

## NH

“Aren’t they letting us in?” Cheng Fan’s expression turned dark. He had no idea what the security meant.

What did he mean when he said that all these other cars could wait for their turn?

But they didn’t have the right to even enter?

“Jiang Ning must be insane!” he couldn't help cursing. “Mr Mo, let me go down and take a look.”

Mo Bei nodded in displeasure.

His purpose in coming today was to offer Jiang Ning a chance, because otherwise Lin Group would face trouble even if they wanted to back out. If no one was willing to take over their mines, then Lin Group could only hang on to them desperately. Just the cost of operation alone would drag them under.

By that time, Lin Group would be stretched too thin even to pay their laborers’ any salary. Even if they had money to burn, it would hurt to do it.

He wanted to offer him an opportunity, but he didn’t treasure it.

Mo Bei sat in the car arrogantly as he wound the car window back up.

After Cheng Fan got out of the car, he went straight to the entrance with a haughty look on his face.

“Let us in. Or else if your boss blames you, you



## NH

won't be able to shoulder the consequences," said Cheng Fan casually to the security guard with a glance and proceeded to ignore him after that.

But that security guard had his horizons widened after seeing so many big shots coming to the mine entrance. Each one of them politely queued, offered cigarettes and even called him big brother. How dare this guy here threaten him?

"No one's bloody letting you in!" said the security guard rudely. "You have to wait at the door!"

The higher-ups gave clear instructions for the cars from the north to go in first while the ones from Shenghai had to wait by the side. He was already being kind by not chasing this local car away.

And this local guy was threatening him now?

Did he really think that security guards were nobodies? Didn't this guy check who these security guards worked for first?

When he heard the security guard's words, Cheng Fan turned and asked, "What did you just say?"

"I said you have to wait outside the door!"

This security guard had probably never stood up for himself like this before. He went straight to the point, "If you don't want to enter, just leave. No one's keeping you here!"

Mr Jiang gave instructions that Lin Group employees couldn't get pushed around. If they did



NH

their job and didn't commit any mistakes, then Lin Group would defend them all the way.

"Say that one more time!"

Cheng Fan was annoyed.

How dare a security guard talk to him like this?

SWOOSH!

SWOOSH!

SWOOSH!

But before Cheng Fan managed to go over, many security guards came swarming out. When they caught sight of someone stirring trouble, they didn't play nice and just charged out of the security guard post with their security forks and electric batons. They terrified Cheng Fan so much that he retreated several steps.

Cheng Fan didn't expect these security guards to be so bold.

And he didn't expect to be barred outside the gate either.

"Don't you know where you are?"

The security guard had his hands on his hips when he pointed to the two words 'Lin Group' on the eighth mining zone's signboard. "This is Lin Group and Mr Jiang's mining zone. It's no place for you to fool around!"

## NH

Cheng Fan never got scolded by a security guard like this before. His face instantly flushed crimson.

He was dying to run up and slap the security guard. But there were more than a dozen security guards standing there, so he was certain that if he charged over, he would be the one who ended up falling.

Jiang Ning must be mad!

Lin Group must be mad!

“Mr Mo.”

Cheng Fan walked up to the car window, and Mo Bei wound it down. “This asshole won’t let us in. He’s too arrogant!”

“Lin Group is on the brink of dying, yet they continue to pretend like they’re fine. It seems like they don’t want to take you up on your offer.” Cheng Fan’s voice still sounded provocative.

“Tsk, what’s the point in getting angry with people who don’t know better?”

Mo Bei glanced at the security guard in contempt. He never had any regard for such low level workers. “What would they know?”

He opened the car door and stepped out.



## NH

“Since we are not allowed to drive in, then we will walk in. Don't worry. In a moment, you will be begging us to drive our car in,” said Mo Bei calmly.

He acted as though everything was well within his control. Then he walked up to the entrance to provide the details the security guard asked for. By then, he could almost visualize Jiang Ning kneeling and begging for mercy!

After Mo Bei brought Cheng Fan in, he looked at the mining zone and shook his head when he saw the laborers still working so hard.

“Amateurs. Complete amateurs.”

Mo Bei kept shaking his head, “They have no means of distribution. How can they keep mining? I think their warehouses should be full by now, right?”

“They're full! I checked a long time ago. They can only store one week's worth of ores. Their inventory turnover is very low,” said Cheng Fan immediately.

They estimated that Jiang Ning would start to encounter difficulties about now and would have no way out. That was why they could come with such pomp.

They looked like they wanted to give Jiang Ning a chance, but were actually out to snatch the eighth mining zone first!

Mo Bei was confident that the moment he offered to purchase the eighth mining zone, Jiang Ning



NH

would beg him to buy it.

There were countless mining carts on the tracks, each one filled to the brim with ores.

“This Jiang Ning is such a layman,” Cheng Fan said gloatingly. “Mr Mo, he’s probably very anxious now.”

The two walked straight to the office.

On the way there, they saw many people carrying briefcases shuttling through the corridor. They looked like they had traveled a great distance to get here.

“Look at that, Mr Mo. These are probably the people who want to terminate their contracts with Jiang Ning. See how anxious they are? They can’t wait to cut ties with Jiang Ning. Anyone who works with Jiang Ning is going against all the other companies. They can’t survive with only Jiang Ning.”

Cheng Fan shook his head and acted sympathetically, “It was wrong of Jiang Ning to go around bragging if he was just an outsider.”

When the two walked up in front of the office building, the office door was being locked up.

“Sorry, gentlemen, but it’s time to knock off soon. Please come again early tomorrow.”

Someone blocked Mo Bei and Cheng Fan at the door.



## NH

“Oho, it certainly looks like I should come as early as I can if I need to terminate a contract,” sneered Mo Bei. He couldn’t be bothered to talk more, “Tell Jiang Ning that Mo Bei from the Mo family is here. If he wants to leave Xishan with some shred of dignity, then get him to come out and see me.”

“What did you just say?” said the men at the door as they frowned.

He was displeased that Mo Bei was addressing Jiang Ning without any salutation.

How could you randomly address Mr Jiang like that?

“Didn’t you hear us? Get Jiang Ning to come out!” yelled Cheng Fan. “Or else don’t blame Mr Mo for not giving him a chance. How can an amateur have the gall to come here and meddle? You have no self-awareness at all! If you want to leave in once piece, then come out quickly to welcome Mr Mo personally, or else...”

“Or else what?” asked a cold voice at the door.

Mo Bei turned to look and narrowed his eyes.

“Jiang Ning!”

Cheng Fan looked at Jiang Ning carrying fruits in both hands and instantly yelled, “Didn’t expect your downfall to come so quickly, right?”

Since Jiang Ning even had to go out and buy fruits on his own, he must have lost a lot of support. And he will certainly meet with his demise in no time!



NH

“What downfall?”

Jiang Ning stared at the two as though he was looking at a couple of idiots. Then he said, “Since I’m the outsider here, you must be the pros then?”

After walking up towards them, his eyes paused on Cheng Fan momentarily before his expression suddenly darkened.

“Didn’t I say not to let any stray cats and dogs into the mining zone? Who are the guards on duty tonight?”



Rate the Translation to Get 2 Pearls.



Wait! I Have Something to Say!



Send a Gift to the Writer!



NH

At the sound of that, Cheng Fan was furious.

He vividly remembered that the last time Jiang Ning insulted him, he broke his finger right away!

Today, he was here to witness Jiang Ning kneeling down and begging for mercy. But he didn't expect Jiang Ning to call him a dog!

"Jiang Ning! How dare you go around being so cocky!" yelled Cheng Fan. "You are facing imminent disaster here, so I suggest you be smart about it!"

He couldn't bear it any longer.

How could an amateur come to their northwestern district to swagger around and break their rules? He was going to get it from them!

PAK!

Although Cheng Fan wanted to say more, Jiang Ning didn't hold back any longer. He lifted his hand to slap Cheng Fan and sent him rolling to the floor and holding his face and screaming.

"You..."

Cheng Fan gritted his teeth as blood oozed from the corners of his mouth. The murderous look in his eyes almost consumed Jiang Ning whole!

DADADA!

Dozens of security guards dashed over. When



## NH

they heard how displeased Jiang Ning was, the leader of the security guards was on the verge of tears.

“Mr Jiang!”

He glanced at Cheng Fan as he lay on the ground and hurriedly cried out, “This man...”

“There won’t be any bonus this month,” Jiang Ning cut to the chase, “If this happens again, there won’t be a job left for you either.”

“Got it, Mr Jiang!”

The security guard felt like crying.

Fortunately, Jiang Ning didn't fire him on the spot. This security job wasn't easy to come by. Even if someone traded a white-collar job for it, he didn't want to give it up.

“Throw this dog out!”

The security guards didn't make it easy for Cheng Fan. They grabbed him from the floor and hurled him out right away.

The entire time, he didn't once stop to look at Mo Bei.

“You should think twice about whose man you're hitting here, Jiang Ning. You've gone too far.” Mo Bei looked at Jiang Ning and said calmly, “I wanted to give you a chance. But from the looks of it now, you aren't appreciative at all.”



## NH

“Give me a chance?” said Jiang Ning coldly, “Who are you? If you are sick in the head, just go to the hospital for a look. Don’t come here to make trouble.”

“You...”

Mo Bei was somewhat annoyed. Was Jiang Ning a fool?

Didn’t he know what situation he was in right now?

“Stop forcing me!” shouted Mo Bei, “If I can ruin Lin Group’s distribution channels, then I can stop you from ever leaving Xishan and make sure you perish here!”

“You certainly are sick,” said Jiang Ning. “Did you think that you destroyed my distribution channels? I already wanted to clean out those useless channels. How can a bunch of idiots have the right to be Lin Group’s distributors?”

“You...”

Mo Bei was so mad he was speechless.

He felt that Jiang Ning was an idiot who didn’t know anything about the trade!

“I don’t have time for this nonsense of yours!”

Mo Bei lost his patience and went straight to the point instead, “There’s no point in continuing to be arrogant, you can’t hold on to the eighth mining zone! I suggest that you obediently hand it over to



NH

me. If you do, I can let Lin Group exit with dignity.”

“Keep going,” said Jiang Ning calmly as he glanced at Mo Bei.

“I don’t want much. I just want the eighth mining zone. I don’t care how you deal with the other zones. But if you hand it over to me, I can promise Lin Group a graceful exit from the northwestern district. Or else...” Mo Bei sneered coldly as a threatening glint flashed across his eyes, “Lin Group will get trapped by its mining interests until it sucks you so dry that Lin Group has to fold!”

Since the Mo family had the power, he wasn’t kidding.

It was only a question of whether Mo Bei was interested in taking action.

If Jiang Ning knew better, Mo Bei would consider giving him a chance and let Lin Group back out of Xishan unscathed. Then all they stood to lose was Xishan’s mining company.

It was a far better deal than dragging Lin Group underwater because of its stakes in Xishan.

“I trust that you’re a smart man who knows what to do,” said Mo Bei said. “Please don’t make any mistakes.”



Rate the Translation to Get 2 Pearls.



Wait! I Have Something to Say!



Send a Gift to the Writer!



## NH

“You want to drag Lin Group underwater?”

Jiang Ning stared at Mo Bei and suddenly laughed, “I suddenly look forward to it.”

“Why don’t you go ahead and do everything you can to attack Lin Group? When you do, be sure to drag Lin Group completely under.”

Jiang Ning’s made Mo Bei furrow his brows. He felt more and more that Jiang Ning was a madman.

How could he take the initiative to invite Mo Bei to make Lin Group go bust?

Was he going to give up Lin Group for the sake of this little mining company?

“But if you can’t make Lin Group go bust, then I...”

Jiang Ning’s tone suddenly turned ghastly, “I will definitely destroy the Mo family!”

Despite the smile on his face, there was a distinct murderous air in his tone!

Mo Bei suddenly felt like the surrounding air temperature had decreased by a few degrees and he couldn’t help shivering.

“You’re too arrogant!”

He didn’t think that after offering Jiang Ning so many chances, he would fail to treasure them. And now he was provoking and threatening him even!



## NH

“Great! Great! Great!” hollered Mo Bei. “Jiang Ning, this is the choice you made. Don’t kneel and beg me when the time comes!”

In a fit of anger, he threw down a few harsh words before turning to leave.

Once he started bankrupting Lin Group by dragging their mining interests in Xishan down, they would have to keep asking the head office to pump funds into mines. He would like to see if Jiang Ning was as stubborn then if he couldn’t sell them!

Jiang Ning didn’t bother to stop Mo Bei from leaving.

He just looked at Mo Bei like he was looking at an idiot.

“The eighth mining zone...it seems this mining zone has a lot of secrets,” said Jiang Ning softly.

The fury on Mo Bei’s face continued to increase as he walked towards the door.

It was time for him to make a move!

He wasn’t going to play nice with Jiang Ning anymore. At first, he felt it was wisest to obtain the eighth mining zone without putting up too much of a fight.

But Jiang Ning was unappreciative of his kindness, so Jiang Ning couldn’t blame him for being nasty now.



## NH

When he got to the entrance and was about to get into his own car, he saw Mo Chenglin's car speeding over in the distance.

"What's going?" Mo Bei was stunned. "Why is Dad here?"

He had gone behind Mo Chenglin's back to bring down Lin Group, since someone as conservative Mo Chenglin didn't agree with him.

But now that Mo Chenglin was here in person, Mo Bei no longer felt it was necessary to withhold this from him.

