabbering nonsense.

After all, Ye Fan was just a lad who was barely past his twenties.

At his age, it was already inconceivable that he could be this well connected in Jingzhou.

How could he be the King of Jiangdong?

How could he?

Who were they trying to kid?

It was just bullshit!

But the boy at the door suddenly shouted brightly from the main door just as Ye Xi-Lan scoffed in her heart.

"Mr Gao Ke-Xin, CEO of Haitian Logistics from Jianghai, is here!"

"Mr Wang Kai, Chairman of Jiuzhou Insurance from Jianghai, is here!"

"The head of Wuyang Industrial from Jianghai...is here!"

Hmmm?

Jianghai?

Jiuzhou Insurance?

"Mum, isn't that Dad's company?"

"Haha!"

"It looks like they are here to wish our family a happy new year."

Jiang Yu-Lang and Jiang Yu-Qing were delighted and spoke smugly.

Their father was the head of the sales department at Jiuzhou Insurance, so when they heard about the arrival of their representatives, they subconsciously assumed they were here to wish their family a happy new year.

Although the kids didn't know better, Ye

Xi-Lan certainly did.

She was instantly stunned.

After all, her husband was a Jiuzhou Insurance manager, so they were at least related to their family.

But wasn't Tianhai Logistics the number one logistics company in Jianghai?

Wuyang Industrial was also one of the top three for the industry in the province!

Both these companies had nothing to do with Ye Xi-Lan's family.

Why would they travel miles to visit her for the holidays?

"Let's go, Mum! Our guests are here, so we should go out to receive them."

Jiang Yu-Lang and his little sister were anxious, so they failed to notice the look of shock on Ye Xi-Lan's face as they pulled her along to welcome those guests.

They looked exceptionally proud.

After all, Jianghai was a provincial capital, and a small place like Jingzhou couldn't compare to it in terms of politics and finance.

Now that guests from Jianghai were knocking on their door to wish them a happy Lunar New Year, they naturally felt proud.

Jiang Yu-Lang eagerly introduced himself to these corporate giants from Jianghai, "Hello Uncle Wang. I'm Jiang Yu-Lang. My father is Jiang Yang..."

But before Jiang Yu-Lang finished his sentence, the bodyguard shoved them aside.

"Go away. Get lost! I don't care what Jiang he is. How dare little brat like you come over!" cursed the bodyguard before he continued to lead his bosses inside.

Jiang Yu-Lang was dumbfounded. He turned to look at his mother with an upset expression on his face, "Mum, what's going on? Aren't they're here to visit us?"

Jiang Yu-Lang was on the verge of tears.

He thought it would be his turn to be in the spotlight, but he unexpectedly got kicked aside like a dog and ran off with his tail between his legs.

Jiang Yu-Lang was so embarrassed that he wanted to dig a hole and hide himself.

It was simply too embarrassing.

Ye Xi-Lan replied perplexedly, "I...I...I... don't know either."

After coming in, those men stood on both sides respectfully.

Then they bowed and said reverently,

"Welcome, Master Ao!"

"Welcome, Master Ao!"

"Welcome, Master Ao!"

Their voice surged and merged together.

Then a stern middle-aged man strode in with his head held high with his wife and daughter amid the reverent voices.

"The head of the Chen family and King of Jiangdong, Chen Ao, is here!"

What?

"The...the King of Jiangdong... Chen... Chen Ao?"

The moment Ye Xi-Lan heard these words, she felt as though she had just been struck by lightning and was stunned.

Even though Jiang Yu-Lang and Jiang Yu-Qing lived away from home, they were shocked to hear this name.

They felt as though some formidable pressure had pressed them by their throats.

Ye Xi-Lan's family were dumbstruck.

There was only one question in their hearts.

"Oh my god! Why...why is he here?"



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Of course, Ye Xi-Lan and her children weren't the only people who were dumbstruck.

Everyone in the residence were shocked to hear of Chen Ao's arrival.

"Chen Ao is the King of Jiangdong. That's the biggest name there is in Jiangdong."

"Even he is here!"

"There must be a true dragon in the Ye family."

People couldn't help sighing when they realized Chen Ao was here.

They inhaled so deeply that it was audible.

Before they recovered from the shock of Chen Ao's arrival, another car arrived outside.

The car door opened, and an old balding man got off the car with his subordinate's help.

The man was none other than Li Er from Yunzhou.

"Master Li, we're here," said Jin Bao reverently as Yin Bao closed the door behind him.

After Li Er got of the car, he stepped on the tiles and stood outside the door for a long time as he scrutinized the old residence.

A long while later, Li Er sighed, "Is this

the old Ye residence? Back in the day, I had the honor of going back to worship the Chu family's ancestors. I recall that the old Chu residence looked just like this and had a square courtyard. There were bluestone tiles and old trees everywhere, and it had an antique flavor to it. I didn't expect such an ordinary house to be home to a hero like Mr Chu. As the saying goes, we shouldn't care about a hero's background. I must say, those ancient people were spot on."

Li Er sighed before he laughed gently.

"Let's go, Jin Bao, Yin Bao. Come with me to wish Mr Chu a happy Lunar New Year!"

Li Er spoke high spiritedly before he walked through the doors of the old Ye

residence.

In an instant, the boy at the door announced more arrivals.

"Mr Hua Guo-Qing, CEO of Dongshan Industrial from Yunzhou, is here!"

"Mr Guo Huai-Min, Chairman of Nanquan Group, is here!"

"The head of the Li family of Yunzhou, Mr Li Er, is here!"

"The head of the Wang family of Haozhou, Mr Wang Jie-Xi, is here!"

"The head of the Mu family of Nanquan, Mu Qing-Xue, is here!"

It felt as though they were swept away

by a tumultuous sea.

The announcement of each guest left Ye Xi-Lan feeling as though she was repeatedly slapped on the face. All the other guests were equally stunned.

None of them had gotten over the shock of seeing Chen Ao yet, and Li Er's arrival caused another tsunami to surge in their hearts.

Ye Tian and Ye Ya couldn't stop staring in shock. Even Old Master Ye was so astonished that he almost fell off his chair.

Ye Xi-Lan and her kids stood petrified as big shots from everywhere arrived one after another. For a long time, there were stupefied while their minds went

blank.

"Chen Ao from Jianghai?"

"Li Er from Yunzhou?"

"Wang Jie-Xi from Haozhou?"

"Heavens!"

"Are all the big shots in Jiangdong here?"

All the Yeyang townsfolk went insane when they saw these prefecture-level city big shots arrive.

All the big shots from the 18 Jiangdong cities had gathered in Yeyang.

Important leaders from everywhere

were here to visit the Ye family.

"Oh my god!"

"Even dramas aren't as dramatic!"

There was a major commotion outside the Ye residence.

Guests had arrived from near and far to attend the Ye family's Lunar New Year celebrations.

The sight certainly attracted a lot of spectators.

Almost all the townsfolk came over when they heard the uproar.

The entire street outside the Ye residence was already packed.

The streets were blocked by cars while the sidewalk was full of people.

All the people out there were in utter shock.

Since they lived in a backward place, these townsfolk had probably never seen a single important man in their lives.

But now, all the influential people of Jiangdong were here, so it was no wonder that these ignorant townsfolk were going crazy.

But of course, just those luxury cars parked by the roadside were enough to make them go hysterical.

A long line of posh cars was parked

outside.

There were so many Porsches and Ferraris that Mercedes-Benzes and BMWs were considered cheap cars here.

Any one of those cars cost over a million dollars.

And all of them came with eye-catching license plate numbers like 88888 or 6666. It was simply dazzling.

For the first time, these townsfolk keenly understood the huge gulf between the upper and lower classes.

An average person and a powerful tycoon were really worlds apart.

They were completely out of their league in every way.

An ordinary man might not be able to afford such license plates, even if he used his entire life's savings, let alone luxury cars which cost more than a million.

Of course, this wasn't the most shocking thing that they learned today.

What was even more surprising was who these big shots were visiting.

"They have a dragon among them!"

"The Ye family has a dragon in their midst!"

People outside sighed in envy and the

uproar outside sounded like the rushing sea waves.

The boy standing at the door, receiving guests continued to announce the names of their guests.

A bright voice kept announcing nonstop.

"The Chairman of Fenghua Group from Fenghai is here!"

"The head of the Ma family from Nanquan, Ma Fei, is here!"

His bright voice left everyone in the Ye residence trembling.

As time went on, more and more guests arrived at their doors to wish them a

happy Lunar New Year.

In the end, all the Jiangdong elites with there.

The residence was packed with people.

Yeyang had shockingly transformed into the center of power.

There was no doubt in their minds that if someone threw a bomb into the residence, then all the rich and powerful of Jiangdong would die together.

Then there would be a major power vacuum in Jiangdong.

Jiangdong would fall into chaos because there were no leaders.

Of course, that was pure fantasy.

No one dared to stir trouble with Mr Chu around.

After all, Ye Fan had established himself as the King of Jiangdong ever since the Feast of the Sea and Sky.

The fall of the Meng family won everyone in Jiangdong over.

If Jianghai was the financial hub of Jiangdong, then the place where Ye Fan resided was considered the center of power!

Ye Fan was the ruler of Jiangdong no matter where he went.

Previously, it was Yunzhou, where the

Feast of the Sea and Sky was held, and now it was Yeyang!

After some time, the boy at the door stopped announcing new guests.

But the Ye residence was packed with guests, and there were almost no more seats.

So those guests who came to visit Ye Tian and Ye Ya automatically gave up their seats.

After all, in comparison to big shots like Lei San and Li Er, owners of animal feed and pig farms were as good as a pile of shit. There was no way they would dare to try to steal seats from them.

Everyone in the Ye residence was startled.

The star of the show, Ye Fan, was probably the only person who could keep his cool.

Regardless of Chen Ao and Li Er's arrival, the man remained calm the entire time.

He quietly drank tea unperturbed.

Ye Fan set there like a lofty and insurmountable mountain.

The rest could only flinch and retreat.

His imposing aura left others awestruck!



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"Where did these stupid kids come from?"

"Hurry up and get lost!"

"You are blocking Master Li's way!"

Jin Bao and Yin Bao gave Jiang Yu-Lang and Jiang Yu-Qing a slap each for blocking their way, just as everyone continued to stare in shock. Then they turned to Li Er and said reverently, "Master Li, this way, please. Mr Chu is inside."

"Okay," nodded Li Er. Then he strode in quickly and went towards Ye Fan.

Naturally, Li Er wasn't the only person walking over to Ye Fan.

All the other guests who were already there had stepped forward reverently and paid obeisance to the man sitting quietly in the courtyard.

"It's the Lunar New Year, so I, Chen Ao ... "

"I, Li Er..."

"I, Ma Fei..."

"I, Hua Guo-Qing..."

"...wish Mr Chu a happy new year! We hope you have a great and fruitful new year. May all your dreams come true."

All of them bowed together.

Their reverent voices merged and swept across the land like surges of waves.

Everyone in the Ye residence was stunned.

Ye Tian and the others stared in awe. Even Ye Xi-Lan had to stop showing off and was completely speechless now.

Everyone was stupefied as they stared at the sight unfolding before them.

It was inconceivable that their renowned city leaders would travel such a distance to Jingzhou just so that they could send their regards to a live-in husband.

"This...what on earth..."

