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# ***Ace of the Dragon Division***

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There's SIS in great Britain, CIA in the US. In Huaxia, there's Dragon Division, known as the mysterious power of the East.

When a soldier that originally failed to be selected to join, appeared on the Dragon Division's list again, no one noticed, that this inconspicuous and humble looking guy was actually the Dragon King of the division, the one that's most difficult to deal with.

Mercenary: "Report, our squad is under attack, suffering heavy casualties!"

Commander: "How many enemies are out there?"

Mercenary: "Just... just one! There's a joker card in his hand."

HQ: "What?! Hurry, retreat!"

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## **Chapter 81: How Did You Know About Our Operation?**

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This female killer codenamed Dolphin didn't leave after putting down the food. Instead, she directly went to the washroom and changed into a nurse uniform. When she came out again, the two nurses on call were both rushing to go to the toilet. She immediately slipped past them, pushing the cart with the needles and syringes and walking towards Xu Cheng's ward.

She said to her earpiece, ***"I'm approaching the target and will euthanize him."***

Central communication: ***"Very good, I will get Brother Iron to come up for reinforcement. The moment you succeed, he will lead you to leave the hospital as quickly as possible. Remember, don't leave behind any evidence."***

***"Understood,"*** Dolphin said. She put on transparent gloves to prevent herself from leaving any fingerprints for the police to pick up.

When she pushed open the door to Xu Cheng's ward and went in, she found that Xu Cheng was staring right at her with an unblinking gaze.

Shen Yao saw this and snorted, ***"Why are you looking at her like a h\*\*\*y teenager?"***

In fact, she was just pissed. Was the nurse even better looking than her?

And then, she immediately ridiculed Xu Cheng, ***"So you are into uniforms?"***

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Dolphin remained calm as she prepared the medicine and syringe.

As for why Xu Cheng was just staring right at her, she thought it might just be what Shen Yao said, that the guy was a pervert that was into some kinky stuff. That was why she didn't think too much about it.

Xu Cheng then said to Ran Jing, ***“Close the door.”***

Ran Jing really wanted to ask why, but remembering that they were still in a critical period and how Xu Cheng accurately predicted everything up until now, she didn't doubt Xu Cheng's order and closed the door.

Xu Cheng added, ***“Lock it.”***

The nurse paused for a moment, her heart skipping a beat. However, on her face, she still appeared to be very calm as she prepared the fluid.

Xu Cheng then said to Shen Yao, ***“Go and close the window. Pull the curtains too.”***

Shen Yao looked at him with a contemptuous look. ***“You won't do things when Ran Jing and I are still here, right?”***

Ran Jing knew Xu Cheng must have a reason for this, and the reason probably involved this nurse.

Thinking about this, she unbuttoned the gun holster by her waist and placed her hand on the pistol, ready to pull it out any moment.

Shen Yao went over and pulled down the curtain and then she looked at Xu Cheng. Xu Cheng, laying in the hospital bed, calmly looked at the nurse and smiled. ***“Nurse, my IV fluid bag is still half full.”***

The ***“nurse”*** looked at the bag that was still half full and said

calmly, ***“This is another shot you have to get. There are a lot of patients tonight, so I’ve arranged the order for everyone because I might not be able to get to you later.”***

Then, she brought a new bag and walked towards Xu Cheng, about to put it on the stand.

Xu Cheng kept the smile on his face as he said, ***“Normally, if a woman was stared at by another man like I did to you, they would for sure become angry. Just now, I told them to lock the door and also pull down the curtain, yet you are still so calm. This is called deliberately acting calm, do you know that? And it’s because you have an objective, and you have to stay here and do something.”***

A hint of murderous intent flashed past the eyes of the killer codenamed Dolphin.

However, on the surface, she squeezed out a scornful smile and replied, ***“You think I’m afraid that you will really do something to me? There are two other girls here, and we are in a hospital.”***

***“That’s what I’m saying, you are so calm that it’s terrifying. With a temper like yours, to be able to remain calm no matter the situation, I can only associate one career to your profile,”***  
Xu Cheng said.

Dolphin looked at him. ***“What is it?”***

Xu Cheng slowly said, ***“Hitman.”***

Dolphin paused for a moment and the two’s eyes met for three seconds, and then she suddenly chuckled. ***“You really watched too many movies. Hurry, I will inject this medicine for you, and you can keep on sleeping. Remember to eat more supplements.”***

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She was trying very hard to appear calm.

Xu Cheng didn't pull out his hand from under the blanket, instead only replying, **"How about you give yourself a shot first?"**

Dolphin immediately put the syringe back to her tray. **"I haven't met a patient as uncooperative as you. If you don't want the medicine then I'm just going to leave."**

Then, she packed everything up and was prepared to leave. She felt that something was off, as if the guy in front of her had already seen through her, and her instincts were telling her to abandon this operation right away!

Suddenly, Xu Cheng grabbed onto the tray, not letting her move. He smiled at the transparent gloves she was wearing and said, **"Are you wearing those to not leave behind fingerprints?"**

Dolphin felt that the situation had forced her to a point where she had to reveal herself. She immediately went to grab the syringe, preparing to take Xu Cheng hostage to leave this place, but just as her hand touched the syringe, she found that there was already a gun pointed to her head.

**"Freeze."**

At this moment, Dolphin still didn't give up her act yet. She pretended to be shocked, just like how a normal nurse would act with a gun pointed at her head, and she said with a terrified tone, **"What are you guys doing?"**

**"Your acting is too exaggerated,"** Xu Cheng said, **"Doesn't it say in movies that professional killers must pass the acting test? Your mentality passed the test, but your acting is too horrible. A normal person would've begun acting nervous when I stared at you and told someone to close the door, but you didn't. Now, it's too late."**



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***“I don’t know what you are talking about. What hitman?”***

Xu Cheng smiled. Looking at Shen Yao who still didn’t figure out what was going on yet, he said, ***“Shen Yao, do you know how to inject a needle?”***

Shen Yao paused for a moment. ***“Uh, shouldn’t be too difficult, right?”***

***“That’s right, can you come over and inject this nurse with the medicine in that syringe?”*** Xu Cheng said.

The face of the killer codenamed Dolphin immediately changed. Feeling that she was thinking about moving, Ran Jing pushed the gun harder at her head, implying that she should probably not think about it.

***“Don’t be so nervous. It’s just medicine, what are you so worried about?”***

Dolphin didn’t move an inch as she said, ***“Don’t you know, wrongful injections can kill you?”***

Shen Yao walked over as she sneered, ***“Do we look like nine-year-olds to you? Come on, if there’s no problem with the medicine inside the syringe, what are you afraid of?”***

Then, she picked up the syringe with fluid inside and grabbed onto her hand, trying to find the vein.

Dolphin swallowed her saliva, and she immediately became nervous, not knowing how to fight back or escape from this place. She knew that the operation today completely failed. Now, not to mention assassination, it was even hard enough for her just to survive.

***“You guys are breaking the law if you do this!”*** she nervously said.

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***“It’s fine, I’m a police officer. I will take the responsibility if something goes wrong,”*** Xu Cheng said.

***“Then I’m going to poke her with the needle now?”***

Xu Cheng nodded. “Go.”

The woman suddenly wanted to fight back, but who knew Ran Jing was pretty pro too and immediately got her under control and pushed her down onto the bed.

Just when Shen Yao’s about to poke the needle through the woman’s skin, she closed her eyes and shouted, unable to stand the torment anymore, ***“Don’t do it!”***

Ran Jing asked, ***“What’s inside?”***

***“A drug for euthanasia.”*** The killer sighed and admitted. She looked towards Xu Cheng and asked, ***“How did you know our operation?”***

Ran Jing looked towards Xu Cheng. ***“I want to know as well.”***

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## Chapter 82: I'll Play With You

Source: Noodletown Translated

Xu Cheng immediately didn't know how to explain himself to Ran Jing. What was he going to say to her? Oh, I can see anything that's living, and I also saw your rose-red bra?

The hitman observing from the building across the street seemed to detect the failure of Dolphin's operation.

He immediately reported to central communication, ***"Dolphin seemed to have blown her cover and got captured."***

The scar-faced guy managing central communication became silent for a bit. Then, picking up a gun, he said, ***"Everyone, gather at the corridor outside of Xu Cheng's ward."***

***"Boss, what are we doing?"***

***"It's clear that our mission failed. Dolphin and the others already have heavy criminal records and they for sure wouldn't be able to come out alive after getting arrested. We have to go and save them."*** Scarface immediately picked up the speaker and shouted at Dolphin's earpiece. ***"Captain Ran, how about we make a deal?"***

The voice was faintly heard from the inside of Dolphin's nurse uniform. Ran Jing directly took it out and put it on speaker. ***"Who are you?"***

Scarface: ***"Who I am is not important. You arrested three of our guys. Let them go, and we will cancel our operation."***

Ran Jing sneered, ***"Have you seen a police officer letting criminals go after capturing them? Your existence affects the***

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***safety of others, so you guys should all be supervised at all times, and that means going to prison!”***

***“We are at the hospital, and I don’t want to make the scale of our operation any larger. However, we are more than capable of doing so. We just want to give you guys a chance. If you don’t let our guys go, then we will come into the hospital and take you all down to hell with us!”*** Scarface threatened.

Ran Jing’s eyes narrowed. If they really were to do what they said, then it may put innocent civilians into danger, and it wasn’t a responsibility she could shoulder.

She swore, ***“Do you think the police will compromise with criminals?”***

***“You guys can try to act tough. Worst comes to worst, we will all die together,”*** Scarface sneered.

In fact, Xu Cheng knew where this guy was at, but she still wanted to eavesdrop on where the other members were located in the hospital.

Right after Scarface finished talking, many members immediately felt opposed to the idea. ***“Boss, are you crazy? You want to go all out with the police? That will block all escapes for us.”***

***“Yeah, Boss, that’s too reckless! We should retreat. This profession of course comes with risks, and we have to think of the bigger picture! We can save our teammates later. They were just arrested for holding weapons, they won’t be given the death penalty.”***

Scarface immediately said angrily, ***“What about Dolphin? Her motive constitutes a murder. If she’s caught, then there’s no way she’s coming out!”***

The other guys all became silent.

***“Boss, hear me out, you are just getting a bit too emotional because you guys had sex, but you understand very well, we can’t have too many emotions if we are in this profession.”***

Scarface: ***“Shut up! Everyone, go and block the back entrance of the hospital. We can’t let them take Dolphin away! Worst comes to worst, we will fight them!”***

***“You really are crazy!”***

Their conversations were all eavesdropped by Xu Cheng’s ultrasound, and he knew the exact location of those that were speaking with his penetrating vision.

He said to Ran Jing, ***“Give me your earpiece, I will take over from here. You tell your team to all listen to me from now on.”***

***“Don’t waste your time.”*** At this moment, Dolphin, who was in cuffs, laughed and said, ***“Other than the two you guys caught, we have a lot of people here at the hospital involved in this assassination operation. If we aren’t professional, we wouldn’t be hired to do the job. Do you really plan on forcing us to put everyone in this hospital into danger?”***

***“Since you are that confident, then I will play with you guys.”*** After speaking, he waved at Ran Jing, and then took over the communication piece for the hitman team and said to Scarface, ***“Listen, if you guys want to go to war, then I will take you on. I won’t let go of the people we arrested, and I will also be arresting the rest of you guys.”***

On the other end, the scar-faced guy laughed fearlessly, ***“If right now, a couple of people with submachine guns begin spraying bullets inside the hospital and cause a large scale***

**massacre, do you think you will still be able to keep your job?"**

**"Are you threatening me?"** Xu Cheng's eyes narrowed.

Scarface laughed and said, **"I wouldn't dare to, so that's why I'm trying to negotiate with you. Just let our guys go, and I promise you can have a good night sleep."**

Xu Cheng: **"If I don't arrest all of you guys, how could I have a good night sleep? You are not a qualified hitman, do you know that?"**

He heard the whole conversation inside the hitman's group.

Scarface's face slightly changed and paused.

**"A qualified hitman must be cold-blooded. You are acting so recklessly for this woman, you like her, right? Wanna see whose chips are bigger?"**

Scarface very much hated the idea of being seen through by someone else. He said in a deep voice, **"If you talk nonsense again, then let's battle right now. Worst comes to worst, let's die together! I will give you 10 minutes, bring all three of our people to the van parked in the back parking lot of the hospital. Let them drive themselves, and I promise I won't take any extreme measures to deal with the rest. We are hitmen, not extremists!"**

**"Okay, then 10 minutes."** After speaking, Xu Cheng turned off the communication piece and threw it to the side. Then, he reached out for Ran Jing's internal communication device that was connected with 15 other criminal police units.

Ran Jing just said a few words before taking off her bluetooth earpiece, **"Xu Cheng will be giving commands from now on, everyone focus! These killers are threatening us with a**

***massacre at the hospital if we do not let go of their people. I hope you all know very clearly what could happen, and I will need 100% of everyone's focus in the next 10 minutes.***

Then, she passed the earpiece to Xu Cheng. Putting it into his ear, he said, ***"Who's in first floor lobby."***

***"Unit 1, 3, 5 are on standby at the entrance."***

Xu Cheng: ***"Very well, act natural. Go to the waiting area, in the lobby, on the third seat of fifth row, there's a man in a white grid shirt with a buzzcut. You can see that he's quite muscular. He's armed, and he should be good with melee combat as well. I need you all to take him down as quickly as possible. Remember, don't cause a commotion."***

Dolphin's face immediately changed, and terrified, she looked towards Xu Cheng. She was extremely shocked because the man described by him was the guy in their group responsible to keep a watch out for police. This guy was responsible for notifying the rest of the team the moment police units arrived.

Hearing the command, the three criminal police units exchanged a look, and they immediately went for the lobby. At the waiting area chairs, they indeed saw a guy in a white grid shirt sitting on the third seat of the fifth row, completely fitting Xu Cheng's description!

The three of them walked over casually. Two of them sat down across from that man, and just when this man vigilantly looked up, another officer already went behind him and held a gun against his head. ***"Don't move."***

The other two officers immediately grabbed onto each side of the man, disarmed him, and quietly escorted him to a corner so they didn't affect the other patients that were waiting for their medical consultation.

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***“Target at the lobby has been taken care of.”***



## Chapter 83: Being Toyed Around

Source: Noodletown Translated

After hearing the report, he looked through the walls and floors and saw the elevator door. ***“Who’s near the elevator on the first floor?”***

***“Unit 6 and 10.”***

Xu Cheng: ***“Across from the elevator door, there’s a man sitting there with a brushed-back hairstyle, looking to be about 30 years old. He’s responsible for interfering with the elevator to delay the police if a situation was to arise. Again, he’s also armed.”***

Dolphin stared at Xu Cheng in disbelief, every order coming out of his mouth seemed to be a targeted blow to their members, and all the details were actually correct!

Even Shen Yao and Ran Jing were so shocked that their jaws dropped.

Unit 6 and 10 arrived at the elevator one after another, and they indeed found a guy sitting on the chair across from the elevator reading a paper. When the two arrived before him, the guy was still pretending to read the news, but a police badge was flashed in front of his eyes, and before he could react, cuffs were already placed on his hands. The police also took out a gun from the guy’s waist and reported to Xu Cheng, ***“The target at the elevator was taken care of.”***

Such replies made Dolphin’s face darken.

Xu Cheng smiled and looked towards her. ***“Do you still want to play?”***

Dolphin lowered her head, not saying a word. She was trying hard to not panic.

Xu Cheng continued to issue orders, ***“End of the corridor on the fourth floor, there is a guy in a trench coat. His hair is a bit long but it’s tied up, and he’s responsible for watching our moves after we exit our ward.”***

Hearing the command, three criminal police units on the floor walked over, and they saw a suspicious man in a trench coat in the middle of lighting up a cigarette.

An undercover officer went over and asked, ***“Bro, can I borrow the lighter?”***

The hitman in the trenchcoat glanced at him. But just at that moment, two other officers came at him from both sides, pushed him onto the ground and cuffed him up. They then confiscated his weapon and escorted him into the elevator to the first floor.

***“Target on the fourth floor, taken care of.”***

***“Very well.”*** After Xu Cheng said that, he turned to ask Ran Jing, ***“How long has it been?”***

***“About 8 minutes.”*** Ran Jing checked her watch.

Xu Cheng smiled, and he picked up the mic and continued to give out orders. ***“Listen, send three more guys to the parking lot. There’s a parking fee collector on duty, he’s already been bought out by the hitman group. When you guys go over, get him to send the message and say that the people went onto the van and the van had driven away. The van is parked right there, and the key’s in. You guys go and drive that away from the hospital. Then, the other three of you guys go to the hotel across the street. There’s a room facing my window, it’s on the fourth-floor, third from my right. Break into it, and***

***find the hitman that's been keeping watch on the whole hospital's situation."***

***"Yes, sir!"*** The well-trained criminal police units knew their tasks very well. Three of them went to the parking lot and showed their badge to the parking fee collector. The staff member was a timid man and he gave in immediately. ***"I... I didn't know what was going on, they just drove the van in and left, and they told me to speak into the mic the moment someone takes the van and drives out."***

***"Okay, I hope you can cooperate with the police so you don't get dragged into this."***

***"Of course, of course."***

***"Later, when we leave, just pretend that the car left with the right people and tell the guy that the van left."***

The staff nodded. ***"Got it."***

Then, the three officers got into the van, and then they heard Xu Cheng's voice. ***"Turn off the lights inside the van or the guy from the hotel across the street will notice you. Hide a bit, and drive straight towards the suburbs."***

***"Got it."***

Just as the van drove out, the parking fee collector said to the central station of the hitman group, ***"The car left."***

Scarface couldn't see clearly whether the van left or not, so he asked his man that was keeping a watch from the hotel across the street, ***"Did the van leave the hospital yet?"***

***"Yes."***

Scarface: ***"I will follow it, watch my rear for me to see if I***

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**have any police tailing me.”**

**“Okay.”**

After Xu Cheng heard everything, he gave the order to the officers on standby at the hotel. **“You can take out the eye at the hotel now.”**

**“Sir, we are on the way. We got the room service staff with us and we will take care of it after one minute,”** the officers said. The room service staff member pushed his cart and knocked on the door. The three officers hid on both sides.