After he saw Jiang Ning, he was even more certain that Jiang Ning was a complete amateur. He was clueless about how the mining trade operated.

Since Jiang Ning kept provoking him, then he had to pay the price!

Mo Bei walked up to Mo Chenglin's car to help open the door.

"Dad..."

PAK!

Before he finished a single word, Mo Chenglin slapped Mo Bei viciously on the face.

"You idiot!"

Mo Chenglin's face was so livid that it was crimson. He kept urging the driver to speed up,



## NH

out of fear that things might be too late. “What are you doing here? You’re going to be the death of me! Are you trying to destroy the Mo family?”

Mo Bei was stunned. He clutched his face for a long time and failed to compose himself.

Why did Mo Chenglin hit him?

“Dad...what are you talking about?”

Mo Bei said anxiously, “How have I harmed the Mo family? I’m trying to expand the Mo family and help it to...AH!”

Halfway through his sentence, Mo Chenglin slapped him again. This time, blood came dripping from the corners of Mo Bei’s mouth.

“How dare you talk back!”

Mo Chenglin was so furious that he trembled.

On the way here, he found out that Mo Bei banded together with dozens of companies in the vicinity to put a crazy amount of pressure on Lin Group! And he did all this for the sake of obtaining the eighth mining zone!

Were Lin Group and Jiang Ning the sort of people that the Mo family could offend?

All those powerful northern families perished at Jiang Ning’s hands!

Mo Bei had offended the wrong person!



# NH

Mo Bei was shocked.

He didn't know why Mo Chenglin was crazy enough to hit him. All these years, his father never lifted a finger to hit him.

Didn't he often praise him for being the pride of the Mo family?

He kept saying that the Mo family would rise to its pinnacle of success under his leadership!

"Dad..."

"You've offended the wrong person!" yelled Mo Chenglin angrily. "Don't you get it?"

Mo Bei swallowed his saliva.

As he turned to glance at the eighth mining zone, his eyes glittered in disbelief. Was Mo Chenglin referring to that person inside?

"Jiang Ning!"

Mo Chenglin bellowed angrily, "Do you know who he is?"

There was an explosion in Mo Bei's mind. Was it really Jiang Ning?

He recalled the look of contempt on Jiang Ning's face. Jiang Ning even said he looked forward to seeing him go all out to destroy Lin Group. Mo Bei's expression started to pale.

"Dad, what do you mean? Are they the Jiang



NH

Ning...and Lin Group that..."

"You're going to ruin the Mo family!" Mo Chenglin was furious. "Were you disrespectful to him? Tell me!"

He was really going insane.

The more he learned about Jiang Ning on the way here, the greater the terror he felt.

Jiang Ning was so strong that he could raise such a huge storm in the north and annihilated dozens of powerful families. How could Mo Bei provoke a man like this?

"I...I didn't know," said Mo Bei hurriedly. "I only wanted to help the Mo family to obtain that wild mine. Is Jiang Ning...really that powerful?"

He started to panic but he still couldn't quite believe it.

Yet when he saw Mo Chenglin's expression, he could tell that his father wasn't kidding at all.

"He said..." Mo Bei didn't dare to repeat Jiang Ning's words about how Jiang Ning would eradicate the Mo family if the Mo family failed to eradicate Lin Group.

As he gulped in fear, his face instantly turned pale.

When he saw the look on Mo Bei's face, Mo Chenglin knew things had gotten complicated already.



## NH

He couldn't be bothered to teach Mo Bei a lesson now. If he allowed it to fester, then the Mo family... was completely done for.

Mo Chenglin immediately walked into the mining zone but was blocked at the entrance by the security guard.

"Who are you? Where did you come from? Why are you here?"

After he just got his month's bonus docked, the security guard was still feeling upset. He didn't care who these people were. He couldn't let them in since Jiang Ning had already given orders.

"I'm the head of the Mo family, Mo Chenglin. I'm here to see Jiang Ning."

Mo Chenglin politely paid obeisance to the security guard and smiled broadly.

The people around them were shocked.

Even the security guard went into a daze and thought that he had heard wrongly.

Was this the head of the Mo family?

Were they the Mo family from Tongshan? In the northwestern mining industry, the Mo family were considered the leaders!

How could he bow to a security guard so courteously?

"Please send word that the head of the Mo family,



NH

Mo Chenglin, is here. I wish to seek an audience with Mr Jiang. And I hope he will give me the chance to apologize.”

WOONG.

When Mo Chenglin finished talking, the security guard, the driver, and even Mo Bei all went into a daze for a long time.

The man sounded so polite that it bordered on being a little submissive. Was this really Mo Chenglin?

Was he really that head of the Mo family?

“Dad...” said Mo Bei as he gritted his teeth. He was annoyed in his heart but didn't dare to throw a temper.

He didn't think it was necessary for Mo Chenglin to stoop this low because of Jiang Ning. Wasn't Lin Group just a tiny company? Since they had already forced Lin Group into a dead end, why did Mo Chenglin still feel the need to come bearing an apology so humbly?

Was Jiang Ning really that powerful?

“Shut up this instant!”

Mo Chenglin turned and his expression darkened as he said, “Mo Bei, I'm telling you, if you can't get Mr Jiang's forgiveness today, you are incapable of shouldering its consequences!”



# NH

Mo Bei trembled.

“I’ll go in and let him know.”

The security guard was shocked too.

He felt a little nervous about how politely the head of a powerful family was behaving towards him. Then he hurriedly ran in and reported the situation to Jiang Ning.

Mo Chenglin stood at the door and waited. He was fearful of entering without Jiang Ning’s approval.

Mo Bei didn’t say a word either. Even though he was indignant in his heart, he didn’t dare to say a word.

Mo Chenglin’s reaction made him nervous enough as it was.

**BEEP BEEP!**

The metal gate suddenly opened, then a car with a northern license plate drove out slowly from the mining zone. When Mo Chenglin saw the plate number, his face couldn’t help turning overcast.

Even Mo Bei clenched his fists tightly instinctively when he caught sight of its license plate number.

“It’s the Long family!” His heart throbbed hard.

There was always a special symbol in front of the Long family cars. What was a supremely powerful northern family like them doing in Xishan?



## NH

Mo Chenglin didn't say a word and just nodded to greet them. But the car didn't even roll down its window and left immediately.

The supremely powerful northern families didn't give a hoot about the Mo family!

Although Mo Chenglin said nothing, he turned to glance at Mo Bei, whose face had now lost all color.

Very quickly, another car bearing a northern license plate came driving out!

Even Mo Bei's breathing turned rapid!

"It's the Xue family! What is the Xue family doing here?"

He felt as though he was suffocating. Whose support did Jiang Ning have? Why did the supremely powerful northern families visit the eighth mining zone?

A third car slowly drove out before Mo Bei could figure anything out. His legs lost their balance, and he almost fell squarely on the ground, but Cheng Fan steadied him.

Not a single car stopped to roll down their windows, no matter how hard Mo Chenglin smiled or acknowledged them respectfully.

It seemed as though even the most powerful family in the northwestern district was nothing to them.



## NH

That was what the supremely powerful northern families were like.

Yet when these supremely powerful northern families left through the door, they surprisingly greeted the security guard before leaving slowly...

“Dad, what...what’s going on?” There was fear in Mo Bei’s voice.

“It's all your fault!” said Mo Chenglin as he trembled, “If you didn't gang up with the other companies to cut off Lin Group’s distribution channels, these supremely powerful northern families wouldn’t have taken the initiative to work with Lin Group. All three of the supremely powerful northern families have come and you still don’t get it?!”

Mo Bei wobbled before falling onto the ground.

He suddenly understood what Jiang Ning meant earlier.

“I already wanted to clean out those useless channels...”

Jiang Ning’s words kept reverberating through his mind!

He meant what he said!

Mo Bei felt as though his heart was going to explode. He had no clue what sort of person he had offended.

How could...he be so terrifying?



## NH

Although he said he didn't care about those second-tier northern families in the past, he didn't dare to look down on any of the powerful families at all.

Much less the three supremely powerful northern families that just went past him.

“Didn't you say that Lin Group was at the end of its road?”

He suddenly turned to look at Cheng Fan, who was squatting next to him and asked, “Didn't you say that Lin Group had no way to retreat? Didn't you say we forced them into a corner?”

Cheng Fan's face flushed. This was precisely the information he received previously.

But he only paid attention to the northwestern region. He didn't expect representatives from the north, Shenghai, and even the southeast to turn up here!

“You're going to get me killed!” yelled Mo Bei angrily. Then he suddenly lunged over and punched Cheng Fan hard on his face like a rabid dog.



Rate the Translation to Get 2 Pearls.



Wait! I Have Something to Say!



Send a Gift to the Writer!



## NH

At first, he thought everything was within his control. But it didn't dawn on him what a terrifying person he was provoking.

At the thought of how arrogant he was in front of Jiang Ning early on, Mo Bei felt as though all his blood had flowed out from him!

If not for this stupid idiot named Cheng Fan, he wouldn't have made such a mistake.

“AAAH!” yelled Cheng Fan loudly as he hugged his head. He didn't dare to retaliate at all.

Mo Bei kept on beating him up and he only dared to scream in pain but didn't dare to fight back.

“That's enough!” said Mo Chenglin angrily. He pulled Mo Bei away and said, “It's no use even if you kill him!”

If beating Cheng Fan to death was of any use, he would have done that a long time ago. He wouldn't need to wait for Mo Bei to beat him.

Mo Bei gasped. His face was already ghastly pale while both his hands shivered.

“I'm sure I don't have to tell you what to do later, right?” bellowed Mo Chenglin angrily.

A security guard came running to the door briskly. He looked at Mo Chenglin and said, “Mr Jiang invites you in.”

“Thank you so much,” thanked Mo Chenglin as he bowed courteously.



## NH

Even if it was only a security guard, he didn't dare to be rude. He had asked around and learned that Jiang Ning was particularly protective of his men.

So even if it was just a security guard, as long as he was a part of Lin Group, he was deemed as Jiang Ning's employee. No one was allowed to push them around!

Mo Bei was he was still in shock as Mo Chenglin turned to glance at him. "What are you waiting for? Go in and apologize to Mr Jiang!"

Jiang Ning was in the office sorting out the fruits that he personally picked.

Today, over 20 powerful families had sent their men here. So the mining company's distribution problem was completely resolved.

How could those other distribution channels compete with the powerful northern families?

Although Jiang Ning loathed these powerful families, there wasn't anyone else who could compare to them in this area for the time being.

"Mr Jiang, are you going back soon?" asked Hua Sheng as he helped to organize and pack the fruit.

At first he thought Jiang Ning that would stay for a while longer, but Jiang Ning turned out to stay just to pick fresh fruits to bring home.

And now, he was leaving.

"Then what?" asked Jiang Ning as he glanced at



## NH

him. “Where’s the fun in hanging out with a bunch of dudes every day?”

Hua Sheng smiled awkwardly, “It must be boring.”

How could a bunch of blokes like them compare with Lin Yuzhen? It was very kind of Jiang Ning to stay one more day to help them solve their problems as it was.

“Red Star Mining is just an empty shell in reality. So we’re counting on all of you to manage yourselves,” said Jiang Ning as he packed his things without looking up. “Hua Sheng, there will be quite a burden on your shoulders. But if you keep thinking about your colleagues and their families, you will improve.”

Hua Sheng looked a little stern as he instantly straightened his back and said, “Mr Jiang, don’t worry. I...I will give it my all!”

“When it comes to running a business, you can’t solely rely on brute strength. You need to use your brain and gain experience as well,” said Jiang Ning. Then he waved him over to continue packing while he said, “So I found you a teacher. You have to learn quickly.”

“Teacher?” Hua Sheng was stunned.

Before he managed to speak further, a voice came from the door, “Mr Jiang, Mo Chenglin, the head of the Mo family, seeks an audience with you!”

“Coming,” said Jiang Ning as he raised his head.



NH

“Let’s go and meet your teacher.”

Hua Sheng was stunned.

The head of the Mo family?

Wasn’t he a big shot in the mining industry?

Jiang Ning wanted Mo Chenglin to be his teacher...

And from the sound of it, Mo Chenglin was being rather polite!

Jiang Ning walked out and Hua Sheng quickly trailed behind him.



Rate the Translation to Get 2 Pearls.



Wait! I Have Something to Say!



Send a Gift to the Writer!



# NH

Mo Chenglin stood at the door with Mo Bei. They didn't dare to enter without Jiang Ning's approval.

When they saw the door open and Jiang Ning walking out, Mo Bei's expression looked uneasy. He took a step back out of fear.

"Mr Jiang, I'm Mo Chenglin," said Mo Chenglin as he paid obeisance to him, "My son has accidentally offended you, so I brought him over to apologize to Mr Jiang!"

He turned to glance at Mo Bei before yelling instantly, "Kneel!"

THUD!

Mo Bei knelt down instantly without any hesitation. He landed on the ground so hard that the ground shook.

"Mr Jiang, I'm sorry! I shouldn't have offended you! I shouldn't have..."

"What should you not have done?" said Jiang Ning as he lowered his head and glanced at him. "I think it's wrong for you to apologize to someone outside of the industry like me."

Mo Bei was too afraid to speak.

He called Jiang Ning an amateur and said that he overestimated himself. Then he even said he was going to drag Lin Group underwater in Xishan.

And now?



## NH

Jiang Ning was standing here, and he was kneeling down to apologize to him!