Jiang Yu-Lang and Jiang Yu-Qing stammered in surprise as everyone paid their respects to Ye Fan like they were

his subjects. They felt as though Ye Fan had crushed all the pride they had in themselves all these years.

Ye Jian was still kneeling on the ground.

But his eyes were crimson as he clenched his fists tightly out of resentment while his fingernails dug deeply into his flesh.

"This won't last forever! Ye Fan, I don't care who the hell you are or what you've accomplished. One day, I will trample you beneath my feet!" said Ye Jian angrily in his heart.

But who would care about what he thought?

Another car pulled up outside the old residence.

A middle-aged man dressed in a suit strode in quickly.

"Yu-Lang, Yu-Qing, did you miss me? Haha! I was held up at the company. Sorry, I'm late," said the man as he chuckled after he entered the door.

The man before them was Jiang Yang. He was Ye Xi-Lan's husband and Jiang Yu-Lang and Jiang Yu-Qing's father.

Jiang Yang and Ye Xi-Lan made plans to spend the Lunar New Year holidays with the Ye family.

But things got busy in Jiang Yang's company towards the year end, so he

got held up.

He only finally managed to leave today and headed over from Jianghai to spend the holidays with his family at Jingzhou.

"Oho! Looks packed here. They are probably Tian and Ya's guests, right?" said Jiang Yang nonstop after he entered the door and asked after them.

But when he laid eyes on his children's swollen faces, he was instantly shocked and said, "Yu-Lang, what happened to your face? Did that Ye Fan hit you? That asshole! How dare he hit my children?"

Jiang Yang instantly exploded, and his furious voice echoed through the residence.

Although Jiang Yang wasn't around over the past few days, Ye Xi-Lan had undoubtedly told him about everything that transpired at the Ye family over the phone.

So Jiang Yang naturally knew about Ye Fan beating up Jiang Yu-Lang up badly yesterday.

Hence, the moment he saw his kids' faces, he instantly assumed Ye Fan was the culprit.

Jiang Yang had no clue that the palm prints on Jiang Yu-Lang and Jiang Yu-Qing's faces were courtesy of Jin Bao and Yin Bao.

"Jiang Yang, no, don't..." said Ye Xi-Lan worriedly as she hurried over to stop

him.

But Jiang Yang interrupted, "Xi-Lan, stay out of this. Don't worry. I will seek justice for our children. How dare he hit my kid! I'm going to break his leg!"

Jiang Yang was outraged. He had never laid a hand on his children. How could someone hit them so badly? Of course he was infuriated.

So he turned to look at the crowd as he shouted angrily, "Which one of you is Ye Fan? Get your ass over here! How dare you hit Yu-Lang! Who gave you the balls to do such a thing?" Jiang Yang's angry voice echoed through the halls of the Ye residence.

In an instant, the whole place went

quiet.

The uproar died down completely.

Everyone turned one after another to look at Jiang Yang strangely with pity in their eyes.

"Another stupid idiot is here," thought Lei Ao-Ting as he shook his head and smiled at the sight.

Ye Xi-Lan's family turned pale when they caught wind of Jiang Yang's words.

They knew that they were in trouble.

Before Ye Fan could reply, Li Er stepped forward.

He looked at Jiang Yang glumly and

said with a cold voice, "Tell me, what's your name? Where are you from? Where is your family from? How can you speak so disrespectfully to Mr Chu? It sounds to me that you have no plans to continue working in Jianghai."

Li Er's deep lofty tone made Jiang Yang even angrier.

"Are you asking who I am? Then what about you? How can you speak to me so arrogantly?" said Jiang Yang angrily. He was used to working as a manager, so other than the chairman, no one dared to use this tone of voice at him. Li Er's lofty airs made him very angry indeed.

Li Er replied coldly to Jiang Yang's question, "I'm Li Er from Yunzhou."

"Tsk! I was wondering where the hell you were from. It's just a third rate little city! I'm from the provincial capital, Jianghai, and a manager for Jiuzhou Insurance. I handle hundreds of millions worth of assets and manage a team with a hundred employees. How dare a small-town guy like you disrespect me?" said Jiang Yang as he sneered coldly.

After they learned where Jiang Yang was from, Chen Ao's face instantly turned sullen.

"Mr Chen, it seems this reckless man is from Jianghai," said Li Er as he laughed coldly.

Chen Ao's face turned ghastly pale.

Since he was in charge of Jianghai, it

was a disgrace if anyone from his territory disrespected Ye Fan.

Then he immediately said apologetically to Ye Fan, "Mr Chu, I'm sorry. I will take care of him now."



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Chen Ao apologized to Ye Fan and turned to glare at Wang Kai, who was hiding in the crowd, and said coldly, "Mr Wang, I recall you are the chairman of Jiuzhou Insurance, right?"

"I..." stammered Wang Kai as his face turned pale.

"Mr...Mr Chen, that's right," said Wang Kai anxiously. He kept cursing Jiang Yang in his heart.

Wang Kai already felt it was inappropriate when Jiang Yang blatantly spouted nonsense.

But it was too late for Wang Kai to stop him.

So he wanted to pretend he didn't know

Jiang Yang and wriggle his way out of trouble.

But it didn't cross his mind that Jiang Yang would be idiotic enough to tell them where he was from and where he worked and attempt to act tough in front of Mr Chu and Li Er.

Shit!

He was going to be in deep trouble!

Damn it!

He must have been blind to hire this idiot to work in the company!

Wang Kai howled in his heart, but the coldness radiating from Chen Ao had already left Wang Kai feeling

threatened.

"It's you? Are you really the chairman of Jiuzhou Insurance? Why did you hire someone so stupid? How could the company keep an idiot who doesn't even know how to behave? How can you be the company chairman?" roared Chen Ao furiously. Wang Kai was so petrified that he shook while a cold sweat broke on his back.

Everyone watched on while they shivered in their hearts.

Chen Ao scolded the chairman of a company like a child.

"Chen Ao certainly is the King of Jiangdong."

"Chen Ao was so imposing that only Mr Chu could surpass him, right?"

Everyone sighed.

Jiang Yang was instantly shocked to see Wang Kai present.

"Hmm? Mr Wang, what brings you here? Are you visiting relatives in Jingzhou too?" asked Jiang Yang in surprise when he saw his immediate superior.

"Relatives, my ass!" exploded Wang Kai angrily as he turned and kicked Jiang Yang to the ground.

Chen Ao had just scolded him publicly, so he took it all out on Jiang Yang.

He kicked and shouted, "You dumbass!

are you trying to kill me? How dare you offend Mr Chu? Do you have a death wish?" Wang Kai's voice was trembling and completely struck by fear.

Wang Kai said angrily, "You reckless fool! You're fired! You don't have to go back to the company from today onwards! Jiuzhou Insurance has no place for blind idiots like you!"

His words landed on Jiang Yang like a death sentence.

Jiang Yang was instantly stunned. He stared dead straight, incapable of wrapping his mind around the situation.

"But why, Mr Wang? I don't understand. I really don't get it. Why are you firing me?" asked Jiang Yang pitifully.

Wang Kai gnashed his teeth and cursed him, "Do you still have the cheek to ask? Do you have any idea who you just offended? That was the head of the Li family, Li Er, and this is the head of the Chen family, Chen Ao. The guy you want to beat up is the King of Jiangdong. He's the man whom Chen Ao, Master Li, and Master Lei serve, Mr Chu. You fool! You've caused huge trouble here!"

Wang Kai shouted on and on with a darkened expression on his face. He almost wanted to kick Jiang Yang to death.

He wanted to leave a good impression in front of Ye Fan. Instead of doing that, he probably got implicated by Jiang Yang.

"What...what? The...the King of Jiangdong, Mr Chu, whom even Master Lei bows to?" said Jiang Yang. Wang Kai's words struck him like a blade to his heart.

In an instant, Jiang Yang felt his head ringing from shock. His eyes nearly popped out of their sockets.

He couldn't believe that the unaccomplished live-in husband his wife kept talking about was shockingly the King of Jiangdong, Mr Chu!

Jiang Yang instantly lost all hope.

He staggered before stumbling to the ground.

All the Ye siblings had come to a tragic

end.

Ye Tian was removed from his position and placed under investigation, Jiang Yang was fired, and Ye Ya and his family were exiled from Jingzhou like abandoned dogs.

It was the first day of the new lunar year, and Ye Tian, Ye Ya, and Ye Xi-Lan thought their families would steal the show today at their family gathering, but fate played such a huge joke on them.

All that was left of their glory was lost, and they were pathetic.

Everything happened because they provoked a man called Ye Fan.

The cold wind gusted, causing fallen

leaves to swirl in the air.

Ye Tian and the others stood sadly in the cold wind.

Ye Fan suddenly broke his silence and shook his head and smiled.

He took a wine pot and filled three glasses of wine for himself.

He held up a glass and toasted Ye Tian, "Uncle Tian, ten years ago, I wanted to help Shin Yu-Xiang send your daughter a love note but was caught by you. You thought that I coveted your daughter's beauty. Back in the day, you called me the Chu family's unwanted son, useless, idled around and would never have any accomplishments. Even if I wasn't a Ye, I wasn't fit for your daughter. You said I

was a toad lusting for a swan. Now, I will use the very same words you told me. You are the ones who are beneath me! You are the ones who are lowly! Uncle, do you agree?"

Ye Fan laughed coldly at Ye Tian in an imposing manner as he towered over him with a wine glass in hand.

Then he tilted his head back and finished the wine as though it was all the humiliation he suffered these years!

Ye Tian's face turned pale.

Ye Fan's words left his face crimson in shame.

He didn't have the cheek to say a word.

He couldn't face Ye Fan at all.

Ye Fan smashed the glass hard after drinking the wine.

When the wine glass crashed onto the ground, Ye Tian's heart broke.

After finishing the first glass of wine, Ye Fan picked up the second glass and toasted Ye Ya and his family kneeling on the ground, "Uncle Ya, I told you I had so much power and status that all the influential people treat me with respect and bow to me. But you laughed at me for being a cocky and arrogant fool. Back then, you didn't believe a word, but do you believe it now?"

Ye Fan stood loftily with a cold smile on his face.

His eyes were proud as he looked down at Ye Ya and his family.



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Ye Ya nodded profusely and said, "We believe you, Fan. We really believe you now! I was wrong, and we are sorry."

Ye Fan smiled coldly while Ye Ya begged sadly. Then he tilted his head back and drank up proudly.

Ye Fan smashed the glass as well after he was done.

The cup smashed into smithereens on the ground.

The sharp noise left Ye Ya's wife screaming in tears as she begged nonstop, "Fan, we are sorry. We were wrong. Please let us off..."

Ye Ya and his wife were filled with regret.

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If they knew how powerful Ye Fan was, they would never have provoked him.

Ye Fan went back to the table and picked up the last glass of wine and toasted his youngest aunt, Ye Xi-Lan, and her children. "Auntie Xi-Lan, you said I was a good-for-nothing and a disgrace to the Ye family. Do you still feel the same way now? People have come from near and far to pay their respects to me. They call me the King of Jiangdong! The townsfolk call me Ye family's dragon. Auntie Xi-Lan, am I still a disgrace and a useless live-in husband?"

His resounding words crashed onto the ground powerfully like pieces of gold!

Each word cut like a sharp blade and

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stabbed Ye Xi-Lan deeply in her heart.

