

After the sun had set, Xu Chang-Qing and his staff saw Ye Fan and his friends out from Mount Yunyang.

“Ohoho, Brother Fan, this is all thanks to you! If you weren’t this important, I don’t think I’d ever enjoy such an amazing hot spring!” said Shen Fei on the way back as he laughed merrily.

Chen Nan was also filled with great joy as she quietly followed behind Ye Fan. She looked towards that skinny figure with admiration and reverence in her eyes.

She thought that her Fan was going to take another ten years for his name to be known throughout China.

But Chen Nan was surprised to find that he didn’t need ten years at all.

At the peak of Mount Yunyang, a descendant of a powerful family in Yanjing had knelt and bowed to Ye Fan today!

“Fan is truly incredible,” thought Chen Nan admiringly in her heart.

But just when Ye Fan and the other two walked out from the scenic zone and were about to head to the carpark and drive back to Yunzhou, a beautiful figure suddenly

appeared in front of them.

Her red lips were like fire and her body was as beautiful as carved jade.

Her long black hair blew wildly in the wind.

When she appeared, Shen Fei and the rest were a little stunned.

Was that...Su Qian?

Ye Fan raised an eyebrow but didn't bother about her.

He wasn't close to Su Qian in the first place.

He only got to know her because of Qiu Mu-Cheng.

Since Mu-Cheng wasn't here, Ye Fan wasn't going to talk to her.

Besides, Ye Fan didn't have a good impression of Su Qian in the first place.

If this woman didn't always interfere, then he wouldn't have so many misunderstandings with Qiu Mu-Cheng.

So Ye Fan didn't intend to stop walking at all even after seeing Su Qian and just kept moving forward.

But Shen Fei thought Ye Fan didn't see her and quickly piped up, "Brother Fan, that lady over there is Miss Qiu's best friend right? Aren't you going to say hello?"

Ye Fan just walked on like he didn't hear anything.

He didn't even cast a glance at Su Qian as he just literally walked right past her.

"Ye Fan, stop right there!" Su Qian suddenly yelled out angrily.

She turned and glared furiously at Ye Fan.

Shen Fei was very clever when it came to things like this. When he realized that the atmosphere was getting difficult to handle, he quickly found an excuse and ran off with Chen Nan first.

"Er, Brother Fan, you guys go ahead and chat, Miss Chen and I will wait for you in the carpark. See ya!" grinned Shen Fei as he quickly made a run for it.

It was clear from Su Qian's voice that she was furious and things were going to get ugly.

Shen Fei couldn't help but wonder if his Brother Fan had done something to

disappoint his wife.

But as an outsider, it was better for them to make themselves scarce since it was their private issue.

Chen Nan was a more simple minded girl and didn't think too much of it. But Shen Fei dragged her away all the same.

Only Ye Fan and Su Qian were left.

The high mountains stood behind them.

The long mountain road stood before them.

Ye Fan continued standing with his back facing her and had no expression on his face. The two did not speak for a while.

When nothing else happened, Ye Fan decided to walk away.

He didn't have so much time to waste on her.

"Ye Fan, aren't you going to explain what happened today to me?" Su Qian's voice rang out just as Ye Fan was about to walk off.

"Explain?" Ye Fan was amused and asked her in return, "Explain what? What's there to



explain?"

"Enough!" Ye Fan's flippant tone of voice had clearly infuriated Su Qian. "Ye Fan, are you going to continue pretending to be clueless?"

"You know very well what I'm asking you about! You're just a pauper from the countryside. You're from a poor family and you don't have any background. You've got quite a bit of strength but that's about it. You're already 30 but you don't have any accomplishments. In the end, you didn't have anywhere to go and you ended up marrying into your wife's family. You have no family, no background and no accomplishments, so you should have been eliminated by this society. But now?"

"On Mu-Cheng's birthday, you came sailing down from the sky and filled the city with flowers! At the top of Mount Yunding, my father and Ma Ming-Bo couldn't enter the estate at the peak, but you can go in and out as you please! Today, Xu Chang-Qing bashed up Ma Ming-Bo and cleared the entire venue just for your sake."

"At Haiyuan restaurant, Teng Ah-Long knelt down before you to beg for mercy! At the office, Wang Shun-Tian was so respectful towards you! Don't you think you owe me an

explanation for all these abnormalities?”

Su Qian's words went on and on. Every sentence sounded like the clattering of gold and rocks falling to the floor and demanded a response.