“Didn’t you say that the Mo family is highly experienced from operating mines for three generations? That I’m just a clueless amateur? And it’s a joke for me to enter the trade so recklessly? Didn’t you promise to exact punishment on me? You even said that Lin Group would get destroyed in Xishan, but I’m still waiting.”

Mo Bei’s expression became anxious.

Mo Chenglin felt as though his legs had fallen into a bottomless abyss as he listened to these words.

PAK!

Mo Chenglin raised his hand and slapped Mo Bei viciously across the face.

“How dare you speak to Mr Jiang like this? You overestimate yourself!”

PAK!

He kept slapping his son nonstop. “Apologize to Mr Jiang!”

Was his son trying to make Lin Group go bust?

Even those supremely powerful northern families in the north didn't have the gall to say that.

There must be nothing but shit in Mo Bei’s mouth for him to say something like this!



## NH

Mo Chenglin almost wanted to kill that brat in front of Jiang Ning.

This son of his was going to send the Mo family to their grave!

“I was wrong! I was wrong! Mr Jiang, please be magnanimous and forgive me. Please forgive me...”

Mo Bei lost all his loftiness as he implored Jiang Ning humbly for forgiveness. He knew that if Jiang Ning didn't pardon him, then the Mo family was done for.

How could he have offended such a terrifying person?

But he didn't hear anything about Jiang Ning previously!

Mo Bei knelt and kowtowed as he apologized, but Jiang Ning didn't say anything.

Mo Chenglin stood there without daring to say a word.

The more he learned about Jiang Ning's deeds, the more he realized how terrifying this young man was.

There was a lot of news about Jiang Ning that failed to spread not because his enemies were afraid to do so, but because they had all already vanished!

“You're making me worried here.”



# NH

After a long time, Mo Bei's forehead was all covered with blood before Jiang Ning said calmly, "I'm an outsider, so I don't know the trade well. Tell me, why does the Mo family want the eighth mining zone so badly? I'm really curious."

"Mr Jiang is talking to you. Hurry up and answer!" yelled Mo Chenglin instantly.

"It was because..." Mo Bei was caught in a difficult position. He didn't dare to talk about this.

"Say it!" said Mo Chenglin. He couldn't be bothered about his feelings.

"It's because...Gao Shou said there is a wild mine hidden in the eighth mining zone..."

When Jiang Ning frowned, Hua Sheng went over immediately to explain softly into Jiang Ning's ear what a wild mine was.

Jiang Ning's expression changed once he learned about wild mines. It gradually became stern and murderous!



Rate the Translation to Get 2 Pearls.



Wait! I Have Something to Say!



Send a Gift to the Writer!



## NH

As Jiang Ning's expression darkened, Mo Chenglin felt as though his heart was sinking to the bottom of an abyss at the same time.

"How dare the Mo family do such a thing!" shouted Jiang Ning angrily. Mo Chenglin then swiftly fell to the ground with a thud.

Both father and son knelt in front of Jiang Ning in terror!

"It probably isn't the first time the Mo family is hiding a wild mine for themselves, right?" yelled Jiang Ning immediately. He seemed completely different from earlier.

He was fuming mad and seemed like the grim reaper. Just this aura alone was enough to make both Mo Chenglin and Mo Bei panic-stricken.

"Mr Jiang, I..."

"Do you dare to deny this?" asked Jiang Ning as he narrowed his eyes and laughed coldly. "Do you know why those powerful northern families disappeared overnight?"

When Mo Chenglin heard his words, his face turned ashen. Of course, he knew the reason.

Most influential families would have committed a dirty act or two in the process of rising to power.

The Mo family had secretly kept wild mines for themselves and were connected to foreign powers. They wanted to make arrangements overseas and take a different path. But now...



## NH

“Do you know what crime you have committed?” shouted Jiang Ning again. “It’s a capital offense!”

His voice sounded like stifled thunder and it exploded violently next to Mo Chenglin and his son’s ears.

Blood coursed through their bodies as their faces became paler. They couldn’t stop shivering as they knelt.

A capital offense...Of course, they knew it was punishable by death!

But they couldn’t reap success without taking a few risks. So, if the Mo family wanted to be a powerful family and forever have a foothold in the northwestern region, they had to resort to underhanded means.

How would they know that one day they would run into someone like Jiang Ning?

“Mr Jiang, please spare us!” yelled Mo Chenglin hurriedly before Mo Bei realized what was happening. “We are sorry about it! The Mo family knows we are wrong!”

Jiang Ning said nothing.

The longer he remained silent, the more nervous Mo Chenglin became.

He could guess what sort of person Jiang Ning was even without his friend in the north telling him.



## NH

Jiang Ning definitely held absolute power in the legal circle!

Otherwise, how could he have annihilated dozens of powerful families so easily?

Moreover, the forbidden territory of Donghai had become famous precisely because their power in the illegal circle was equally terrifying!

He held absolute sway in both the legal and illegal circles. So no one else, including the Mo family, could stand up against him.

It was no wonder that even the supremely powerful Pang family perished in Jiang Ning's hands. And three supremely powerful families would come seeking to collaborate...

They didn't seem to care that the eighth mining zone was a tiny establishment.

Mo Chenglin was now truly afraid.

It took the Mo family three generations to become what they were now. But was Jiang Ning going to destroy them with a word?

"Mr Jiang, please give us a chance! Give us a chance!" said Mo Chenglin anxiously, "The Mo family is ready to hand over our wild mines. We can give you anything you want as long as Mr Jiang spares our lives."

His friend up north had already given him such a fright.



# NH

He had the northwestern region under his thumb all these years and could even disregard the powerful northern families' status. But in the face of someone who could wipe the Mo family out of existence easily, he lost all confidence!

Mo Bei continued to kneel silently next to his father and didn't dare to say a word at all.

He only dared to keep his head lowered in silence, in case Jiang Ning stared daggers into his heart with those ferocious eyes of his the moment he made eye contact.

"I can give you a chance to live," said Jiang Ning as he stared at Mo Chenglin and continued to speak with that same icy tone. "You can live, but you need to be punished!"

 Rate the Translation to Get 2 Pearls.

 Wait! I Have Something to Say!

 Send a Gift to the Writer!



## NH

“Yes yes!” said Mo Chenglin hurriedly as he nodded. “We will listen to anything Mr Jiang says!”

“Mining resources are very important to the development of society. Since you operated in the trade for three generations, you must know this. How many others are secretly hiding wild mines in the country just like you? I'm sure you can name a few, right?”

When Mo Chenglin heard his words, his expression instantly became nasty, but he had no choice but to nod.

He knew that if he withheld any information, Jiang Ning would destroy the Mo family without hesitation.

“Since it belongs to the country, no one is allowed to keep it without permission! And you are certainly not allowed to ship it overseas privately!” hollered Jiang Ning sternly. “I'm sure you know what to do. Someone will get in touch with you very soon. You know what to say then.”

“Yes yes yes! I will hand them all over!” said Mo Chenglin quickly.

“Mr Mo, you shouldn't be too greedy,” said Jiang Ning calmly, “You've enough wealth to last the Mo family for generations. What more do you want?”

Mo Chenglin didn't dare say a word.

“Do you want power?”



NH

Mo Chenglin quickly shook his head in fear.

What was the point of having power now?

How could he dare to hold onto power?!

“Power isn’t as good as you think, understand?”

Jiang Ning glanced at the father and son in front of him and couldn’t be bothered to go on with this conversation. But recovering a few wild mines had turned out to be a pleasant surprise.

He knew someone was bound to break the rules and that someone would do things to incur the wrath of the people and keep it well-concealed. Since he managed to make a breakthrough today, then he wanted to eradicate the problems at their root!

He was going to weed everything out!

Things that belonged to the country and its citizens shouldn't be in private possession.

Mo Chenglin nodded profusely. His face had lost all color.

He couldn't recall how he made it out of the eighth mining zone since his legs were as limp as noodles. When he sat in the car, he finally came to realize that he was still alive.

He didn't expect Jiang Ning to be this terrifying!

He gasped heavily and his back was already soaked in sweat.



# NH

“Dad...”

Mo Bei’s throat was so dry that he had to ask the driver for some water. His hands trembled as he opened the cap and finished the entire bottle at one shot. He finally managed to speak again, “Is... is he honestly...that scary?”

Mo Chenglin wanted to reply, but his mobile phone rang.

It was an unknown number. But because it was a number from the north, he instantly became nervous again.

“Hello?” answered Mo Chenglin cautiously. After saying just this one word, he immediately straightened his back.

“Yes! Yes! Yes! I promise! I swear!”

His face was almost completely stiff.

Mo Bei sat in front without daring to move a muscle. He had never seen Mo Chenglin so nervous before.

A deathly chill spread through the car!

It was so cold!

“Turn...turn off the air conditioning...” said Mo Bei after a while as his voice shivered.

“But Mr Mo, I...I didn’t turn on the air conditioning...”



NH

The car fell into silence again.

The only thing that could be heard was stifled breathing.

“Dad,” said Mo Bei after a long time. He was starting to find this atmosphere unbearable.

He wanted to talk, but Mo Chenglin stopped him.

Instead, Mo Chenglin held up his mobile phone and inhaled deeply before dialing a number right away.

That was a ringing in his head. The call he just received was enough to make him have a nervous breakdown.

If he had the slightest shred of doubt in Jiang Ning’s ability previously, then the pressurizing call from the north earlier had eradicated it.

RING RING!

The phone rang twice and got connected.

“Hello, I am Mo Chenglin, head of the Mo family in the northwestern region. We discovered two wild mines and would like to hand them over to the country...”



Rate the Translation to Get 2 Pearls.



Wait! I Have Something to Say!



Send a Gift to the Writer!



## NH

As Mo Chenglin and Mo Fei left the eighth mining zone looking like they had a near-death experience, Hua Sheng was still confused.

“Mr Jiang, didn’t you say he was my teacher?”

But before this teacher could teach him anything, Jiang Ning had scared him off first.

“That’s right. Hasn’t he already taught you something?” asked Jiang Ning as he glanced at him.

“Huh?”

Hua Sheng was even more lost.

Mo Chenglin had taught him something?

All he saw the entire time was Mo Chenglin and his son kneeling and apologizing. He...certainly wasn't interested in learning that!

“That's how you should look after committing a mistake. Did you learn anything?”

Hua Sheng shuddered.

He stared dumbstruck at Jiang Ning for a few seconds.

“Mr Jiang, I don’t know how to do what he did!” said Hua Sheng gravely. “I don’t want to learn from him or make mistakes!”

Jiang Ning must be joking. He would never have the guts to hide a wild mine. Over his dead body.



## NH

Hua Sheng felt that helping his family and colleagues lead better lives was the best he could ever do. He could never dream of doing anything illegal.

“It’s best if no one in the eighth mining district or Xishan ever learns to be like them,” said Jiang Ning, “Otherwise, I don't mind getting this father and son to come by and teach everyone.”

“Yes, Mr Jiang!” said Hua Sheng immediately.

Jiang Ning didn’t say anymore and went into the office to pick up his nicely packed fruit and weighed it in his hands gently.

This ought to be enough for everyone to eat.

It was rare to find specialty northwestern fruit in Donghai, so he was pretty sure that Su Mei and Lin Wen had never eaten them before.

Jiang Ning couldn’t help but smile at this thought.

“I’m such a wonderful son-in-law,” he praised himself before turning to leave.

He wouldn't have to worry about Xishan for the time being. As long as the Mo family wasn’t stupid, they would know what to do.

And once they did the right thing, the people in the nearby cities would learn about it for sure.

He didn't have additional energy to spend on Xishan. If he had the time, he would rather spend it on his family.



## NH

Jiang Ning hummed a tune as he left the eighth mining zone bearing fruit in his hand. Then he zipped passed the road outside the exit.

After just taking a few steps, he suddenly stopped even though nobody was around.

SWOOSH!

SWOOSH!

SWOOSH!

In the blink of an eye, several people surfaced and blocked Jiang Ning's path. Their eyes were overflowing with a ferocious and murderous look!

"Hand over the technique manual!" shouted the leader coldly. They had gotten into a formation that didn't give Jiang Ning any chance to escape.

Jiang Ning ignored them. After looking around, he set the fruit in his hand down gently.

"I've been waiting a long time for you," said Jiang Ning calmly, "I knew Hidden Sect wouldn't let go once they discovered a page of the manual."

"You can't have it. Hand it over quickly. That way, you don't have to die a horrible death!"

Jiang Ning glanced at him and shook his head.

He clapped his hands. In an instant, more than ten men darted out of the alleys.

Brother Gou and the others had been lying in



NH

ambush for a long time!

Just like Jiang Ning said earlier, he had been waiting for a long time.

Even though Guo Meng was dead, he knew that Hidden Sect wouldn't give up so easily. Especially when they had a spy in the eighth mining zone!

SWOOSH!

SWOOSH!

SWOOSH!

Brother Gou and the wolves got into formation..

The enemy surrounded Jiang Ning while the wolves surrounded the enemy. The atmosphere was overwhelmed with a murderous air.

“So His Lordship still doesn't intend to see me?” asked Jiang Ning calmly.

“Do you think these people can save you?”

The eyes of the leader were filled with darkness under his mask.

He knew Jiang Ning was powerful, but he didn't come alone today!



Rate the Translation to Get 2 Pearls.



Wait! I Have Something to Say!



Send a Gift to the Writer!



## NH

“No no no,” said Jiang Ning, “They aren’t here to save me, but...to kill you! Perhaps after I kill you dogs, His Lordship will finally appear.”