Ye Fan's incessant questions made Ye Xi-Lan turn pale as she trembled.

In the end, Ye Fan's roar made Ye Xi-Lan's legs go soft, and she slumped onto the ground like a dog.

She was in despair and terrified!

In the end, Ye Xi-Lan begged Ye Fan desperately with her eyes red and teary as she shook her head anxiously, "Fan, I'm sorry. I beg you to forgive us on account that we are relatives. Please forgive your uncle. Please help to put in a good word for him and don't let him get fired. Your cousins need the money for school, and we still have to pay housing and car loans. If your uncle

loses his job, how will we survive?"

Instead, Ye Fan laughed and said, "Haha, relatives? Haha, are you talking about familial ties now?"

Ye Fan tilted his head up and laughed before he finished the last glass of wine.

He swallowed all the emotion in his heart, along with this wine.

Once again, Ye Fan hurled the glass, and it broke into pieces.

The crisp sound echoed through the air and left everyone in shock.

In an instant, the world fell silent, and not a sound could be heard.

No one in the Ye residence dared to say a word.

Everyone watched the sight unfold with terror in their eyes.

After Ye Fan finished the third glass of wine, he turned to look at Ye Tian and the others and continued, "I have finished the third glass of wine! From now on, our ties are severed. Everything is over! I, Ye Fan, and my mother, Ye Xi-Mei, are no longer related to the Ye family. From now on, we will do as we please and have nothing to do with each other!"

Ye Fan's words sounded resolute.

Everyone in the Ye family felt as though they were struck by lightning. Ye Tian

was stunned, Ye Ya's eyes were wide, and Ye Xi-Lan was in disbelief.

They didn't think Ye Fan meant it when he said they were severing ties.

Ye Fan got up and looked at Old Master Ye as he sat on the main seat.

In the end, the great leader of Jiangdong, Mr Chu, knelt before Old Master Ye in front of Li Er and the rest.

"Fan, what are you doing..." said Old Master Ye at a loss. He was shocked and quickly stood up.

Ye Fan didn't budge and continued to kneel.

"I'm not a heartless man, but there is no

place for us in the Ye family. From now on, I will leave with my mother. I am sorry for being unfilial. I won't be able to stay by your side anymore. Please take care of yourself, Grandpa. I hope you live a long and healthy life!" said Ye Fan deeply with sadness surging through his heart.

Ye Fan kowtowed the old man once, twice, thrice.

He kowtowed three times for firstly because of their biological ties, secondly, for taking them in when they were in dire straits and thirdly, for protecting them.

The world fell into complete silence.

Only the wind gusted by.

"Fan, you..." said Old Master Ye. Before he knew it, he was in tears from looking at Ye Fan do this.

Old Master Ye watched from a distance with tears flowing from his eyes.

In his heart, he felt sad, helpless, and guilty.

"Fan, I didn't do enough for you both. I didn't protect you well enough and caused you to suffer so much humiliation," sighed Old Master Ye deeply with tears in his eyes.

He didn't try to make Ye Fan stay since he didn't have the cheek to do so.

Ye Fan was right. He wanted to stay, but there was no place for them at the Ye

family.

All these years, Old Master Ye witnessed all their suffering and felt sorry for them.

He was also guilty about not protecting them well enough.

For this mother and son, leaving was a relief.

After Ye Fan finished kowtowing him, he took Qiu Mu-Cheng and Ye Xi-Mei and left the old residence.

Perhaps Ye Ya and the others finally found some conscience or were fearful of his power. One after another, they kept persuading Ye Fan to stay.

"Fan, that wasn't what we meant."

"We only said it in a fit of anger. We had no intention of chasing you away."

"Fan, don't do anything impulsive."

"We are family after all. No matter what conflict we encounter, we just need to talk about it. There's no need for you to leave."

"That's right, Fan. You are our nephew, and your mother is our sister."

"Although we didn't treat you well, it was all a mistake."

"We are family. We can work everything out, so there's no need to do this."

Ye Ya and Ye Xi-Lan kept trying to persuade Ye Fan.

Ye Fan merely shook his head and smiled.

He didn't know why, but these words sounded absolutely empty to him.

"Isn't it useless to say this now? Uncle Ya, Auntie Xi-Lan, I really want to know. If I wasn't the King of Jiangdong with these leaders knocking on the door, if I was just an abandoned son and useless live-in husband, would you still ask me to stay? Would you have said all this then?" asked Ye Fan with a penetrating tone striking them at their soul.

"[..."

"We..."

Ye Ya and the others were too embarrassed to speak and eventually just lowered their heads.



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At Yeyang's village entrance.

Niu and his uncle were still standing there.

They gazed at all the traffic in Yeyang and the sky in the distance and were incapable of calming themselves.

After all, everything that happened today was simply too astonishing.

They felt as though they had never seen so many influential people in their entire lives.

The government leader of Jingzhou, along with all the local city big shots, had all gathered here today.

Luxury cars with unusual license plates

left the two of them astonished and incredibly thrilled.

But after the last car entered Yeyang, they were no longer able to stay calm.

"It looks like that was the Ye family's last guest. Niu, let's go over to and join in the fun at the old Ye residence," said the old man as he waved at his nephew.

But just as they were about to turn and leave, they had a boom in the distance behind them.

The engine rumbled while its cylinders boomed.

A low roar echoed throughout the air like the cry of a wild animal.

"Are...are there more guests?"

The uncle and nephew stood in surprise as they turned to look.

In the distance, about ten off-road battlefield vehicles came driving towards them.

The elegant cars zipped by like a green bolt of lightning as it drove by.

The aggressive car roared forcefully.

In the distance, they seemed like waves of animals surging towards them.

Niu shouted in shock when they came near enough for him to see.

"Oh my god!"

"White plates with black characters!"

"Are...are...those military plates?"

Niu and his uncle's eyes constricted in astonishment as they stared hard.

But nobody else knew what was happening at the entrance to the village.

At the old Ye residence.

No one said a word as the breeze swept by.

Ye Ya and the others hung their heads in remorse silently.

Ye Fan stopped asking them questions

when he saw them like this.

There was no sense in asking since he already knew the answer.

Ye Fan gently laughed before he turned.

The instant Ye Fan turned, piercing laughter came from behind.

After a long silence, Ye Tian had suddenly laughed.

"Haha! Fan, I know you must be happy now. I was removed from office and placed under investigation because of you. Your second uncle's company is going to close down, and it will be impossible for him to survive in Jingzhou because of you. Your youngest aunt's family has lost its

livelihood because of you too. You suffered in silence for ten years and finally executed revenge, so you must be absolutely proud of your handiwork, right?" said Ye Tian.

He seemed hysterical, and his face was sinister.

"Tian, are you insane? Just be quiet. Do you want to get all of us killed?" said Dong Mei when she saw Ye Tian talking to Ye Fan so provocatively without a hint of regret.

Dong Mei was instantly angry and anxious.

She was so worried that she yelled at Ye Tian.

But Dong Mei was incapable of stopping Ye Tian. He shoved this nosy woman aside and continued shouting at Ye Fan resentfully.

Ye Fan instantly stopped walking.

He turned to look at his proud uncle mockingly and turned to listen to him with intrigue.

He wanted to know how his oldest uncle had the cheek to remain proud now.

What did he want to say?

"Ye Fan, now that you are astonishingly successful, you must think that we are filled with regret. That we should be sorry for being too blind to realize how

powerful you were and for ill-treating and despising you back in the day. But let me tell you, you are wrong. You are deeply mistaken. I have no regret at all!"

"You are an abandoned son and a live-in husband. I looked down on you back then, and I look down on you now still. Yes, you might be powerful enough to make all the Jingzhou government leaders and Jiangdong's elites bow to you, but no matter how powerful you are, you can't beat the army!"

"No matter how impressive you are, can you be better than a general? Don't forget that my daughter, Yu-Yan, is the youngest major in history. Her master is a general who is in command of millions of troops! He's like a father to her. You can never compare to my

daughter just on this relationship alone.
Just you wait! When my daughter
returns, you will regret this day!" roared
Ye Tian angrily with his eyes bloodshot.
His words were filled with fury and
pride.

Since the armed forces symbolized strength, they meant everything to the country.

Ye Fan was well connected, but he was nothing compared to a country's strength.

In ten years, his daughter would become a general and have thousands of troops at her command and bowing to her.

Ye Fan would be no different from the

sand at his daughter's feet when that happened.

If Ye Yu-Yan was here with her troops now, Ye Fan would be no match for them and would get beaten up like a dog!

Li Er and Lei San's reputation meant nothing to the army!

There was nothing that wealth, status, and strength could do for them.

She was Ye Tian's pride and joy.

Ye Fan instantly shook his head and laughed when he heard Ye Tian.

His laugh was filled with mockery.

It felt as though he had heard the most hilarious joke on earth.

"Your daughter? A major? A general? Is that your pride and joy?" laughed Ye Fan in contempt as he looked at Ye Tian mockingly.

Then he continued, "You might not know this, but a few days ago, your precious daughter bought me dinner so that she could invite me to become her captain and lead them. Did you know what I said?"

Ye Fan paused before he went on, "I told her she isn't fit for my leadership! I'm sad to say that your pride and joy means nothing to me! Even though that girl's master is a so-called general, it means nothing to me! So what if they

are a major and a general? I am the one with the power! Even a colonel general has to call me Mr Chu respectfully when he sees me."

Ye Fan's words were domineering.

In that instant, Ye Fan's voice echoed throughout the Ye residence.



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Who the hell did this Ye Fan think he was?!

"You are an idiot for disrespecting a general! Do you think that highly of yourself?" cursed Ye Jian in his heart the moment he heard Ye Fan's words.

Ye Tian got angry. He didn't expect Ye Fan to be so bold.

"How dare you! You arrogant brat. You are nothing but a lowly live-in husband! How dare you speak so arrogantly and disrespect the general! But you probably only dare to speak ill behind their backs. If Yu-Yan and her master were here now, you wouldn't dare to do it."

"That's hilarious!" said Ye Fan as he instantly laughed. "Even if I'm standing

in front of the military chief, I would still say the same thing, let alone a general."

"Fan, stop it..."

Ye Xi-Mei and Qiu Mu-Cheng couldn't go on listening to him.

They were worried, so they immediately told Ye Fan to be careful with his words.

The general held true power in the army and wasn't someone ordinary folks like them could afford to offend.

A powerful man attracted a lot of attention and there were so many people around right now. Since Ye Fan spoke so publicly, Qiu Mu-Cheng and his mother were worried that he would get into trouble if anyone in the army

caught wind of his words.

At this instant, a resounding voice pierced through the air like thunder!

"Mr Wu Yang from the Dragon Hunting Special Troop is here!"

"Mr Tian Jun-Hui from the Dragon Hunting Special Troop is here!"

This sudden voice made everyone freeze for a moment.

Ye Tian stopped fuming and he was also rooted to the ground in shock.

"The Dragon Hunting Special Troop? Is Yu-Yan back? Haha! Dong Mei, it's our daughter! She's back to wish us a happy new year!"

It felt as though the rain finally fell after a long drought.

Ye Tian was instantly delighted to hear the news and smiled smugly.

"Haha! Did you hear that, Ye Fan? My daughter, Yu-Yan, is back with her men from the special troops. Remember what you said. You're going to die in a minute!" said Ye Tian sinisterly.