Hearing the knock, the hitman inside saw through the peephole and asked after noticing that it was just a hotel staff, **“What is it?”**

**“Sir, I haven’t changed the towels for today yet, I’m sorry for being late.”**

The hitman was very vigilant. He wasn’t going to spend the night anyway, so for the sake of safety and avoiding unnecessary trouble, he shouted, **“It’s fine.”**

The three officers outside heard how vigilant that guy was, so they inserted the room key right away. Knowing that the door would most likely be locked as well from the inside, they kicked the door open. The door slammed into the killer, catching him off guard. When he came back to his senses, the officers already had their guns pointed at him. **“Freeze!”**

**“Sir, the eye has been taken out.”**

**“Got it.”** Xu Cheng smiled, and then he turned to Dolphin whose face was already pale. **“It’s only been 10 minutes, and we got all of your guys.”**

Dolphin’s body shivered, and she looked at Xu Cheng with a terrified expression as she instinctively asked, **“How did you do**

**it?”**

Xu Cheng smiled. **“There are many people you can place your trust in, yet you guys chose to believe in other criminals. Don’t you know that those people are all ones that will do anything for money? Someone already exposed your entire operation to us.”**

**“Impossible, even if you know that our group was given this mission, you wouldn’t know the details of our operation.”**

Xu Cheng pointed at his brain. **“I’ve seen more than 700 episodes of Detective Conan, it’s all about deduction, you know?”**

Whatever. Xu Cheng decided to say whatever he could to get over this first. There was no way he was going to tell Ran Jing and Shen Yao that he could see through everything around him. That would be ridiculous, so he might as well try and play mysterious first.

**“We lost.”** Dolphin sighed and lowered her head.

Xu Cheng: **“Nope, there’s still the leader.”**

Dolphin immediately raised her head and begged Xu Cheng: **“Please let him go.”**

**“Let go a killer? Are you kidding me?”**

**“He’s only the curator of the event.”**

**“The curator is the most deserving one for death!”** Xu Cheng said in a deep voice, **“It’s like how the guy selling drugs is more sinful than the one taking it! It’s because of curators like him that things escalated and became more deadly. The police and judges definitely won’t tolerate this kind of people.”**

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After that, Xu Cheng said to his mic, ***“Units in the van, take caution, there’s a mini Mercedes-Benz business sedan tailing you. Just drive directly to the Police HQ, and notify the HQ to have people ready for arrest.”***

***“Yes.”***

Xu Cheng took off the headset and handed to Ran Jing. ***“Captain Ran, I will give the credit to you. I’m tired now, I will go to sleep.”***

And then, he yawned, stretched, and went to sleep. Shen Yao went up and pulled up the quilt for him.

On the other side, Ran Jing’s eyes were opened wide with her jaw dropping to the floor.

## **Chapter 84: I Have Someone I Like Already**

Source: Noodletown Translated

Scarface followed that van. He wasn't from Shangcheng so he didn't really know that the van was on its way to the police HQ. He just thought it was Dolphin and the others, so he followed them.

***“Retreat, meet at base camp,”*** he said to the mic as he followed the van.

But, who knew a stranger's voice suddenly came out from his earpiece. It was none other but Xu Cheng.

***“Brother Scarface, where are you planning on going following that van?”***

Upon hearing this, Scarface's pupils immediately enlarged, and when he finally realized that something was off with the van in front of him, he immediately stomped on the brakes, planning to turn around. However, he just felt his car being hit by someone from the rear, and within a second, cop cars came out of nowhere and had him completely surrounded.

***“Police! Get out of the car!”***

There were police in all directions, and seeing all the cold steel barrels pointing at him, Scarface slammed his steering wheel in rage. He was even more infuriated when he saw three undercover officers come down from that van, feeling like he just got played hard!

***“My men will avenge me!”*** he surrendered, but he muttered to Xu Cheng through his earpiece.

**“Your men?”** Xu Cheng paused for a moment.

**“Yeah, you only got a few, we still have more,”** Scarface said.

**“Oh, let me count for you.”** Xu Cheng paused for a second, counted those peeps up and said, **“Plus you, is this a group of 7?”**

Scarface’s eyes opened up wide, and before he could start cursing, he was pulled out of the car by the police officers and cuffed up. From other police cruisers, Ran Jing and the other officers came down with the other arrested members of the hitman group. Upon seeing everyone captured, he couldn’t be more shocked.

When he was locked up with the others, Dolphin bitterly smiled. **“Someone sold us out.”**

**“Those bastards!”** Scarface cursed. He wasn’t talking about Xu Cheng, but those from the four Gates.

After locking them up, Ran Jing got her men to pull up the previous criminal histories of these guys. It didn’t take long before her men came back with the reports and handed it to Ran Jing. **“Captain Ran, this is a big fish! This hitman group might not be very famous on the international stage, but within the country, they already completed over a dozen jobs, with their targets all being billionaires or influential figures. This group is very professional and had gone years unpunished. Unexpectedly, they actually fell into your hands today, Captain Ran.”**

Upon hearing the history of this group was this impressive, Ran Jing took a while to come back to her sense. Her underlings started sucking up to her immediately and congratulating her, **“Even Jing City’s police spent so many years trying to take down this hitman group but failed and listed them as A+ Wanted Criminals, and today, they were all caught by you!”**



## ***Congratulations!***

It was a big achievement, and Ran Jing was still dumbfounded right now. Was this reality right now? An A+ tier hitman organization was easily taken care of by Xu Cheng, just like that? Why did she feel like the difficulty of today's arrest did not reflect their A+ tier label?

The director of the criminal investigation department already came over after hearing the news. After comparing the Wanted Profile information with the criminals in the interrogation room, he excitedly walked over, patted on Ran Jing's shoulder, smiled, and said, ***“Good job, you indeed didn't let me down. It looks like I made the right move transferring you to Shangcheng.”***

***“Director, I...”*** Ran Jing really wanted to tell him that it actually had nothing to do with her and everything to do with Xu Cheng, but she was interrupted before she could talk.

The director smiled and said, ***“Keep up the good work, the award of recognition will be here in the next few days.”***

***“I...”*** Ran Jing really didn't know what to say anymore.

***“Okay, I have to go fill out the report now for Jing City.”*** After talking, the director laughed and left. He was clearly on cloud 9 after capturing such a big fish.

Ran Jing just stood there, dumbfounded. Well, she didn't really do anything... but such a big award was just dropped into her hands like that?

At the thought of this, she remembered how casual Xu Cheng was throughout the whole time.

This guy was really just getting more and more mysterious.

Inside the hospital, there was only Shen Yao and Xu Cheng left. She shuffled over, tapped Xu Cheng on the arm. ***“Stop pretending***

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**to be asleep. Get up. I know you can't fall asleep."**

**"Oh damn, you got me,"** Xu Cheng said, a bit grumpy.

**"You were sleeping for so long, your spirit and energy should be replenished already."** Shen Yao rolled her eyes at him.

**"Then are you here to take care of me or to torture me? You don't want me to sleep, do I have to be responsible to chat with you and keep you company?"** Xu Cheng replied.

**"First, tell me what just happened from the very beginning, and then I will let you sleep."** Shen Yao urgently wanted to know. **"How did you do it? It seems like you saw through the entire operation of those killers and all of their motives and intentions. That's so amazing!"**

Xu Cheng drily laughed. **"Don't admire me, I'm just a legend."**

In fact, he didn't really know how to explain, so he tried to just brush it off.

However, Shen Yao wasn't the easy type to deal with. She frowned and said, **"Are you going to tell me or not? If you don't, then I'm going to take the billions of yuan you have with me at the underground money house."**

Holy crap, she's gonna play dirty!

Xu Cheng pointed with his index finger and middle finger at his eyeballs, **"Because I have a pair of eyes that allows me to see through everything. They can't escape my eyes no matter where they run or hide."**

Shen Yao glared at Xu Cheng from the corner of her eyes with the expression that basically said **"are you joking me"**. She snorted, **"If you are not going to say it, then whatever. Just don't think about getting your money back."**

Xu Cheng didn't know whether to laugh or cry. ***"Yooo, I told you, and you don't believe me."***

***"Whatever, if you don't want to say it then don't."*** Then, seizing this opportunity of being alone with Xu Cheng, she changed the topic. ***"By the way, do you have a girlfriend or no?"***

***"Why?"*** Xu Cheng looked at her with vigilance.

***"What kind of look is that? It's not like I will eat you or something."*** Shen Yao glared at him. ***"If you don't, then I can set you up with someone."***

Xu Cheng replied, ***"It's fine."***

Shen Yao became anxious. ***"I didn't even tell you who I'm going to set you up with yet, and you are already turning me down?"***

Xu Cheng: ***"I'm really okay. I will pass."***

Shen Yao: ***"She's really pretty."***

Xu Cheng shook his head.

Shen Yao: ***"She's really rich too, and you can basically be her sugar baby."***

Xu Cheng shook his head.

Shen Yao: ***"She's got a great body, good enough for you to bring to any occasion."***

Xu Cheng shook his head.

Shen Yao's eyes became bigger. ***"She's still a virgin!"***

Xu Cheng pondered for a bit and then proceeded to shake his head. ***"I will pass."***

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Shen Yao directly started shouting, ***“Xu Cheng, are you gay?! Do you not know about love or something? Holy fuck!”***

***“There’s already someone I like,”*** Xu Cheng quietly said.

Shen Yao’s face slowly dimmed, a hint of disappointment flashing past her eyes.

The room immediately became silent.

After awhile, Shen Yao was feeling bitter but she still pretended to be okay. ***“That’s a pity, my cousin is really a good girl, I was only trying to set you up with her because I think you are not too bad yourself. Oh well.”***

After saying that, Shen Yao felt pretty sour in her heart.

***“If you already have someone you like, why not go and chase after her?”***

Xu Cheng bitterly smiled. ***“Because I think I don’t deserve her as of right now.”***

## **Chapter 85: Fighting Over For Xu Cheng**

Source: Noodletown Translated

Originally, she was quite happy and very much anticipated the night she could spend accompanying Xu Cheng, but upon hearing that Xu Cheng liked someone else, she was quite upset.

No wonder he was so indifferent towards Ran Jing and her. So there was already someone in his heart.

Upon thinking of this, Shen Yao, who was in front of the mirror in the washroom, bitterly smiled. Earlier, she thought that maybe Xu Cheng was a good guy, but it wasn't like she had to try very hard to court him since there were plenty of men better than him. In other words, Xu Cheng could be a nice boyfriend to have but not a must. However, after hearing that Xu Cheng had someone he liked, she began feeling quite anxious since she was very competitive in nature.

***“It’s fine, I don’t like him that much anyways. If it’s not destined to be, then so be it.”*** At the mirror, she comforted herself.

– The next day –

Two military-grade Hummers arrived at the 5th Military Region. The license plates gave away that it was from Shangcheng, and the man inside was of high status. After showing the documents, the soldiers on gate duty immediately saluted and let them in.

The two Hummers drove directly into the base, stopping before the office of the head instructor and then began honking like no tomorrow.

The head instructor of the 5th Military Region (MR) got so annoyed

that he almost threw a grenade at them. But then, when he saw who it was, he immediately pouted and said, ***“Oh look at who it is. What brings the honorable head instructor of the top dog league, the 8th Military Region, to our humble temple?”***

The head instructor of the 8th MR: ***“Go in first, I want to talk to you about something.”***

***“Stop right there. Every f-ing year you bully us and suppress my team below the 50% mark, I didn’t even get back at you yet. If you have something to say, then let’s talk here. Don’t think that I will waste my tea leaves on you,”*** said the head instructor of the 5th MR.

***“Come on, Bro,”*** the 8th MR head instructor said as he just walked into the office first.

The 5th MR’s head instructor went in as well and closed the door. Then, he sat down and demanded, ***“Talk.”***

The 8th MR’s head instructor put Xu Cheng’s file on the table. ***“The 8th Military Region is taking this guy.”***

The 5th MR’s head instructor saw the file and immediately glared back at him. ***“Didn’t I tell you already? This guy’s not up for sale!”***

The 8th MR head instructor laughed, knowing that it was time for negotiation. He said, ***“What can you give him? Every year, you guys are swimming in the bottom half percent, when could he carry the rest of your team to the top? You give him to me, and I can guarantee that my team will get to the top 3 this year! Once he’s part of a team in the top 3, then he will have more opportunities to showcase his capabilities. Wouldn’t his future be brighter?”***

***“I think it’s fine.”*** Just then, a guy standing at the office’s front

door said with a big smile. ***“You still have to take him to the military exercise competition. It’s still undecided what place they are going to get since it’s still down the road. But, I can give him the bright future right now.”***

The two MRs’ head instructors both looked at the door, and it turned out to be the Shangcheng police HQ director.

***“What’s happening today? Why are you both coming to my shabby temple to fight for a soldier?”***

***“Old friend, judging by Xu Cheng’s performance this time, I think it’s a bit of a waste letting him stay in your military region. Don’t you think his personality and power is more suited for fighting against criminals? I also think he’s having quite a lot of fun here in my police force,”*** the director smiled and said.

The head instructor of 5th MR snorted, “I’m not scared of him dealing with criminals, I just don’t want his straightforward manner and iron-blood temper to get ruined by the politics inside the police system. Don’t forget, I’m just sending him there for a temporary vacation. I still have a position reserved for him here, I didn’t let him retire yet.

Director said, ***“That’s why I came here today hoping that you can officially transfer him to our police force. I can’t promise too much right now, but there will definitely be a high position in the criminal investigation department in the future, and that’s what I’m offering right now.”***

The head instructor of the 5th MR obviously wanted what was best for Xu Cheng, and he was of course happy that Xu Cheng could get such an offer. At this time, he looked towards the head instructor of the 8th MR, pouted, and said, ***“Well, the other guy already placed down his offer, how about you? You are not just gonna come all the way here but not show me how sincere you are,***

**right?"**

The head instructor of the 8th MR looked at the police force director and snorted, **"You are destroying a pure soldier, do you know that? He still has a lot of room for growth. As long as he can come to our military region, I will guarantee that I will nurture him into one of the top soldiers."**

**"Stop with the boasting nonsense. If you don't show any sincerity, then I'm taking this guy,"** the director laughed and said. **"The military can train strength, but the society can train his comprehensive strength in all directions. Otherwise, being a pure mindless soldier is only going to bring harm to himself."**

The 8th MR's head instructor immediately got worked up. **"Who are you calling a pure mindless soldier?"**

The director waved his hand. **"Well, I'm not talking about Xu Cheng, so you tell me who I'm calling a pure mindless soldier. I like the kid."**

The 8th MR's head instructor: **"I also like the kid, I'm taking him today!"**

The two's eyes met, having an intense stare down.

**"Okay, if you guys can't decide, are you guys going to fight to decide the winner?"** The head instructor of the 5th MR pushed back both guys. **"Holy crap, grow up. As for Xu Cheng, it's not that I must keep him on my team, but can you guys first tell me what you like most about him?"**

The director: **"You know as well, Shangcheng is a metropolis, a financial center, and it has all kinds of people. The talents we nurture from the police academy are only becoming fewer and fewer in number, and they will all become localized**



***within a year after they get to their position, becoming old fritters (TL note: it's a Chinese saying for people with a lot of street smart and try to avoid trouble instead of enforcing rules). There are fewer and fewer police officers that dare to speak, do, and fight, and that's what spoiled those rich heirs to the point where they think they can do whatever they want. But, if a police officer is scared of trouble, then what's the point of them being a police officer? Xu Cheng has the big balls, and he also knows how to control the extent of his actions. Multiple times, he dealt with some rich heirs and the forces of the four Gates to just the right extent, teaching them a lesson without leaving behind any material for them to sue him on. Just this alone proves that he's got a good brain and shouldn't be a mere patrol officer. I like how he takes the unconventional ways and how confident he is, and I think Shangcheng needs people like him."***

The head instructor of the 5th MR nodded, and then looked at the 8th MR. ***"What about you? What do you see in him?"***

The 8th MR head instructor simply replied, ***"Strength!"***

The 5th MR head instructor directly pulled Xu Cheng's comprehensive assessment results from right before he left out of a drawer and said, ***"Take a look at it yourself, I'm not lying. His strength was on a steep decline and he didn't want us to keep him here out of sympathy. That's why I gave him a break to be a patrol officer in Shangcheng."***

The 8th MR head instructor took over the file and looked, and the director also caught a glimpse and frowned. ***"Why's the decline so steep?"***

The 8th MR head instructor threw the file to the side. ***"I don't care. Decline or no decline, how can a soldier let his life go to waste at the police force? If you don't want the guy, then give him to me. I will help him reach his prime again."***

***“I didn’t say that I don’t want him. I meant this is Xu Cheng’s home, and he can come back whenever he wants!”***  
The 5th MR head instructor said, ***“But you two shouldn’t be here asking me about this. You should go ask Xu Cheng directly and listen to his ideas. To be honest, I feel guilty about his strength declining so much from that mission, so I respect his decision. If he wants to join the police force then I don’t object, and if he wants to come back then I will welcome with open arms. It all depends on his own wishes.”***

The 8th MR head instructor and Shangcheng police force director’s eyes met again, and they both snorted at each other.

***“If you look down on mindless soldiers like us then go pick talents out of your own little academy. Don’t come looking for people at the military,”*** the 8th MR head instructor said in disdain.

The director also didn’t forget to ridicule back, ***“It’s because of instructors like you that your soldiers have character issues. That’s why they need to come to my place to be educated.”***

The 5th MR head instructor didn’t know whether he should cry or laugh. ***“Oh come on, if you guys want you can fight at the ring outside in the field, my office is too small for you to stretch your bodies.”***

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## Chapter 86: Lin Chuxue's Admirer

Source: Noodletown Translated

Two days later, Xu Cheng was discharged from the hospital. The Lin Family all came to help out and originally planned to go and see where Xu Cheng was living. And then, Lin Chuxue remembered that he was actually cohabitating with two other women, so she immediately interrupted, ***"His unit is quite high, it's inconvenient to ride the elevator. Let's just go to a nice resort hotel. Mom, Dad, you guys rarely visit Huaxia, I must treat you guys well."***

Mommy Lin rolled her eyes at Lin Chuxue. ***"We are not outsiders, it's fine. Looks like after our daughter got married, she doesn't even want her parents to visit their love nest."***

Lin Chuxue immediately blushed and she softly said, ***"Mom..."***

Since Lin Chuxue had everything arranged, then the only thing Xu Cheng could do was to get himself some days off at the station so he could accompany the Lin Guiren couple.

When he went to the station, his colleagues all looked at him with respect as they saluted. In Shangcheng, those that dared to directly oppose the four Gates were very few in number, and a person daring to fight Gate Master Yan and kill him, causing the collapse of North Gate, was a legend.