Once he said that, Brother Gou and the wolves moved in like a vicious pack of panthers.

A battle immediately ensued.

“Attack!”

Explosive blows were exchanged like a violent storm. The moment the wolves made their move, the members of Hidden Sect paled. In terms of ability, Brother Gou and the others were nothing in their eyes.

But their tactical formations shocked them!

“How is that possible?”

How could these mere ants be capable of such power?

“You dogs underestimate us!” yelled Number 5. He switched positions with Number 6 in an instant.

Brother Gou got offended when he heard that. His name meant ‘dog’ after all.

“What’s wrong with dogs? Don’t you dare complain about dogs!”

**BOOOM!**

Everyone was hysterical.



## NH

Meanwhile, Jiang Ning stood there and reached into his pocket to pull out a fruit. He wiped it on his sleeve before proceeding to eat it.

Brother Gou and the others had improved their formation technique and had waited for a long time finally get a chance to test it out.

The opportunity finally came today.

It was a strange scene. The members of Hidden Sect were strong and they were at least at grandmaster level. But the moment Brother Gou and the others encircled to attack them, they became incapable of displaying their true abilities.

It was as though they were forcefully suppressed, and it felt terrible.

Before they managed to complete a single attack, someone else would strike them.

Their moves changed too quickly!

Despite their differences in capabilities, it didn't affect Brother Gou and the others at all. In fact, they were pretty much on par with Hidden Sect's highly skilled fighters!

"Kill! Kill! Kill!" yelled Brother Gou and the others. The more excited they were, the louder they became. Their cries reverberated through the atmosphere.

Jiang Ning had already finished eating the fruit in his hand.



## NH

He clapped his hands and said, "That's quite enough."

Brother Gou and the others retreated instantly the moment they heard those three simple words. All of them quickly stood next to...the fruit beside Jiang Ning.

It was as though the fruit was more important than Jiang Ning!

When Jiang Ning stepped forward, the members of Hidden Sect immediately got ready to fight the truly formidable enemy.

"Just you alone?"

"Just me alone."

"You're too arrogant!"

"Why don't you give it a try and find out whether I'm arrogant?"

Jiang Ning suddenly moved.

He was as swift as the wind!

He threw a punch with his left hand, and...threw a different punch with his right hand!

"Impossible!" said the leader as his face paled dramatically.

He had never seen anyone strike using both hands but different moves.



NH

“You are very lucky...”

Jiang Ning could no longer be seen but his voice continued to resound like claps of thunder, “To be able to witness the...second move of the Extreme Fist Technique Manual!”

WOOONG...

His continuous blows exploded in the air thunderously!

BOOM!!

BOOM!!

BOOM!!

It was the second move of the Extreme Fist Technique Manual!

He completely unleashed it upon them!

As he shifted in the shadows swiftly, his blows chased after them like the wind raced after the sunset, and the impact was like the fury of thunder and fire. His blows consumed the members of Hidden Sect almost instantaneously.

Brother Gou and the others were in awe.

He...was too damned powerful!

It was a complete defeat!

That was the second move of the Extreme Fist Technique Manual?



# NH

The members of Hidden Sect lay convulsing on the ground. They had broken countless bones and didn't even have the energy to speak.

Jiang Ning put his fists away and raised his head to look into the distance. It seemed like there was a silhouette standing there!

He looked into the distance and narrowed his eyes as he reached to his chest and retrieved the technique manual that he got from the eighth mining zone. He gently waved it and appeared particularly provocative.

It was as though he was saying, "I have the technique manual here, come and get it!"



Rate the Translation to Get 2 Pearls.



Wait! I Have Something to Say!



Send a Gift to the Writer!



## NH

Their eyes met through the distance!

The vague scent of a murderous aura floated in the air!

As Jiang Ning waved the technique manual in his hand provocatively, the eyes that were hidden behind the mask far from him deepened.

He looked at Jiang Ning and the single page of the technique manual, and he was terribly shocked by the short span of time it took Jiang Ning to learn the move on this page.

How long had it been?

Just a few days?

It was impossible!

The second move that Jiang Ning just executed was matchless!

What made him feel more wary was the short time it took Jiang Ning to master it.

Most people were incapable of executing the move on the technique manual after a few or perhaps even in ten years. Yet Jiang Ning mastered it only in a matter of days.

He was 100% certain that Jiang Ning already had the Jiang family's page in his possession.

That was the only reason why Jiang Ning could have such a deep understanding of the Extreme Fist Technique Manual.



## NH

Their fighting spirit was at boiling point now, and a murderous aura soared into the sky!

Jiang Ning was already mentally prepared for this. If His Lordship attacked him today, then he would fight back and kill His Lordship even if it meant paying the price for it.

But that silhouette only stared at him from a distance for some time before turning to leave. He had no intention of touching Jiang Ning at all.

The murderous air dissipated without leaving a trace behind.

Brother Gou and the others were on their highest alert.

They were completely prepared for a huge battle today. They were even prepared to die for it.

After all, they knew that Jiang Ning took out the single page of the technique manual as bait for His Lordship!

But they didn't expect His Lordship to hold back.

"Big Boss, what's he thinking?" asked Brother Gou perplexedly. "Isn't one page enough?"

"He wasn't confident," said Jiang Ning. "Even if we stood an equal chance, he wouldn't have made a move unless he could kill me with a single blow!"

"Why?" Brother Gou was even more confused.

There was probably nobody in the world who was



NH

capable of killing Jiang Ning with one blow.

“Because he can't afford to lose.”

In the past, Jiang Ning was uncertain, but now he was sure that His Lordship wanted the Extreme Fist Technique Manual and the secrets behind it.

He might not be interested in obtaining the skills documented in Extreme Fist Technique Manual. Perhaps he was determined to get his hands on the map on the pages instead!

So even though he had already mastered the second move in the technique manual, His Lordship remained patient.

His Lordship could really hold it in.

“Come, let's go home.”

Jiang Ning picked up the bags of fruit and turned to leave.

Now he had to obtain the pages of the technique manual faster than His Lordship did to force him to come out to meet with Jiang Ning.

Since he could stay in hiding for over ten years for the technique manual, he was no easy target.

It meant that once the secret behind the Extreme Fist Technique Manual was exposed, it would cause a huge sensation.

“It seems like I still need to make a trip to the north,” thought Jiang Ning to himself.



## NH

Tan Xing didn't know much about this in the martial arts world. The two old men living in the Jiang house were probably the only ones who might know.

If he could communicate with them and locate his Master, he might be able to learn more.

Not long after Jiang Ning left, the silhouette appeared once again.

His Lordship walked up to his subordinates.

"Your Lordship...he has the technique manual..."

"All of you are completely useless."

His Lordship waved his hand, and a cloud of smoke wafted out. The men on the ground screamed instantly and died as their faces were completely corroded...

His Lordship seemed undisturbed by the sight of the corpses.

It was as though he didn't care at all about his dead subordinates.

It seemed like there was only one thing that he cared about.

"Jiang Ning," said His Lordship calmly. "I wonder how you would choose if you went through the same thing as me."

As he watched Jiang Ning leave, there was a profound look in his eyes that looked as



NH

mysterious as the milky way.



Rate the Translation to Get 2 Pearls.



Wait! I Have Something to Say!



Send a Gift to the Writer!



# NH

Right now.

In Donghai!

Jiang Ning was back!

Lin Yuzhen picked him up from the airport personally.

Only Jiang Ning got to enjoy this privilege.

When she saw Jiang Ning carrying a bag in each hand, Lin Yuzhen couldn't help laughing.

"You don't look like a rich man at all."

"I can't look rich," said Jiang Ning solemnly, "Otherwise, they might say that you fell for my wealth and not my talent."

Lin Yuzhen laughed out loud and rolled her eyes at Jiang Ning.

"You're shameless!"

The car sped quickly back to the Lins' bungalow.

It felt good to be home.

Before he even stepped into the house, he could already smell the fragrance of food.

Jiang Ning that Su Mei must have prepared all his favorite dishes early and was just waiting for him to come home.

He thoroughly enjoyed the atmosphere at home.



# NH

“Jiang Ning!”

Su Mei undid her apron and came to the door quickly. When she caught sight of Jiang Ning, she beamed brightly as if her son had come home and not her son-in-law.

“I miss you so much!”

Jiang Ning reached his arms out and hugged Su Mei, “Mum, I miss your cooking too!”

“That’s nonsense!”

Su Mei turned to look and asked, “What’s this in your hand?”

“It’s fruit!”

Jiang Ning tilted his head up like a child waiting to be praised. “These are fruits unique to the northwest. Since we can’t find them easily in Donghai, I went to the orchard to pick some for you and Dad to try them.”

Su Mei’s eyes turned red.

It was two big bags. It must have been tiring to carry them!

The northwest was so far, but Jiang Ning brought them back nonetheless.

It didn't dawn on her that Jiang Ning took a flight back. Or that Lin Yuzhen picked him up at the airport. The only thing on her mind was how Jiang Ning carried two heavy bags of fruit back by hand



NH

and was sweating profusely from it.

“You’re so thoughtful!”

Su Mei hurriedly took one bag from him. Then she turned to glance at Lin Wen as he stood there motionlessly. Her smile faded as she said, “What are you waiting for? Help Jiang Ning carry one! Our son is so tired! You’re going to get it from me if my son collapses from fatigue!”

Lin Wen smiled awkwardly and quickly took the other bag off Jiang Ning’s hand.

She was already calling Jiang Ning her son, so Lin Wen had clearly moved another position down.

Jiang Ning came back like a glorious soldier returning from a victorious battle. When he stepped into the house, everything was spotless and the table was filled with his favorite fruit and snacks.

Even his long unworn slippers were waiting neatly in place.

Lin Yuzhen was envious of this treatment, but she knew that Jiang Ning deserved it.

This was Jiang Ning’s home.

After Jiang Ning had a hearty meal, Lin Yuzhen dragged him upstairs for a shower to wash away his sweat.

Su Mei was in high spirits downstairs and used her phone to take pictures of the fruit that Jiang



## NH

Ning brought back. After picking a few angles and taking over 20 pictures, she finally selected a few she was happy with to put up on social media.

“I have to get Su Yun to teach me how to edit pictures!” said Su Mei as she beamed. She typed, “My son-in-law brought some fruit unique to the northwest back for me. It’s so sweet!”

In no time, many of her friends liked her picture and said how envious they were of her. It made Su Mei even happier.

There were many things in life where she lost to her classmates and friends. But she won when it came to her son-in-law!

In fact, she had won beautifully!

“Look at how smug you are!” sneered Lin Wen. He couldn’t help laughing. But when Su Mei glared at him, he quickly waved his hand and said, “Fine. It’s not like I’m envious. I’m going out for tea with my friends!”



Rate the Translation to Get 2 Pearls.



Wait! I Have Something to Say!



Send a Gift to the Writer!



# NH

Su Mei ignored him.

She held her mobile phone and looked happily at each comment. She refreshed her page nearly every second.

She was happy that Lin Wen could stand again, and she was happy that Lin Group was doing well.

But she was proud that Lin Yuzhen had found a good man and she had a wonderful son-in-law!

Su Mei didn't have many proud moments in life, but with a son-in-law like Jiang Ning, people even greeted her along the streets.

All because she was Jiang Ning's mother-in-law!

BEEP!

A notification appeared on Su Mei's phone. She swiftly opened it to read.

Her expression sank the moment she saw it.

"Isn't it just fruit from the northwest? Is it worth being so excited about? Su Mei, you are getting easier and easier to please."

When Su Mei read the comment, she wanted to reply right away. But even after thinking about a response for a long time, she wasn't sure how to phrase it.

As she held her phone, she bit her lip and her good mood dissipated immediately.



## NH

“She’s really awful,” said Su Mei unhappily. “So what if your daughter married a rich man? Do you need to be sarcastic to me?”

Jiang Ning was wealthy too, but she couldn’t be bothered to compete with them.

Su Mei wanted to reply very badly, but she didn’t want to sink to her level either.

When they were in college, she used to be the class belle, and they used to get competitive all the time. Now that they were pushing 50 years old, they stopped comparing their appearance and started comparing sons-in-law instead.

“What happened, Mum?”

Jiang Ning dried his hair as he came downstairs after his shower.

“It’s nothing,” said Su Mei as she put her phone away and turned to look at Jiang Ning. “Have a good rest after you have showered. It’s too hard on you to keep working on the business all the time.”

She didn't know where Jiang Ning had been going. But Lin Group progressed very quickly and their business had spread all over the country.

The last time he went to Shenghai, he had gone to the north by the time she asked where he went. Su Mei felt sorry for him each time she saw how exhausted he was.

Jiang Ning worked hard so that he could share



NH

the burden with Lin Yuzhen and help with the development of Lin Group.

Sometimes she was envious of Lin Yuzhen for meeting such a fantastic man.

“I’m not tired. How can I be exhausted from helping out with the family?”

BEEP!

Before Jiang Ning finished, Su Mei’s phone rang again. This time it was a text message.

Su Mei glanced at it and her expression became even nastier.

“It’s the class gathering for our 20th graduation anniversary.”

When Jiang Ning looked at her, Su Mei didn’t try to hide it. He was half her son, so there was nothing to keep from him. “I don’t feel like going.”

Jiang Ning smiled. Judging from the way Su Mei looked, she genuinely didn’t want to go. But she had to come up with an excuse for not turning up.