Then the boy's voice continued echoing through the air.

"Miss Ye Yu-Yan, leader of the Dragon Hunting Special Troop, is here!"

"Mr Lu Tian-He, Deputy Military Instructor of the Yanjing armed forces, is here!"

"Mr Fang Shao-Hong, Chief Military Instructor of the Yanjing armed forces, is here!"

What?

"Even the chief military instructor is here?"

"Oh my god!"

"It seems like Tian's daughter is highly favored."

"Both the military instructors came with her to visit her relatives during the holidays."

"That's impressive!"

Everyone was stunned to learn who Lu

Tian-He and Fang Shao-Hong were.

They stared wide-eyed as they exclaimed.

These instructors ought to be at least general majors, right?

How high ranking were they?

How many generals were there in the country?

There probably wasn't a single general in all of Jingzhou.

Now two of them had suddenly turned up, leaving everyone stunned.

Ye Xi-Mei and Qiu Mu-Cheng's faces turned pale.

Qiu Mu-Cheng was especially worried in her heart.

"Mum, what should we do now? Will anything happened to Ye Fan?" said Qiu Mu-Cheng worriedly to Ye Xi-Mei.

After all, Ye Fan had just spoken disrespectfully about the army.

Ye Xi-Mei's face turned as white as a sheet. She softly comforted Qiu Mu-Cheng, "Don't worry. People in power tend to be magnanimous. If we can get Fan to apologize, they probably won't make things difficult for him."

Ye Tian was crazy with joy while Ye Xi-Mei and Qiu Mu-Cheng fretted.

He straightened his clothes before he

stepped forward with his head held high to welcome them.

"Haha! The chief military instructor is here too! You punk, let's see what happens to you now for being so arrogant!" said Ye Tian proudly to Ye Fan as he walked over.

He was utterly big-headed and swaggered around because his daughter was here.

It was as though he could already envision Ye Fan begging for mercy from them.

A voice rang through the air just as Ye Tian was thinking smugly to himself.

"Mr Zhang Xiang-Chen, the Deputy

Commander of the Yanjing armed forces, is here!"

What?

The Deputy Commander, Zhang Xiang-Chen?

Damn!

Everyone was stunned.

Their eyes were huge and they couldn't stop exclaiming from the shock they felt in their hearts.

"Oh wow! Oh wow!"

"Even the Deputy Commander is here! What on earth is happening?"

"Ye Tian, your daughter is ridiculously incredible!"

"Congrats, you have groomed your daughter well!"

"The Ye family will have a general soon!"

Everyone flattered Ye Tian amid the shock.

The sound of their flattery surged nonstop.

Ye Tian felt as though he was floating in the air from listening to it and couldn't stop beaming from ear to ear.

"Haha! It's nothing. Nothing to congratulate me for. My daughter has always been talented. It's natural that

she will become a general in the future. Not everyone can compare to her future success," said Ye Tian vaguely as he chuckled proudly.

Ye Xi-Mei and Qiu Mu-Cheng were even more worried now.

Even the army's deputy commander was here, so Ye Fan must be in big trouble.

In her panic, Qiu Mu-Cheng tugged the corner of Ye Fan's clothes and said, "Ye Fan, why don't we leave before anyone notices us? Or else, you might get into trouble..."

Running was their last choice.

Qiu Mu-Cheng pulled Ye Fan to leave

without a thought.

But Ye Fan waved his hand and calmly smiled as he said, "Mu-Cheng, it's fine. Just watch."

"You..." Qiu Mu-Cheng was infuriated by Ye Fan.

He was always too proud to give in.

But if he persisted, he might end up hurting himself.

Even if he was the powerful Mr Chu, this was the national army they were talking about.

Did his unsurpassable power mean anything to these people with military power?

"Master Er, can you help me persuade him?" asked Qiu Mu-Cheng. She had no choice but to ask Li Er for help.

Li Er's face turned dark and he was somewhat hesitant in his heart.

But Li Er nodded at her request anyway. He walked up to Ye Fan and persuaded him, "Mr Chu, even if we want to fight them, we need some time to gather our men. I think it's better to hide for now."

Ye Fan instantly laughed, "Why? Sounds like you think we are going to fight the army now."

"Er, well..." said Li Er with his lips twitching, but he didn't dare reply Ye Fan.

Even he wouldn't dare to oppose the army out in the open.

But Ye Fan was from the Chu family. If he used their power, there was a slight chance for success.

However, judging from Ye Fan's words, he had no intention of fighting the army head on, so Li Er didn't know what to say.

While Li Er and the others contemplated in silence, a voice came sounding like a massive rock falling into the ocean, leaving a tumultuous sea in its wake.

"Mr Rong An, Commander of the Yanjing Armed Forces, is here!"

The entire residence suddenly fell silent.

It felt as though even the air had frozen over and time had halted.

Everyone stood petrified as they frowned and trembled.

A long while later, everyone inhaled deeply and said nonstop.

"The...the commander of the Yanjing armed forces?"

"Rong...Rong An?"

Oh my god!!

Even the commander was here!

What the hell was going on?!

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Everyone went silent.

The residence fell into a deathly silence.

The residence fell into silence with the announcement of their latest visitor.

It was so quiet, not even a pin drop could be heard.

All the guests were undoubtedly dumbstruck.

Even Old Master Ye stood up swiftly the moment he heard Rong An's name.

He stood up quickly with a look of fear in his eyes.

And the smile on Ye Tian's face froze instantly.

Ye Tian stood petrified as he looked at the men dressed in military uniform walk in with their heads held high. He was so afraid that he didn't dare to go over.

Previously, Ye Tian felt it was an honor when Lu Tian-He and Fang Shao-Hong visited.

Although Ye Tian was perplexed when the deputy commander arrived, it was undoubtedly a pleasant surprise.

He simply thought his daughter had so much potential that she was worthy of such honor.

But when the commander of Yanjing's armed forces arrived, Ye Tian felt dreadfully frightened.

After all, he was the commander!

He was the ultimate leader of Yanjing's armed forces.

And he controlled the army and the nation's defenses.

So he certainly held true power in his hands.

Even the county mayor of Jiangdong had to show Rong An respect and treat him as a VIP.

Why would a big shot like him show up in Yeyang?

Why was he here?

Was he here to wish Ye Yu-Yan a happy

Lunar New Year?

Was that possible to begin with?

Of course, it was impossible!

Ye Yu-Yan was nothing but a young lady and just the leader of a special troop. Why would the commander honor her with a visit?

But if he wasn't here because of Ye Yu-Yan, then who was he visiting?

Only Ye Yu-Yan was connected to the army in the entire family, so who else could it be?

At this thought, everyone's hearts sank at the same time.

Could it be ...?

Sure enough, Deputy Commander
Zhang Xiang-Chen walked over and
scoured the place sternly before he said
in a deep and authoritative voice,
"Which one of you is Ye Fan? The
commander is here to visit, so aren't
you coming out to welcome him?"

A stiff voice fell resoundingly onto the ground like gold bars.

His deep tone felt like a raging wind as it swept through the residence.

What?

Ye Fan again?

Everyone was stunned to hear that the

commander was here to visit Ye Fan too.

In an instant, all eyes turned to Ye Fan in unison.

But Ye Fan turned a deaf ear to Zhang Xiang-Chen's question.

"Fan, say something. Deputy
Commander Zhang is looking for you,"
persuaded Ye Xi-Mei anxiously as she
hurriedly tugged the corner of Ye Fan's
clothes.

Ye Fan laughed coldly.

"Looking for me? With this shitty attitude of his? There's no need to talk to someone as rude as him!"

What?

Ye Xi-Mei and the others were stunned.

"Watch your words, Fan."

"He's the Deputy Commander!"

Ye Xi-Mei and Qiu Mu-Cheng were undoubtedly startled by his reaction. They didn't think that their son and husband would dare speak to a deputy commander like this.

He was so rude!

Ye Fan laughed gently and said, "So what? Since they are here asking for help, they should show some sincerity. He should count himself lucky that I didn't slaughter him for this attitude of

his."

"You..." Ye Fan sounded absolutely arrogant.

Zhang Xiang-Chen went livid and fury overwhelmed his heart.

"You reckless fool!"

"You are too young to know any better!"

"How dare you disrespect the commander?"

"And you think he's here to ask you for help?"

"You're a useless live-in husband. How could you possibly make the commander ask you for help?"

Ye Tian and the others laughed sinisterly in their hearts when they caught sight of this and sneered gloatingly.

They didn't like Ye Fan to begin with. Now that he had provoked Zhang Xiang-Chen, Ye Tian and the rest were undoubtedly happy.

They could use Zhang Xiang-Chen to teach Ye Fan a lesson.

Sure enough, Zhang Xiang-Chen was infuriated about how rude Ye Fan was. He stepped forward with a cold look on his face and was about to scold Ye Fan.

"Xiang-Chen, enough," came a cold and deep voice directed at Zhang Xiang-Chen as Rong An stepped forward with

a stern and darkened expression.

"Mr Chu is right. Since we have something to ask of him, we need to be polite. You were wrong to speak rudely to him. Apologize this instant!"

What?

His words left everyone dumbfounded.

"Did he just tell the deputy commander to apologize to an unknown civilian?"

"My goodness!"

"What on earth is going on?"

Nobody could believe it.

Ye Tian stared wide-eyed in

bewilderment.

Amid everyone's shock, Zhang Xiang-Chen was filled with indignation and said resentfully, "Commander, he was the one..."

"I said, apologize to him! That's an order! Are you going to defy my order?" said the stern voice resoundingly.

Rong An's words struck the dumbstruck crowd like a thunderclap and left their ears ringing.

Rong An's imposing aura made Zhang Xiang-Chen go silent.

No matter how much he abhorred it, he lowered his prideful head to Ye Fan in the end.

The mighty deputy commander of the armed forces bowed and apologized to Ye Fan just like that, "I'm sorry! I'm really sorry, Mr Chu. Please forgive me."

Zhang Xiang-Chen gritted his teeth as he spoke and clearly felt indignant.

Ye Fan couldn't be bothered.

He even disregarded Zhang Xiang-Chen's apology entirely and gave him the cold shoulder, leaving him in an awkward position.

Ye Fan's disregard made Zhang Xiang-Chen even more embarrassed.

"Mu-Cheng, Mum, let's go," said Ye Fan gently. Then he turned to leave the residence without lingering.

Since he was unacquainted with Rong An and the others, he didn't want to stay for them.

"Fan, please wait," said a gentle voice.

Ye Yu-Yan hastily ran over to stop Ye Fan.

"Fan, I haven't wished you a happy new year and offered you a toast yet. Why are you in such a hurry to leave?" asked Ye Yu-Yan with a smile.

"Yu-Yan, what's this nonsense? How could a lowly live-in husband like him deserve a toast from someone like you?" snapped Ye Tian uncontrollably. Since his daughter was the pride of his life, he couldn't stand the sight of her talking humbly to Ye Fan.

"Dad, can you shut up? It's none of your business. You can't insult Fan! Also, I won't let you say such things about him!"



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The moment Ye Yu-Yan heard Ye Tian's words, she shouted angrily as though he had stepped on her tail.

Before Ye Yu-Yan left for the armed forces, she warned her father to treat Ye Fan better and not to provoke him.

But Yu-Yan didn't expect her father to turn a deaf ear to her words.