Ever since that day, Xu Cheng's name began to spread throughout Shangcheng, and of course, his fellow patrol officer colleagues were no exception to hearing the news. They couldn't even contain or express their excitement and admiration, and some even shamelessly shuffled over and said, ***"Brother Xu, can we take a picture together?"***

Xu Cheng frowned, not knowing whether he should agree. However, all the colleagues at the station came over, surrounded him, and began taking out their phones to take selfies. They all knew Xu Cheng would definitely be promoted, and in the future, they probably would never be on the same level again. So, it was a good idea to take a few selfies for memories. In the future, if Xu Cheng did indeed become a famous character, then these photos would also be very meaningful and memorable.

Then, the instructor came out of the office and called out at Xu Cheng, **“Come in.”**

**“Brother Xu, can I get an autograph?”**

**“Uhh, let’s skip that.”** Xu Cheng politely declined and followed the instructor into the police station director’s office.

**“Are you feeling better?”** Taking a sip of a cup of bitter tea, the director smiled at Xu Cheng and asked.

**“Almost. I lost quite a bit of blood, so I can just rest more and recover,”** Xu Cheng said. **“Sir, I have a few foreign relatives coming to Shangcheng to visit me, so can I take a few days off?”** As he said, he passed over a procedural form for requesting day offs.

The director took it, and without even looking at it he laughed and replied, **“Don’t worry about this. You don’t even have to come and report to me at the station anymore. The higher-ups have decided to transfer you to the HQ’s Criminal Investigation Department. Now, with you being a criminal police officer, the four Gates will have to think twice if they want to pick on you in the future. It seems like the higher-ups in the system see a bright future ahead of you, so work hard and make our police station proud. In a week, you can go report to the Criminal Investigation Department at the HQ.”**

Remembering that he would be Ran Jing's colleague now, he also felt things were getting a bit interesting. At least his life in the future wouldn't be as boring as just patrolling the streets. Besides, he heard that she was spying on the four Gates, and it also happened that Xu Cheng wanted to deal with them for what they did. Of course, he wasn't just going to let the previous assassination attempt go. The last one failed, but there would, of course, be a next time. If the other three Gates still wanted to keep their face and dominant reputation in Shangcheng, they would for sure find ways to mess Xu Cheng up.

If Xu Cheng did end up just climbing higher and higher on the dead body of North Gate, then it would basically be a slap to the other three Gates' faces. Although the South, West, and East Gates weren't doing anything on the surface, almost everyone knew they wouldn't allow Xu Cheng to live relaxingly. The more successful Xu Cheng became in the future, the more people would make fun of the four Gates behind their backs.

Xu Cheng also felt that his identity as a patrol officer would not be appropriate for him to declare war on them. Just like before, if he tried to mind the business of the three Gates, then his superiors would probably get tons of complaints. However, after he gets transferred to the Criminal Investigation Department, then he could openly declare war on them and be on their a\*\*s 24/7, visiting them every day to drink some tea and play with them slowly.

***"I still have to thank you for all the support ever since I came over."*** Xu Cheng saluted to the director.

***"Haha, cut the crap, hurry up and go. Go and spend more time with your relatives, and you can go directly report to your new position in a week."***

Xu Cheng put his feet together and saluted again. ***"Yes, Sir!"***

The director laughed. Because of Xu Cheng's appearance and how the North Gate gang that was within this station's territory was

completely disbanded, he also got a lot of credit. Perhaps, he would be transferred to the HQ in the near future as well.

After Xu Cheng packed things up and passed the work he was working on to his colleagues, he officially left the station. He got a taxi and went to the resort hotel booked by Lin Chuxue, and he surprisingly found another foreigner accompanying the Lin Family.

It was an authentic British man, very handsome, with the high-quality European idol appearance. It was also Xu Cheng's first time seeing this man.

After the guy saw Xu Cheng, he smiled, walked over, shook Xu Cheng's hand, and introduced himself, **"I'm Tevez."**

Xu Cheng shook his hand, but he was still wondering why this guy was here. To be exact, this was a small gathering that belonged to their little family. Why was there an outsider?

**"Tevez's father is a business partner of ours,"** Lin Guiren explained.

Then, Xu Cheng felt relieved.

But who knew Tevez would add in another note, **"In fact, Nicole (Lin Chuxue's English name) and I were university classmates."**

And now that introduction was a bit intriguing.

Xu Cheng looked at Lin Chuxue, and she didn't say anything, as if she didn't pay any attention to this Tevez guy.

**"Is Mr. Tevez also coming here for vacation?"** Xu Cheng asked in curiosity. Was it too much of a coincidence?

**"My family business has a branch company in Huaxia, and after graduating, I just came over to help my family take care**

**of the branch company. It's completely unexpected that I would run into Nicole, Auntie, and Uncle!"** Tevez smiled and said.

Lin Lei stood beside Xu Cheng and whispered in his ear, **"I think this pig is here for my sis. He was pretty obsessed with my sister back in university."**

Lin Chuxue naturally knew why Tevez was here. She came to Xu Cheng's side, put her arm around his, and smiled at Tevez. **"Let me introduce you to my husband, Xu Cheng."**

A hint of unease flashed past Tevez's face, but he immediately smiled back at Lin Chuxue. **"Nicole, you don't have to do this. I know you guys are just married in name and are not a real couple."**

Xu Cheng looked at this guy and said, **"You sure did your research."**

**"Of course. Many people like Nicole, yet she just had to be taken by someone from Huaxia. Rich and influential heirs from over half of Britain wanted to know why."** Tevez looked at Lin Chuxue with regret and said, **"Nicole, if you didn't quit school in second year and leave the country, then perhaps your name would be on the honor roll of the British Central Conservatory of Music. You are so talented in music, yet you actually gave up your music dream for a man and a nominal marriage."**

## **Chapter 87: Visiting Tevez's Family's Casino**

Source: Noodletown Translated

Xu Cheng wasn't stupid, and he could obviously tell that Tevez's words were to belittle him.

It was difficult to say in front of Lin Chuxue's parents, but Tevez really wanted to swear at Xu Cheng and call him an ugly toad that wanted to date a beautiful swan!

Lin Chuxue could have her opinions on Xu Cheng, but she would definitely not allow others to belittle him in front of her. Hearing another man subtly insulting her man, she directly interrupted Tevez, ***"I'm still doing music, and I think it's all worth it. I'm sorry, I'm a woman with a husband now, and I think it's best for you to show less interest in me because I don't want my husband to misunderstand that there's something between us."***

***"Is your relationship with your husband really that good?"*** Tevez narrowed his eyes and questioned Lin Chuxue. If he were to put in the slightest effort, he could find out just how little the two contacted each other in the past few years. It wouldn't take Sherlock to find out that their marriage might be in the red zone.

Lin Chuxue didn't answer, nor did Xu Cheng.

Tevez then changed topics. ***"Okay, since Auntie and Uncle are here on vacation, how about we go to the casino my family runs?"***

***"You family won the bid?"*** Lin Guiren asked, a bit shocked. In the past few years, the Shangcheng government only opened up 10 slots for business licenses in this area. However, they were



particularly exclusive, especially for foreigners. Tevez's family was an authentic British Family, so reasonably speaking, it should have been impossible for them to get involved in this industry.

Speaking of this, Tevez said proudly, ***“I have a few Huaxia friends and we met back during university in Great Britain. They all have big backgrounds, and then I just happened to bring this up to them, and they pulled some strings and worked something out for me. But yeah, we spent a lot of money and got a few shares in the casino, but we aren't big shareholders though.”***

Lin Guiren praised, ***“That's already very good! Many foreign companies don't even have the opportunity to enter. This is a very lucrative project if run well.”***

Tevez's smile was even brighter and he said, ***“That's also what my father said, and my family's very satisfied with this. So, after I graduated, they sent me here to take care of the businesses on the casino side.”***

Lin Lei then suddenly asked with a weird tone, ***“Umm, I wonder how many women the people in this industry have? I know a few friends running casinos in Las Vegas, and holy crap, the money, the booze; there's was only one word that can describe that life – wild.”***

He knew that this pig wanted his sister. As a veteran in the women's game himself, it was easy for him to see through Tevez.

Tevez awkwardly coughed and immediately explained, ***“My family is really strict.”***

In fact, he was just saying this for Lin Chuxue to hear, but the latter didn't even care. She still had her arm around Xu Cheng's and said, ***“With my current identity, I don't think it will be convenient to go.”***

She was a famous celebrity. Not to mention if she attracted attention when she was there, it would also be bad press if the media caught wind of this and began gossiping about how she was spotted in a casino. In fact, she also knew that this pig was just trying to show off in front of Xu Cheng, and she didn't want him to get his way.

***"It's fine, it's just for a tour. If Uncle wants to play, then I have VIP rooms. Besides, my casino definitely won't allow the media to enter, not to mention the level of confidentiality we have with our VIP rooms. Even if it was the president that came, he wouldn't attract too much attention,"*** Tevez immediately said, ***"Besides, there's really nothing fun in Shangcheng. Although, the casinos here aren't as good as the ones in Las Vegas, it's the best in Asia, and it's really big. It's definitely worth a tour."***

Since Tevez was already this enthusiastic about this, it wouldn't be nice if they didn't go. Besides, Tevez's family and the Lin Family had a pretty good relationship in Britain. So, Mommy Lin smiled and said, ***"Then, should we go and take a look?"***

Mommy Lin's thoughts were actually pretty simple as well. If her daughter did end up divorcing Xu Cheng, then she would still have to look for another potential suitor for her daughter.

Not to mention character first, Tevez's family background was similar with the Lin Family's background, and they could get to know each other more to find out about whether he was a reliable guy.

But, Mommy Lin also completely respected Xu Cheng, and if he didn't feel comfortable then she would directly reject Tevez. So, she looked towards Xu Cheng, and the latter just nodded indifferently.

Tevez called his driver to drive over the new business class Maybach his dad bought for him. It could only seat 5 people, so after Lin Chuxue and her parents got in, Tevez gestured for Lin Lei to get into the front passenger seat so they could talk about cars and stuff.

After all, young guys were most likely very interested in cars, especially luxury cars and supercars.

However, Lin Lei rejected his friendly invitation and said, ***“It’s fine, I will go and ride with my Brother-in-Law.”***

After that, Lin Lei directly went and sat in the passenger seat of Xu Cheng’s Volkswagen, which was driven over earlier. Looking at the luxury car in front of them, he snorted, ***“Brother-in-Law, I know the kind of character this guy was back in England. Even if you divorce my sister, you must not hand my sister over to that scumbag.”***

Xu Cheng started the car and followed behind the Maybach sedan as he said, ***“Don’t worry, your parents have good eyes too. But yeah, Lei, sorry.”***

Lin Lei turned around to look at him. ***“For what?”***

Xu Cheng: ***“The marriage between your sister and I, I’m sorry.”***

Lin Lei sighed, ***“People not involved can see clearer than you two that are involved in the relationship. Brother-in-Law, when can your heart become strong enough to put aside that pride and go chase after my sister? I grew up with you sharing the same room, I know better than anyone else how much you love my sister. Since you love her, why not go care for her and cherish her? You are always afraid of those people calling you a pimp, getting raised by my family and now also greedily wanting to marry the treasured daughter of the family too, right?”***

Xu Cheng didn’t say anything. But, Lin Lei was right. Under the premise of this kind of psychology, he was afraid that if he were to go after Lin Chuxue, any action to love and care for her could be perceived as pretentious and contrived with an ulterior motive. Then,

Lin Chuxue might look down on him. And, if he forcibly got Lin Chuxue to marry him, then she might also call him ungrateful.

To be honest, Xu Cheng was pretty unconfident in himself in the past, especially when it came to Lin Chuxue. That was why he decided to go back to his home country and try to change himself. However, he still didn't have the courage to face his wife, Lin Chuxue. After all, this wife was forcibly married to him rather than by her own will. Under this premise, he felt like anything he tried to do would be wrong, and that he would be regarded as an ugly frog that wanted to date a beautiful and majestic swan, even by Lin Chuxue herself.

He was quite afraid of arriving at that kind of result, it would be pretty hurtful. He wanted to go back to the younger days when they could keep a simple and innocent friendship and just be able to chat and laugh and play together, but those days were gone.

***“Lei, as long as your sister doesn't agree to the divorce, no one will be able to take her away from me. I promise,”*** Xu Cheng gritted his teeth and said.

***“Brother-in-Law, I only have one sister, and I only have one Brother-in-Law, and I know you won't let me down.”*** Lin Lei smiled. ***“Hope one day, my sis can notice the goodness about you.”***

***“I will make her realize that I'm no longer the me from before.”*** Xu Cheng smiled.

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## Chapter 88: Gambling Is Also An Art

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After arriving at the casino where Tevez was a shareholder, Xu Cheng and the others got off their car.

Lin Chuxue was wearing a hat and a pair of sunglasses, so it was difficult for people to recognize her. After all, her eyes, which were her most beautiful features, were covered up, and the paparazzi wouldn't go up to her to take off her glasses. Otherwise, they would be beaten up by the security guards of the casino.

It was relatively safer after getting into the casino, and Lin Chuxue walked along side of Xu Cheng.

In comparison to the casino operated by West Gate, this one looked more magnificent and classy, and the entire casino was dazzling. Many hotel resort chains were located around it, and it could be called a must-go destination for sightseeing in Shangcheng.

Tevez proudly introduced, ***“This casino costed over 500 million dollars to construct. Not just in Shangcheng, this casino is even pretty famous on a global scale.”***

Lin Lei asked, ***“How much of the casino do you own?”***

***“Not too much, just about 20%.”*** Tevez tried to downplay it, but 20% meant an initial investment of more than 100 million dollars, and that was a pretty big sum. Being able to become a shareholder and help run this casino already gave him enough bragging rights among people of his age. After all, many people wished to get a piece of this pie and to be able to do so also demonstrated the strength of one's network and connections.

***“Auntie, Uncle, you can play whatever you want! As long as***

***you guys have a great time, if you lose a couple of million yuan, just put it on my tab.***” At this moment, Tevez felt like he was winning a lot of impression points. Seeing how poorly dressed Xu Cheng was, and then looking back at himself, even though the Lin Family was very rich, they still probably wouldn’t feel comfortable about having a son-in-law that couldn’t even pay big bills. So, if his actions today could make them feel a bit upset with Xu Cheng and form a favorable impression of himself, then his goal would be achieved.

Speaking of this, he came over and patted Lin Lei on the shoulder. He felt like if he was going to try and steal Lin Chuxue from Xu Cheng, her brother could also be an opening. So, he smiled and said, ***“William (Lin Lei’s English name), it’ll be hard to find time to go to Las Vegas, but since you came here to the biggest casino in Asia, you should experience it! Come, I will show you guys around. If you win then you can take home the money, and if you lose less than a couple million, then you can just put it on my tab.”***

Lin Lei removed his hand from his shoulder, giving him the ***“Are we that close?”*** face and then moving to Xu Cheng’s side.

There was still a smile hanging on Tevez’s face, and he looked at Xu Cheng and said, ***“You want to give it a try too?”***

***“I’m a public servant, I shouldn’t touch this kind of thing,”***  
Xu Cheng replied.

You shouldn’t or are you too poor to touch it? A hint of disdain flashed past Tevez’s eyes, and he smiled. ***“Wouldn’t you regret not giving it a shot since you are already here anyways? Come on, just play a couple of rounds for fun.”***

Lin Chuxue whispered to Xu Cheng, ***“If you want to play, you can use my card.”***

Tevez looked all apologetic as he quickly said, ***“Oh, I’m sorry, I forgot that Mr. Xu is very respectable and didn’t accept any generous allowance from Uncle Lin. I heard patrol officers earn peanuts though, right? I’m quite curious as to how Mr. Xu survives in this financial metropolis that is Shangcheng.”***

***“I just did some real estate investment with the money my dad left me, so I do alright for myself,”*** Xu Cheng replied.

“Oh? I heard real estate investments are very profitable, how much have you earned so far?” Tevez continued to ask.

***“Not too much. Ten years ago when I was still in Britain, I took the money and asked my friend to buy a place in Shangcheng. Back then, my dad left me a million, and now the land and the building is just worth about a billion. But it’s not dollars, just yuan.”*** Xu Cheng copied how this pig was and spoke nonchalantly like it wasn’t too big of a deal.

On the side, Lin Lei couldn’t help but laugh out. He saw how Tevez’s face became slightly unnatural when he heard a billion. Although 1 billion was only about 1.6 million US dollars, it was still much better than him coming out to play the business game with the money he got from home.

***“You little brat, why didn’t you tell me about this?”*** Even Lin Guiren was a bit dumbfounded by this.

Xu Cheng was a bit shy as he said, ***“Back then, my dad’s friend transferred this money to me, and I was afraid of the money devaluing if I just left it there, and it was also during the time when real estate suddenly started booming. Yeah, I just got pretty lucky, that’s all.”***

Mommy Lin laughed and said, ***“That’s already really good! Investments rely on luck and vision, and you were able to turn a million to a billion with just real estate! Even just***



***looking at people of your age in the country, I don't think there are many people that can earn that kind of return, right?"***

Tevez couldn't bear to listen anymore. He dry-coughed and said, ***"Since you have the money, then why not just play a few rounds? A little gambling is good for your mood, and you can experience the atmosphere here."***

***"Mom, Dad, you probably didn't bring too much local currency when you came over, right? I still have some savings, you can use my money,"*** Xu Cheng said to the Lin Guiren couple.

The two of them obviously didn't want to use Tevez, an outsider's money anyways, since they were also people of status and didn't want to owe Tevez a favor for just a small sum like this. As for Xu Cheng, he was basically their son so they could comfortably take Xu Cheng up on his offer, and think of it as just their child doing nice things for his parents. Besides, it was quite troublesome to convert currencies.

***"Okay, then let's just play a few rounds."*** Lin Guiren also liked to go to Las Vegas when he had time, since gambling was usually on the list of favorite things to do for rich people, just like golf.

Tevez was quite excited when he heard that. That's awesome, watch me make you lose all of your money. Then, when you lose enough, I can return all the money and say ***"Put it on my tab"***. That'll immediately turn the tables around.

The entire casino was quite tiring and boring to tour, and soon the Lin Family lost their patience. After all, it wasn't their business, why would they care? This was quite painful for Tevez, who just wanted to show off and brag about all the details.

Then, he led them to the VIP area to play some cards.