The nature of class gatherings had changed, especially when it came to 20th graduation anniversary gatherings.

Some of them went with the intention of bragging. Others were hell-bent on splitting happy couples up.

“If there’s anyone you’re close to, it’s a good time



NH

to get in touch. After all, you don't have as many opportunities to see them after you were married," said Jiang Ning as he smiled.

It wasn't too embarrassing for Su Mei to turn up, given their family's current situation.

The people from their generation had worked hard for over 20 years, so most of them had some degree of wealth.

"Are you worried that those people who courted you back then haven't given up? Are you worried Dad will get jealous?"

"What's there to be jealous about?" said Su Mei as she blushed, "I'm already so old, and my face is full of wrinkles. Who's going to like me? I just don't feel like seeing some annoying people."



Rate the Translation to Get 2 Pearls.



Wait! I Have Something to Say!



Send a Gift to the Writer!



## NH

She sighed and threw a tantrum only women could as she said, “Look what happened after I posted the pictures!”

Su Mei handed her phone to Jiang Ning and said angrily, “I wasn’t even trying to show off. But just look at how she responded! So what if she’s got a son-in-law who’s a boss in the coal industry?”

Jiang Ning was delighted after he took a glance.

His mother-in-law was getting quite trendy and even knew how to use social media now. And this very first post was actually complimenting him.

How could he let Su Mei get angry?

“A coal mining company boss? He must be doing pretty well,” said Jiang Ning, “He’s probably from the northwest, right? I heard that the mine owners there are worth tens of billions.”

Su Mei glanced at him without saying a word.

Of course, she knew how rich Jiang Ning was. Tens of billions were nothing but just a single black card to Jiang Ning.

But she didn’t bring it up. What was the point of trying to compete with wealth? Lin Group was probably well over tens of billions in terms of market value.

“Mum, this old classmate of yours even forwarded you a message to say that it’ll be on their side and even invited you over.”



## NH

"I'm not going," said Su Mei and deleted the message without even looking at it.

She wasn't about to be angry.

"If you don't go, I think she will probably invite Dad. This sort of woman is..."

Jiang Ning swiped down to look at her information and couldn't help nodding as he said, "She's been keeping herself in pretty good shape and doesn't look like she's pushing 50 years old."

The moment Su Mei heard what Jiang Ning said, she instantly snatched the phone back to swipe through the pictures. The more she looked at the photos, the angrier she became.

That wouldn't do!

If Lin Wen really went, then this stupid woman might really do something crazy!

Back in the day, she courted Lin Wen and told him to break up with Su Mei. She was so shameless!

"Jiang Ning, then do you think I should go?"

"Go!" said Jiang Ning. "Of course, you should go. You have to go and you have to dress your best to go! Let your classmates see how well you're doing now and make them jealous of you! It just so happens that I have a few close friends in the northwest, so I can bring Mom over to pick some fruit from the orchard. We can send them to Grandma when we come back too."



## NH

Su Mei hesitated.

“I’m sure Grandma hasn’t tried fruit from that region before. Why don’t you pick some for them to try? I’m sure Dad wants to go too...”

“Why should he bloody go? I will go!” said Su Mei as she stood up.

How many class gatherings could there be in her life? She wanted to let them see that she wasn’t doing as poorly as they said.

Su Mei wasn’t one to compare or show off, but she wasn’t going to take it lying down if someone bullied her!

“Number 3,” said Su Mei as she called him on the phone. “Come and pick me up this afternoon. I want to get my hair done. See if your mum is free to go clothes shopping with me too.”

After Su Mei put down the phone, she looked at Jiang Ning and said, “I’ve never been competitive about anything and I don’t need people to think highly of me. I can tolerate it if they look down on your Dad and myself or even laugh at us, but...”

Su Mei scoffed, “I only have one daughter and one son-in-law. If they dare to badmouth either of you, I won’t take it lying down!”

“Jiang Ning, I’ll bring you both along. They can get to see my daughter and son-in-law. And find out how much more outstanding you both are compared to theirs!”



NH

Jiang Ning nodded solemnly.

Su Mei didn't speak further. She seemed more nervous now that she had decided to go.

It was the first time she openly responded to someone's provocation. So she was not only nervous, but also a little thrilled.


“Jiang Ning!”

She walked over a few steps and seemed a little anxious as she said, “We won't embarrass ourselves, right?”

“Don't worry.”

Those were the only two words Jiang Ning said.

 Rate the Translation to Get 2 Pearls.

 Wait! I Have Something to Say!

 Send a Gift to the Writer!



## NH

Jiang Ning already said that no one was allowed to bully Lin Yuzhen, Su Mei, or Lin Wen.

Besides, Su Mei even praised him in that post.

None of the matters in the home were unimportant. His mother-in-law's matters were even more important.

Jiang Ning happily embraced Lin Yuzhen while they slept at night, then the next day, he brought Lin Yuzhen and Su Mei back to the northwest.

At Panshan.

It was a mining town just like Xishan in the northwest, except it was much smaller in scale compared to Xishan and Tongshan.

Panshan mined mostly coal, and there were three coal mining bosses worth over \$10 billion each!

Of course they weren't as wealthy as the Mo family, so there was no way Jiang Ning would be interested in them.

As they sat in the car, Lin Yuzhen found her mother hilarious.

All the way there, Su Mei was in a pretty good mood and kept taking selfies. This wasn't how she used to be.

"I want them to see how outstanding my daughter and son-in-law are!" said Su Mei. "Yuzhen, smile for me!"



## NH

How could Lin Yuzhen bear to turn her down?

She felt that Jiang Ning was making a mountain out of a molehill. It was just a class gathering among a bunch of elderly folk in their twilight years. Why did he get involved?

But Jiang Ning said that no one was allowed to bully the Lins unless he was dead.

“Do you think it’s a bad idea?” asked Lin Yuzhen as she glanced at Jiang Ning while he rested his eyes. “We are kind of being the bullies here.”

“They provoked Mum first,” said Jiang Ning without even opening his eyes. “Besides, did you think I’m that free?”

He couldn’t even be bothered with the powerful northern families, much less a small time coal mine tycoon. Jiang Ning wasn’t even keen on trampling on him.

Lin Yuzhen’s lit up as she said, “What secret mission is there?”

After being with Jiang Ning for so long, this fellow always never failed to surprise her.

“There are many things that need to be adjusted and changed in the northwest mining industry. The fact that they secretly control a number of wild mines is a problem in itself,” said Jiang Ning as he finally opened his eyes and looked at Lin Yuzhen. “I want to see what will happen when we catch them off guard and see if they’re honest or not!”



## NH

The Mo family was already shocked into obedience, so now Jiang Ning wanted to see if he had to kill more to set an example or if they were smart enough to change their ways.

“Mining resources are indeed important for economic development and we can’t not have mines,” said Lin Yuzhen as she nodded. “Those rare ores belong to the military and are essential to several classified industries. We can’t let these resources flow out of our country.”

With that in mind, she suddenly thought of something.

“Are you trying to make Red Star Mining...”

“There are so many people overseas with their eyes on the northwest. Red Star Mining needs to form a shield.” said Jiang Ning as he closed his eyes again.

“Wifey, I can’t keep looking at you.”

“Why?”

“I’ll get drunk.”

Lin Yuzhen was speechless. Jiang Ning was such a liar!

People spent their lives fighting for fame and status in hope to appear richer and more dignified, especially in front of their close acquaintances. Everyone wanted to show only their best side.



## NH

At Su Mei's age, using wealth and status as a means of comparison was no longer the way to go.

Instead, whose children were more outstanding and which ones who fared better became something they never got tired of bragging about.

After Su Mei arrived at the hotel, she got Lin Yuzhen to help do her makeup after taking a short rest and insisted on dolling herself up. Women could be quite frightening when they were at each other's throats.

As Jiang Ning sat outside on the couch to watch television, he rang Fei up.

"Follow up personally. Find out everything there is to know about the foreign powers that have reached their paws into the north, then take them out," said Jiang Ning calmly. "After not touching them in a while, those foreigners might have forgotten what it's like to piss me off."



Rate the Translation to Get 2 Pearls.



Wait! I Have Something to Say!



Send a Gift to the Writer!



## NH

When Jiang Ning turned back, Su Mei and Lin Yuzhen came walking out. He immediately put away his phone and stood up as though he was completely blown away by what he saw.

“Wifey, you didn’t tell me you had a sister.”

PFFT!

Lin Yuzhen and Su Mei couldn’t help laughing.

Even though she knew Jiang Ming was just teasing them, they couldn’t help chortling.

“You have such a glib tongue!” said Su Mei. “Don’t make fun of me!”

“I’m not glib-tongued here since I’m just stating the truth,” said Jiang Ning with a straight face. “Are you ready? Let’s go in.”

It was his first time taking the initiative to slap someone in the face. And it felt somewhat different.

Panshan Hotel was the highest end hotel in the city, so it naturally came with a matching price tag.

Gao Xin picked this location clearly to show her peers how well she was doing.

Everyone knew it was just all for vanity’s sake, but no one wanted to be outdone.

Any previously unworn branded clothes were all taken out to be ironed for wearing. They even took



## NH

out those long-forgotten leather shoes to be shined.

They piled on all the jewelry that they could onto themselves and spared no effort!

Su Mei turned up dressed simply. Other than buying a new outfit, she only wore a gold ring on her finger. And it was the wedding ring that Lin Wen gave her when they were married.

“Oh my, you’re all here! We haven’t met in 20 years, I believe!”

“Wang, you haven’t aged a day. You really keep yourself in good shape!”

“Xu, I heard your son’s company is about to get listed! He’s so outstanding!”

This class gathering looked more like Gao Xin’s own cocktail party.

She was richly bejeweled and dressed in a posh tailor made outfit. Her hair was grape-red and made her seem slightly younger. Just those earrings she was wearing alone were worth a fortune.

She walked around in her bright red high heels and exuded supreme elegance.

“Did you bring your children along with you? Didn’t I say you can bring them? Maybe some of them will hit it off well and get together. It’ll be an assuring match since we’re classmates and know each other well.”



## NH

Gao Xin kept entertaining everyone as her eyes scanned the place.

The moment she saw Su Mei enter the hotel, her eyes lit up. She clipped over in her high heels immediately.

“Su Mei!” said Gao Xin as she grabbed her hand. She beamed and said, “I thought you weren’t coming!”

Su Mei smiled, “You especially invited me, so how could I not come?”

The moment the two women greeted each other, Jiang Ning detected a murderous air in the atmosphere.

It was the first time he felt that the battles he had experienced were nothing compared to fights between women. Theirs was far scarier.

“Of course, you had to come,” said Gao Xin happily, “We only saw you a few times since graduation. Is this your daughter?”

She turned to look at Lin Yuzhen and said, “I only saw you once when you were born. You’re all grown up now.”

“Hello, Auntie Gao,” said Lin Yuzhen politely as she nodded.

“Yes yes yes! I’m very well!” replied Gao Xin before turning towards Jiang Ning. Then the expression on her face instantly altered.



## NH

She had gone to ask about Su Mei and found out that this son-in-law had married into the Lin family!

She also heard that he used to be a beggar and was a little mentally unstable.

Lin Yuzhen was quite pretty and the Lins seemed to be doing well now. But in order to hold onto their family assets, they deliberately found a loon to marry into their family. It made her gloat over their misfortune for a long time.

“Auntie Gao, I think I have seen you somewhere before,” said Jiang Ning without waiting for Gao Xin to say anything.



Rate the Translation to Get 2 Pearls.



Wait! I Have Something to Say!



Send a Gift to the Writer!



## NH

“You’ve seen me before?” Gao Xin was stunned. She wanted to say that he must have seen her because she was very successful, but she had suddenly forgotten to say so.

“When I was a beggar, someone that resembled you once snatched a bun from me,” said Jiang Ning calmly as he smiled. “If Auntie wasn’t dressed in all this splendor, I almost thought it was you.”

Gao Xin was stunned.

Did she fight with Jiang Ning in the streets for a bun?

Nonsense!

How could she have snatched someone else’s bun out in the street?

“How can that be? I...”

“Yes, you’re right. How is that possible?” said Jiang Ning. “Which man would allow such a pretty woman like Auntie Gao to suffer like that?”

Before Gao Xin could respond, Jiang Ning added another statement which made Gao Xin feel like ignoring him.

Jiang Ning was clearly trying to say that she divorced her ex-husband because he was broke, and that was why she schemed to marry a wealthy man.

He was chiding her for being materialistic!



## NH

Gao Xin smiled awkwardly on the outside, but displeasure flashed deep in her eyes. She guessed that Su Mei must have said a lot of nasty things about her.

“Come on in then,” said Gao Xin as she quickly changed the subject of the conversation, “Su Mei, all our other classmates are here. I'm sure they will be dazzled by your outfit today. Everyone brought their kids to see if they can matchmake any of them today. Yuzhen is so pretty...”

Gao Xin pulled Su Mei inside and spoke as they walked.

Those who didn't know anything would have thought they were particularly close friends.

Jiang Ning held Lin Yuzhen's hand and saw her stifling a smile. He said solemnly, “You have to be serious. We have to make Mum proud today. So we can't lose!

“Okay,” said Lin Yuzhen as she inhaled deeply and thought to herself: When had this fellow ever lost?

The hotel venue was posh and clearly exquisitely decorated.

There were some tables for the old classmates and others for their children. Lin Yuzhen didn't dare to even think about coming to such gatherings. So she merely found a seat and sat down with Jiang Ning. At the table, everyone was starting to introduce themselves.