The commander was here to beg Ye Fan for something, yet her own father humiliated Ye Fan. Weren't his actions a slap in her face?

After Ye Yu-Yan roared at her father furiously, she turned to look apologetically at Ye Fan and continued, "Fan, sorry. My father is getting on in years and often gets confused. I hope

you don't take it to heart."

But Ye Fan knew precisely what they were up to.

Ye Fan ignored what Ye Yu-Yan said. Instead, he coldly smiled as he said, "Why beat around the bush and waste time? Didn't you suddenly come all the way here to invite me to be the captain of the martial arts special troops? Stop wasting your time. I'm not interested in being a tiny captain of those troops, so please leave."

Before Ye Yu-Yan made her point, Ye Fan cut to the chase.

He shook his head and turned her down immediately, just like he did previously.

Ye Fan was the King of Jiangdong, so he didn't care about a lowly position like the special troops' captain.

Instead, Rong An laughed when he heard what Ye Fan said.

Lu Tian-He and Fang Shao-Hong looked at each other and chuckled too.

"Oh my! Mr Chu, I think you're mistaken. How could we invite a great hero like you to be a tiny captain of the special troops? It would be a sheer waste of your talent. In reality, the commander wants to make you the chief military instructor of Yanjing's armed forces," said Lu Tian-He to Ye Fan with a smile.

Rong An nodded and added with a smile, "That's right, Mr Chu. Tian-He told

me how brilliant you are despite your young age. You certainly are the nation's pride! On behalf of Yanjing's armed forces, I sincerely invite you to join us and serve as the chief military instructor. You will be in charge of all training and be made lieutenant-general!"

Rong An's words landed like a rock landing in the ocean, leaving a tsunami in its wake.

Everyone was shocked to hear this.

"The...the chief military instructor?

"A...a lieutenant-general?"

What the hell?!

What was going on?

Could things get more unbelievable here?

Everyone was certainly stupefied by the news.

Ye Fan was barely over 20 years old and new to society.

At his age, most people would still be at university.

But Rong An and the others want him to train the armed forces and offered him the title of lieutenant-general.

"Oh my god. He's the true dragon of the Ye family!"

"It's such an honor for the Ye family that he is made lieutenant-general at such a young age."

"Old Master Ye, your family is really going to soar in status this time!"

"Haha!"

"No one would have guessed that Yeyang would have its own lieutenantgeneral."

All the people in the Ye residence went into an uproar instantly.

Everyone exploded in excitement.

Just as everyone in the family reeled in shock, the townsfolk congratulated Old Master Ye one after another.

But Ye Ya, Ye Xi-Lan, and the others went into a daze. They simply couldn't find any joy from the news.

Ye Jian, Jiang Yu-Lang, and Jiang Yu-Qing felt defeated.

They looked at the skinny and handsome young man in front of them in fear from a distance.

"Ye...Ye Fan? A...a general?"

Ye Jian's lips trembled as he stammered. His eyes were filled with sheer sadness and disappointment.

A few minutes ago, Ye Jian had just boldly sworn to surpass Ye Fan and that Ye Fan wouldn't get to tower over him forever.

But the more things they learned about Ye Fan, the more they realized how insurmountable the man was. His accomplishments and loftiness were almost unsurpassable!

He was about to become a lieutenantgeneral and leader of Jiangdong at such a young age.

Perhaps Ye Jian could never even attain half Ye Fan's accomplishments in his entire life.

"No wonder you're fearless. No wonder so many guests came to visit you. It's no surprise that you don't care about Uncle Tian, Auntie Xi-Lan, and everyone in the Ye family either. Now I know where your boldness comes from," said Ye Jian bleakly as he shook his head

and laughed.

Jiang Yu-Lang and Jiang Yu-Qing whispered among each other defeatedly.

"Ye Fan, you were right. It's impossible to talk about ice to summer bugs."

"We are truly just frogs in the well and are nothing but ants. Just you alone is enough to surpass all others!"

HUUU!

Cold wind gusted and left sand swirling in the air.

Fallen leaves fluttered, making the atmosphere miserable.

Ye Jian and the others were gripped by sadness and didn't speak for a long time.

Only the sound of Ye Tian's resentful shouting could be heard in the residence, "No! How can that be? He was abandoned by the Chu family and is now a live-in husband. How can he deserve to be a lieutenant general? You must have made a mistake, Commander Rong. You must have gotten him confused with my daughter. The one who should be made lieutenant general is my daughter and not him!"

A fierce look emerged on Ye Tian's face as he ran over to Rong An and the others and yelled like a lunatic.

Ye Yu-Yan was his greatest pride and

glory.

He couldn't wait for his daughter to become general even in his dreams.

But Ye Tian never dreamed that the one to be made general was shockingly going to be Ye Fan.

It was the nephew he despised all his life!

Ye Tian simply couldn't accept such a major plot twist.

Ye Yu-Yan ran over to pull Ye Tian back when he shouted at Rong An and the others like a madman.

She roared at Ye Tian with her eyes red, "Dad, have you had enough? Are you

about done? Why do you stubbornly refuse to accept how brilliant Fan is? Yes, I know parents want the best for their kids, but you have to accept the truth too. Dad, please! Stop making trouble for me!"

Ye Yu-Yan shouted at Ye Tian furiously with her eyes red.

She didn't expect her father to be so unreasonable.

Why hadn't Ye Tian figured it out by now?

How could he continue speaking ill and insulting Ye Fan?

Was he trying to get her in trouble?

"No...It's impossible. I can't believe it..." said Ye Tian uncontrollably and incapable of accepting reality.

PAK!

There was a crisp sound as Dong Mei walked over and slapped Ye Tian viciously across the face.

Ye Tian covered his face as he looked at his wife and daughter. For a long time, he remained stunned and speechless.



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"Yu-Yan, Mei, you...you...you..." stammered Ye Tian nonstop as he stared in disbelief.

He didn't think there would come a day when his daughter would rebuke him publicly because of Ye Fan. And now, even his own wife had slapped him.

The remnants of Ye Tian's pride were destroyed.

Ye Tian looked at Ye Fan and smiled sorrowfully.

"Hoho! Very well...You win, Ye Fan. You win...After everything I have accomplished as a government official, I ended up getting defeated by my own nephew..." said Ye Tian as he looked up at the sky and smiled. Tears trickled

from his face as he spoke.

Ye Tian recalled how high spirited and proud he was yesterday.

However, Ye Tian's circumstances had changed so radically overnight.

He was fired from his post, and his career was destroyed. Even his family treated him like an outsider.

Ye Fan had taken everything away from him.

Now, he had lost almost everything.

But no one gave a hoot about Ye Tian's desperate cries.

Ye Fan didn't even cast a glance at Ye

Tian.

Just like Ye Fan mentioned previously, all these small fries were deemed nothing to him if they weren't his biological family.

Who would give a damn about ants like them?

Even the townsfolk standing around watching as the spectacle unfolded cared more about people like Ye Fan and Rong An.

"Mr Chu, what do you think? Will you consider taking up our offer? If you have no objection, you can come by the armed forces on the 15th day of the first lunar month. I will make good on my promises then," asked Rong An with a

confident smile hanging from his stern face.

The only things that mattered in life were success and power.

Since Ye Fan was still young and ambitious, he ought to appreciate any opportunity to carve out a successful career.

Rong An was giving Ye Fan utmost power in the country by offering him the role of chief military instructor and the rank of lieutenant-general.

So he felt that no one in the world would reject such power.

Rong An and the others looked at Ye Fan while they waited for his response.

Qiu Mu-Cheng was incapable of staying calm and was overwhelmed with joy in her heart.

Ye Fan had simply surprised her so much.

First, he was King of Jiangdong. Now, he was going to be a young lieutenantgeneral.

Qiu Mu-Cheng never expected the man she despised so much in the past to become her greatest pride and joy.

Qiu Mu-Cheng suddenly felt fortunate that she hadn't given up on this marriage and relationship.

Or else, Qiu Mu-Cheng would never be able to stand by Ye Fan's side to share

his glory.

A smile appeared on the stunning girl's face as the thought crossed her mind.

Her smile was brimming with joy, relief, and her deep love for Ye Fan.

But Ye Fan finally broke his silence.

Instead, Ye Fan shook his head and smiled as he replied, "I honestly didn't expect you to offer me chief military instructor and rank of lieutenant-general. You really went all out this time. Sadly, I'll have to disappoint you. I can't accept this gift. The military life isn't for me. I'm sorry, but you'll have to find someone else for the job. Goodbye!"

Then Ye Fan turned around and left the Ye residence with Qiu Mu-Cheng, his mother and Lu Wen-Jing.

Li Er, Chen Ao, and the others naturally left with them.

They were here to visit Ye Fan to begin with

Since Ye Fan was leaving, they had no reason to linger at the residence.

A huge swarm of guests left the residence trailing behind Ye Fan.

The atmosphere went quiet suddenly.

Rong An and the others were stunned. He finally managed to speak in shock after Ye Fan had long left the house.

"Did...did he turn us down?"

Rong An's face turned green with sheer disbelief in his eyes.

They were clearly astonished by the outcome.

"Sigh! It seems the Yanjing armed forces isn't fated to have a hero like him," sighed Rong An dejectedly as he shook his head.

"It's okay. We can try again next time. Yu-Yan, please tell your cousin that the doors of Yanjing's armed forces will always remain open for him. If he ever changes his mind, I will always welcome him!" Rong An reminded Ye Yu-Yan before he left. He seemed unwilling to give up just yet.

Outside the Ye residence.

After Ye Fan left the house, he picked a restaurant and hosted a banquet for all his guests.

All of them were here to visit Ye Fan, so he had to play a good host.

After they were drunk and full, Ye Fan got to business.

"Li Er, Chen Ao, Lei San, where's the jade you helped me gather?" asked Ye Fan deeply.

Li Er immediately laughed as he replied, "Mr Chu, I was about to tell you about it. After the Feast of the Sea and Sky, all

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the powerful families in Jiangdong have responded to your request and started to gather jade. We've collected a total of 58 trucks worth of jade throughout Jiangdong and they're all parked outside Yeyang, awaiting your inspection!"

Ye Fan instantly nodded approvingly. "Good! Since the jade is here, show it to me."

Ye Fan had been waiting for the jade for a long time.

Since the success of mastering Invoke the Celestial Cloud and Operation Ablaze was hinging on them, they were quintessential to him.

So Ye Fan got Li Er and the others to

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take him to the jade after the banquet.

In no time, Ye Fan and his entourage walked out of Yeyang.

A lot of trucks were parked outside the town.

For as far as the eye could see, trucks that were filled to the brim went on forever.

The moment Ye Fan went near them, he could already sense the intense energy radiating from them.

Even though he didn't deliberately absorb the energy, every cell in his body automatically sucked it up ravenously.

[&]quot;Sure enough, the Book of Celestial

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Cloud was spot on about the energy which jade possesses. When large quantities of jade are amassed, their quality would alter. I can already sense their boundless energy surging into my body just by standing here. If I were to lock myself up and meditate, it would do wonders for my skills."



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Ye Fan's mood instantly lifted at the thought.

By now, Li Er and the others had led Ye Fan up to the trucks.

"Mr Chu, all the jade we collected is here."

"Good." Ye Fan nodded. "In that case, open the boxes and show them to me."