On Xu Cheng's bank card, he had about 20 million yuan collected by the property management company. The Lin Guiren couple didn't want to play heavy-stake games, so Xu Cheng just got about 5 million yuan worth of chips for them to play with.

Lin Lei took 100 thousand worth and just went off to play some small games. Since they arrived on his territory, Tevez sat down and of course would play with Lin Guiren. After all, Lin Chuxue would be staying by her parents' side, so he had nowhere else to go as well.

Tevez looked at Xu Cheng and asked, ***“You won't play one yourself?”***

The area they sat down in was where the preferred games of foreigners were situated. Before Xu Cheng could speak, Lin Guiren already started laughing. ***“This kid doesn't know how to play this kind of cards. Tevez, since you run the casino, you are probably already very skilled in most kinds of games, right? Don't pull my son-in-law into this.”***

***“I'm not that skilled, but I did spend quite a bit of time studying it,”*** Tevez laughed and said.

Lin Chuxue had her arm around Xu Cheng and she asked, ***“You really don't want to play?”***

Xu Cheng slightly smiled. ***“It's fine, this stuff is kind of boring.”***

Because he could see through the cards, the game was obviously boring.

***“It's normal for outsiders to think this way. But, gambling is also an art, and people that don't know how to play naturally think it's boring because they always lose. To be frank, these card games aren't as easy as winning or losing,***

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***the process involves one's ability to read cards and wage psychological warfare,"*** Tevez ridiculed.

## **Chapter 89: Small Amount Of Gambling Is Entertaining**

Source: Noodletown Translated

Tevez was finding any opportunity possible to demonstrate his superiority to Xu Cheng. Whether it was playing cards and running casinos, or luxury cars and demeanor, he was always declaring to Xu Cheng that they were not on the same level, and he wanted everyone to feel this as well.

From Xu Cheng's behavior, Tevez felt that he had succeeded. He wanted Xu Cheng to feel inferior and incompetent, and make him realize that he did not belong in the same world as Lin Chuxue and to learn to give up.

Lin Chuxue knew Tevez's goal, and she also tried hard to make Xu Cheng feel included, just so that he didn't feel awkward and left out.

If it was before, Xu Cheng might have. But now, he wasn't the same as before anymore. The years in the military taught him how to be humble yet confident. Although he failed to join the Dragon Division, he was able to gain fortune from misfortune, with his body undergoing mutations that filled him with confidence. Now, no matter how Tevez ridiculed Xu Cheng, his heart would remain calm like a lake.

Xu Cheng smiled. ***"It's fine, you can play."***

Tevez still wanted to pull him into this. He thought Xu Cheng was a newb so he was willing to try and win all of Xu Cheng's money. The best case scenario would be getting him to put his real estate up for collateral. Of course, that would be his dream.

***"A small amount of gambling is entertaining. It's fine, just***

**play a few rounds.”** Tevez laughed.

**“Cheng, it’s fine, sit down and join us,”** Lin Guiren said.

**“Just a few rounds is fine.”** Lin Chuxue didn’t want other men to share too many interests with her dad, so her man should at least play with her dad for a few rounds.

Xu Cheng nodded. Tevez, since you are so enthusiastic about inviting me, then you can’t blame me for what’s about to happen.

**“Do you know how to play?”** Tevez asked Xu Cheng.

Xu Cheng nodded. **“Nope, how about Golden Flower Bomb? Oh, my bad, I don’t think you guys play this in Europe. I don’t know the games that only became popular during these years, so I don’t know how to play the game at this table.”**

Xu Cheng’s implication was clear: You came to our country and you want me to play your game? Nope. Since you came to Huaxia, then you should adapt yourself to the local customs.

Tevez immediately interrupted him. **“Since I run the casino, I obviously studied the likes of people in Huaxia. Whether it’s Fight the Landlord or Golden Flower Bomb, I’m familiar with both.”**

**“Oh, then that’s nice. My dad’s roots are in Huaxia, and he knows how to play Golden Flower Bomb as well. Shall we go for a few rounds?”** Xu Cheng smiled.

**“Yeah, let’s go! I haven’t played it for a while,”** Lin Guiren laughed and replied.

Tevez gestured to the dealer to begin giving out cards, and the dealer then took out a brand new deck and spread it out to show the guests. **“Please check this deck. Although we definitely wouldn’t hide any tricks in our cards, to show respect to our**

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***honorable guests, please take a look.”***

Now, with technology being so advanced, it was possible to rig the cards. However, large casinos or tournaments only used designated cards to play, since they simply didn't have the balls to bear the risk of being exposed. The moment it got exposed, they would be ordered by the regulator to cease operation, and they also didn't need to be greedy for some short term profit to risk their long term business. A casino's worst fear was having a bad reputation. After all, it wasn't like there was only one casino in Shangcheng. It would be hard to detect if someone installed some tricks into the dice roller, but rigged poker cards could be easily identified with a simple scanner.

So, there really wasn't a need to check the cards. Xu Cheng let the dealer start dealing the cards right away.

Then, seeing Xu Cheng jumping into the pit he dug, Tevez specifically called over a veteran gambler of the casino. On the surface, the guy seemed to be just a regular patron, but he was secretly a pro hired by the casino.

Tevez invited him over because he was quite good with reading cards and people's emotions, so with him supporting, it would be a piece of cake to make Xu Cheng lose.

***“Sorry, I just thought it would be a bit boring to play with just three people, do you guys mind if my friend joins us?”***  
Tevez smiled and asked Xu Cheng.

Lin Guiren didn't really care since he wouldn't get all serious and stuff when playing with a bunch of youngsters. Of course, Xu Cheng didn't mind as well.

Very soon, Tevez's friend, Tim, a foreigner in a jacket, sat down and joined them.

A deck of cards wouldn't be cleared every round, and the cards

used in previous rounds would be set aside. So, it would need participants to try to remember the cards left and try to guess the cards in their opponents' hand.

The starting bid was 50 thousand yuan, and each increase shouldn't be less than 50,000 each time.

After each of them were dealt three cards, Xu Cheng checked his card, and then he casually looked at Tevez's. The latter smiled and replied, ***"You don't have to look at me, you won't find my cards on my face."***

Xu Cheng just smiled in return. Silly, I was just looking at your cards, no one's interested in your face.

Then, he casually took a look at Tevez's friend, Tim's cards as well. Of course, he just skipped looking at Lin Guiren's.

Xu Cheng had an 8, a 9, and a 10. His hand was not too small, nor too big, but he had a decent chance with it, especially when he saw Tevez's 5, 6, and 7 of different suites, so he thought the first round would be easy. Tim just had 2 Kings, so that was basically useless.

***"Mr. Lin, please place your bet,"*** the dealer reminded Lin Guiren.

Lin Guiren bitterly laughed and directly chose to fold.

When it was Xu Cheng's turn, he threw in 50 thousand yuan in chips.

Tim also threw in 50 thousand, and Tevez directly put down 200 thousand on the line.

***"Reveal?"*** Xu Cheng asked.

Generally, whether or not to reveal depended on how many players were still placing down bets. They wouldn't be able to call the

reveal when there were still 3 or more people placing down bets. When there were just 2 people, one of them could double his current bet to force a reveal.

Tevez shook his head. ***“Nope.”***

Xu Cheng thought for a moment and directly chose to fold. He revealed his cards, and when Tevez and Tim saw the 8-9-10 combo, they laughed.

***“Do you really know how to play? Why would you fold when you have a combo this big?”*** Tevez looked a little contemptuous.

Even Lin Guiren looked at Xu Cheng, a bit shocked, and said, ***“You could go for a bit longer with that hand.”***

Xu Cheng just laughed brightly. ***“I know Tevez and Tim are both pros, and they might have good hands.”***

***“That’s why I said gambling also needs wisdom and courage.”*** Tevez seized the chance to teach Xu Cheng another lesson.

Xu Cheng didn’t talk back but just nodded. ***“Let’s go for the second round.”***

The dealer dealt another round of cards.

This time, Xu Cheng got a really crappy hand, just one Ace. He looked at Lin Guiren’s hand – a pair of 5s; Tim had a pair of 9s, and Tevez had a pair of 8s! Everyone’s hand wasn’t the best, especially Xu Cheng. That hand of his could be directly thrown into the trash can already. But, he smiled.

***“50 thousand.”***

This time, Lin Guiren wanted to bluff and he also followed with 50 thousand.





## Chapter 90: Gambling

Source: Noodletown Translated

Tevez was looking a bit unnatural. He completely didn't expect Xu Cheng to dare to play like this! Now, he really regretted not doubling his bet to force a reveal on his card!

How dare he play him like this!

In the third round, Xu Cheng's hand was still trash. He took a look around, and he could only beat Tim's but not Tevez or Lin Guiren's hand, so he couldn't really try and bluff. After all, this trick wouldn't work if the opponent actually had a good hand and dared to raise. If bluffing gets exposed, then Xu Cheng would also end up losing a lot of money.

In the third round, Xu Cheng directly folded, and Tevez laughed. "I thought you were going to keep on bluffing.

***"It's not like I don't have a brain. Even if I think my opponents are idiots, I know they won't fall for it twice, am I right?"*** Xu Cheng laughed. Such an indirect insult.

Tevez snorted and folded as well, and Tim got the round.

When the fourth round was dealt, Xu Cheng didn't even look at his hand and said to Tevez, ***"How about let's play something more exciting this round?"***

The other three players at the table all looked at him curiously, and Xu Cheng smiled and said, ***"Let's not look at our hand and place our bets, how's that? If someone can't hold it anymore, he has to double his bet to check his card, and then he has to double the amount each time he raises."***

Lin Guiren also felt that this might be more entertaining so he agreed, and only Tim and Tevez exchanged a look. Seeing them hesitating, Xu Cheng chipped in, ***“I think this Mister that goes by the name Tim must not like this very much, right? It would make it hard for you since you had been counting cards, right?”***

Tim awkwardly coughed and said, ***“I’m fine with your suggestion.”***

Xu Cheng smiled, and then he looked towards Tevez. ***“How about you?”***

***“I will gladly join.”***

So, without looking at their hand, Lin Guiren first raised 50 thousand yuan.

Xu Cheng directly threw in 500 thousand yuan, and it slightly shocked Lin Chuxue, who was by his side.

Seeing Xu Cheng directly raise 500 thousand yuan, Tevez paused for a moment. Then, he looked at him in disdain and said, ***“Who are you trying to bluff? No one has seen their hand, and you think just throwing in 500 thousand yuan will scare us off? I’ll raise too, 500 thousand!”***

Tim also directly threw in 500 thousand yuan.

Lin Guiren was also a bit shocked to see his son-in-law this bold and resolute now, quite unlike his character in the past. He was a bit dumbfounded, but he also raised 500 thousand yuan as he patted Xu Cheng on the shoulder and said, ***“It’s good for young people to be bold and resolute, but don’t take unnecessary risks.”***

Xu Cheng smiled, and then he threw in 1 million yuan in chips, his face not showing a hint of nervousness, as if he wasn’t taking a risk at all, but rather that he could see all the cards.

Tim also raised a million.

Tevez wasn't in a rush to follow. He first looked at Xu Cheng and said, ***"If you play like this, then you will soon run out of money."***

***"You don't have to worry if I have the money to keep on playing or not. If I run out, I will just go and take out more. Are you raising or folding?"*** Xu Cheng smiled and asked.

Tevez muttered in his heart, Very well, I was just worried that you would not walk into my trap. But, if you want to play big, then I will accompany you. Just don't lose to the point where you have to sell your wife to pay me back the debt.

***"Of course, I'm a shareholder here, obviously I wouldn't want to discourage our guests from betting big, right? Since you really want to play like this, then sure. One million, I raise as well! Blind,"*** Tevez said.

Lin Guiren laughed, ***"Purely on luck? I raise as well!"***

Then, playing completely blind, Xu Cheng took out the remaining 3 million and went all in. ***"3 million yuan, still going blind."***

Then, he immediately looked at Lin Chuxue who was by his side. He handed her his card and said, ***"There should be 20 million left in the card, can you withdraw and exchange it into chips for me?"***

Lin Chuxue took the card, nodded, and then got up, following the staff to go and get more chips.

***"Oh, are we playing seriously now?"*** Tevez revealed his white teeth and said, ***"Very well, I will accompany you."***

Then, he told the staff to get him 10 million yuan in chips using his title as a board member. In fact, he wasn't feeling too confident.

Although his family sent him to run this casino, he wasn't given too much cash. For the majority of the time, he was living a lavish life with the bonuses he was paid by the casino. Most of the money he earned at the casino still had to go back to his family, so he couldn't advance too much.

***"What? Is 10 million enough for a good time?"*** Xu Cheng ridiculed him.

Tevez snorted and replied, ***"It won't take too much to beat you."***

***"That's good, are you raising 3 million with me or not?"*** Xu Cheng asked.

Tevez narrowed his eyes. ***"I raise."***

Tim looked at Xu Cheng and said, ***"Mr. Xu, gambling isn't meant to be played like this. Wouldn't you be upset if you lose this much money so fast?"***

Xu Cheng laughed. ***"I know I'm not good with gambling, so that's why let's all bet on luck instead of trying to count and guess cards."***

Tevez: ***"You are being too risky. Let's say you are just playing against me, your chance is 50%. But, we have four people here, so your chance to win is only 25%. You are not very wise. I think even if you want to bet on luck, it won't be you who wins."***

***"If that's the case, then I will raise another 5 million."*** Xu Cheng didn't say anything else and directly threw in his money, giving the expression ***"you guys do whatever you want"***.

Tevez narrowed his eyes and gritted his teeth as he muttered to himself: Very well, if you want to play like this, then I'm not scared

too. Tim is on my side, and although Lin Guiren's on Xu Cheng's side, the probability of winning is still 50%. Based on how our luck was in the past three rounds, I think that either Tim or I will have the bigger hand. It's worth a gamble.

***"I raise!"***

Tim obviously couldn't quit now, or he would lower Tevez's side's chance of winning down to 33% with Xu Cheng being 66%. So, he could only continue to raise with Tevez's money.

After Tevez put in another 5 million, he gritted his teeth and said to his assistant, ***"Go and get another 30 million for me."***

***"Sir, according to the rules, you can only take out 10 million."***

***"Do what I say. If the other board members have something to say, you can get them to talk to me."*** Tevez's face became gloomy. ***"If you want to keep your job, you better go right now."***

The accountant pushed up his glasses and had no choice but to go and get the chips.

Lin Guiren told Lin Chuxue to get more chips with her money and doubled his raise. ***"I want to see my hand."***

After he saw his hand, he sighed. It seemed like luck wasn't on his side today, and he directly folded.

Seeing this, both Tim and Tevez smiled. That meant the chance of Xu Cheng's side winning was significantly smaller now.

Seeing those two smile, he pushed 10 million yuan in chips to the center of the table. ***"10 million, still playing blind."***

Tim and Tevez were immediately shocked, as they completely

didn't expect Xu Cheng to still be so balls deep. Tevez originally planned to let Tim use his skills and make Xu Cheng lose all of his money, but who knew he would actually want to play purely based on luck. Now, the risk was a bit too big.

Although the chance of Xu Cheng's side was even lower now, Tevez's side had 2 people so the total was double of Xu Cheng's bet. So, if they lost, they would also lose a ton of money.

Thinking of this, Tevez calculated and knew that he didn't have too much money to work with, so he immediately gave Tim a look. Then, Tim spoke right away, ***"20 million, I want to see my hand."***

He took a look at his hand, and his eyes lit up. When his eyes met with Tevez's, he instinctively nodded at him. Tevez got the signal and knew they were set for this match. So, when it was his turn to raise, he directly folded.

***"I fold."***

It was just Xu Cheng and Tevez left. Tim looked at him as he smiled and asked, ***"Just the two of us now, you want to reveal now?"***

***"Why now?"*** Xu Cheng replied, ***"I raise another 20 million!"***

Tevez was dumbfounded for a second. To be frank, his hand wasn't bad all, it was a straight! In the case of a blind play, this already has a very high chance of winning. But, he didn't have the money.

He looked towards Tevez, and Tevez also hesitated.

If he wanted to raise, Tim had to raise double the amount since he saw his hand already. If he wanted to end the match, he also needed 40 million in order to reveal Xu Cheng's hand. But, where would he be able to go and find the 40 million yuan?

## Chapter 91: This Kid Had Changed

Source: Noodletown Translated

Tevez had no choice but to go to the accountant to advance more cash.

That accountant was very straightforward and firm with him this time. ***“Unless you dilute your shares in exchange for the money, I won’t be able to complete this transaction.”***

Tevez thought about it for a moment. He thought he was going to win anyway, so he would be able to just return the money in a bit and get his shares back.

After signing the necessary documents, he handed the 40 million yuan in chips to Tim, and Tim pushed all the chips into the center and said, ***“Reveal.”***

Then, Xu Cheng pretended to slowly pick up his hand to look. To be honest, he knew the result already. Tim’s straight was obviously smaller than his triplet, and that was why he suggested that they play blind in the first place.

Lin Chuxue looked at Xu Cheng nervously. In fact, when Tim flipped over his card, she already felt that Xu Cheng’s odds of winning weren’t big. After all, his opponent had a straight, and no one could be confident when they were playing the whole round blind.

Seeing Xu Cheng staring at his hand for a long time, Tevez thought he was dying on the inside already, and he immediately laughed. ***“I told you to not make risky bets. You worked hard to earn money. Are you planning to borrow money from Nicole now that you lost so much? If that’s the case, then I’m even embarrassed to take the money I won from you.”***



**“That will require you to win first.”** Xu Cheng smiled, and he began flipping over his hand card by card.

When 5 of Hearts, 8 of Hearts, J of Hearts were flipped over on the table, the smile on Xu Cheng’s face formed a bright contrast with the sullen expressions on Tevez and Tim’s face.

When Lin Lei came in and saw the huge pile of chips in the middle of the table, Xu Cheng immediately said to him, **“Lei, get a few buckets and pack these chips in. Your Brother-in-Law’s gonna take you out for a great time!”**

Lin Lei immediately began giggling as he climbed onto the table and packed all the chips, and Lin Chuxue also let out a sigh of relief. If Xu Cheng lost, then he would be out of a couple tens of millions of yuan. However, now there were more than 100 million yuan in chips on this table, and one could imagine how much pain Tevez was in just from the look on his face.

His heart hurt, his face hurt, his whole body wasn’t fine.