Her pretty eyes looked like they were spewing fire and lasers.

She shot two beams out as she stared straight at Ye Fan, as if she was going to bore a hole through him.

Ye Fan just burst out laughing after hearing all this.

It was as if he had heard the greatest joke on earth.

That laughter was loud and bright, but it also carried anger and coldness.

“Explain to you? Su Qian, Su Qian, don't you think you're stepping over the line here? You're not my parents, my sister nor my woman. What right do you have and who do you think you are to come here and question me? Do you think you have the right to demand for an explanation from me?”

Ye Fan scoffed as he turned around and asked another question arrogantly, “Besides,

even if I did explain things to you, would you believe me?"

"Say it!" shouted Su Qian angrily through clenched teeth with a pale face.

Ye Fan shook his head and laughed quietly.

"Fine. In that case, I'll tell you!"

"I, Ye Fan, am Mr Chu. At Mount Tai, I turned the tides and killed Wu He-Rong with one finger! At Yanqi Lake, I displayed my prowess and trampled all of Yanjing underfoot! I killed the Boxing King, Huo Dun! I chased away the richest man of Jiangdong, Zhao Wu-Ji!"

"Li Er gives me great honor like I'm his father, Chen Ao reveres me like I'm his god. I have control over all of Jiangdong and every powerful person acknowledges me as their leader! I have shaken up all of Yanjing, so the Xu family are as afraid of me as mice are afraid of a cat!"

"On top of that, I, Ye Fan, am the ultimate Dragon Master! The four great Dragon Gods bow to me as their leader, while the six Dragons listen to everything I say. One word from me can make a nation surrender. One finger of mine can make blood flow for the next thousand meters! My capabilities are



unrivaled and impossible to match.”

Ye Fan stood with his hands behind his back.

He had a proud look in his eyes and laughed heartily.

His authoritative voice was like the rolling thunder as it struck the earth.

But before Ye Fan was done speaking, Su Qian roared angrily to cut him off.

“ENOUGH! Ye Fan, is this very fun to you? Before this, you tried to fool Mu-Cheng. And now, you’re trying to fool me? Is it fun to brag to everyone?”



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“Do you know how angry Mu-Cheng is about this? Do you know that Mu-Cheng left crying just now? It’s all because you’re ignorant and audacious, and all because you don’t know what’s good for you at all! You’re already so lucky to have married Mu-Cheng and instead of cherishing her, you’re hurting her so badly! Do you know that this self-centeredness of yours will get Mu-Cheng killed one of these days?!” spat Su Qian furiously at Ye Fan as her blood boiled within her.

“Ye Fan, wake up from your stupor! We’re all intelligent enough for this. If you rely on the favors and grace of others, you might gain a moment of glory. But have you thought about what happens after that? You’re just a pauper from the village, so how are you going to return the favor to all these big shots like Shen Fei and Xu Lei? With your pathetic penniless self?” Su Qian continued to rant on angrily as her eyes were both bloodshot.

Su Qian had seen how much Qiu Mu-Cheng had suffered over the past few days.

She had also witnessed how ignorant and audacious Ye Fan was.

There were some things that Qiu Mu-Cheng couldn’t bring herself to say, so her best friend was going to do it on her behalf!

“Ye Fan, do you know that Japan has a type of beef known as Kobe beef? The cattle are bathed in the best water, they listen to the best music and they even get massages. They get the best sort of treatment in the world, but in the end? They’re all slaughtered to become delicious food for the rich.”

“Don’t you think that sounds a lot like you? You’re like the stupid cattle that’s being reared! They’ve mesmerized you with all these seemingly gentle traps, but one day they’ll reveal their teeth and fangs! If you don’t repent now and keep on doing this, you’ll end up dead someday!”

Su Qian’s angry and upset voice continued to echo.

But Ye Fan just remained calm throughout.

Su Qian’s furious ranting didn’t seem to raise any emotion in Ye Fan’s heart at all.

He stood there without any emotion as he looked coldly at Su Qian and his distant voice rang out, “I told you before that you don’t understand me at all, and you definitely have no idea about what I’m capable of. You’re too shortsighted and you think you’ve seen everything, but it is merely the tip of the iceberg. It’s too difficult to explain the sea to a frog in the well and impossible to talk

about ice to the bugs in summer. How would an ignorant woman like you truly comprehend my world?"

Ye Fan's words resounded loudly and each sentence was like a knife that stabbed right into Su Qian's heart.

Su Qian's eyes immediately turned red from being too angry.