"Yes, Mr Chu!" replied Li Er as he nodded immediately.

Then he stepped forward and looked around before he shouted deeply, "Open them!"

Li Er's words sounded like a rock that fell into the ocean and left a tsunami in

its wake.

In an instant, all the men shouted in unison.

"Open them!"

"Open them!"

At Li Er's orders, all the truck doors opened, and the canvas was removed from them. Almost instantly, a bright dazzling light radiated from the trucks!

Sunlight bounced off the bright dazzling jade.

It was so magnificent that it could be seen miles away.

"Oh my!"

"What is that?"

"Look at how dazzling it is!"

The glittering light from the jade instantly scattered over Yeyang as the townsfolk shouted in shock.

They left their homes and came over one after another when they saw this.

Ye Xi-Lan and the others naturally saw it too from the Ye residence.

So they headed over towards the splendid dazzling light as well.

But everyone was dumbstruck when they got there.

There were countless trucks outside the

village entrance.

Each car was brimming with jade.

The jade was bright, unsullied, and beautiful.

From a distance, they could see bright light glowing resplendently from the trucks.

The jade certainly wasn't the most astounding thing in their presence.

Instead, it was the proud young man standing under the skies as all leaders paid obeisance to him!

"Li Er from the Li family of Yunzhou comes bearing ten tons of jade for Mr Chu!"

"Lei San from Jingzhou is here to present Mr Chu with ten tons of jade on behalf of the Lei family!"

"Chen Ao from Jianghai is here to present Mr Chu with ten tons of jade on behalf of Chen Group!"

"Ma Fei from Fenghai is here to give Mr Chu five tons of jade!"

"Wang Jie-Xi from Haozhou is here to present Mr Chu with seven tons of jade on behalf of the Wang family!"

Men stepped forward one after another to pay obeisance reverently as their voices rang through the air.

All the onlookers in the distance were dumbstruck.

"These things...are these all for Ye Fan?"

Ye Xi-Lan and the others were beside themselves with shock as they stared wide-eyed while tsunamis surged through their hearts.

It was all jade!

It was the first time they witnessed jade being given as gifts by the ton in all their lives.

After all, it wasn't low-quality unprocessed rough jade they were talking about here, but high-quality precious stone.

A lot of it was famous and rare firstclass jade.

As far as Ye Xi-Lan knew, a single gram of such high-end jade could be worth tens of thousands per gram.

Even if they weren't considered worldclass jade, they were still probably worth their weight in gold.

In other words, a ton of jade was worth at least a hundred million.

So by her calculation, the jade Ye Fan received today was worth at least tens of billions.

Tens of billions?

"Oh my god! How much does all this jade cost?"

Ye Xi-Lan's eyes went red. She was filled

with envy towards Ye Fan.

If someone gave them a single truck full of jade, they would become millionaires.

Ye Xi-Lan's heart burned desperately at the thought.

In the end, Ye Xi-Lan was blinded by greed and shockingly went over to Ye Fan in the hope that he might offer her jade.

Although she might have ill-treated Ye Fan, she was his aunt and Ye Xi-Mei's biological younger sister after all.

She didn't believe that Ye Fan and his mother would be that heartless to disregard all familial ties.

Perhaps if she apologized sincerely, they would forgive her.

But Li Er's bodyguard's blocked her after she took a few steps over.

"Stop right there! Who are you? Where are you going? Mr Chu and the other big bosses are having an important meeting, so no one is allowed to go over!" said Jin Bao coldly with a stiff voice and no room for negotiation.

Ye Xi-Lan instantly went mad. "How dare you? I want to see my nephew. How dare servants like you stop me?"

"What nephew? Hurry up and get lost! I have no time to play games with you!" replied Jin Bao as he rolled his eyes and scolded her impatiently.

But Ye Xi-Lan refused to cooperate and kept trying to barge in and yelled for Ye Fan.

So Jin Bao kicked Ye Xi-Lan out furiously.

"You reckless fool! Is Mr Chu someone you can demand to see? Leave now!" scolded Jin Bao coldly.

After Ye Xi-Lan got kicked onto the ground, Jiang Yu-Lang and Jiang Yu-Qing ran over anxiously to help her up.

"Mum, are you okay?" asked Jiang Yu-Lang worriedly.

Ye Xi-Lan shook her head with her face pale and replied, "Yu-Lang, Yu-Qing, I'm fine."

Ye Xi-Lan had already gotten up from the ground as she spoke.

Ye Xi-Lan came to her senses after Jin Bao kicked her

She got up slowly and looked into the distance at the young man while the men bowed to him. Then she laughed in self-ridicule after a long while, "Life is nothing but an illusion. In the past, we used to despise the boy, but now we don't even have the right to see him."

Ye Xi-Lan turned to leave defeatedly in the end.

Ye Tian and the rest of the Ye family left with her too.

They couldn't bring themselves to go on

looking.

Did Ye Fan's glory have anything to do with them?

If they went on watching, they would only end up jealous and frustrated.

After they returned to the old Ye residence, Ye Tian and Ye Ya's guests made excuses to leave one after another.

After all, anyone could see that the Ye family had offended someone important.

Ye Tian was removed from office and under investigation, Ye Ya was exiled from the city by Lei San, and even Ye Xi-Lan's husband lost his job in Jianghai.

The Ye siblings were in such dire straits.

So everyone left immediately and steered clear of them. In an effort to save themselves, they left so quickly that they didn't even bother to eat.

The bustling Ye residence instantly became empty.

Only cold wind gusted through the residence as the food and drink sat on the tables untouched.

Sometimes, life could change so swiftly.

Ye Tian and his family were all receiving guests high-spiritedly just hours ago.

Who would have guessed that everyone would avoid them like the plague when

their family fell?

Even Ye Tian's longtime friend, Qin Feng, got up to leave.



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Before leaving, Qin Feng looked at Ye Tian and shook his head as he sighed, "My friend, you did something stupid. If you didn't drive him away, the Ye family would probably become the most powerful family in Jingzhou, and you would have a smooth and spectacular political career. But... forget it. Good luck, my friend."

Qin Feng deeply sighed as he patted Ye Tian's shoulder before he turned to leave.

Only a house filled with desolation stood behind him.

The first day of the Lunar New Year was undoubtedly the Ye family's bleakest

day.

Everything that Ye Tian, Ye Ya and Ye Xi-Lan held dear to them were completely destroyed today.

Although it was the first day of Lunar New Year, and the table was laden with food, no one was in the mood to eat while the Ye family sat at the table.

The family was clearly still filled with fear over the events that transpired today.

"Tian, take my advice. Bring your siblings with you and apologize to Fan. Although he is proud, he is a sentimental child. If you apologize sincerely, you might still stand a chance to change things."

Old Master Ye couldn't bear to see how tragically his children ended up.

So he attempted to persuade them.

"Sentimental?"

Ye Tian immediately laughed when he heard what Old Master Ye said.

His voice was filled with mockery.

"Dad, if Ye Fan were sentimental at all, he wouldn't have cornered us! Didn't Ya kneel and apologize to him? He wasn't moved at all!"

"But..." Old Master Ye wanted to convince Ye Tian otherwise but was interrupted.

"Dad, stay out of this. There's no way I will apologize to him. Moreover, we don't know for sure whether Secretary Ji will really remove me from my post. I simply don't believe that Ye Fan is important enough to make them fire me with just one word. Ya, Lanlan, don't worry. I think they were just scaring us, and nothing will happen. Let's not forget there is such a thing as the law. If we haven't broken any laws, what can they do to us? I don't think a young brat like Ye Fan holds so much power in Jiangdong," said Ye Tian indignantly.

Although he knew that he couldn't afford to provoke Ye Fan, it was impossible to make him apologize.

"Tian, you're right. Maybe it was just a false alarm. I just got a call from a client

who wants to sign a contract with our factory," Ye Ya chimed in.

"Yup. Everything is going on normally for my husband too. Even the company's Lunar New Year gift has just arrived as per normal," said Ye Xi-Lan as she nodded.

"Fine. I'm too old to control you. You can do as you please. If anything bad happens, don't come begging me!"

Old Master Ye instantly blew up and left angrily when Ye Tian and the others refused to heed his advice.

Ye Tian and the others weren't too worried.

After all, Old Master Ye always had a

temper.

"Don't bother him. Just save him some food. Come everyone, let's eat before the food gets cold," said Ye Tian as he started eating.

The night went by swiftly.

Everything was normal the next day.

Ye Ya's factory continued to deliver goods and receive goods.

Neither Ye Tian nor Jiang Yang received any notification of termination from their workplaces.

Just as Ye Tian and the others thought it was all a false alarm, a car came on the third day of the Lunar New Year and

pulled up at their front door at night.

The disciplinary committee took Ye Tian away for investigation after that.

On the same night, the fire department, environmental protection agency, and many other government departments turned up to spot check Ye Ya's food factory. In the end, they were closed indefinitely because their sewage was a safety hazard.

Ye Xi-Lan's husband, Jiang Yang, received a termination letter from his company that night too.

Overnight, everything changed.

The entire Ye family instantly fell.

And it was all because they offended Ye Fan.

Ye Tian and the others were stupefied.

This slap in the face came so quickly that they were caught completely unaware!

Only now did they realize that everything Ye Fan said had come true.

Bad news always had the knack of traveling far with little effort.

Everyone in Yeyang quickly learned of the Ye family's demise.

Their neighbors couldn't help feeling sorry for them.

No one would have guessed the reputable Ye family would end up collapsing so swiftly.

Ye Tian was removed from office and was under investigation, Ye Ya's company had been shut down, and even Ye Xi-Lan's husband lost his job.

Their good days were completely over.

"And who can they blame for their predicament?"

"They asked for it."

"Fan, was such a good kid. Instead, they didn't treasure him and picked on him ever since he was a child."

"They were too snobbish and don't

deserve any pity for what befell them!"

"I just feel sorry for Old Master Ye for suffering such a tragic change at his age."

"It must be hard on him to have children like them..."

Some of them were sympathetic, while others rejoiced or gloated.

It was simply the ups and downs of life.

A few days later, another piece of shocking news reached Yeyang.

"Hey, Li. Have you heard? The nephew whom Old Master Ye's dumb kids drove away, opened a company!"

"What on earth? Are you for real? When did this happen?"

"Of course, it's for real. My son just went over to support them yesterday. Their company is called Mufan Group. Its headquarters are in Yunzhou and it's managed by his wife. He just opened a branch office in Jingzhou yesterday, and his mother will be that branch's CEO."

"The fat boy from the Shin family, Shin Yu-Xiang, is the company GM and now drives a million-dollar luxury car. Can you believe that? My son said this company is worth a few hundred billion."

"What?"

"A hundred billion dollar company?"

"His mother is now a CEO?"

"His childhood friend is the GM?"

"And his wife is the CEO of the head office?"

"Everyone is successful because of how well connected he is!"

"Oh wow, the eldest nephew of the Ye family is amazing!"

"He transformed from an unloved abandoned child into an entrepreneur who started a company now worth hundreds of billions. God, he's good!"

The more the townsfolk gossiped, the more inconceivable it sounded to them.

They didn't think that such a dragon would really exist in their tiny little Yeyang.



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"They must have suffered so much humiliation after they were abandoned by the Chu family and went home to stay with the Ye family over the past ten years."

