

The voice of the boy receiving guests at the door suddenly rang through the air.

"Mr Xu Wan-Qiu, CEO of Golden Era Corporation, is here!

His bright voice came like an unexpected thunderclap. The Ye family had just reverted to calmness when waves of surprise surged through once again.

What?

"Xu Wan-Qiu from the Golden Era Corporation! Oh my god! What brings him here?" said someone in the living room with his eyes nearly popping out of their sockets. He felt as though thunder had penetrated through his ears and he shuddered.

"Hmmm? Who is Xu Wan-Qiu? Is he powerful?" asked someone quizzically.

The people seated in the Ye residence were all locals, so they probably weren't even as worldly-wise as Qiu Mu-Cheng.

So when they heard Xu Wan-Qiu's name, many of them didn't know him or where he was from.

But there were plenty of people present, and some of them were bound to know.

Someone quickly replied, "You asked if he's powerful?! That goes without saying! Mr Xu is powerful and incredible! It's normal that you don't know him. After all, his nickname is more famous than his real name! I'm sure everyone has heard of Xu Si-Hai, right?"

Ye Ya's face twitched as he trembled.

His eyes nearly popped out from their sockets out of disbelief.

"Mr Niu...Niu, are...are you saying he's Xu...Xu Si-Hai?" shouted Ye Ya with his lips trembling.

After all, a man's reputation preceded him.

Xu Si-Hai's name was legendary in Jingzhou's corporate world!

By the time Ye Ya started his business, Xu Si-Hai had already been the richest man in Jingzhou for a decade. Also, he created Sihai Chamber of Commerce and was a real leader in Jingzhou's business circles.

Xu Si-Hai slowly made a name for himself because of Sihai Chamber of Commerce.

Back in the day at his prime, the only person in this city who could contest Xu Si-Hai was Lei San.

Of course, due to the emergence of online trading in recent years, Xu Si-Hai had lost his title as the number one tycoon in Jingzhou.

However, Xu Si-Hai still garnered deep respect.

Even now, only two other people in Jingzhou could contend with Xu Si-Hai in terms of wealth and power.

First was the wealthiest man in Jingzhou, followed by Lei San.

So Ye Ya was certainly excited that the third richest man in Jingzhou had come calling.

"Why would I lie? Xu Si-Hai is the president of Sihai Chamber of Commerce, who remained as the richest man in Jingzhou for over 10 years!" said Niu Ji-Li deeply in a resounding voice. He sounded both excited and in awe at the man.

Since he was an entrepreneur, he naturally admired these tycoons in business circles.

Ye Ya was thoroughly astonished by what Niu Ji-Li said.

His lips parted while his body trembled. He was so excited that his mind almost went blank.



"Oh my god! Even a legend like him has come to the Ye family to extend his well wishes for the new year!" said Ye Ya excitedly. The crowd was all curious to know whom Xu Si-Hai was visiting.

"Ya, is he your guest?" asked Old Master Ye as he looked at Ye Ya.

Ye Ya shook his head. Then he shivered while he replied fearfully, "How...how is that possible? Your son only has any reputation to speak of in Yeyang. How could I manage to invite a legend like him?"

Then Old Master Ye looked at his youngest daughter, Ye Xi-Lan, and asked, "Lanlan, is he here because of you?"

Ye Xi-Lan briefly contemplated before she shook her head and replied, "Dad, I don't think so. Although my husband is well known, most of his connections are in Jianghai. He barely knows any big shots in Jingzhou."

So all eyes turned towards Ye Tian in unison.

Old Master Ye looked over too and said, "If he isn't here to visit Ya or Lanlan, then he must be here for you."

The others nodded and chimed in to agree.

"Gosh, it looks like Deputy County Mayor Ye is about to get promoted. Or else, why would someone like Xu Si-Hai visit personally? Congratulations, Deputy County Mayor Ye!"

By elimination, everyone thought Xu Si-Hai was here to visit Ye Tian.

After all, Old Master Ye only had four children.

Since Ye Ya and Ye Xi-Lan denied it, then he must be here for Ye Tian.

And no one even stopped to consider he might be here because of Ye Xi-Mei.

She was a divorcee who ended up becoming a farmer, and her son even married into the Qiu family.