“Hello, I am Li Run's son, Li Xiang. I'm the General



NH

Manager of Starfish Limited.”

“Hi, everyone! I'm the head of marketing at Sunshine Corporation. My name is Gao Qi and here is my name card.”

“I work for the customs...”

Despite the amicable introductions, there was some arrogance in the way each of them spoke.

Anyone who dared to come along today were those with a good job and high income. Those ordinary ones would be too embarrassed to come.

When everyone was through with their introduction, they turned to look at Jiang Ning and Lin Yuzhen.

Before Lin Yuzhen introduced herself, Jiang Ning said, “I'm jobless.”

With a single sentence, he instantly killed all interest in him.

He was jobless?

So he had come here for a free meal today?

Someone couldn't help laughing. No words were exchanged but there was disdain in that laughter. He was even a little curious about whose offspring this unemployed man was, and how he could be so calm about it.

Lin Yuzhen secretly glanced at Jiang Ning. Then



## NH

she reached her hand out to poke his hand as if to ask, “Didn’t we agree to make our mother proud today?”

Even if he said that he was the vice president of Lin Group, nobody would dare to say that he wasn’t.

Jiang Ning gave her a look in return as if to say, “We should be honest people.”

“There seems to be a lot of upheavals in the market today, especially in Shenghai and the north. Have you heard anything?”

“There's a company called Lin Group that runs on a completely different business model from the other companies. They surprisingly don't care about profit. It’s just mind-boggling.”

“Yes, exactly. But not a lot of people know about them. I only heard a few things here and there too. They are too mysterious.”

When Lin Yuzhen heard them discussing Lin Group, she pricked her ears up to listen. But it was clear that the people present were too low level to know anything at all.

“How can they survive without any profit? I think they are just selling the concept to make a killing and run off with the money. Aren’t there plenty of such companies out there just like that?”



## NH

The marketing chief from Sunshine Corporation, Gao Qi, laughed contemptuously. Then he said as though he knew better, “Capitalism is all about profit. How can you believe them when they say they’re not interested in money?”

“It’s just a business strategy. It’s like saying something is free even though free things are often the most expensive.”

They spoke as if they were very knowledgeable and some of them couldn't help getting immediately. They even started pouring tea and toasted each other with that instead of wine.

Lin Yuzhen shrugged and said softly, “We’re really not interested in money at all.”

If she only cared about earning money, then Lin Group could make at least \$100 million a day!

That didn't include the pocket money that Jiang Ning gave her from time to time. It was far more than what she made at Lin Group.

A salary of \$20,000 a month was enough to cover all her expenses.

“What did you just say?” asked the woman sitting next to Lin Yuzhen. She laughed upon hearing her and said, “Did I hear you correctly?”

She looked at Lin Yuzhen teasingly. She had been observing Lin Yuzhen the moment she sat down. Since she and Jiang Ning kept holding hands, they had to be an item.



## NH

If Jiang Ning was a jobless man, then what about her?

She shockingly said she wasn't interested in money.

Everyone came with company, so they either brought their children, or their sons-in-law or daughters-in-law. Anyhow, it was definitely the one who was doing the best in the family.

This family had brought two of their youngsters, but one of them was jobless while the other was not interested in money. How very interesting.

“They were talking about Lin Group, so you know anything about the company?” she said as she looked at Lin Yuzhen somewhat mockingly. “People in the lower levels of hierarchy have probably never heard about them.”

Lin Yuzhen looked at her and nodded as she replied, “You're right on that. People in the lower stratum definitely don't have the right to know about them. So have you heard about them?”

The woman instantly became furious. She was so stumped that she couldn't say a word.

She initially meant to mock Lin Yuzhen for being supposedly disinterested in money. But neither of them seemed to have a high social status and they didn't have much presence at the table.

But after Lin Yuzhen stumped her, she didn't know what to say, so she just tried to cover her awkwardness by turning away to drink tea.



## NH

Lin Yuzhen tilted her head upwards and scoffed quietly. How could she not know anything about Lin Group?

Who else in the world knew Lin Group better than her?

She met Jiang Ning's eye and for the first time, she felt that the feeling of slapping someone in the face was so satisfying.

"Everyone!" said Gao Xin as she held the microphone. "Please be quiet, everyone! I'd like to say a few words!"

"Today is our 20th graduation anniversary class gathering and it's so rare for all of us to be able to gather like today. I didn't want to put the opportunity to waste, so I got everyone to try and bring their kids. The kids can befriend each other and they might be able to help each other in business even!" said Gao Xin as she smiled. "Now shall we get our children to come up on stage and introduce themselves?"

After she said that, she took the lead and clapped her hands. The people sitting at the same table as Jiang Ning became instantly excited. They looked around and spotted a few pretty girls, and they had probably even already come up with their children's names.

"It looks like everyone is still a little shy. How about this? Let me introduce my son-in-law first!"

Gao Xin smiled brightly. She had been waiting for this moment for a long time. She deliberately



NH

swept her eyes across Su Mei, just waiting to see the look of envy on her face!



Rate the Translation to Get 2 Pearls.



Wait! I Have Something to Say!



Send a Gift to the Writer!



## NH

Gao Xin waved her hand at Jiang Ning's table and the person who was speaking earlier stood up immediately with a smile on his face.

"Mum."

The moment he greeted Gao Xin, her face blushed. She nodded nonstop as she said, "What a good boy!"

"Allow me to introduce my son-in-law, Fang Tang!"

Fang Tang nodded and walked onto the stage with his head held high. He had a remarkable aura!

He took the microphone from her and looked at the crowd. He could see that all the elders were admiring him and all the youngsters at his table were looked at him with envious faces.

"Hello, everyone. I'm Fang Tang. This beautiful woman is my mother-in-law, Gao Xin," he deliberately teased Gao Xin as he pointed at her and laughed.

Gao Xin smiled even more brightly.

She wasn't proud that she married a rich man anymore. Instead, she was proud that her daughter had married the son of a coal mining tycoon!

In a few years, her son-in-law would take over the company to become the boss and have a lot of money.



## NH

In this day and age, it was better to marry well than to be pretty. Otherwise, her daughter would have to suffer.

At the thought of that, she turned to look at Su Mei. But Su Mei appeared calm and there wasn't the slightest change in her expression.

"My home is in Panshan. Fang Mining belongs to my family."

When he finished sharing, the older people in the crowd immediately started exclaiming.

"Fang Mining? It's no wonder that Gao Xin's daughter would marry him!"

"That goes without saying. Fang Mining is a renowned mining company in the northwest. They make billions every year!"

"Gao Xin, you have such great fortune."

The flattery made Gao Xin's eyes twinkle in joy as she waved her hands nonstop.

"It's my daughter who is in a relationship. How could it be a good fortune of mine?"

Fang Tang was thrilled by this sort of attention.

"Fang Mining has a lot of resources in Panshan and we hold sway in the northwest as well. If you need any help, please feel free to get in touch. It's fate that brought us together today, and since my Mum has been friends with everyone's parents for decades, then we are all friends. So don't be shy,"



NH

said Fang Tang confidently. "That's all for my simple introduction."

When he finished, he stepped off the stage.

He knew that he didn't have to say much. All it took was the words 'Fang Mining' to awe them.

Everyone in Panshan knew about Fang Mining.

Many people in the northwest knew about Fang Mining too.

His family controlled the largest amount of coal mining reserves in Panshan. They were a famous coal tycoon!

"Young Master Fang, you're being too humble. When I asked where you worked, you didn't even say it. I'm so shocked! Please accept my name card!"

"Exactly! When I heard Young Master Fang talk, I just knew you were remarkable. And as expected, you are really from a rich family."

"Young Master Fang, my company does renewable energy. Maybe we can share our contact information?"

Jiang Ning watched as everyone flattered Fang Tang. Even someone in the business of renewable energy wanted his contact information. Was coal even renewable?!

It was no wonder Su Mei was unwilling to come. Just looking at these children gave a clear picture



NH

of what their elders were like.

Gao Xin was delighted at the sight of this.

Since her son-in-law was so popular and respected, it made her look good too!

“Everyone can stay in touch privately and get closer. You don't have to rush into things now. Let's get everyone else to introduce themselves,” said Gao Xin into the microphone. She turned her head and acted like she was searching in the crowd, even though her eyes never once parted from Su Mei. Then she said, “Su Mei, it's your turn!”



Rate the Translation to Get 2 Pearls.



Wait! I Have Something to Say!



Send a Gift to the Writer!



## NH

Su Mei looked up at her and remained calm.

She waved gently. Everyone found her calmness surprising.

Many of them knew that the moment Su Mei graduated, she married Lin Wen and they thought she would be able to enjoy life after marrying into a second-tier family.

But Lin Wen unexpectedly got into an accident and became crippled, so their family instantly declined. Since they were out of touch for over ten years, they were unaware of how Su Mei was doing.

Even after sitting down together for so long, no one asked how Su Mei was doing.

Some of them were worried they might hurt Su Mei's feelings and make her feel lousy. But the others were completely disinterested. How could someone from a low-income family have anything interesting going on with their lives?

Although Su Mei was relatively well dressed tonight, they wondered how long it took her to come up with the money for her clothing.

"Yuzhen," said Su Mei as she ignored everyone's looks and reached out to wave at her. Then she smiled calmly, "Introduce yourself to all the aunties and uncles."

Jiang Ning nodded slightly at how Su Mei remained unfazed by everything. She was really looking the part now.



## NH

Lin Yuzhen nodded. Then she stood up right away and walked up the stage.

“Yuzhen, come introduce yourself to everyone then. If you need any help in the future, you can always let me know!” said Gao Xin as she smiled and passed the microphone to Lin Yuzhen.

Lin Yuzhen smiled. Then she took the microphone and turned around to look at the crowd with natural grace.

“Hello everyone, I’m Lin Yuzhen! I’m the vice-president and CEO of Lin Group, so I’m in charge of the company!”

When she said this, a few middle-aged men around Su Mei frowned immediately. They seemed to be thinking hard about how familiar that name sounded.

The table with the younger generation reacted more quickly.

“Lin Group? Lin Group from Donghai?”

Someone’s son suddenly said loudly, “Are you talking about Lin Group from the forbidden territory of Donghai?”

“Yes,” said Lin Yuzhen as she nodded. “Lin Group from Donghai. My father, Lin Wen, is our Chairman. Lin Group belongs to my family.”

“Heavens! Its Lin Group!”

“Is it Lin Group from Donghai?”



## NH

The one shouting away was the first man to mention this powerful and rising company that was very mysterious at the same time. And the boss was just sitting across from him!

The girl who was sitting next to Lin Yuzhen instantly turned pale.

She looked at Lin Yuzhen in disbelief. She couldn't believe her ears at all.

She just said that only high-level people knew about Lin Group. In the end, Lin Yuzhen turned out to be the one running the company.

Was there anyone who knew Lin Group better than Lin Yuzhen in the world?

PAK!

It felt like a vicious slap in her face. She immediately flushed crimson as her heart palpitated, and she hurriedly turned around. Then she pretended to drink tea in the hope of disguising her awkwardness.

The people around Su Mei finally remembered.

“Didn’t Su Mei marry the Lins from Donghai? So Lin Group has developed to this level now?”

“So that Lin Group who stirred up Shenghai seriously belongs to your family?”

“Su Mei, it was wrong of you not to say a word about it. Everyone’s so curious about it!”



## NH

As they chatted, they got up to walk up to Su Mei and fought to pour wine for her, “Come come come. Let me pour you a drink after being classmates for so long!”

Su Mei smiled. She held the glass up and put it gently to her lips while her classmate drank it in one gulp and kept saying, “I’ll drink up my glass, but you can finish yours at your own pace!”

My goodness!


That was Lin Group!


Everyone was curious about Lin Group in Donghai and wanted to know its background because it was really headlining the news all day.

After that battle in the north, it had earned itself a name in the business world.

No one would have expected Su Mei to be Lin Group’s lady boss!

 Rate the Translation to Get 2 Pearls.

 Wait! I Have Something to Say!

 Send a Gift to the Writer!



## NH

“You’re too kind, everyone. My husband and Yuzhen are the ones who work at the company. I’m just a housewife, so I wouldn’t know anything.”

“That’s not the right way to put it. Behind every successful man is a remarkable woman.”

“I just knew you weren’t that simple back in university! I was right!”

The atmosphere at the table instantly livened up.

Lin Yuzhen no longer needed any introduction.

Gao Xin stood there and her smile seemed a little awkward.

She was still reveling in the joy of people flattering her son-in-law.

But she didn't expect all the attention to suddenly turn to Su Mei so quickly.

Lin Group?

She knew that Su Mei had married Lin Wen and he was from a second tier family in a small city. Besides, she heard that after Lin Wen was crippled, his family had fallen out of favor.

Even if they had made some advancements, they couldn’t possibly have become so impressive to the point where everyone knew about them, right?

“Su Mei, why haven’t we heard anything about this before?” asked Gao Xin slightly quizzically as she smiled. “Is Lin Group in Donghai truly your



# NH

family's?'

Su Mei stayed quiet but turned to look at Lin Yuzhen. Lin Yuzhen cut to the chase and asked, "Auntie Gao, do you think anyone would dare to pretend to be Lin Group?"

Gao Xin stopped talking.

The company was huge, renowned, and known for its strength. So it would spell trouble to impersonate as them.

But when did Su Mei...and the Lins suddenly become so powerful?