"Ye Tian and Ye Ya kept giving them a hard time and despised them."

"I heard they never invited them both for family gatherings."

"In the end, they forced Ye Fan and his mother to leave the Ye family."

"But look what happened now?"

"Ye Fan transformed into the King of Jiangdong without anyone realizing it."

"And Ye Xi-Mei became the CEO of a

hundred billion dollar group."

"Instead, the other three Ye siblings came to a bad end."

"It's retribution!"

"They deserved it!"

"HA! Those siblings are probably green with remorse now, right? If they hadn't forced Ye Fan and his mother to leave, they might be enjoying great success now because of their nephew. He is the owner of a hundred billion dollar company and the King of Jiangdong. Even just a slight taste of success for the Ye siblings is probably enough for them to enjoy for the rest of their lives. Now, they won't get a dime! Hoho! They asked for it!"

"They shouldn't have been so heartless. They were so materialistic the even the gods couldn't stand it."

"They were fools for looking down on their own relatives. Old Master Ye did well all his life, so how did he end up with a bunch of idiotic children who chased away his beautiful and talented daughter? Poor Old Master Ye!"

All the townsfolk kept gossiping about the other three Ye siblings and kept cursing them.

Ye Ya and Ye Xi-Lan's faces went pale when they overheard the jarring gossip. They hung their heads and hurriedly walked away out of fear that someone might recognize them.

They had become a laughingstock of the town.

But the townsfolk were right. These three Ye siblings deserved this tragic end.

In reality, Ye Ya and Ye Xi-Mei were already regretful on the first day of Lunar New Year.

They heard about Ye Fan starting Mufan Group and making their older sister, Ye Xi-Mei, CEO of the Jingzhou branch office and even the incompetent Shin Yu-Xiang became GM and was given a million dollar luxury car, so Ye Ya and the others became incapable of staying calm.

Even the likes of Shin Yu-Xiang, who

wasn't even related by blood to Ye Fan, was made the general manager of the branch office. If they joined the company too, they could at least be deputy CEOs' with million dollar paychecks since they were his relatives.

At the thought, Ye Ya and Ye Xi-Lan went into deep regret.

They almost wanted to slap themselves to death!

They kept thinking about how blind they were when they failed to recognize the dragon that Ye Fan was and treated him like a nobody.

Now, it was too late for regrets.

But just regret alone was useless. The

important thing was to resolve their conflict with Ye Fan.

So Ye Xi-Lan and Ye Ya's families knelt in the Ye residence living room begging for Old Master Ye to put in a good word for them.

"Dad, I'm your biological son. You can't leave me in the lurch! Fan respects you the most in the family. If you help us put in a good word, Fan will certainly forgive us."

"He's right, Dad. Why don't you talk to Fan? Now that he has started a company, he must need employees. There is plenty of talent in the Ye family. If Fan is willing to hire us as higher management and give us a 10% to 20% stake in the business, we will help him

take care of it. I can be the CFO while my husband works as the head of HR. Ya and Jian can be head of the sales department. After Yu-Lang and Yu-Qing graduate, they are certainly good enough to become deputy CEO of the company."

"Even someone like Shin Yu-Xiang was made GM. Since we are Ye Fan's biological relatives, we aren't asking too much, right?" said Ye Xi-Lan slowly. After she learned about Mufan Group, she started making beautiful plans for the future.

Since she had nothing better to do, she could join the company as CFO and help Ye Fan manage his money and collect a million dollar annual paycheck and dividends. She could lead a high life that

way.

However, Old Master Ye's face turned livid when he heard what Ye Xi-Lan and Ye Ya said. He got so angry that he got up and kicked both of them aside.

"You animals! Are you really sorry? Or are you just trying to take advantage of Fan?"

"You want to be CFO, head of HR, and deputy CEO? Ye Xi-Lan, take a close look in the mirror. Are you even fit?!"

Old Master Ye was so furious then he trembled and wished he could kick these unfilial children to death.

He had never dreamt that his children would be so materialistic and greedy.

Other than money, they didn't care about blood ties at all.

"Get lost, all of you! Go as far as you can! I don't have rotten kids like you!"

"You humiliated Ye Fan and his mother for ten years. Then you forced them to sever ties with us! Now you dumbasses have the cheek to ask me to put in a good word for you? What have you been bloody doing?"

"I kept telling you to be kind to them. But what did you do? You looked down on them and isolated them. What happened in the end? Who else can you blame for getting your just desserts? Ye Fan won't remain a nobody for life," said Old Master Ye with his eyes red.

His sad voice kept echoing through the halls of the Ye residence.

Old Master Ye was heartbroken that Ye Fan and his mother had to leave.

Just as Qin Feng mentioned, if Ye Fan was still around, the Ye family would definitely become the most powerful family in Jingzhou with his help.

Now his stupid children had chased a dragon away.

Of course, Old Master Ye was heartbroken and furious!

Ye Xi-Lan and Ye Ya knew they were in the wrong, so they didn't rebuke when Old Master Ye reprimanded them.

Instead, they hung their heads while they knelt with their faces pale without daring to say a word.

Waves of regret kept surging through their hearts.

At Jingzhou's city center.

A luxurious building stood erect.

It used to be one of Lei Group's office buildings.

But now the company name hanging outside the door changed to 'Mufan Group'!



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"Fan, I think Mu-Cheng should run the company. I can't do it. I haven't done any business for over ten years. How can you give me such a high position from the moment I start? I don't think I can manage."

Ye Xi-Mei sat inside a luxurious office in Mufan Group's branch office dressed in a white pantsuit with her long hair done up with a phoenix hairpiece. From a distance, she looked elegant and gorgeous.

No one would have guessed that this elegant woman had lived in the countryside for ten years raising Ye Fan.

Even the most beautiful woman would age after ten years.

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Just like Ye Xi-Mei.

Many years ago, Ye Xi-Mei once helped that man open the Chinese markets and ran his business.

As the saying went, behind every successful man was a successful woman.

And Ye Xi-Mei was the woman who stood behind Ye Fan's father.

It was no exaggeration to say that Ye Xi-Mei was the one who made the Chu family and its business so powerful back in the day.

Of course, Ye Xi-Mei only worked behind the scenes, so very few people knew about her.

In the whole world, only two people knew about it.

One of them was Ye Fan, while the other was the man whom Ye Xi-Mei vowed to spend her life with.

Of course, she had also ended up counting on the wrong man.

After being out of the business circles for so long, she was startled when Ye Fan wanted to make her CEO, so she kept rejecting him.

Instead, Ye Fan smiled and shook his head as he said, "Mum, it's okay. Just take your time. Moreover, when you used to help him run the entire family's business in the country, you dealt with hundreds of millions worth of turnover

on a daily basis. I feel that it's a waste of your talent to make you a CEO of this little branch office as it is."

Qiu Mu-Cheng and Shin Yu-Xiang were instantly shocked to hear this.

"Oh my god! Did Auntie Xi-Mei use to be such a high flyer when she was young? If she took care of hundreds of millions of dollars on a daily basis, she ought to have been the deputy CEO or something, right?" exclaimed Shen Yu-Xiang in surprise.

Qiu Mu-Cheng was slightly stunned. She instantly felt that her mother-in-law wasn't as simple as she looked.

"It's all in the past now. Why talk about it?"

Ye Fan's words seemed to evoke dreadful memories in Ye Xi-Mei's mind, so she instantly became a lot less high spirited.

Ye Fan realized he had said the wrong thing, so he quickly stopped talking about it. Instead, he consoled her by saying, "Mum, you don't have to feel too stressed out. I will get Lei San to send someone and assist you."

"Okay then." Since Ye Xi-Mei was incapable of changing Ye Fan's mind, she agreed to serve as CEO.

After taking care of his mother's matters, Ye Fan left the company with Shin Yu-Xiang.

It was night time, so the air was quiet

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while the moon glowed softly.

The two of them walked side by side on the busy streets of Jingzhou under the moonlight.

Now that Ye Fan had taken care of his mother and resolved his biggest worry, his mood lifted.

"Xiang, how are things doing on your end? Have Wen-Ya's parents agreed to your marriage?" The two of them chatted as they walked.

Although Ye Fan had forcibly helped Shin Yu-Xiang to take Du Wen-Ya back at that wedding banquet, her parents refused to allow them to marry.

Shin Yu-Xiang came from the

countryside, and more importantly, he didn't have a proper job, so it was hard for them to entrust their daughter to him.

They were worried that their daughter would suffer in the future.

Ye Fan could understand their worries.

"Hoho! Fan, I was about to tell you. Wen-Ya's parents immediately caved in on our marriage the moment they found out I became GM of a multi-billion dollar company. We will be getting our marriage registered tomorrow." Shin Yu-Xiang laughed so merrily that his eyes narrowed into a slit.

"Great! Xiang, then allow me to congratulate you in advance," said Ye

Fan happily.

"What is there for you to congratulate? If you didn't keep helping me, Wen-Ya would have married someone else by now. Fan, getting to know you is the best thing that happened to me. If not for you, there wouldn't be a shred of light in my life," said Shin Yu-Xiang gratefully in a deep voice as the night wind blew gently.

Shin Yu-Xiang was genuinely grateful to Ye Fan.

After graduating for so many years, he had seen his fair share of cold-hearted and materialistic people, but Ye Fan was the only person who had treated him kindly all these years.

Ye Fan helped him win his wife over and even gave him status and glory.

Shin Yu-Xiang knew he wasn't that capable. If it were up to him alone, he wouldn't have the right to work as an assistant in the company, let alone a general manager.

At the thought of this, the corners of his eyes turned slightly red.

He suddenly raised his head and looked at Ye Fan and said resolutely, "Fan, I will work for you for life for as long as you will have me!"

HUUU!

The cold wind swept across Shin Yu-Xiang's words slowly in the night air. Ye Fan instantly shivered when he heard his words.

"Good god, what's with these mushy words! It's giving me the chills! Enough. Don't give me this nonsense. The important thing is to keep bettering yourself. I can help you for the time being, but you have to stand on your own two feet eventually. Life is too long for anyone to help you the entire way. You can only count on yourself, so work hard."

Ye Fan patted his friend's shoulder and saw him off after these encouraging words.

"Now that you have started the company and helped your friend, are we going home?"

Qiu Mu-Cheng had unknowingly walked up behind Ye Fan.

She walked over and asked him gently as the moonlight reflected off her mesmerizing eyes.

Qiu Mu-Cheng was dressed in a Korean style dress with a beige plush jacket. Her legs were long and slender, and her perfect figure looked absolutely intoxicating.

She surpassed all else in beauty the moment she appeared.

Ye Fan shook his head and replied, "I still have more things to do handle here and probably can't go back so soon.
Why don't I get Lei San to send you back by car tomorrow? Now that the

business has expanded, you will be needed in Yunzhou. From now on, your workload is probably going to increase since you are the lovely CEO of a multibillion dollar company," teased Ye Fan.

Mufan Real Estate had now become Mufan Group.

Ye Fan wanted to help Qiu Mu-Cheng expand the company.

But he was out of time now.

Operation Ablaze was about to commence, so Ye Fan had to shut himself in and start his martial arts cultivation.

After he was done cultivating, he would pay a visit to the Chu family right away

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and settle old scores.

Ye Fan had to ensure that the two most important women in his life were taken care of before he left.



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Mufan Real Estate was too small and was just a tiny pond.