She couldn't believe that after saying so much, she didn't get a single word into Ye Fan's head and he continued to speak so unabashedly.

In her anger, Su Qian finally exploded.

Tears rolled down her cheek as she roared furiously at Ye Fan, "Ye Fan, you're really beyond saving! You're an asshole! How dare you call me a frog in the well! How dare you say I'm a bug in summer! You're a country bumpkin, a useless live-in son-in-law! How dare you look down on me!"

"Did you think I really wanted to bother about you at all? If Mu-Cheng weren't my best friend, I wouldn't care even if you died! You don't know what's good for you at all! You're an asshole who isn't worthy of Mu-Cheng! It's Mu-Cheng's greatest misfortune to have married you!"



“And you say you’re Mr Chu? How dare you say you’re Mr Chu? Do you think you’re worthy?!” bellowed Su Qian angrily.

There were actually tears on her face.

She wasn’t sure why she was crying.

Was it because Ye Fan seemed so foolish to her? Or because Ye Fan insulted her? Or because she felt bad for her best friend?

But of course, none of this was important.

Su Qian only felt utter disgust for Ye Fan now.

She didn’t want to see this idiot for even a second longer.

After she was done yelling at him, Su Qian turned and ran off.

The place was left with nothing but the echo of Su Qian’s rage and the howling of the biting wind.

Ye Fan stood there silently for a long time as he watched Su Qian disappear into the distance. He just shook his head and snorted.

He had guessed that this would happen.

He knew that even when he spoke the truth, nobody would believe him.

Even his own wife didn't believe him, what more Su Qian?

To them, he was just a country bumpkin, a useless piece of a trash and a cowardly man who lived off his wife.

No matter how much he achieved, all of this looked like grace given by others to him.

"But on New Years' Day, you will see and hear for yourselves. I'll see what you say after that."

Ye Fan's eyes were cold as he clenched his fists.

After that, he also left and returned to Yunzhou to wait for New Year's Day to arrive.

Too many people in this world were blinded.

They thought that what they could see was everything.

And they even believed in it with all their heart.

Unless they saw it for themselves, they would always deny his achievements.

That night, Ye Fan drove back to the bungalow in the east of Yunzhou.

Qiu Mu-Cheng didn't come home that night either.

She had probably either returned to her parents' place or she'd gone to Su Qian's place.

Ye Fan wasn't surprised.

He knew her only too well.

She was a prideful and stubborn woman, and would never give in as long as she felt that she was in the right. If Ye Fan didn't take the initiative to apologize to her, she would continue her cold war with Ye Fan.

But Ye Fan didn't bother trying to explain himself.

After all, explaining didn't help matters.

There were some truths that were impossible to put in words.

They had to witness it for themselves to understand what the truth really was and how blinded they had been.

The day passed quickly.



The next day, the morning sun rose. The last day of December was finally here.

While many others in the country were busy preparing to celebrate the coming of a new year, the members of Jiangdong's high society couldn't sit still anymore.

In Yunzhou, many first and second tier families like the Su family were trying their best to use all the connections they had in order to secure a seat at the Feast of the Sea and Sky that was happening the next day.

After all, the feast wasn't just any gathering, but it was a gathering of the *crème de la crème* of Jiangdong.

This was an honor as well as a rare opportunity.

Those families that weren't powerful enough to be invited were now cracking their heads over how they could earn a seat at the feast.

At the same time, an international flight landed at Jianghai International Airport.

Li Er had finally returned to Jiangdong on the night of 31 December.

It was less than 12 hours away from the

feast.

“Master Er, welcome home!”

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A few dozen big shots were standing in two neat rows outside the airport to welcome Li Er back.

The welcoming shouts reverberated through the sky.

All the passengers in the vicinity looked over.

They looked at how that one man was revered by all and treated with utmost respect, and they were filled with admiration.

That was how a man should be!

Li Er was expressionless and just nodded as he grunted in response.

After that, he looked at everyone and said very seriously, “Everyone, give out these instructions: Tomorrow, Haiyuan Restaurant next to Yunwu Lake, will be hosting the Feast of the Sea and Sky. Mr Chu will be attending this banquet personally. Every important person in Jiangdong must attend this feast and pay their respects to Mr Chu.

Anyone who is absent will be considered disrespectful to Mr Chu and there will be no place for such a person in Jiangdong!”

BOOM...

The cold wind blew through the land.

Storm clouds gathered high above as undercurrents continued to surge.



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