**“Hey man, you didn’t have to do this... Even though we are guests, you didn’t have to deliberately lose this much money to us. It’s fine, just looking at how heartbroken you are and how you can’t handle the defeat, I shouldn’t take this money. Come, you can take these chips back.”** Xu Cheng looked at him with a big smile, deliberately make fun of Tevez.

At this moment, if Tevez really took the money back, then he would truly lose all face and dignity today. Xu Cheng even especially emphasized the **“can’t handle defeat part”** in front of the Lin Couple, so if he really took back the money, then it would make him look like a sore loser.

FACK!

Tevez was furious, especially after what Xu Cheng said. Although

he was bleeding on the inside, he could only say in a generous manner, ***“It’s just a couple dozen million yuan, it’s just you that is overreacting since you probably have never seen this much money before.”***

Xu Cheng wasn’t angry at all. Tevez could say whatever he wanted, since at the end of the day, Xu Cheng was the one that won all the money. He then said to the Lin Couple, ***“Mom, Dad, where do you guys want to go in during your time here? What do you want to buy? Tell me, don’t worry about the money.”***

Lin Guiren and his wife smiled.

***“This guy.”*** Lin Chuxue rolled her eyes at Xu Cheng but there was a faint smile on her face. She knew this guy was just trying to mock Tevez.

Mommy Lin knew Xu Cheng was lucky to win this much money and felt that he might’ve used up all of his luck and would start losing next, so she immediately made a wise call. ***“It’s about time, should we head back now?”***

And now Tevez was nervous. ***“Why not stay for a little longer?”***

Holy fuck, that money was collateralized by my shares, how can I explain to my parents if I don’t win the money back?

Those 40 million yuan was given to him after he put 1.4% of his shares down as collateral, and now he only had 18.6% left. He must immediately fill in the 40 million yuan hole, or if the other shareholders noticed this, they would definitely pay 40 million to take that 1.4% of shares without hesitation. When that happens, then his weight on the board committee would be severely affected, and his family would definitely beat the crap out of him if they were to find out. After all, they sent their son over to run the casino, yet he actually diluted his shares and started gambling. Of course they

would beat the crap out of him.

**“Look, Uncle hasn’t even had his fun yet, how about you guys just stay for a little longer?”** Tevez anxiously suggested.

Xu Cheng took a look at his watch. **“It’s time to eat, let’s go find a restaurant first. Mr. Tevez, if you think you lost too much and can’t explain it to your parents, then I will just return the money to you.”**

Come, let Master Xu give you some money out of pity. Not much, just a couple dozen million. Didn’t you look at me with disdain like you were looking at a hobo? Now, the hobo will give you a couple million out of pity, so come and kneel before me. The look on Xu Cheng’s face was spelling this out to Tevez, and Tevez’s face became even darker.

**“Xu Cheng, to be honest, I don’t care about losing money, but I’m just not convinced because you won the money purely by luck.”**

**“You lost money, of course you are not convinced.”** Xu Cheng knew to poke where it hurt the most, and he just kept on dwelling on the **“lost money”** part, and Tevez was so angry that he almost rushed up to try to fight him.

**“Xu Cheng, it might not be very polite to leave right after we win money, maybe we should play a few more rounds.”** Lin Guiren naturally knew the consequences Tevez had to face after losing this much family money. He was also a businessman operating a family business, so he naturally knew that each family member only had a finite amount of cash at their disposal, and a majority of their wealth needed the consent of most members in the family before it could be used. Just now, Tevez didn’t ask for any permission and personally decided to dilute his shares for some cash.

Xu Cheng obviously had to listen to his father-in-law, so he said to

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Lin Lei, ***“Just put the money back in.”***

Lin Lei then looked at Tevez as he casually mocked, ***“A guy that runs the casino is afraid of the client leaving after winning money? If you can’t handle defeat well, then maybe you shouldn’t operate casinos.”***

Tevez was a little embarrassed, but he had no choice but to endure the humiliation since he wasn’t ready for the consequences of his family and the rest of the casino board finding out.

***“Reasonably speaking, we should be here to celebrate and support you since you just started operating this casino, so it isn’t polite for us to win this much money from you. But, since you have the balls to operate the casino, it must mean you have some gambling experts in the house. How about this, I will put all this money on the line again, and maybe you can show me what you got to prove the skills of your pros?”*** Xu Cheng said to Tevez, and it was exactly what Tevez was waiting for.

***“Of course, as long as you will stay and keep playing, I will show you.”***

***“Very well, but let’s speed up the process, or it will take you a couple of years to win all this money back. How about this? The base amount will be 1 million, and each raise can’t be less than a million.”***

Tevez: ***“Okay.”***

Then, he got the accountant to dilute his shares again and got 50 million out in one go.

Now, the game was just between Xu Cheng and Tevez. The Lin Couple stood on the side and spectated as they enjoyed some nice wine. Lin Chuxue also had a wine glass in her hand as she stood

beside Xu Cheng. A new round was beginning.

Tim was still standing by Tevez's side as his adviser. When Xu Cheng got his hand, he took a look and saw a pair of Js. He came over to his father-in-law Lin Guiren and asked, **"Dad, what do you think of my hand, should I gamble with it?"**

Lin Guiren pouted. **"The odds aren't in your favor."**

Then, Xu Cheng saw through Tevez's hand and saw that the biggest play he had was just one King. He immediately laughed, and he threw over 50 million right away.

**"Let's end it in one round."**

Holy fuck, Tevez's eyes twitched. What the fuck is this? This guy wasn't being reasonable at all and directly threw in 50 million.

Lin Guiren was also shocked. The point was that if the opponent saw through Xu Cheng's bluff then Xu Cheng was basically giving this money away for free! After all, a pair of Js wasn't big.

But, Tevez pussied out. The biggest play he could make was a single K, so of course he would p\*\*\*y out.

The second round began, and Tevez got a pair of 8s! Xu Cheng's biggest play was an Ace. After showing it to Lin Guiren, Lin Guiren directly told him to fold.

But, who knew Xu Cheng would capriciously throw in the 50 million again!

Tevez was almost about to cry, How can this guy bully me like this! If he wasn't so cash-strained, he would for sure battle it to the end with Xu Cheng. However, he really didn't have the confidence with just a pair of 8s in his hand.

Sigh. Whatever. Tevez thought and directly folded.

Of course, Xu Cheng didn't forget to seize the opportunity to ridicule him, ***"The biggest taboo in gambling is being psychologically overwhelmed by the opponent."*** Of course, that was what he did. When he saw that Tevez's hand wasn't very good, he would destroy Tevez's mental line of defense with tons of money. Now, Tevez was on the passive side, because even if Xu Cheng lost 50 million, he still won 10 million overall. However, Tevez couldn't afford to lose any more. So, after seeing Xu Cheng directly raising 50 million, if Tevez didn't have a good hand, Xu Cheng knew Tevez for sure wouldn't dare to gamble.

Lin Guiren also saw through the strategy Xu Cheng was using. After seeing Xu Cheng's hands a couple of times and how he still dared to play big like this, he knew Xu Cheng was also playing the psychological game.

If at first, he thought Xu Cheng was a newbie at gambling, well, that was definitely not the case anymore.

***"We haven't seen this kid for so many years, and he really completely changed after joining the army,"*** Lin Guiren quietly whispered to his wife.

## **Chapter 92: Honey, Can You Lend Me Some Money To Play Show Hand?**

Source: Noodletown Translated

Mommy Lin watched Xu Cheng and her daughter sitting there, side by side, and she sighed, ***“I just wish he could take on the responsibility of a man and be good to Nicole.”***

***“He will. I feel that after not seeing him for so many years, he became more confident than before. We should look forward to the future, Big Brother Xu’s son will be the same kind of man as his dad, a man with big balls!”***

If you want to ask why Xu Cheng’s dad had big balls...

It was enough just knowing that he was able to get the precious daughter of the Ye Family to fall in love with him and bear his child! Even more, he also dared to run away with the precious daughter of the Ye Family and get her to give birth to the child! Just these two points alone were enough for Xu Cheng to boast for his entire life. You should’ve seen the face on the head of the Ye Family, he was so pissed that he devoted his whole life to chasing Xu Cheng’s dad, trying to kill him.

When another round was dealt, before Tevez could even see his hand, Xu Cheng already threw in his big pile of chips and it almost hit Tevez.

Tevez’s could not be more pissed. Why is this guy so arrogant and balls deep? I didn’t even check my hand yet.

To be frank, in Xu Cheng’s words, it went something like this: Don’t bother looking. Before you even touch your cards, I already know what you have.

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Tevez looked at his hand and snorted. ***“You’re always playing like this, you aren’t afraid of your boat flipping one day?”***

Nonchalantly, Xu Cheng snorted. ***“Up to you if you want to raise with me.”***

Then, Tevez stared at Xu Cheng for awhile, very much wanting to see if Xu Cheng really had a good hand or was just bluffing.

But after a while, Xu Cheng said impatiently, ***“Not even my wife has looked at me with such deep affection. You looking at me like that will get me beat by my wife, do you know that?”***

Lin Chuxue chuckled, and she instinctively playfully punched Xu Cheng on the arm. After she did that, she suddenly paused for a moment.

She hadn’t seen Xu Cheng like this in a long time, and this kind of relaxing feeling brought them back to their childhood sweetheart days.

Tevez almost coughed out blood, this amount of bullying was getting way out of hand! He was already having a tough time from losing all the money, and now he had to sit and watch those two flirt. He muttered in his heart, ***“Just you wait. Later I will get you to put everything you own as collateral. Just wait for when I get a good hand.”***

But for this round, he still cowardly folded.

Xu Cheng snorted. ***“After staring at me for that long? What a waste of time.”***

Then, he took back his chips.

If they were in Europe, Tevez would’ve already flipped the table and jumped on Xu Cheng. But, it was clearly not in his place to cause a scene at this casino.



The dealer continued to deal. Xu Cheng looked at his hand, but this time, he didn't throw in 50 million right away like before. Tevez got a decent hand, so he might give it a shot.

***“What happened? Why didn't you throw in your pile of money right away this time?”*** Tevez sneered.

Xu Cheng pouted. ***“Oh I thought you didn't want me to raise 50 million at once, which would allow you to win money fast, so this time I'm just throwing in a million. You can take your time and win all the money back.”***

Then, he threw in a million yuan worth of chips. Tevez seized this opportunity right away, thinking that newbies like Xu Cheng were always too obvious with whether they had a good hand or bad hand. Just like in the past three rounds, he would arrogantly throw in 50 million to crush him, but at the same time, the moment he got a bad hand, he actually didn't dare to gamble with a lot of money.

Seeing Xu Cheng's one-million-yuan move, Tevez felt like it was his time to stand up, be a man, and assert his dominance.

***“Five million!”*** He finally got the chance to shout out his amount.

Before Tevez could even finish his manly-shout of the word ***“five million”***, Xu Cheng pushed his mountain of chips again into the center of the table.

***“Raise or no?”*** Xu Cheng directly asked.

Tevez's face immediately twisted, like he was fed a mouthful of horse sh\*t.

What the, not playing by the books?

Then, he took another look at his hand: same-suite! That's right, it wasn't a bad hand at all, why would he be a coward?

But!

But if he puts down another 50 million and lost, then that was another 1.5% of his shares in this casino gone.

At the thought of this, Tevez turned to look at Tim, shooting him a look of ***“I need some advice”***. Tim calmly analyzed the indifferent expression on Xu Cheng’s face, and he calmly said to Tevez, ***“There’s a saying in China, take your chances and gamble. Your bicycle can become a motorcycle, your dirt can become gold. Your hand is completely good enough to gamble against him!”***

Tevez thought about it and felt he was right. He was indeed too suppressed by having too much concern. It was just a gamble, and he had three cards of the same suite, and strictly speaking, the odds were completely on his side this round!

After a long moment of pondering, Tevez made up his mind. At the same time, he narrowed his eyes, looked at Xu Cheng and said, ***“You still want to bluff? Let me tell you. This time, I will let you cough up the principal plus interest! 50 million, I raise!”***

Then, he immediately pushed the 50 million yuan in chips into the center of the table.

***“Very nice, I like it when my opponent is straight forward. I didn’t want to play on an empty stomach while having to endure your dead fish face which affects my appetite. If this is the case, I’ll raise again, 50 million! How about you?”***

Tevez completely didn’t expect Xu Cheng to raise again!

Tim said on his side, ***“Counting the cards that were already played, the odds of him getting three cards of the same suite is only 12 percent, and a straight of the same suite is only 5%, which means your odds of winning is 88%. So, Mr. Tevez,***

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***I think you can give it a go this round!"***

Tevez was still in a tough mental battle. In fact, even if he won with the current amount, it would only be him winning back the money that Xu Cheng originally won from him, so he was still not the winner in the end. His ambitious goal was to win over all of Xu Cheng's assets!

But to achieve that, he needed more cash as chips to force Xu Cheng to put more on the line as well!

Now, since Xu Cheng had more than 100 million on the line, if Tevez won, then he would be able to break even and also teach Xu Cheng a lesson, which was an okay outcome too.

At the thought of this, he directly pulled out 5% of the 20% he originally had in the casino and exchanged it for 150 million yuan. Then, he pushed it all into the center of the table and said, ***"150 million, do you have the balls to keep on playing?"***

In Tevez's heart, he coldly snorted: It's not just you that can scare off the opponent with a big pile of money! It's 150 million this time, and if you have a bad hand, I don't believe that you will have the balls to keep on playing!

Indeed, Xu Cheng narrowed his eyes, looking all tense.

On his side, Lin Chuxue was worried that Xu Cheng would fall into the abyss of gambling and end up losing all of his money, so she tugged on Xu Cheng's sleeve and said, "I think we should let it go. If you don't raise, it's fine if we lose. After all, it's just us returning the money you originally won.

Xu Cheng nodded, but he changed the topic and asked Lin Chuxue, ***"Chuxue, after marrying you for so long, it seems like I've never given you a symbolic wedding gift, right?"***

Lin Chuxue was dumbfounded for a moment, and then she

whispered, ***“Why are you mentioning this?”***

Xu Cheng smiled. ***“After I win, I will buy you a gift.”***

Lin Chuxue was immediately a little embarrassed upon hearing this, and she didn't know how to reply. She immediately rolled her eyes and turned to the side, not talking to him anymore. To be honest, it was their first time flirting like this, and Lin Chuxue was completely not used to it. Her snow-white face began blushing as her heartbeat accelerated.

To be honest, Xu Cheng indeed ran out of money on his card, and he obviously wouldn't be putting his real estate on the line since it was too troublesome. So, thickskinnedly, he turned to Lin Chuxue and asked, ***“Honey, can you let me borrow some money to play show hand?”***

Lin Chuxue immediately laughed, not sure if she should be angry or not as she thought, So it turned out that you were saying sweet words to get me to lend you money?

But, she snorted and replied, ***“I made a little less than 200 million during these years of work, if you lose all this money then I will have to sell myself to the company.”***

Although that was what she said, Lin Chuxue still stood up with her wallet and went with the casino staff to get chips.

Seeing that Xu Cheng was really going to raise, Tevez became nervous!

On the side, Tim assured him, ***“You must be patient in order to get this big fish.”***

## **Chapter 93: If You Want To Find A Building To Jump, Pick One With Higher Floor**

Source: Noodletown Translated

Tim was a pro that Tevez had brought over from Vegas, and he could be counted as Tevez's right-hand man, an eye he assigned to the casino. So, Tevez would usually consider Tim's words.

Not long after, Lin Chuxue came back. Since the amount was too much, she just came back with a suitcase filled with brand new chips that weren't even unpacked yet. Lin Chuxue really didn't say anything but exchanged all of the 200 million cash that she had.

Just from this, Lin Lei felt that his sister's love for his brother-in-law was also unwavering.

Xu Cheng also didn't expect her to let him borrow 200 million to gamble without saying a word of hesitation.

He fell into a bit of a trance as he looked towards Lin Chuxue and sighed in his heart, Is it just me that was too stubborn to let go of my past? In fact, the feeling between us still exists, right? Chuxue has always believed in me.

Why are you looking at me like this? I didn't say I'm lending it to you for free, you have to think of a way to pay me back if you lose it all. Lin Chuxue's face blushed a little upon seeing Xu Cheng looking at her like this, and she pouted her lips and snorted.

Tevez couldn't bear it any more!

This b\*\*\*\*\*d! If it wasn't for Xu Cheng, perhaps he would be the most suitable man for her back in university. No matter what kind of

performance or concert, he would always do everything in his power to be on the same stage as Lin Chuxue. But, who knew she would suddenly drop out of school without a message. After inquiring around, he realized that she actually left her home country, went to Huaxia, and even became a celebrity. Initially, Tevez was quite confused as to why Lin Chuxue would go and become a celebrity, and he was a bit assured after finding out that the Lin Family owned the majority of the stakes behind the company. However, soon, most men in Britain found out about this, and what pissed them all off was that the Lin Family seemed to have married Lin Chuxue to that useless foster child Xu Cheng, and even let her follow him back to Huaxia.

Tevez was very sure that if Xu Cheng dared to go back to England, he would be cursed to death by all the aristocratic young masters that were admirers of Lin Chuxue.

Xu Cheng counted the new chips he got and directly put 150 million yuan worth of chips onto the table as he said, Raise! Still not revealing! Do you want to reveal? Or fold?

The more domineering you are, the more I'm sure that you don't have a good hand. Since you wish to back yourself into a corner, then I will accompany you today. I just hope that you don't feel too helpless after you lose all the money and jump off of our building, Tevez looked at Xu Cheng and said.

Now, there's nothing that can beat me down, Xu Cheng said nonchalantly, But as for you, do you still have more money to raise? Even if you want to reveal and end the round, you need to raise at least 300 million to be able to.

Don't ask me if I have enough money, let me ask how much money you have first? Or, how much money you can afford to take out? Tevez really couldn't take it that Xu Cheng was at his throat questioning how much money he had, since he despised him and didn't think Xu Cheng was qualified to ask him such a question.

I dont have more than you, but if I want, money is just a number for me, Xu Cheng replied. Now, with this pair of eyes, would he be worried that he couldnt find a way to make money? Now, he just needed a type of respect, and the moment he completely understands his new body would be the moment he makes his debut to shock the world!

Of course, he would go to the for the Dragon Division again.

As for Britain, the place that broke his heart, he would go back as well. The day when he returned to that country would be the day that he publicly announces that he is Lin Chuxues husband! He will tell those people that had inappropriate penis feelings for his wife that only he had the capability and qualifications to marry Lin Chuxue!