Lin Yuzhen was already managing such a huge company at such a young age?

She hated to admit it, but she did think that was an incredible feat.

The dining table instantly became even livelier. Su Mei became the center of attraction, and those who wanted to learn about Lin Group or partner them became especially eager.

No one expected that the high and mighty and unreachable Lin Group actually belonged to one of their classmates!

They were honestly too ill-informed and didn't care about staying in touch much.

As Jiang Ning watched this scene unfold, he quietly nodded to himself.



## NH

“My mother-in-law is a self-taught genius,” he said in his heart. “Once she gains momentum, no one can suppress her!”

Jiang Ning gained insight into old people showing off. He watched as his mother-in-law acted in a mellow and refined way without looking intentional at all.

She was really good at this!

Gao Xin noticed him as he nodded away in approval. The sense of disappointment in Gao Xin’s eyes instantly transformed into smugness again.

No matter how good Su Mei or the Lins were, they had found themselves a son-in-law that married into their family after all.

Could Su Mei explain this embarrassing fact?

“Yuzhen is so outstanding, Su Mei taught her well!” said Gao Xin loudly after she picked up the microphone, “Everyone, let’s give her a round of applause for raising such a remarkable daughter. We should all learn from her!”

There was thunderous applause!

Regardless of young and old, everyone clapped.

Even without a giant like Lin Group behind them, just Su Mei and Lin Yuzhen’s looks and charm were worthy of applause.

“Didn’t Yuzhen’s husband come too? Why don’t



NH

you tell us about his job in Lin Group?” asked Gao Xin as her eyes landed on Jiang Ning.

In an instant, all eyes shifted to Jiang Ning.

Since Lin Yuzhen was so outstanding, the husband was probably equally remarkable.

They thought he must be a rich man’s son of similar social status.

But before Jiang Ning could say anything, Fang Tang started laughing first. There was a glint of disdain in his eyes because Jiang Ning had said so himself that he wasn’t doing anything at the moment and was jobless.



Rate the Translation to Get 2 Pearls.



Wait! I Have Something to Say!



Send a Gift to the Writer!



## NH

Didn't that mean that he lived off the Lin family?

He married into the family after all!

Even though everyone was staring at him, Jiang Ning was completely unfazed. He waved his hands continuously and said, "I don't have a position in Lin Group, so there's nothing much to say."

"How can that be? Lin Group is so large. Isn't there something suitable for you?" said Gao Xin as she continued to smile brightly. "You're such a modest young man. Su Mei, your son-in-law is a little shy."

Of course, Su Mei knew what Gao Xin implied by that.

"Jiang Ning genuinely doesn't have a position in Lin Group." Su Mei glanced at Jiang Ning and said calmly, "He does important work. A tiny Lin Group isn't good enough for him."

Su Mei wasn't lying. Lin Group was created by Jiang Ning randomly taking out some money in order to groom Lin Yuzhen.

Just Jiang Ning's black cards alone was able to build countless Lin Groups.

Why on earth would he be interested?

But that wasn't what Gao Xin and the others were hearing.

"Auntie Su, it looks like your son-in-law is probably



## NH

very capable,” said Fang Tang loudly as he smiled and straightened his back. “So what line is he in? If there's a chance, I would like to work with him.”

He clearly wanted to embarrass Jiang Ning. He wanted to let everyone know that Jiang Ning was jobless and that he was just a man who married into his wife’s family.

The atmosphere instantly became stifled. Some of them could tell Gao Xin and her family was rude, but there wasn't much they could say since they couldn’t afford to offend either families.

Jiang Ning remained seated and only nodded gently before turning to glance at Fang Tang and said, “What a coincidence, I happen to be involved in some mining.”

“Oh really?” replied Fang Tang. He was really amused now. Did Jiang Ning think he could play a bluff in his field of expertise? “Where is your mining business located? The northwest is the most famous mining zone in the whole country!

“How coincidental! I happen to know a lot of people in the mining trade in the northwest,” said Jiang Ning calmly. “But I never heard of the Fang family before.”

Fang Tang instantly sneered. What a joke!

Everyone in Panshan knew the Fang family.

They were a highly respectable family, even in the entire northwest. But Jiang Ning actually said that he had never heard of them, so he was definitely



## NH

lying through his teeth and didn't know what sort of position the Fang family had in the coal mining industry at all.

"Mr Jiang is starting to make me suspicious," said Fang Tang rudely. "If you've never heard of the Fang family, then how could you claim to know many people in the trade in the northwest? How many do you know? Since we are all in the same trade, there's no sense in lying. I won't make fun of you."

Jiang Ning shrugged and said, "I'm not sure how many I know, so I probably have to give it a count. Tell you what, why don't I get everyone to come over to see exactly how many there are?"

Then he took his phone out and made a call.

"Get everyone in the trade to come over. I'm at Panshan Hotel."

It was a succinct sentence. The minute Jiang Ning finished these words, he hung up. He smiled brightly and said to Fang Tang, "Who is the head of the Fang family now?"

Fang Tang's expression turned nasty. How could Jiang Ning ask such a question? He was being too arrogant.

"Hoho, it doesn't matter who it is right now, but its future is in my hands," he said as he puffed his chest out arrogantly.

Jiang Ning nodded, "That's right. You're very outstanding. So it looks like I'm meeting the head



NH

of the Fang family in advance then.”



Rate the Translation to Get 2 Pearls.



Wait! I Have Something to Say!



Send a Gift to the Writer!



## NH

Fang Tang hated Jiang Ning's calmness.

It seemed as though nothing could ruffle Jiang Ning. Not even when so many people were waiting to see him made a laughingstock.

He was surprisingly not the least bit nervous.

Did this man who was living off his wife's family think he could get away with this?

The atmosphere was slightly awkward, but no one dared to smooth things over. Now that things that come to this, if they attempted to mediate, it would offend Fang Tang and the Fang family. But if they didn't try to help, they would provoke Su Mei and Lin Group.

No one wanted to be blamed for nothing.

Gao Xin put on a look of dilemma on her face.

"Kids, there's no need to argue over such things. If Jiang Ning says he knows them, then he does."

She hurriedly waved her hands and said, "Fang Tang, don't make it difficult for him."

"Mum, you're mistaken. I'm not petty. I just want to get to know them," said Fang Tang, "Since Jiang Ning knows so many people in the northwest, some of them might be interested in working with the Fang family. We're all youngsters here, so there's no reason to hold a grudge."

He deliberately looked at Jiang Ning as he waited to see him back off.



## NH

He even made a phone call to gather everyone in the trade in the northwest. Who did he think he was?

He was going overboard with his acting!

Just the Mo family from Tongshan alone was the backbone of the northwest. It was an illustrious family that had operated mines for three generations and could be considered the most influential family in the northwest.

Even the powerful northern families had to give in to them. Did Jiang Ning think that one phone call could really get someone like the head of the Mo family to appear here?

He didn't know that Mo Chenglin had nearly fallen from his chair when he received Jiang Ning's call minutes ago.

Just yesterday, Mo Chenglin received a visitor from the north. His high status petrified Mo Chenglin so much that he lost sleep all night.

Especially when the first sentence the man said was, "Just because my Big Boss gave you a chance doesn't mean that I will too. If you fail to perform, then you can find yourself a burial plot."

That terrifying person called Jiang Ning his big boss!

He found it fortunate that he made the right choice to give up those wild mines and most of his profit. That way, he could save the Mo family and live!



## NH

After he received Jiang Ning's call, Mo Chenglin didn't dare to delay at all. "Quickly! Get to Panshan at top speed! Also, inform all the other important families to rush to Panshan now. Anyone who's too slow can buy their own coffins!"

As he spoke, he ran. It was almost an hour's car ride to get from Tongshan to Panshan even when traffic was smooth.

Would Mo Chenglin dare to let Jiang Ning wait for him for an hour?

He must have a death wish!

At the same time, all the mine owners in the northwest became nervous and wary!

Regardless of what they were doing, they put their work away and hurried to Panshan at top speed. Everyone knew that some incredible person must be in Panshan since even the Mo family not only yielded to him, they seemed terrified of him too!

They weren't dumb.

"Hurry! Hurry up! Get to Panshan quickly! At top speed!"

"Where is our best driver? Get him to drive!"

"Prepare the private jet. I'll be there right now!"

The head of the Fang family, Fang Yuan, felt he must be the luckiest person of the lot since he was already in Panshan. Yet he felt he should be the most worried as that big shot was surprisingly




NH


here in Panshan!


He hurriedly put on his clothes and turned to leave through the door.

“I hope nothing happened! I hope nothing happened!”

Fang Yuan instinctively had a bad feeling. Why did a big shot like that suddenly turn up in a small place like Panshan? As a coal mine owner, his business couldn't compare to the much larger businesses that belonged to families like the Mo family.

 Rate the Translation to Get 2 Pearls.

 Wait! I Have Something to Say!

 Send a Gift to the Writer!



## NH

Fang Yuan could be arrogant in Panshan because he became rich here. But to others like the Mo family, he was not a big tycoon at all.

Now the real big shot was in Panshan and informed everyone to come here. This made Fang Yuan very nervous!

But Fang Yuan didn't have time to worry. He quickly headed towards where Jiang Ning was without daring to let him wait.

At the same moment.

The atmosphere in the hotel was still a little solemn.

Although everyone still smiled, there was very little conversation. They merely found Jiang Ning's phone call to gather all the people in the mining trade in the northwest here a joke.

When it came to such a matter, neither Jiang Ning nor even a local like Fang Tang was capable of doing it.

They knew Jiang Ning just didn't like being mocked, so he deliberately lied. A few elders tried to mediate and let the matter pass.

They were all classmates, so there was no point in making things too awkward for each other.

"These youngsters have really surpassed us."

"Indeed! Both Fang Tang and Yuzhen are outstanding people in their generation. I must get



NH

my son to learn from them.”

“That’s right, Su Mei. You’re so good at raising your child, you must share your tips with us.”

A few close friends of Su Mei noticed the uneasy atmosphere and started to talk. They wanted to divert everyone’s attention from Jiang Ning to Su Mei.

But Su Mei smiled instead.

“Yuzhen isn’t that great,” said Su Mei and was very honest about her daughter. “I’ll be happy so long as she can stop making me worry. But I don’t worry anymore with Jiang Ning around. I’m very relieved with him around.”

When the crowd heard these words, they were a little stunned. Why did Su Mei bring the conversation back to this?

Didn’t she know that Gao Xin and her son-in-law were clearly lying in wait to embarrass her and Jiang Ning?

“Auntie Su is right. Jiang Ning knows so many big shots in the northwest, so he must be remarkable,” added Fang Tang. “I can’t compare to him.”

He smiled as he poured himself a glass of wine and checked his luxurious wrist watch for the time. Almost 30 minutes had gone by. Where were those people that Jiang Ning were talking about?



## NH

Why hadn't a single person appeared?

Just as he was about to mock Jiang Ning, the door of the hotel opened and a man suddenly rushed in. He was so anxious and in such a hurry that he caught everyone's attention instantly.

Did someone come to the wrong place?

Fang Tang turned to see and was surprised.  
“Dad?”

He didn't expect Fang Yuan to be here.

Fang Tang instantly stood up with joy on his face. Then he quickly stood up and walked towards Fang Yuan.

His backing was here!

“Dad, what are you doing here? Come, let me introduce...”

But Fang Yuan ignored him completely. He looked around and his eyes fell on Jiang Ning instantly. It was a complete match with the photo in his mind.

He shoved Fang Tang aside and walked briskly towards Jiang Ning. Then he clasped his hands together and bowed to greet him, “Mr Jiang!”

Fang Yuan only dared to look at the floor and his voice was filled with great respect, “I only just found out that Mr Jiang is in Panshan. Sorry for being a poor host!”

WOOONG...



# NH

Everyone felt as though their ears were buzzing.

What did they just hear?

They clearly heard Fang Tang calling Fang Yuan his father. So a few of the elders even stood up and prepared to introduce themselves to Fang Yuan.

But Fang Yuan...

Fang Yuan was so respectful to Jiang Ning!

He was even filled with awe for Jiang Ning!

Everyone was shocked speechless. Fang Tang in particular, felt as though his head had exploded. He couldn't believe what he was seeing at all.

He must be bloody dreaming, right?



Rate the Translation to Get 2 Pearls.



Wait! I Have Something to Say!



Send a Gift to the Writer!



## NH

When Fang Tang saw that his father had arrived, he wanted to show off to everyone.

But he didn't expect Fang Yuan to completely ignore him and just walk straight towards Jiang Ning!

On top of that, Fang Yuan's attitude made Fang Tang even more speechless.

Why was he so respectful to Jiang Ning?

"Dad..." Fang Tang's mouth was wide open but he couldn't get a single word out. He felt like even his own scalp was numb.

Everyone else around him was equally shocked.

Gao Xin was especially surprised. At their age, they could tell that Fang Yuan was not being merely polite. He was being respectful towards Jiang Ning!

Wasn't the Fang family highly respected in Panshan? Wasn't Jiang Ning just a son-in-law living off his wife's family?

"Who are you?"

Before they could even start guessing the Fang family's relationship with Jiang Ning, Jiang Ning's words stunned all of them.

Jiang Ning didn't even know Fang Yuan?

But Fang Yuan was so respectful to him.



## NH

Fang Tang stood there without daring to move. He felt like his mind was very confused and he couldn't tell if he this was reality or just an illusion.