Just as Ye Xi-Lan mentioned earlier, even a fool wouldn't visit people like them during the holidays, let alone big shots like the Sihai Chamber of Commerce's president.

Dong Mei felt apprehensive when she heard everyone flattering Ye Tian.

Since he was her husband, Dong Mei knew best.

Her husband never once talked about any

likely promotion or being connected to influential men like Xu Si-Hai.

So Dong Mei couldn't help asking in panic, "Did Xu Si-Hai really come because of you?"

Ye Tian contemplated before he said hesitantly, "I guess. I went with the county mayor to have dinner with Mr Xu last year when he visited. He probably came because we bought him dinner. Moreover, who else here can have contact with someone as influential as him other than me? So he must be here to visit me. Haha! Let's go, Honey. Come with me to welcome Mr Xu."

Ye Tian at first wondered whether Xu Si-Hai was here to visit him and had doubts about it.

However, after some analysis, Ye Tian was instantly certain that Xu Si-Hai was here to see him.

Who else could Xu Si-Hai be visiting in the Ye family other than him?

So Ye Tian hurried over with his wife to welcome him excitedly.

"Mr Xu, long time no see. Welcome..." greeted Ye Tian enthusiastically as he asked after Xu Si-Hai.



But Xu Si-Hai unexpectedly brushed Ye Tian and his wife aside like dogs the moment they walked up in front of him.

"Wh-what..." stammered Ye Tian in shock as the corner of his eye twitched hard.

Why the hell did Xu Si-Hai brush them aside without a word?

Ye Tian's face was twitching madly as he felt utterly insulted in his heart.

Everyone was astonished and found his gesture unfathomable.

They quickly wondered perhaps Xu Si-Hai wasn't here to visit Ye Tian.

"Haha! Then he must be here for me. Maybe he wants to talk about a partnership because he sees potential in our food factory?" said Ye Ya with his eyes glinting instantly.

Then he happily told his wife and son to follow him and receive Xu Si-Hai.

Since they were family, they ought to put on a united front.

If Xu Si-Hai wasn't here to visit Ye Tian for the New Year holidays, then it was Ye Ya's turn

After they realized that he wasn't acquainted with Ye Tian, Ye Ya went over with his wife and son to welcome him.

"Mr Xu, sorry for not receiving you at the door. We should be the ones visiting you, considering how reputable you are. How could you have taken the trouble to come personally?" said Ye Ya as he asked after Xu Si-Hai from some distance away.

Ye Jian even called him 'Uncle Xu' nonstop ingratiatingly.

Judging from their tone of voice, Xu Si-Hai reckoned they were probably one of the Ye family members.

So he stopped and smiled as he replied, "You're too kind. I can't compare to Mr Chu in terms of reputation, so I should be the one visiting him."

Ye Ya's family were surprised by his reply once more.



Mr Chu?

Mr Chu again?

Didn't Gu Jia-Xiang say he was visiting Mr Chu too?

But what on earth was going on?

This was the old Ye residence, so how could there be anyone going by Chu here?

Ye Ya's face turned dark, but he put on a forced smile and asked politely, "Mr Xu, are you sure you are here looking for Mr Chu? But this is the Ye residence, so most of us go by Ye. How can there be anyone going by Chu here?" Ye Ya smiled as he spoke.

Everyone just looked on in confusion as they waited for what would happen next.

But no one noticed the mysterious smile on a beautiful girl's face as she sat in the living room drinking tea with her head lowered.

The stunning girl with smiling eyes was Ye Fan's wife, Qiu Mu-Cheng.

And the only person who was capable of smiling was this Queen of Jiangdong.

The rest of them might not know better, but

Qiu Mu-Cheng certainly did.

This so-called Mr Chu was none other than her husband, Ye Fan.

“He’s so awful. Everywhere he goes, he brings chaos. Would it kill him to stay out of the spotlight?” thought Qiu Mu-Cheng as she shook her head and recalled how familiar this scene appeared.

Didn’t Ye Fan do the same thing in Yunzhou, keeping everyone in the dark while he bluffed them?

Qiu Mu-Cheng was once badly deceived by Ye Fan too.

In hindsight, Qiu Mu-Cheng couldn’t blame Ye Fan for the misunderstanding.