And as for the Ye Family. Demanding an apology from them for his father would be a hurdle that he must face in this lifetime. This was also one of the biggest goals in his life, and it was not just for his father, but for his dignity as well!

So boastful, you actually have the balls to say that money is just a number in front of Uncle Lin? I dont know how much you are making to give you the confidence to say that. Tevez sneered.

You really talk too much. Just one word, raise or fold? If you can keep on playing, then I will show you just how easy it is for me to make money! Xu Cheng lost his patience and revealed his domineering aura.

Tevez gritted his teeth and said to the accountant, Go and get another 5% of my shares.

Xu Cheng: Not enough, you might as well take all the money out.

Tevez slammed both of his hands on the table as he got up and demanded Xu Cheng, Then what about you? Do you have the money?

Of course, I just need to give my lawyer a call to put my real estate up as collateral, and I can get at least 600 million. Your 5% stake in the casino only goes for 150 million, it wouldn't even last a round, how can we play? Xu Cheng said.

You don't have to go through this much trouble, your old man has US dollars in the bank, and it can be used at an upscale casino like this. You can use it for now, Lin Guirren laughed and said.

Xu Cheng looked towards Tevez. So?

Tevez subconsciously turned to ask his accountant, How many more shares do I have?

13.5%, with a total valuation of 400 million.

Tevez gritted his teeth and said in a deep voice, Get me 300 million, I'm going to force him to show hand!

No need to exchange, please just draft up a share-transfer contract to be used as collateral, and that will be alright, Xu Cheng interrupted the accountant.

Tevez knew Xu Cheng's intention. If he lost, then Xu Cheng wanted to directly take over the shares. He narrowed his eyes. You think you will win?

No need to exchange into chips, just raise with your shares. How about this, I will directly raise 200 million more! If you want to show hand, then you can just put up the remainder of your shares.

Tevez said to the accountant, Do what he says.

The accountant left, and very soon, he came back with the contract for Tevez to sign.

After Tevez signed the contract, the transfer agreement basically came into effect. Then, he stood up and threw the contract onto the



table, and flipped over his cards, shouting, Same suit! I just dont buy it that you could get good hands four times in a roll! This time, Im calling your bluff!

Seeing Tevez revealing a flush, Lin Chuxue and Mommy and Daddy Lins faces all changed. Before, they thought Tevez might also be bluffing and that his hand might not be very good. But, they completely didnt expect the flush, even one with a Queen as the highest. In all flush hands, there were only King and Ace that could beat this hand. However, the odds of Xu Cheng also getting a flush with a King or Ace was slim, and the chance of a straight flush was next to none. As for the Golden Flower hand, dont even think about it.

Seeing the change in expression of those three, Tevezs smile got even brighter. Even if you have a flush, mine leads with a Queen of Spades, so even if you have a flush with the Queen of another suit, you still cant beat Spades, unless you get a King or Ace. However, based on what I counted, we already used up two Kings and even three Aces. So, in the 20 or so cards that are left, your chances of getting a King or Ace is very low. Moreover, your odds of getting a flush is even lower. So, your odds of you beating my Queen flush is just slim to none. To be honest, Tevez didnt know sh\*t about counting cards and calculating odds, it was all analyzed to him by Tim. He was just making this speech in an attempt to impress Lin Chuxue, pretending like he knew a lot.

But that was indeed the case. At present, there was very little chance for Xu Cheng to get a hand that could beat Tevezs, not to mention not shuffling the deck and only using leftover cards from previous rounds. The chance of Xu Cheng getting a hand that could win was less than 5%, and the death penalty could almost be pronounced for Xu Cheng.

Indeed, two Kings and three Aces were already played, so the chances of me getting a flush with a King is 6%, and the chances of a

flush with an Ace is 2%. But, maybe luck is just on my side and I hit the jackpot? Xu Cheng said with a cheeky smile.

Seeing how confident he was, Tim was becoming a little unsettled. He directly grabbed the undealt deck and began shuffling through the cards, and when he found that there was only one King left in the deck, his face slightly changed.

Slim to no chance, right? But the King just happened to be here. Xu Cheng flipped over a card in his hand, and it was a King of diamonds. When he flipped over the rest of his hand, it was a flush, a king-high flush, just one level higher than Tevezs queen-high flush!

Just a tiny bit higher, sorry. Xu Cheng faintly smiled.

Lin Lei directly climbed onto the table and began packing in the chips as he laughed.

Tevez fell into his chair, his eyes hollow and in disbelief, and the cards in Tims hand fell to the ground.

Xu Cheng said to Lin Lei, Lei, you can go and grab the transfer agreement over now.

Then, Xu Cheng looked towards the accountant of the casino and asked, Since I already have 13.5% of the stake in this casino, then how about this, I wont convert the chips I have into money anymore. I will directly eat the remaining 6.5% of the shares he put up as collateral at double the original price. Is that okay?

Strictly speaking, thats allowed, the accountant said, Originally, the 20% equity should be a bundled package and shouldnt be separated.

Very well, can I trouble you to redraft another transfer agreement stating 20% of stake? Just let me know how much more I have to pay to complete the offer on top of the chips on this table.

The accountant nodded, and shortly after, he came over with a

new agreement. Then, Xu Cheng directly placed this agreement in front of Lin Chuxue and smiled. Honey, this is the first gift I'm giving you.

Lin Chuxue was stunned.

She completely didn't expect Xu Cheng to transfer all the shares to under her name. If the shares were sold, it would be worth at least 800 or 900 million.

Seeing that she might reject him, he immediately said, My identity is a bit special, and I think it might look bad on me for a police officer to have stakes in a casino. If you don't want it, it's not like I can gift it to some hobo, right?

This hobo comment was also to remind Tevez that if he goes back on his word and doesn't want to give up his money, then he would be the hobo.

Tevez's eyes were bloodshot as he had his head down. Xu Cheng saw Lin Chuxue finally deciding to sign on the transfer agreement, and he immediately smiled and mocked Tevez one last time, Thank you for your generosity! Time, if you are loaded and want to give money away, you are welcome to call me up again. Although money is just a number to me, if someone's going to give it to me for free, then why would I reject it, right?

Then, the five of them got up to leave.

When Xu Cheng was about to step out of the VIP room, he turned around and said to Tevez, Oh, your casino doesn't have enough floors. If you want to find a building to jump, maybe pick a higher building. Otherwise, you might not die in one go and end up suffering.

POOOOF!

When they all left, Tevez immediately coughed up a mouthful of blood out of rage. Trembling, he turned around, picked up a chair,

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and directly slammed it onto Tim.

You are a gambling master? What fucking gambling master! Im going to kill you!

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## **Chapter 94: A Total Change**

Source: Noodletown Translated

For their way back, the Lin Family didn't want Tevez to drive them. They all just crammed into Xu Cheng's little Volkswagen Santana. On the passenger seat, Lin Chuxue looked at the profile of Xu Cheng who was driving, and she seemed to want to say something but didn't.

Three years had passed, and he had really changed. During the first meet after the long separation, he cleverly helped her escape from the siege of her fans and the media. Then, he considerably delivered her pizza just because he heard her stomach, and it was even her favorite pizza type. It meant he had never forgotten about her.

The second time they met, it was when he made the resolute decision to stand on the side of the government even at the risk of becoming a sacrifice, to challenge the master of North Gate. It was her first time seeing how he bravely fought over hundreds of thugs at once, and to be honest, her heart really ached for him. In her eyes, that scene really looked like Xu Cheng was a lonely wolf, roaring and defending his territory against invaders.

It seemed like they returned to their high school days. He was also blocked and bullied by people after school. At that time, Lin Chuxue knew that because of her, her childhood sweetheart Xu Cheng would suffer from her admirers coming after him for revenge or to vent anger. But, he just knew to stubbornly fight back, and after the fight ended, he would hide into a corner, not showing his wounds to anyone nor complaining a single word to her.

The third time was today, he faced the ridicule of an aristocrat so calmly, and he also beat the crap out of him. In Lin Chuxue's memory, Xu Cheng had always been a guy that would suffer in silence and feel

inferior about himself. But today, Xu Cheng not only fought back, he also became a lot more confident and powerful.

Dad, dont just see me as a gambler just because I won a lot of money today. I swear to God, I never gamble. Xu Cheng drove as he explained in a sweat. Although he just had the time of his life back in that casino, he really didnt waste time in gambling at all.

Lin Guiren laughed, You are all grown up now, I dont care what you do, I would only be concerned if you dont know what you are doing or dont have the balls to do it. If you ever need money, just let Dad know.

Xu Cheng smiled and said, Its fine. Back when I made the decision to return to Huaxia, you should already know the choice I made. I just wanted to prove myself, and thats why I came back to develop myself.

Lin Guiren felt quite gratified as he leaned over to the front seat and patted Xu Cheng on the shoulder. Good boy, but Dad still wants to advise you that unless its absolutely necessary, dont reveal whose son you are. Actually, let me just directly advise you to not to go find the Ye Family.

Xu Cheng bitterly smiled. Dad, do you think thats possible? Not just me, even if you were the one in my shoes, would you watch my dads ashes be only buried abroad? One day, I want to take my dads ashes back home, and I dont care what the Ye Family tries to do to stop me. I will kill whoever stands in my way.

When Xu Cheng said that, Lin Chuxue withdrew her gaze from him. He really changed. In the past, Xu Cheng might not have had such an urgent desire for what he wanted, but now, it seemed like he was a lot more determined with all of his goals.

The family directly went to the high-end condo Chuxue bought in Shangcheng. It was a luxurious villa-style condo that even came with

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a garden and an open-roof swimming pool.

Inside, Assistant Xiaolan had been waiting for a long time, and she finally let out a sigh of relief seeing Chuxue back. But when she saw Xu Cheng with her, she became quite angry.

Sister Chuxue, why are you still entangling yourself with this guy? Young Master Chen even put pressure on the company, hes still quite angry about the last time when he was arrested by this man.

Xu Cheng was too lazy to pay attention to Xiaolan, and he directly walked into the apartment and said in disdain, You can go tell Young Master Chen to just come and find me instead if hes a man. Dont make things difficult for Chuxue behind our back.

Theres someone that has the balls to try using the hidden rule playbook to play my daughter? At this moment, Daddy Lin walked in as he looked at Xiaolan unpleasantly.

Chairman Lin Xiaolan didnt expect Lin Guiren from Britain to actually be back, and she immediately became a little puppy.

I need to rest these days, tell the company to push all the scheduled appointments back or cancel them. Lin Chuxue needed some time to accompany her parents, and she also needed to think about whether she should divorce Xu Cheng or not. Her mind was a mess right now, and she obviously didnt have the time to care about work.

As Lin Chuxue and Xiaolan talked, Lin Guiren gestured to Xu Cheng with his mouth, signaling for him to go outside with him to the rooftop terrace.

Lin Lei also quickly followed them out because he knew that Dad was about to torment Brother-in-Law again.

Mommy Lin saw those three and she speechlessly shook his head. That old man, his fists are itching again.

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Indeed, this seemed to be a tacit understanding cultivated between Lin Guiren and Xu Cheng. After both of them went out, Lin Guiren looked at Xu Cheng and tut-tutted, Not bad, you actually dared to kill the gang leader Gate Master Yan. You grew up a little in the three years I havent seen you.

Xu Cheng smiled. Dad, in the past before you beat me, you for sure wouldnt probe me before the fight. Today, you did, so does that mean you are feeling a bit unsure?

Lin Guiren grinned, Me? Feeling unsure about beating your a\*s? What a joke.

Xu Cheng: Theres a saying about how you cant look at someone the same after three days without seeing them, not to mention three years.

Lin Guiren and Xu Chengs dad were life-and-death comrades made from the battlefield, and they were both in the most elite special forces in the past. Although Lin Guiren went to Britain to become a rich aristocrat, sparring had always been a hobby of his. When Xu Cheng was young, Lin Guiren would feel bad if Brother Xus son grew up not knowing any martial arts, so he taught Xu Cheng a lot of techniques. This was also the biggest reason Xu Cheng could be targeted for bullying after school but still fight back and dominate.

As for Lin Lei, he wasnt as talented, but he also liked this kind of stuff. Although he looked like a dream-boy, he had a wild heart. Mommy Lin didnt allow her husband to teach their only successor martial arts, so Lin Lei would secretly learn a few moves with Xu Cheng, and that was why they were such good bros.

Brat, its just been three years and you are already overestimating yourself? Tell me, what have you learned in the past three years? Lin Guiren laughed and asked.

Xu Cheng closed his eyes, and when he opened his eyes again, he



said, I dont know how to explain it, as I felt like Ive learned nothing yet everything, just like Zhang Sanfengs Tai Chi. You seem to forget all the moves, but you actually mastered all the moves.

Lin Lei bitterly laughed, Brother-in-Law, pull less agro. Im scared for you that you will be beaten so hard by dad again that you wont be able to get out of the bed for a day.

Hear that? Kid, everyone still vividly remembers how hard I beat your a\*s in the past. Lin Guiren smiled.

Xu Cheng extended one hand and said, Dad, less talk, lets go.

Lin Guiren lifted his brows. Whats the meaning of lifting up one hand?

Xu Cheng: Giving you a handicap of two legs and one hand. Im only using one hand.

Hahahahahaha. Lin Guiren burst into laughter, You are still like before, not yielding to defeat and being stubborn as f\*ck.

Looking at the two men outside from the floor-to-ceiling glass window, Lin Chuxue sat down on the sofa and smiled, Dads going to have an existential crisis today.

She had seen the fight between Xu Cheng and Gate Master Yan, so she naturally knew what Xu Cheng was capable of.

## **Chapter 95: Really Miss This Feeling**

Source: Noodletown Translated

Looking outside, Mommy Lin also helplessly chuckled. You dad is really something, always picking on Cheng. Back in Britain, when he sparred with those Karate Dojo people, most of them would go easy on him since he was a rich noble. That's why he likes to spar with Xu Cheng since Xu Cheng always goes all out. Back then, he knew he couldn't beat your dad so he had to try his hardest so he didn't get beat up as hard.

Lin Chuxue rolled her eyes. Mom, come on, you think I don't know the things Dad says to deliberately provoke Xu Cheng? The moment Xu Cheng wasn't going all out, one serving of Your Dad could always beat me was enough for Xu Cheng to fight like his life depended on it. Everyone knows that Xu Cheng's dad is Xu Cheng's sore spot.

Outside, Xu Cheng still had one arm out as he said to Lin Guiren, Dad, you can make the first move.

You are even letting me make the first move? You piece of sh\*t, I'm telling you to make the first move, Lin Guiren swore.

Xu Cheng calmly said, I think you should so that you might still have the chance to pull a few moves. If I'm striking first, then you might go down right away. Just use your coolest and best signature technique, and if you can beat me down, then I will go back to England with you and not dream about visiting the Ye Family again.

So cocky. It's only been three years, yet look at you, cocky as f\*ck, Lin Guiren said as he quick-stepped towards Xu Cheng, grabbing onto his arm to perform a take-down move.

However, the moment his hand touched Xu Cheng's arm, the latter's arm slipped away like a snake. Lin Guiren was stunned for a

brief moment, and his other arm immediately went after Xu Chengs throat.

Who knew his hand would be directly slapped away by Xu Chengs. Lin Guiren felt that the seemingly-light tap just now felt like his hand had been smacked by a stun baton. His body shivered immediately as he instinctively withdrew his hand, but he immediately tried to sweep the floor with a kick to put Xu Cheng down when he wasnt prepared.

However, Xu Cheng just slightly lifted his foot and dodged it, and when his foot came down again, it landed right onto Lin Guirens leg. Although there wasnt too much force, it was enough for Lin Guiren to be caught off guard and kneel down on one knee.

Lin Guiren was really shocked. He tried to elbow Xu Cheng, but the latter caught the elbow briefly with one hand and pushed forward, directly sending Lin Guiren rolling a few times on the grass before he was able to stabilize himself and look towards Xu Cheng with narrowed eyes.

There was only a faint smile on Xu Chengs face as he looked at his foster dad with the demeanor of a grandmaster. Dad, I told you I have no specific techniques. All of my moves depends on what you do.

That was correct, he would receive ultrasonic feedback the instant his opponent made a move and then make judgements to disable the incoming threat. In fact, Xu Cheng didnt need to take the initiative to attack. He just needed to see through his opponents moves, counter it and strike back in their face! This was the battle strategy he felt best suited himself after learning from the fight with Gate Master Yan. Although it seemed like he wasnt a fighter with any particular moves or combos, all of his moves would be based on what the opponent did and derived from there.

What a brat! You married my daughter, why are you acting like a

grandmaster in front of your father-in-law? Lin Guiren decided to turn on his shameless mode and attack Xu Chengs weak spot. You are still a virgin, aren't you?

Xu Cheng was really speechless at this point. Whose dad would make fun of his son-in-law like that?

His face turned dark as he replied, Dad, that's your daughter!

Lin Guiren snorted, As for this point, you are still thousands of miles away from your dad.

Inside the home, Mommy Lin and Lin Chuxue both muttered, Pervert!

Mommy Lin: Back in the days, your dad threw himself onto me, but then I thought about how he was a soldier and wasn't too educated, so I forgave him.

Lin Lei didn't know whether he should cry or laugh. After all, everyone would wish that their dad had a more grandeur image.

Just when Xu Cheng was a little distracted, Lin Guiren suddenly shot himself from the ground like a frog as he reached out with his hand in the shape of a dragon claw, trying to grab onto Xu Chengs collar to throw him over his shoulder. But, who knew that when his hand had almost reached Xu Chengs collar, Lin Guiren would notice that his claw couldn't advance an inch further because his wrist had been grabbed by Xu Cheng.

Dad, this trick is from years ago, why are you still using it? Before, you always succeeded because you had longer arms and made bigger strides so you had the advantage in speed. But now, you are just too slow, Xu Cheng said.

Lin Guiren's eyes stared right at him and he wanted to flip his backhand to counter-lock Xu Chengs wrist, but he completely didn't expect to discover that he couldn't overpower Xu Chengs wrist.

It was as if time had stopped, and as their eyes met, they immediately switched from battling to contesting strength.

Lin Guiren realized that he couldn't pull his hand out no matter how hard he tried. If it was an arm-wrestling contest, it would be a lot harder to win if you were grabbing onto your opponent's wrist instead of the hand, which was like giving away a big handicap. However, what really hurt Lin Guiren's pride was that, even with such a big handicap with Xu Cheng grabbing onto his wrist, he still couldn't make Xu Cheng's hand move one bit!