Everyone held their breaths and didn't dare to say a word.

But Fang Yuan smiled and wasn't upset that Jiang Ning didn't know him. He continued to say respectfully, "My name is Fang Yuan, and my family owns part of the coal market and coal mines in Panshan."

"Oh."

Jiang Ning only gave a simple acknowledgment and didn't speak further. He seemed completely disinterested.

They were just coal mines, so they belonged to the lowest rung in the mining industry. Coal mines caused a lot of pollution and ought to be cleaned up a long time ago.

Jiang Ning didn't speak, so Fang Yuan didn't dare to talk either. He continued to stand there respectfully without even daring to breathe too hard.

The atmosphere at the hotel became somewhat strange.

DADADA!

Before the crowd managed to react, a few people charged in through the door. They were covered in



NH

sweat, and their faces were red, as if they had sprinted their entire way here.

“Mr Jiang!” They all ran up to Jiang Ning and quickly formed a neat row before greeting him.

Jiang Ning raised his head to glance at them and grunted.

That was it.

They didn't dare say a word. When they saw Fang Yuan, they quickly stood next to him.

“Mr Jiang, why did you ask to see us?”

They looked at Fang Yuan quizzically, but Fang Yuan shook his head gently. He had no idea.

Before today, he had never seen Jiang Ning in person. He merely saw his pictures and heard about his deeds.

Fang Tang was even paler.

The people who came were all mine owners from the northwestern region. Also, they were all of high social status and were no worse than the Fang family. But when they saw Jiang Ning, all of them became deferential.

What was going on?

They looked at Fang Tang and wanted to ask him about the situation, but Fang Tang was equally confused and expressionless.



NH

He wanted to ask Fang Yuan but didn't dare to approach him now.

SWISH!

SWISH!

SWISH!

In no time, more and more people started entering the hotel. Fang Tang felt his throat going dry. These people...

These people were all from the mining industry in the northwest.

Were these the people whom Jiang Ning said he knew?

That included his own father!

Fang Tang's legs were a little limp now.

And Gao Xin and the others were dumbstruck.

"Su Mei, your son-in-law..." someone gulped and couldn't help asking. "He knows so many big shots?"

Everyone in the northwest knew these mining tycoons.

They often appeared on TV and the news, so they had seen them around.

In the past, it was rare to see even one of them in person. But so many of them had come over



NH

today as if they were having an industry meeting of sorts.

But they were clearly here just because Jiang Ning made a phone call!



Rate the Translation to Get 2 Pearls.



Wait! I Have Something to Say!



Send a Gift to the Writer!



## NH

More and more people came. At a glance, there were more than 20 of them!

They were all important people in the northwestern district.

Gao Xin inhaled deeply without daring to say a word. She turned to glance at Su Mei, but Su Mei calmly remained seated as though she had witnessed plenty of such scenes and was completely unfazed.

This was really crazy

Had Su Mei seen anything like this before?

“Mr Jiang,” said Mo Chenglin from a distance. He quickly walked over from the main entrance. When he saw that everyone was here, he realized he was last to arrive and fear emerged on his face.

He quickly ran over to Jiang Ning and made obeisance as he said, “My apologies. I met with some roadworks on my way down from Tongshan. Please forgive me for keeping Mr Jiang waiting!”

OOH.

Fang Tang felt his face turning entirely stiff!

It took at least 40 minutes to get here from Tongshan by car. Even if he sped like crazy, he might arrive in 30 minutes at best.

Since Mo Chenglin was able to get here so



## NH

quickly, he probably raced like mad. And he still needed to apologize to Jiang Ning?

Fang Tang suddenly realized that he might be in trouble.

He looked at Jiang Ning, and Jiang Ning happened to be looking up at him. The way Jiang Ning looked at him made Fang Tang's heart palpitate and an ominous feeling surfaced in his heart immediately.

"Is everyone here?" asked Jiang Ning as he turned to look at Mo Chenglin and the others. He smiled and said, "Everyone, it's our first meeting, but I have heard about all of you. It's my honor to meet you."

"You're too kind, Mr Jiang!"

"It's our honor!"

"Mr Jiang, welcome to the northwest!"

All of them quickly responded to Jiang Ning.

Mo Chenglin even stood right in front of the lot with a face filled with respect and didn't dare to have even a shred of insolence.

"From my understanding, there are 32 mine owners in the northwest, but there are only 29 here," said Jiang Ning calmly.

Mo Chenglin immediately went up and said, "I informed the remaining three, but..."



## NH

They didn't come.

And they even continued to sound disdainful of Jiang Ning. They didn't care about someone who was new to the industry.

Mo Chenglin naturally didn't speak any further. The ones that heard about what happened all knew that Jiang Ning couldn't be provoked. But those three people...

"It's okay. I just wanted to get to know everyone. Since they didn't turn up today, I will visit them personally."

At the sound of that, all of them paled at first, but they soon relaxed a little in their hearts. They knew that those three were done for.

And if they didn't arrive in time today, then they would be done for!

It was their first time meeting Jiang Ning, but they could sense an intimidating aura radiating from the youth standing before them!

They couldn't put their finger on it, but just looking at Jiang Ning's expression as they stood in front of him awakened the primal fears in their hearts very quickly.

When Jiang Ning was done talking, he turned to look at Fang Tang and said, "Young Master Fang, these are all the people I know in the northwest."

Fang Tang didn't dare to say a word.



# NH

He was petrified!

When Fang Yuan heard Jiang Ning say this to Fang Tang, his heart thumped loudly. He looked like he had just eaten a dead rat. How could this brat...offend Jiang Ning?

“Now, do you think I was lying?”

Fang Tang felt like crying. If he knew how influential Jiang Ning was, he would rather die than come to this gathering!

He could only smile uneasily without daring to say a word. Both his legs trembled so hard that he almost fell onto the floor.

“Mr Jiang...” Fang Yuan wanted to help his son to explain things, but Jiang Ning glanced at him and he immediately shut up.

“I got everyone to come here today just to make an introduction,” said Jiang Ning as he pointed at Fang Tang. “This gentleman over here introduced himself as the future head of the Fang family, so let me introduce him to all of you as well. If you need anything, Mr Fang here will give everyone a chance.”



Rate the Translation to Get 2 Pearls.



Wait! I Have Something to Say!



Send a Gift to the Writer!



## NH

When Jiang Ning finished speaking, the crowd fell silent.

Fang Tang wanted to kill himself by knocking his head against the wall.

Both Fang Yuan and Fang Tang felt numb all over.

They stood there uncertain whether to explain or to apologize.

“Okay. Now that the introductions are done, you can go back to work. I don’t want to hold you up any further,” said Jiang Ning calmly.

“Yes, Mr Jiang!” said Mo Chenglin as he nodded and led everyone out.

They had just come here to stand for a while and listen to Jiang Ning say a few things. They didn’t do anything else at all.

But even though Jiang Ning only said a few words, they could detect this man’s intense aura!

The unrivaled aura Jiang Ning possessed wasn't the sort that could be faked. Just by sitting there, he gave others the impulse to serve him.

Even if some people were unconvinced or even contemptuous before this, they no longer dared to hold any doubts in their hearts.

Especially after they saw a wily old fox like Mo Chenglin behave so respectfully to Jiang Ning.

“Mr Mo!”



## NH

Fang Yuan looked anxious as he stood outside the hotel and hurriedly called out to Mo Chenglin. He said respectfully, “Mr Mo, can you help...appeal to Mr Jiang for mercy on the Fang family?”

If he failed to notice that his disappointing son had provoked Jiang Ning, then he could forget about remaining in this industry!

Mo Chenglin turned to glance at Fang Yuan and sneered, “Plead for mercy? What gives you the right to ask for that? The Mo family ourselves are in hot soup too!”

Everyone else’s expressions suddenly turned more solemn upon hearing this.

“Don’t blame me for not reminding you. Some people can’t be offended. If you want to survive, you have to get smart!” said Mo Chenglin. He didn’t linger around anymore and left quickly.

Jiang Ning had left this region and suddenly come back again, so this was a sign that something was going to happen in the northwest. Mo Chenglin wasn’t dumb. He had surrendered his two wild mines, and while some others had surrendered theirs too, some people were still stubborn in their ways...

He could almost smell the terrifying storm that was brewing in the air and waiting to pelt down on them!

After Mo Chenglin left anxiously, the others left in a hurry too and they could also guess what was going to happen.



# NH

Meanwhile.

In the hotel.

Jiang Ning continued sitting there calmly as he casually ate some snacks and drank.

The people sharing his table felt uneasy in their seats.

No one dared to say a word. They even breathed cautiously.

It was the same at Su Mei's table. The way they looked at Su Mei was completely different now.

Even though Su Mei was Lin Yuzhen's mother, it wasn't as shocking as how she was Jiang Ning's mother-in-law!

"Su Mei," said Gao Xin after a long time as she smiled awkwardly. "This son-in-law of yours is incredible. He's incredible."

She appeared a little awkward and even fearful. She was worried about the bad impression she gave Jiang Ning, and she was concerned that this had caused trouble for Fang Tang and her daughter.

She suddenly regretted it. Why did she attempt to satisfy her sense of superiority in front of Su Mei?

There was no sense of satisfaction at all!

"Yes, my son-in-law is definitely outstanding."



# NH

This time, Su Mei wasn't modest at all.

She glanced at Jiang Ning, "You can criticize me in anyway, but you can't speak ill of my son-in-law."

Gao Xin didn't care go on. She sat there obediently with her legs together without daring to move a muscle.

"Jiang Ning!" said Su Mei.

"Yes, Mum!" said Jiang Ning as he stood up immediately and walked up to Su Mei. There wasn't a shred of that cold attitude he showed to Mo Chenglin and the rest earlier.

"These are my old classmates and old friends and I brought you here today to get to know them. Since you are younger, you should give them a toast."

The entire table immediately stood to their feet when they heard these words.



Rate the Translation to Get 2 Pearls.



Wait! I Have Something to Say!



Send a Gift to the Writer!



## NH

Did Su Mei just get Jiang Ning to toast them?

Su Mei must be kidding!

They wouldn't dare to let a big shot like Jiang Ning toast them!

"Please sit."

Jiang Ning reached his hand out and waved for them to sit down. Everyone at the table looked at each other nervously and only sat down when someone else sat down first.

"Uncles and Aunties..."

Jiang Ning poured himself a glass of wine and walked one round to pour each one of them a drink as he said, "My Mum told me about a lot of interesting things that happened while she was a student and she graduated with so many happy memories. All of you were in her memories."

Jiang Ning raised his wine glass and everyone else immediately followed suit. "Thank you for giving my Mum such fond memories in her college days. As someone younger, I'd like to give all of you a toast!"

Then he downed the wine in a single gulp.

Everyone accepted his toast and drank up without leaving a drop behind.

It felt sweet in Su Mei's heart.

Jiang Ning's toast instantly made up for all the



## NH

shame she suffered for decades.

She wasn't a vain person, but all the grievance, bullying, and mockery she had suffered for half her life became the subject of her old classmates' conversations.

Did anyone still dare to speak ill of her?

Did anyone still think she was a joke?

Did anyone still dare to mock her?

Now they would only envy her!

Su Mei was a little teary eyed, but she kept her grace, and she looked more gently at Jiang Ning than before. If only he were truly her child.

"That's enough. I don't want to hold everyone back from catching up with each other."

Jiang Ning smiled. He held Lin Yuzhen's hand and went back to their seats. Then Su Mei's table slowly started to get lively again.

All their conversation topics surrounded Su Mei as they started reminiscing on their student days and talked about all the interesting things they did while laughing from time to time.

But Jiang Ning's side continued to remain solemn.

"Mr Ji-Jiang..." said Fang Tang with his voice trembling. He held his wine glass with both hands and bowed at a nearly 90 degree angle. His heart



## NH

was so overwhelmed with fear and apprehension that even his smile was stiff.

“I was too blind and cocky, Mr Jiang. Please don’t sink to my level.”

He almost wanted to cry.

Even if he had to apologize to Jiang Ning publicly, he had to humble himself and do it.

If he gave Jiang Ning enough respect, Jiang Ning might then give him a chance to live!

Jiang Ning glanced at him and said calmly, “Did you think I’d sink to your level?”

Fang Tang’s heart sank and he didn’t know how to reply.

The hands he used to hold the wine glass instantly shivered in anxiety.

Then Jiang Ning picked up his wine glass and clinked Fang Tang’s gently. “There will be no second time.”

After saying that, Jiang Ning put the glass back on the table and didn’t intend to drink any wine at all, but Fang Tang became so excited that he almost leaped into the air and hurriedly finished his drink in a single gulp!

“Thank you, Mr Jiang! Thank you, Mr Jiang!”

“Relax, everyone.”



## NH

Jiang Ning noticed that the people at his table looked like they were all frozen and didn't dare to speak nor move. That would make the event too boring for them. "Continue drinking and talking, otherwise it's so boring, right?"

After he said this, a few more talkative ones cautiously started to chat.

Regardless of the subject, they continued to secretly glance at Jiang Ning out of fear that they might say the wrong thing and displease him.

But Jiang Ning couldn't be bothered with them. The only thing he cared about was food.

"Wifey, try this one, it tastes pretty good."

"Don't eat that, its calories are too high. I'll help you out."

"Take a few pictures for the Legend of Shengcheng and tempt her to death!"



Rate the Translation to Get 2 Pearls.



Wait! I Have Something to Say!



Send a Gift to the Writer!