After all, Ye Fan told Qiu Mu-Cheng countless times that he was Mr Chu, but she didn’t buy it.

If she didn’t witness it first hand at the Feast of the Sea and Sky, Qiu Mu-Cheng would never believe that the unknown and submissive man who married into the Qiu family was the renowned King of Jiangdong, Mr Chu.

“But his surname is clearly Ye, so why did he

make everyone call him Mr Chu?" wondered Qiu Mu-Cheng quizzically.

However, Qiu Mu-Cheng had no clue that Ye Fan's real surname was Chu.

Qiu Mu-Cheng smiled from inside the residence. Then Xu Si-Hai nodded and replied Ye Ya in the courtyard, "Well, he goes by Mr Ye too."

The corner of Ye Ya's eyes instantly twitched when he heard these familiar words.

He briefly went quiet before he probed, "Then are you here to see my older brother, Ye Tian?"

"Ye Tian?" replied Xu Si-Hai as he frowned, "Who's Ye Tian? I'm here to pay my respects to Mr Ye."

Despite Ye Jian's silence, he already had an ominous feeling about this.

Then he pointed into the courtyard and asked softly with his voice shaking, "Are you talking about him?"

Xu Si-Hai immediately looked in the direction he was pointing.

Then he caught sight of a skinny man sitting



inside quietly as he drank tea.

His handsome face was filled with calmness and indifference.

Xu Si-Hai was instantly overjoyed to see him. He ignored Ye Ya and his son and quickly strode towards Ye Fan.

“Oh wow, it’s been a while since we last met at the Feast of the Sea and Sky. I specially came to visit when I heard Mr Chu was in Jingzhou. On behalf of Golden Era Corporation, I wish you a happy Lunar New Year. I hope everything goes well for you in the coming year and that you will enjoy good fortune!” said Xu Si-Hai as he stepped forward and bowed to Ye Fan.

His deferential voice and bowing struck everyone like an unexpected thunderclap and exploded throughout the Ye residence.

Everyone was caught by surprise and completely dumbstruck.

No one anticipated the CEO of Golden Era Corporation and president of Sihai Chamber of Commerce to come for the sake of Ye Fan.

In an instant, the Ye residence fell into a complete silence leaving only Xu Si-Hai’s

reverent voice reverberating through the air.

But Ye Fan remained calm.

Despite the presence of such a prestigious man from the business circles, Ye Fan remained expressionless and calm.

He seemed like an emperor looking down calmly at his subjects.

He didn't invite Xu Si-Hai to have a seat or even ask after him.

Ye Fan merely replied indifferently after Xu Si-Hai paid his respects, "Were you sent by Lei San as well?"

Xu Si-Hai nodded and replied, "That's right. How would we know you were here if Master Lei didn't tell us? Master Lei is escorting the jade and will be here soon. He wanted us to come over and wish you and your relatives a happy new year first."

Ye Fan nodded before smiling to reply, "Lei San is a smart man. Enough. If you want to wish us a happy new year, go ahead. My mother, wife, and grandfather are sitting inside."

"In that case, I'll go in right away, Mr Chu," replied Xu Si-Hai respectfully before he took

the gifts and went into the residence.

Not many people were sitting in the living room.

Xu Si-Hai looked around and said to Ye Xi-Mei, "You must be Mr Ye's mother, right?"

After Ye Xi-Mei nodded, Xu Si-Hai said reverently, "I'm Xu Wan-Qiu. I'm here to wish you a happy new year. Here's a little gift for you. I hope you like it."

Xu Si-Hai looked at Ye Xi-Lan after giving the gift and continued, "You must be Mr Ye's wife, right?"

The atmosphere froze the moment Xu Si-Hai finished his sentence.

And Ye Xi-Lan's face darkened.

She never dreamt that someone would one day mistake her as her useless nephew's wife.

Jiang Yu-Lang and Jiang Yu-Qing looked uneasy. They looked at their mother before glancing at Ye Fan.

If their mother was Ye Fan's wife, wouldn't that make Ye Fan their father?



That would be simply insane!

Ye Xi-Lan suppressed the fury in her heart before she gritted her teeth and replied, "I'm his aunt!"



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