Finally accepting the reality that he wasn't pulling his hand out, this thug Lin Guiren just shouted at his daughter, Chuxue, if your man can grab onto you this tightly and never let go for this lifetime, then I will be very happy.

And that comment made things so awkward that Xu Cheng immediately let go. Yet, the moment he let go, Lin Guiren went for his collar again, but who knew Xu Cheng was even faster than him and immediately caught onto his wrist again.

This time, Lin Guiren's hand was stuck again.

Chuxue, has your man ever held your hand like this before? Lin Guiren turned his head and shamelessly asked Lin Chuxue again.

Lin Chuxue's face was already burning red like an apple. Her dad was just too shameless today.

Xu Cheng let go of the hand again, but who knew that this time, Lin Guiren would try to go for Xu Cheng's collar again. And then again, Xu Cheng's arm was like a machine that automatically detected danger and grabbed onto Lin Guiren's wrist again.

Lin Guiren was just dumbfounded now. How the fuck did you manage to catch my hand twice at the speed of light?

Xu Cheng had already grabbed onto Lin Guiren's whole arm and

began spinning on the spot like he was preparing to throw a lead ball. He directly lifted Lin Guirens whole body from the ground, and then threw him into the swimming pool.

At this moment, there was only silence, as Mommy Lin and Lin Lei stared with their mouths and eyes wide open, as well as Xiaolan who had seemingly lost her soul.

When Lin Guiren climbed out of the pool like a drowned rat, he actually began weeping

Mommy Lin and Lin Chuxue both nervously trotted out to his side as they bent down to comfort him. Dad, are you okay?

Lin Guiren wept as he looked into the distance and said, I havent felt this feeling in a long time. It was just like the days when Big Brother Xu would mercilessly destroy me in every sparring match I really miss that feeling Just now, I really felt for a second that I was up against Big Brother Xu again, I havent gotten completely destroyed by someone for so long and it felt awesome.

Everyone at the scene was speechless.

Lin Chuxue looked at her dad from the corner of her eyes. Dad, just how low can you go?

Xu Cheng came over, squatted down, and looked at Lin Guiren sincerely. Dad, please dont worry about me in the future. I will take good care of myself.

Lin Guiren nodded. Good! Good boy! You really are all grown up now! Very well, let me see if you can avenge your dad!

## **Chapter 96: Team 2 Basically A Leader With A Following**

Source: Noodletown Translated

That night, Xu Cheng didnt stay in Lin Chuxues villa-style condo, afraid that he would be caught by the paparazzi and hurt Chuxues career.

After he left, Lin Chuxue frowned and said to Xiaolan, who was in the corner, Treat him with a better attitude in the future.

Sister Chuxue, I really dont get it You clearly have better options, why him? Xiaolan was confused.

Lin Chuxue interrupted her, How many people can keep their heart of gold under a glamorous appearance? You are in this entertainment circle, so you should know what kind of people are reliable. Some people only have money but nothing else. Just now, I was ordering you to improve your attitude towards him, and you can decline as well if you dont want to continue being my assistant.

Then, Lin Chuxue went back to her bedroom, leaving Xiaolan shivering briefly. To be honest, it was quite hard to find a famous celebrity that was easy-going and easy to take care of, and Lin Chuxue was probably the best person to work for. Xiaolan knew that if she left, countless people would try to apply for this position. She could be easily replaced.

That night, when Xu Cheng just got back to his unit, it was pitch dark inside. After Xu Cheng locked the door behind him, the lights suddenly came on, and Ran Jing and Shen Yao jumped out. Surprise!

Xu Cheng didnt even blink, mainly because he knew what those two were up to before he even came in, so he wasnt surprised at all.

Looking at the two girls, Xu Cheng snorted. A surprise indeed, but not a pleasant one. Shen Yao, why are you wearing a facial mask in the middle of the night? Are you trying to scare people to death?

Shen Yao awkwardly pouted. You **[emailprotected]**, where did you go today?

I was with Lin Chuxues parents and spent the day touring around. Xu Cheng was quite straightforward.

Ran Jing and Shen Yao exchanged a look, and then Shen Yao probed Xu Cheng, You really have nothing to do with Lin Chuxue?

Xu Cheng went to the fridge and got a bottle of water as he replied, What kind of thing can I have to do with a big celebrity like her? Im just an ordinary guy.

Shen Yao: Who knows if you werent planning to suck up to her parents so they would get on your side and help you convince Lin Chuxue.

Xu Cheng declined. You are overthinking it.

Ran Jing: Ive been waiting for you the whole day today. Now can you tell me how you caught the whole assassin group?

Xu Cheng smiled. I wont be able to explain it in a short period of time, and with your current IQ, you probably wouldnt understand too. Arent we going to be colleagues soon? You will get to know my ways slowly.

Ran Jing was speechless. You actually dare to question my IQ? Very well, we will be together for a long time, and I will also slowly teach you whos more efficient and well-versed when it comes to criminal investigation cases.

Shen Yao: Whatever, lets celebrate first.



She pushed over a cart that had an ice bucket with a bottle of champagne in it.

Xu Cheng frowned. What day is it today?

Ran Jing: I got the news, you will be transferred to Team 2 of the Criminal Investigation Department as the captain, and I'm the captain for Team 5. The captain for Team 2 is getting pretty old and he's going to retire, so you will be replacing him. Congrats, but I just wanted to say, we will see whose team accomplishes more in the future.

Xu Cheng was a bit shocked. He originally thought they would just transfer him to the Criminal Investigation Department as a newbie to assist the captain with cases, but he actually directly became a captain. Things did look interesting, it seemed like he didn't need to wait for a long time and could directly lay his hands on the four Gates cases.

At the thought of this, he curiously asked Ran Jing, Which team looks after West Gate?

Ran Jing proudly replied, I'm responsible for keeping an eye on both West and East Gate, what do you want?

Xu Cheng: If you don't have the time for both, can you give the West Gate case to me?

Why would I? Ran Jing snorted. If they were friends, then there would be room for negotiation. But now, they were in direct competition with each other, so why would she give her opportunity to her competitor?

Because I can dismantle West Gate faster than you, Xu Cheng said confidently.

Ran Jing: West Gate isn't like North Gate. They control at least 5

casinos, which makes up for more than half of the casinos in the city. Every year, their revenue and cash flow accounts are big numbers. You wont be able to take care of them like the way you dealt with North Gate. In the past few years, I had been investigating their accounts, and I suspect that they are also involved in illegal money-laundering in addition to their legal casinos profits. But you should know, when dealing with an entity as big as them, its not as easy as just presenting a few search warrants and finding a few pieces of evidence.

Xu Cheng: I know. Its not just about money-laundering, it also possibly involves many other people and forces, and thats why I said maybe you wont be able to chew this bone. It is quite dangerous since you are basically playing with fire.

Ran Jing was a bit confused. Why West Gate?

Xu Cheng: Because it makes me happy.

Shen Yao: The water with West Gate is a lot deeper than North Gate. North Gate was, at most, the dogs of the other three Gates, so what you just did was basically taking care of the three Gates dog. It doesnt mean you can take on the other three as well.

Ran Jing: I think what you should do right now is to conquer your subordinates on Team 2. Hearing that you were airdropped from the bottom level of a local police station, I feel like your 10 subordinates on Team 2 wont be convinced with you being their new boss. If I were you, I would hurry and report to duty and convince them that you are a competent new boss, rather than dragging it on and reporting to your new post in a couple of days.

Xu Cheng was a bit confused. Thats strange, how come your team can utilize 15 to 30 members, but my team only has 10 people?

Ran Jing smiled. Every group is different. Your Team 2s former captain is getting old and didnt get much done over the years, so

after years of reallocation of resources, your team now has the lowest grade of resources. Amongst the 10 teams in the Criminal Investigation Department, I think your Team 2 is the most chill one. The good news is that its an independent team, but to be blunt, the moment the other teams get busy and need a hand, Team 2, including the captain, will be assigned over to help out. Simply put, it can be considered a backup group.

Xu Cheng didnt know whether he should laugh or cry. Then why the fuck would you guys still congratulate me? Did I really get promoted or did I jump from one pit to another pit?

Ran Jing: Team 2 Captain of the Criminal Investigation Department, listen to this title. Hows it not a promotion?

Xu Cheng was speechless.

Ran Jing: Hurry and just report to your new position tomorrow. Your men arent completely useless, at least they are similar to you.

Xu Cheng lifted his brows. What does that mean?

Ran Jing smiled. They are all a bunch of uncultured thug-like officers and quite a few old fritters too. If you dont prove your worth, I think they wont be convinced to be led by you. So, after you fix up your team, you can come to me and talk about taking over the West Gate case. She laughed as if she was gloating and waiting to see Xu Cheng screw up.

Xu Cheng, on the other hand, just raised his glass of champagne, drank it in one go, and then brightly smiled. I was just concerned that they might be really educated and I wouldnt be able to get through to them with words, but hey, I love uncultured thugs.

## **Chapter 97: Just Tell Me If You Have The Balls Or Not.**

Source: Noodletown Translated

On the next day, Xu Cheng, who had nothing to do, went to the HQ in downtown to report to his new post early. He was brought there by Ran Jing, and Xu Cheng went to the directors office to report in first.

During the past few days, the director was just having a really good time, feeling awesome about everything since they were able to take down one big pain in the a\*s that was rooted in the city for centuries. Seeing Xu Cheng, he laughed and immediately greeted him, Why not rest for a few more days? Did your injuries recover yet?

Yeah, Im fine now, and Im just here early to try to adapt to the environment first.

The director nodded, then he got up, went to the cabinet behind him, and retrieved some documents for Xu Cheng. Here, you can go now to the HR department to register everything, and then someone will take you to your office. Im looking forward to working with you, good luck on your job!

Xu Cheng saluted. Yes Sir.

He took the documents went to to the HR department to get everything set up, and then an officer brought him to Team 2s office of the Criminal Investigation Department.

When the officer led Xu Cheng and walked past a giant office space, a longing smile appeared on Xu Chengs face. But, it turned out that they were just passing by, and at last, they arrived at an office that was only 20 square meters in size. Standing at the door, Xu Cheng felt like going back to the hospital already.

That was the office for Team 5, this is for Team 2, the officer said and then left.

Standing at the door, Xu Cheng looked at the foul-smelling office with 8 officers inside. At that moment, their eyes met, and it was mighty awkward.

Seeing him with the documents in his arm standing at the door, an old fritter narrowed his eyes and asked Xu Cheng, What are you here for?

Xu Cheng took out his badge from the document folder and put it on his chest, not speaking a word. Then, the old fritters gathered around, and after they took a closer look at the badge and the title, one of them lifted his eyebrows. You are the new guy in charge of Team 2?

Xu Cheng nodded.

Someone passed a cigarette to him, and Xu Cheng took it. He walked into the office and seeing the people that were smoking and lazily laying back on their chairs with their feet up on the desk, he frowned. According to my style, people coming to work should look like people that are here to work. I dont mind you guys smoke on the job, but the space is tight here, its not good for everyone to breathe in your second-hand smoke. We are servants of the public, not sick and sorrowful smokers. I hope you guys can be more energetic on the job. In addition, please go to the hall or outside to smoke in the future; dont stink up the place in here.

A guy laying against the chair lazily said, Theres nothing to do all day, where would our spirit come from? Other people have a future to work hard towards, we are just here wasting our time, turning from optimistic and hardworking officers to old fritters. You tell us, how do we become more energetic?

Xu Cheng replied, Then you guys are going to stay like this forever.

His words were a bit harsh, and many people looked over with disdain, trying to figure out why this guy was acting like a big shot.

A guy with his feet on the desk puffed out some smoke and asked him, Is your dad the director?

Xu Cheng shook his head.

That guy sneered and asked another question, Then are you a god?

Xu Cheng shook his head again.

Then where do you get the sense of superiority to discipline us? Everyone looked at him with disdain.

Because I will be your boss from now on, so I need to give you guys some positive energy.

Right as he said that, the eight officers all snorted. Not just anyone can make us call them our boss.

Xu Cheng didnt bother with that comment. He took out an attendance sheet from his document folder. After a glance, he said, I will get to know you guys first. Raise your hand when your names called.

Then, he began calling names. Although these guys were extremely reluctant, they still raised their hands since it was for work.

By the end, two people were missing out of the ten men team. Xu Cheng asked curiously, Wheres Lichao and Wugang?

Those eight people were too lazy to answer.

Xu Cheng waited for about half a minute, and he slammed the documents in his hand onto his office desk and demanded from

them, Then where do you get your sense of superiority in front of me? Maybe I dont have the experience yet, but at least I took care of North Gates boss last week. If you guys can do the same, then fine, maybe Im not qualified to be your boss. If not, then you better behave better.

The group was pretty angry, but they couldnt refute it as well. One person snorted. This is the Criminal Investigation Department, not the Special Police Force. Whats so good if you can only fight well?

Then, someone pointed at their brain and said, In here, you have to use your brain to fight the criminals, and if you dont have intelligence, then you will only be walked around by the criminals like a dog!

Listening to what you guys are saying, I feel like you are the ones without the brain. Xu Cheng smiled.

The eight officers faces slightly changed. They didnt expect this newcomer to not only not try to befriend them first, but also take the tough-attitude approach. Did he not know these guys could just make him a leader without an army in the future?

If you guys have a good brain, then you wouldnt talk to your higher-ups like this. Although I cant force you guys to do things, in your future job appraisal reports, I can put some negative comments, and that should be enough to have an impact on your future career trajectory. As long as you have a normal brain, in a system workplace, you probably would know not to go against your supervisor. By doing so only shows that you have no brain.

Some people immediately reacted. If you want to use this to force us to yield to you, then Im sorry, we only yield to people with capabilities. Otherwise, why would we risk our lives against the criminals for you?

Very well. Ive seen your resumes, as well as the cases you guys

had worked on. Im not targeting any specific person present, but if you guys are acting so almighty just with what was on your resumes, then let me tell you, everyone here is garbage!

The faces of the eight of them immediately changed, and some of the officers even flipped their tables! Papers were flying all over the place, and the scene felt like a battle was going to erupt at any moment. When Xu Cheng saw these people getting into a standoff with him, he wasnt nervous at all.

At that moment, his one pair of eyes was in a stare-off with the 8 other pairs.

Xu Cheng directly slammed his hand on the table and said in a deep voice, What do you guys think you are doing?

The eight of them immediately prepared to leave the office, but who knew Xu Cheng would be one step ahead of them and close the door right away.

Go back!

He enunciated each word.

Just at that moment, Li Chao and Wu Gang came back. When they pushed open the door, they immediately sensed the atmosphere. Both of them lifted their eyebrows. Judging by the scene, is the new boss assuming office laying down ground rules?

Xu Cheng looked at them from the corner of his eyes and asked the two, Where did you guys go during work hours?

We arent prisoners, why cant we move around during work hours? Besides, it has been years since we were last assigned a legit mission, so why cant we move around? If you have the ability, you should try to fight with the other groups for more missions. Otherwise, you should stop trying to intimidate us, Wu Gang directly said.



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Xu Cheng replied, As long as you guys cooperate with me, we wont be last place among the ten teams. I promise.

The other people in the office snorted. Before you came, we also saw your resume. Although our resumes arent great, in comparison to your big white blank piece of paper, we are qualified to pick a bone with you.

Xu Cheng looked right into their eyes as he raised his voice. If you have what it takes, then I will put my words out here, Im going to f\*ck with West Gate, who has the balls to come with me? Now, if you have the balls, then say it right now. If you dont, then get out.

## **Chapter 98: Domineeringly Taking Office**

Source: Noodletown Translated

At that moment, the ten members of Team 2 all looked at each other and then towards Xu Cheng, feeling that this guys brain mightve gotten crushed by a door or something. West Gate? Team 5 had been on that case for at least a year now, and they basically used all the resources they could get their hands on in the Criminal Investigation Department and they didnt even find a single piece of evidence that could shake up West Gates position. Now, a newbie that just took office was saying that he was going to go screw West Gate? Please, he was only going to be screwing himself

Among the four Gates, other than North Gate, which other Gate wasnt a super giant fish that was difficult to catch?

Big fish like them couldnt be approached like how Xu Cheng approached North Gate, or he would be swallowed up whole. One must take an intelligent scientific approach to capture it.

I guess I was right. Someone like you that dares to fight the North Gate Master is just a fighter without a brain, Wu Gang snorted.

A fighter without a brain is at least better than you cowards, Xu Cheng said in disdain, Back in the military, people like you that were filled with excuses will never be good soldiers.

Li Chao: Please know the situation. If you are going up against West Gate, you think they will just let you easily catch them? Be careful for them biting you back.

The others all agreed. Thats right. Even if you want to go screw West Gate, you should first get the case over from Team 5 first. Do you know what the Team 2 office is known as? The famous nursing

home.

You guys know this place is called a nursing home too? Xu Cheng sneered, his eyes scanned everyone as his voice suddenly increased as he interrogated them, Then do you know why people call this place a nursing home? Have you thought about that?

The ten officers didnt open their mouth, and they all had annoyed expressions on their face.

Its because of you guys! Xu Cheng pointed his finger directly at each and every one of them as he swore, Its not surprising to have a small bag of trash thrown to the side, but if many bags of trash are thrown to one place, that place now has a pile of garbage and might as well be called the dumpster. What disappoints me even more is that you guys seem to be proud of being trash too. If I were you, I would fight back. I will try my best to prove that Im not trash. Whats more ridiculous is that you guys are trash yet you look down on other people. If a person cant get out of denial and face their heart honestly, how will they ever improve? Its not like theres no opportunity, but if you guys seized the opportunity, you wouldnt be here, nor would this place have the reputation it has right now. To be honest, when I was told that I would be transferred to Team 2, I was quite pissed, especially after seeing how you guys are so full of yourselves, I felt even sadder for you guys. Whats a slug? You guys are the perfect examples.

What did you say! Wu Gang was ready to go full out against Xu Cheng, but he was quickly dragged back by Li Chao, because it would be an offense to beat someone at a higher rank. However, everyone was looking at Xu Cheng, unconvinced.

Li Chao also snorted. If possible, I rather quit this job and beat you up.

Xu Cheng looked at those ten guys, nodded, and said, Im fine with that. I will guarantee that you wont get fired, now do you have the

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balls to fight me?

Li Chao immediately felt like a sock was stuffed in his mouth. Yeah, they couldn't win through verbal confrontation nor a fist fight.