After Ye Fan expanded it swiftly, it became an ocean.

A storm might be able to turn Mufan Real Estate upside down, but not if it was an ocean.

No matter what upheavals lay ahead, the ocean would still remain there.

Just like how China still stands after 5000 years of hardship!

So Ye Fan decided to expand Mufan Real Estate and changed it to Mufan Group.

This way, Mufan Group would be in a

stronger position to withstand risk.

After turning it into an ocean, even if he weren't around to protect Qiu Mu-Cheng all the time, it could still hold up against any upheaval.

For most people, it would take years to transform a tiny company into a group.

But for Ye Fan, all it took was a few words.

After he drove the richest man of Jiangdong, Zhao Wu-Ji, away, the entire Jiangdong fell into Ye Fan's pocket.

With a single order, men like Lei San and Li Er would obediently hand over their businesses so that he could give them to Mufan Group.

So most of Mufan Group's businesses were businesses that used to be in the control of Lei San and Li Er.

Or else, Mufan Group would never be able to amass so many assets and become a multi-billion dollar group in a matter of days.

Of course, there were pros and cons to this.

Although the businesses now belonged to Mufan Group, it was up to Qiu Mu-Cheng and Ye Xi-Mei to put in some effort before they could truly gain full control of them.

"What are you afraid of? I have nothing to fear with the King of Jiangdong around," said Qiu Mu-Cheng gently when

she heard Ye Fan. Her words were filled with pride and joy.

Sometimes life could get dramatic.

Qiu Mu-Cheng never dreamt that Ye Fan would one day become her pride and joy.

Instead, Qiu Mu-Cheng's words made Ye Fan emotional, and the smile on his face went dim.

He stood with his hands behind him as he looked up into the skies while an inexplicable emotion swept through his deep eyes.

"Mu-Cheng, I can't stay with you forever or turn up whenever you are in trouble. You have to rely on yourself instead. Of

course, I know you aren't prepared to handle such a large company all of a sudden. I already told Lei San to take care of you. If you need help, you can call him."

"Hmm? Fan, why are you saying this? Are you leaving?" asked Qiu Mu-Cheng instantly as she frowned. She felt as though he was saying his last words.

"Nothing, just planning ahead. If we don't plan ahead, we will get in trouble. Just like how you almost got sabotaged when I went to Yanjing for the wedding without you."

Ye Fan laughed gently and found a random excuse to calm Qiu Mu-Cheng down.

Then Ye Fan's phone suddenly rang.

He glanced at it before turning to say to Qiu Mu-Cheng, "Mu-Cheng, it's getting late. Why don't you go rest? I'll come to keep you company after I make a call."

"Okay." Qiu Mu-Cheng nodded before turning to leave.

After Qiu Mu-Cheng left, Ye Fan picked up the phone.

"Young Master, happy new year," Han's voice came through the phone.

Ye Fan shook his head and laughed. "I stand at the helm of so many people, but only you remembered to wish me a happy new year. All those other punks only care about their martial arts

cultivation and fighting. If I don't come back soon, they will probably even forget that I am their Dragon Master," said Ye Fan jokingly, making Han laugh instantly.

"Hoho, they wouldn't dare to contact you. All these years, the moment you aren't around, Owen and Carter will go around fighting. They have caused havoc throughout the western European martial arts circles. If they contacted you, they would have gotten a scolding from you."

The servant and master bantered casually.

Both of them knew that this peaceful time was about to over soon.

"Oh yes, Young Master. Has Miss Xu gotten in touch with you recently?" asked Han suddenly.

"Do you mean Lei?" Ye Fan shook his head. "Now that you mention it, the girl didn't even call me during Lunar New Year. I am going to have to tick her off the next time I see her."

The moment Han brought up Xu Lei, Ye Fan instantly realized that ever since parting ways at Yanjing, that girl hadn't called him.

"Is everything okay at Yanjing?" asked Ye Fan.

Han replied, "Everything is fine in Yanjing. Also, as per your instructions, I've already sent Tong Shan over to

protect her. But he recently told me that Miss Xu suddenly asked for your current address, and we have no idea why."

Ye Fan laughed as he said, "I'll call her in a minute. Enough chit chat. Time to get to business. The jade is here, so I will soon lock myself up and start cultivating in a few days. You have to gather all our men while I'm at it. When I am ready, we will fight. I don't want anything to get in their way of my master plan!" he spoke solemnly in a deep and serious tone.

Han instantly replied, "Don't worry,
Young Master. I have given them the
order, so everyone has already started
making their way over! I will definitely
ensure everything is in order before you
are ready! Since you will be locking

yourself up to breakthrough to greater heights, this is a very serious matter and no mistakes can be allowed. I will send a few highly skilled fighters over to stand guard while you are cultivating."

"No need. Sending people here will only draw unnecessary attention. The people from War God Castle aren't sitting around and doing nothing, you know? I will make plans on my own, so don't worry. Just do what you have to." Ye Fan refused his offer.

"Alright then, I will wish Young Master a successful journey of cultivation ahead!" Han's reverent voice came from over the phone.

The surroundings fell silent again.

Ye Fan didn't immediately leave after he finished his conversation with Han. Instead, he picked up the phone and called someone else.

Meanwhile, in Yanjing.

The city was bustling with activity because it was the Lunar New Year.

The huge city of Yanjing was brightly lit.

Lanterns hung from every corner of the street.

The bright red color adorning the ancient streets of Yanjing was most vivid!

The sound of chatting and laughter could be heard everywhere.

Meanwhile, there was complete silence in a luxurious bungalow.

The coldness in the bungalow was a stark contrast against the bustling activity outside.

Xu Lei was dressed in a long dress and sitting by herself in front of the French windows. She had curled up in the corner like a lonely cat as she looked down at the world beneath her.



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The components of the word loneliness in Chinese could be reorganized to form words like children, fruit, puppy, mosquitoes, and flies. All of it was enough to help her get through the warm spirit of Lunar New Year as kids played under the willow and puppies ran through the alley. Everyone joyfully laughed while only she remained starkly alone.

No matter how lively it was outside, it had nothing to do with her. That was what being lonely meant.

And that was how Xu Lei undoubtedly felt right now.

She looked down at the brightly lit bustling city.

The joyful commotion beneath her had nothing to do with her.

She used to use work to alleviate this loneliness of hers.

But on Chinese New Year, when everyone gathered to play with fireworks, there was a sense of abandonment in Xu Lei's heart.

Her parents had passed away a long time ago, and Xu Lei wasn't close to the rest of her family at all.

The only person whom Xu Lei thought about in the world was probably that man.

But...

Xu Lei looked down at her phone, picked it up before putting it down again.

She really wanted to call him even if she couldn't see him. Just chatting on the phone and hearing his voice was good enough.

But Xu Lei ended up not calling him.

Ye Fan was already married.

So how could she disturb his peace?

Also, Ye Fan hadn't called her in days.

Perhaps he had long forgotten about her.

She buried her face even more deeply as the thought crossed her mind. A look

of sorrow and disappointment emerged on her stunning face.

Her low spirits what in stark contrast to the lively mood everyone was in outside.

Dim light flickered in their room, bouncing off the stunning girl and casting shadows on the ground.

But just as Xu Lei fell into utter disappointment...

RIIING!

Her phone went off hastily, breaking the silence.

Xu Lei raised her head quickly when she saw Ye Fan's caller ID appearing on her

phone. She was indescribably touched, and joy quickly spread through her heart.

It felt as though all the clouds had cleared, and the sun was shining down on her.

All her previous low spirits instantly dissipated.

Xu Lei answered the phone eagerly.

"Lei, happy new year," his warm voice came through the phone.

"Humph! So you finally called. I thought you had forgotten me," said Xu Lei angrily with a tinge of resentment.

She was clearly complaining about him

for not contacting her in days.

Ye Fan quickly explained with a bitter laugh, "Lei, I was busy and forgot to call. My bad. I will apologize to you personally when I have the chance, okay?"

Ye Fan chatted with Xu Lei for a long time. They talked about the past, the future, and the things they experienced during the absence of ten years.

Of course, Xu Lei was the one who did most of the talking.

The usually cold and taciturn head of the Xu family only showed her true colors in front of Ye Fan.

It soon grew late.

The throngs of people hanging out in the streets were long gone, and the night market had closed.

Xu Lei finally realized how late it was, so she said apologetically, "Fan, I'm sorry. I talked too much. It's late. You should get some rest. Or else, you might have to kneel on the washing board."

Xu Lei chuckled particularly melodiously.

"Okay." Ye Fan laughed as he nodded.

"Lei, you should rest too. I am kind of busy this year, so I won't be able to spend more time with you. If there is a chance next year, I will visit you in Yanjing."

Ye Fan hung up.

But the look of bliss on Xu Lei's face remained evident.

Sometimes, a single phone call from a loved one could leave one in joy for days.

Then Xu Lei headed to the living room while she was in a good mood.

A plant was growing exuberantly.

On close scrutiny, a few fruits could be vaguely seen under its foliage.

Xu Lei had painstakingly cultivated this tangerine plant.

"Fan, when we were at the Chu family back in the day, you loved eating tangerines. Now I have planted one for

you. After ten years, I finally have the chance to hand it to you personally."

Xu Lei already decided to bring the fruit over to Ye Fan in Jiangdong the minute they ripened.

A long time ago, Ye Fan once plucked an apple for her while they were at the Chu family.

So she planted this tangerine for him!

Ye Fan knew nothing of Xu Lei's decision.

After hanging up the phone, he retired to the room and the night passed swiftly.

The next day, Qiu Mu-Cheng was to return to Yunzhou as planned. Lei San, Ji Yi-Hai and other influential men of Jingzhou came to see her off.

Li Er, Lei San, and some others had already gone back on the first day of the Lunar New Year.

So the ones who came to see them off were the elite of Jingzhou.

Of course, Qiu Mu-Cheng would never have enjoyed such fanfare if not for Ye Fan.

Lei San and the others were mainly here because of him.

"Miss Qiu, why don't you spend a few more days here? Why leave in such a

hurry? You can go back after I give you a tour of Jingzhou over the next few days," said Ji Yi-Hai courteously.

Qiu Mu-Cheng replied politely, "Secretary Ji, thanks for the kind offer. Maybe next time. I have too much work waiting for me in Yunzhou. Ye Fan doesn't take care of the business, so I have to go back."

Qiu Mu-Cheng even glanced at Ye Fan as she said this.

Her beautiful eyes were filled with resentment.

"Haha! Mr Chu is the envy of everyone with a wife as capable as you."

Just as they were chatting happily, a

man suddenly barged into the office.

"Stop! Who are you! How dare you barge into Mr Chu's property? Do you want to die?"

The security guard at the entrance instantly roared in fury as he ran over to apprehend the intruder.

"Let me go. I want to see Ye Fan! I won't admit defeat! I will never admit defeat!"

"Come out, Ye Fan! Come out now!"

The commotion at the entrance quickly caught their attention.

Lei San blew up and turned to scold the security guard, "Do you have no strength? Hurry up and chase the

dumbass away. Can you be held accountable for disturbing Mr Chu and his wife?"

"Yes, Master Lei. I will see to it right away," said the security guard in fear.

Ye Fan instantly laughed when he realized who it was.

Then he waved his hand and said indifferently, "It's okay. Let him in."



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