The other people all ridiculed Xu Cheng, You were transferred to Team 2, so you are probably the same as us. Don't think that you are too different from the rest of us.

Im indeed different from you guys, since I had at least killed Gate Master Yan and gave the government a chance to annihilate North Gate once and for all. As for you guys, what else can you do other than just b\*tch around? Now, since I was already transferred to Team 2, then I wouldn't be a good boss if I failed to change you guys for the better. So, if you guys want to keep on acting like the way you are, I will just fire you since I don't want subordinates like that. If you want to stay, then you have to follow my rules, Xu Cheng said to everyone with a serious face.

Li Chao pouted and then said slowly, I won't ask about anything else, but I just want to know, where do you get the confidence to fight over big missions with other teams? Right now, no other team will willingly give their case to us to investigate, given our reputation.

Then we can start from small things and prove ourselves through solving those cases first. If you guys don't even have the patience to learn how to walk, then don't think about running. I wouldn't want people that are a giant in their words but a coward when it comes to action, Xu Cheng said and he then clapped to focus everyone's attention. Now, let's just see what kind of small cases we can get on first. All in all, let's not idle around. We need to be active. After all, it's not just our job, we are an image of the government to the public. So, if a case is given to us, we will take it seriously.

Li Chao reluctantly went to click open a few cases on his computer. Xu Cheng looked at them, and his eyes narrowed, because to be honest, these cases were quite serious in terms of level of influence.

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There were even several cases of murders.

These cases are already pretty big deals if we can crack them, why aren't you guys more optimistic? Xu Cheng asked, a bit confused.

Wu Gang snorted, Yeah, it's pretty big, and if we can solve them then we would definitely be greatly praised by the higher-ups. But, solving these cases are basically impossible, they were only given to us because the other teams had been on it for a long time and couldn't close it. That's why they gave it to us, which is basically throwing the blame onto us. Because these cases have a great level of influence, it wouldn't be good if the police HQ closes the case without catching the criminals, so the cases were basically put on hold with our team. Just like the former Team 2 Captain said, these cases are all without a head or tail, so he never thought about solving them.

Karma might be late but it will never be absent. I don't think there's any case that can't be solved, Xu Cheng said.

The others immediately snorted, and Wu Gang sneered and said, It's obviously easy to talk, but if you can actually solve any of these cases, then if you say you are Number 2 in Team 2, no one would dare to say they are Number 1.

Xu Cheng directly looked at him and said, You can still be the Number 2, I will be Number 1.

Then, he tilted the screen towards him and looked at the three cases that were opened. The other people all took out their cigarettes, bored, and prepared to have a smoke. Then, Xu Cheng immediately yelled, No smoking inside the office from now on. If you want to smoke, go outside. This is the first rule I'm laying down as your boss.

Li Chao snorted, then took a sip, and puffed it out. But, who knew that the moment he puffed out a cloud of smoke, Xu Cheng would immediately throw the pencil on his desk and knock the cigarette

butt out of his mouth. Scared, Li Chao touched his mouth, noticed that there was no pain nor injury, but the pencil fell to the ground with his cigarette.

Then, when he turned around to look at Xu Cheng with a face full of shock, Xu Cheng's eyes didn't even leave the screen as he just said to him, Bring my pencil back.

At that moment, Li Chao felt like Xu Cheng was humiliating him in front of all of his colleagues, and he immediately felt embarrassed, a bit reluctant, and also angry.

Xu Cheng lifted his head and said as he looked at him, time whoever smokes, my pencil wouldn't be hitting the cigarette but your mouth. Don't say I didn't warn you.

Li Chao's eyelids twitched, and he turned around to pick up the pencil on the floor and placed it on Xu Cheng's desk.

Xu Cheng: I don't care what kind of bad habits you all had in the past, but from now on, please correct your attitude, don't actually treat this office like a nursing home. If someone wants to retire early and go to a nursing home, then he can tell me. I will send you to a real nursing home and also gift you a wheelchair as well.

## **Chapter 99: Team 2 Will Follow Up On West Gates Case**

Source: Noodletown Translated

Xu Chengs first meeting with the Team 2 members was quite unpleasant, but that also set up his tough boss image.

After finishing their first conversation, Xu Cheng directly left the office. Now, lets all go to the cafeteria to eat.

He left the office first, and the others all looked at each other.

Wu Gang looked at Xu Chengs disappearing image and said to the others, Lets just wait and see. If its another guy thats all tough talk but no real skill, then lets not get into the water with him, or we will drown ourselves.

The ten of them followed Xu Cheng to the cafeteria. It was just an restaurant that was contracted by the police for them to enjoy their meals at discounted prices. It was also the place Xu Cheng and Ran Jing first visited.

When he walked in, the other teams and departments officers began looking at him and gossiping.

Its him, the guy that fought Gate Master Yan.

Didnt they say he got stabbed? He looks really fine to me.

Would you guys say that he actually won the fight?

Of course. Gate Master Yan sneaked attacked him with a dagger after the match ended. Strictly speaking, Xu Cheng was the winner.

I also heard that this guys rumored to be Captain Rans boyfriend?

The gossipy female officers immediately got excited.

This morning when he was reporting to duty, he was indeed brought in by Captain Ran. I also remember that a few weeks ago when he was still a patrol officer, Captain Ran also brought him here for dinner before.

Wasnt Li Dazhuang always chasing after Ran Jing? Is he out now?

I guess so. Li Dazhuang is only tough on the outside anyways.

In the middle of his meal, Li Dazhuang couldnt tolerate the gossip anymore. He directly stood up and slammed the desk, and it was pretty loud and the chatty cafeteria immediately became silenced.

Li Dazhuangs colleagues tugged on his clothes and whispered, What are you doing?

Li Dazhuang gritted his teeth as he turned around and looked at Xu Cheng. Then, he directly walked up to Xu Chengs face and said word for word, I cant interfere in the past, but now, since you are here, you should stay away from Ran Jing. Dont let others talk behind your back and say you climbed in here because Captain Ran pulled some strings.

Anyone with a brain would know that I relied on my own two hands to get here, Xu Cheng retorted, Besides, if you are not convinced, we can just follow your rules and have another fight. We can just cut the talk and see each other in the arena.

As he talked, he directly walked past Li Dazhuang and went to get some food. Li Dazhuang couldnt beat Xu Cheng, but of course, he could lay his hands on Xu Chengs subordinates. He just stuck his leg out and tripped Wu Gang.

Li Chao was about to burst right away and demand why, but Wu Gang immediately pulled him back.



Wu Gang only stood up, patted the dust off his pants and was about to just leave. But, his way was blocked by Xu Cheng.

Xu Cheng turned to Li Dazhuang and sneered. I guess you are the pathetic type that only bullies the nice guys and are afraid of people tougher than you. If you have a grudge, you can directly come and look for me. Dont make things difficult for my guys.

Li Dazhuang said in an odd tone that was irritating to listen to, It wasnt on purpose.

Xu Cheng: Then just apologize to him.

Li Dazhuang looked at Wu Gang, and with a provocative look, he asked him, Do you need my apology?

Li Dazhuan held a high rank in the HQ, and he was also a part-time instructor that had a good relationship with the new recruits. In addition, he was also the champion of the annual special police competition, being very experienced in the operation of various guns and actual combat. So, he held a high level of prestige at this HQ.

Wu Gang was just going to say its fine, but who would have thought that Xu Cheng would walk forward into Li Dazhuangs face and say to him with no room for negotiation, Im the one telling you to apologize to him.

The colleagues beside Li Dazhuang felt like these words were so familiar.

Wait a second, wasnt this basically the scene where Li Dazhuang wanted to force Xu Cheng to apologize to Ran Jing, and then Xu Cheng asked Ran Jing if she needed his apology, and Li Dazhuang still tried to make him apologize?

It was just that, their roles seemed to have changed.

Li Dazhuang lifted his eyebrows and looked at Xu Cheng. Who are

you? Are you representing him? You should ask him if hes letting you in the first place.

Im his boss, Xu Cheng narrowed his eyes and said to Li Dazhuang, We are a team, so remember, you offending him is offending me. This should be a harmonious society here, theres no need to make it unpleasant for everyone.

Then, Xu Cheng patted Wu Gang on the shoulder, and then he headed towards the place that was handing out food.

The way he protected his subordinates shocked everyone around, and it also gave Li Chao and the rest of Team 2 a strange and subtle feeling.

How should they put it?

This new team captain was pretty domineering!

On the second floor on the fenced deck seats, an old policeman was leaning by the fence and looking at the scene below. He curiously asked, This guy looks quite fresh, is he new?

His colleague eating beside him nodded. Thats the guy that killed Gate Master Yan.

The policeman lifted his brows. I think he wont have a good time if hes this reckless and impulsive.

The guy eating also smiled. Yeah, newcomers should follow the rules after they get to a new area. Him just suddenly taking down North Gate broke many teams plans. He basically snatched the bone that the other teams had been eyeing for years. I heard that when he was still a patrol officer, he also offended a bunch of young masters. The police forces connection with the business world became a little stiff and awkward after that, so there are still a lot of people that dont like him.

The police officer by the fence sneered. Lets bet on whether hes going to get dragged down by Team 2, or he will bring great change to Team 2.

The guy eating immediately agreed. Sure, and I heard a rumor that some people want to make things difficult for the guy.

Oh? Tell me.

Its temporarily confidential, but it will be revealed later today at the department meeting.

After eating, Xu Cheng was told by other officers in the hall to go to a department meeting.

When he came to the meeting room, he saw Ran Jing sitting inside and faintly smiling at him. I saw you bringing your team to lunch today, looks like you are doing pretty well.

Xu Cheng faintly smiled. Just like in the army, you just need to overawe their hearts first.

During the twos conversation, the other team captains arrived one after another. Besides Ran Jing, all the other captains were males, and then Ran Jing shot Xu Cheng a prideful smile.

When the deputy department director came with his stack of documents, he first introduced Xu Cheng to everyone.

This is Xu Cheng who will be in charge of Team 2 from now on. We will all be working together from now on.

Other than Ran Jing, Xu Cheng shook hands with the other eight captains. For the first encounter, everyone was pretty nice and greeted Xu Cheng with smiles.

After that, the director said very straightforwardly, So today, I will mention a few points. Ran Jing, temporarily put your team on hold for

the West Gate case, and fully focus on the East Gates ports smuggling case.

Originally in a good mood, Ran Jings face suddenly changed as she looked up at the supervisor, Deputy Department Director, whether its West Gate or East Gate, Ive been on those cases for more than six months now. Wouldnt it be counterproductive to suddenly drop it?

The higher-ups face didnt change as he said, Because of what happened to North Gate, the other three Gates are particularly vigilant, so it will be a lot harder for you to reach a breakthrough when splitting your resources on both cases. So, I want to get a new group to get on the West Gate case.

Ran Jing was a bit unhappy, but after all, the deputy department director was her higher up, so she unwillingly asked, Which group do you want to follow this case?

Deputy Director: How about this, let Team 2s Captain Xu take over for now.

Ran Jing: No! Sir, his identity is still too sensitive right now. At this time, if he were to be on any case related to the three Gates, those people may be setting traps up to get rid of him. You must remember he was the one that plucked up North Gate by himself, so right now the other three Gates are probably wishing for him to walk right into their traps!

Before, Ran Jing didnt want Xu Cheng to touch the three Gates cases because of this reason. Right now, all three Gates were probably hoping for Xu Cheng to go after them again so they could set him up or toy with him.

## ***Chapter 100: Congratulations On Becoming A Leader Without An Army***

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At this time, the captain of Team 7 chipped in. I think newcomers should be given a chance. Everyone knows what Team 2 was like in the past, but we cant waste the resources of any of our teams. Now, every team has their cases to work on, and Team 5 would be a bit swamped if they have to investigate both West Gate and East Gate. I think its best if Team 5 focuses on the East Gate case.

Ran Jing replied, Im fine with temporarily putting West Gates case on hold, but why is Team 2 taking over?

She looked around at the other team captains, a bit angry. She felt like it was more of a trap for Xu Cheng, so she was trying to stop Xu Cheng from walking into it.

Team 3s Captain stroked his beard and smiled. The other teams are busy as well, so right now it seems like only Team 2 can be used.

Ran Jing: We all know what state Team 2 is in, which other team isnt a formation of more than 20 or even 40 members? When necessary, the other teams can even coordinate operations with the Special Police Force, but Team 2 only has 10 people. I think everyone knows very well the kind of existence that is West Gate. Sending only 10 people to investigate West Gates money laundering case, I think its too much of a joke.

Captain Ran, what are you doing? Are you planning to rob Team 2 of a big case they can work on? We all have things to do, its not right to just let Team 2 idle. We should share the missions so they have more opportunities too. Someone even tried to perturb the relationship between Xu Cheng and Ran Jing.

The deputy department director immediately slammed the file folder on the table, which immediately silenced everyone. He then scolded in a deep voice, What do you think you are all doing? Does Team 2 not have a captain? Does he need you guys to decide for him?

After he gave everyone the white eye, he looked at Xu Cheng and asked, Xu Cheng, whats your thoughts on this?

Before Xu Cheng could reply, Ran Jing already answered first, Sir, at least let him familiarize himself with his team members first, right? Hes still new to this environment and doesnt know how things work around here. Isnt it rushing into things if you let him take over such a big case right after he takes office?

The deputy director just ignored Ran Jing and he still looked at Xu Cheng, asking, What do you think?

Xu Chengs eyes met with the guy, and then he said, I think Team 2 is completely capable of handling West Gates case.

Xu Cheng! Ran Jing became nervous. West Gate wasnt an easy target like North Gate. Just looking at casinos alone, they had 5 legal ones operating in the city. The entire organization has over 5 thousand people, so even though Xu Cheng was a captain now, a team of just 10 people definitely couldnt carry out a comprehensive investigation strategy. West Gate wouldnt even give a sh\*t about Team 2, and plus the fact that Xu Cheng caused North Gates downfall, the other three Gates would most likely join hands and kill him since he was basically sending himself into their lair.

Xu Cheng obviously knew Ran Jing was sincerely concerned for him. But, he just couldnt tolerate the assassination attempt against him. This time, he wont be waiting around for them to try and kill him again. He would be going to find them himself. Since both sides were no longer hiding their intentions, then he wouldnt mind playing with them with increased stakes.

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Deputy Department Director, Im fine with this.

Very well, then later let Captain Ran of Team 5 hand over all the information theyve gathered on the case to you.

Immediately, the meeting was over. When everyone packed up their files and left the meeting room one after another, Ran Jing stayed behind and glared at Xu Cheng. Are you stupid? You dont know that you are walking into their trap? They just want to kill off your confidence so you dont feel like you are above them all, since you were able to easily take care of North Gate while they worked their a\*\*\*s off but couldnt.

Xu Cheng packed his things up too and calmly replied, Of course I know. You told me before too, I snatched their big bone, and theres competition among everyone. My appearance means that some people will have no choice but to share their pie with an extra person, so its normal for them to try and set me up. But thats just life and how society is. If you dont have the ability, you will be eliminated no matter where you go. If you want others to recognize you, then you will have to prove to them what you are capable of.

Then, he smiled at Ran Jing. This time, Im here to prove to them what Im capable of.

Ran Jing sighed. Then, she said, a bit dejected, Do you need me to assign some people from Team 5 to help you?

Its fine, you just need to give me what you have. I dont think East Gates any easier to deal with than West Gate, so I think you will need as much manpower as possible.

Seeing how determined Xu Cheng was, Ran Jing no longer insisted. She brought Xu Cheng to her office and ordered her subordinate to gather all the archived files of West Gate and transfer them to Xu Cheng.

With the files in hand, Xu Cheng went back to the 20-square-meter-big office and announced, Listen up, didnt you guys think you have nothing to do? Let me announce, West Gates money laundering case will be completely taken over by us from now on.

After Xu Cheng finished, he noticed all of his team members were looking at him, a bit dumbfounded.

Li Chao and Wu Gang even shot up from their seat as they looked at Xu Cheng in disbelief, What did you say? The West Gates case had been handed over to us now?

Xu Cheng nodded and clapped his hands. Give me more energy, dont be like dead fish.

All ten of them immediately laid on the table, dejected. Li Chao stared at Xu Cheng and shouted, How do you expect us to be more energetic? West Gate is so big and you want our 10-men team to investigate them? Are you out of your mind?

Xu Cheng slammed the file folder on the desk and said domineeringly, You guys said you werent given a chance, so I got you the chance. Youve been complaining about how no one trusts any case to you. Now, just give me an answer, do you or do you not have the balls to take on this case with me? If yes, then stay; if not, then you can leave. I will transfer you to another department.

Everyone didnt show any intention of walking out right now since they were all contemplating the gains and losses. Frankly, they knew the other teams were just throwing the blame onto them again with this case. Everyone knew that the four Gates had been around for a long time, so of course they had learned the ways to hide themselves very well in this lawful society. Who was going to leave evidence of money-laundering behind for them to gather? Besides the great difficulty, the mission will also be very dangerous. None of the other three Gates were easy to deal with, and the moment you touched their bottom line, they would immediately erase you from the face of



the Earth. So, that was why Ran Jing could get the cases for two of the four Gates and the other team captains had no problems with it.

Wu Gang looked over the files compiled by Team 5, and his face turned sullen. If there was a single piece of evidence, we could at least follow the trail and investigate, but there has been basically zero progress on the case so far. What are we going to do? The other three Gates are all very hard to penetrate since their core management groups are tight-knit communities that go way back, thus its impossible to get any solid evidence. Just with the 10 of us, I dont think we can play with them. Do you have any plans or confidence?

Under the full anticipation of everyone, Xu Cheng just simply answered with one word, Nope.

The other ten of them really wanted to die.

Wu Gang directly threw the file onto the desk and left the room.

Then, Li Chao followed after, and then the others all left one after another. In the end, in the small office space that is Team 2, only Xu Cheng was left standing there. Not long after, Ran Jing appeared at the entrance. With her arms crossed, she looked at him and sighed. They all know you guys are trying to hit a stone with an egg.

Xu Cheng looked towards Ran Jing and asked, Wanna go have a drink with me to celebrate?

Ran Jing: Celebrate what?

Xu Cheng: Celebrate my first day of getting promoted to Team 2 Captain. Isnt it worth celebrating?

Ran Jing bitterly smiled, Yeah, and also celebrate that you became a leader without an army on your very first day.

Xu Cheng smiled.

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