

Fat Wife 1201

Chapter 1201 Even If I Die, I Remain Yours

"How have I gone too far? I was just momentarily confused! I just wanted to have someone to talk to! What did I do wrong! I even suffered such serious injuries! Is your family really going to give up on me! This is so unfair!" Tan Jing shouted.

"You caused my sister-in-law to almost have a miscarriage. If help came any later, she would have died together with the babies. Moreover, Qiao Mei's nanny and the gardener that Cheng Gu planted in Qiao Mei's house are both dead. Isn't all this bad enough?" Xia Wen questioned.

"What has all this got to do with me! Am I the one who killed them! If you want to find the culprit, you should go and look for Cheng Gu! It's his fault! What right do you have to say all this is all my fault!" Tan Jing stood up and pointed at Xia Wen as she spoke angrily.

If Tan Jing had not invited the wolf in, none of this would have happened.

Even without Tan Jing, Cheng Gu would still take advantage of every opportunity and arrange for someone to harm anyone from the Xia family. However, he definitely would not be able to do it so easily and quietly.

Xia Wen did not dare to imagine what he would need to face if Qiao Mei and the two children were not saved in time. He wondered if Xia Zhe would be able to remain strong and whether Xu Lan, Xia Mao, Xia Jun and Qiao Qiang would break down. He did not dare to think about these things and was only glad that everyone was still around.

"But does it have nothing to do with you?" Xia Wen asked calmly.

Tan Jing sneered and said, "Isn't this all about Qiao Mei? If it's me, who knows how your Xia family will treat me! Why are all of you so nice to Qiao Mei! She only married into the Xia family because she tricked Xia Zhe into sleeping with her! She only relies on her children to gain a foothold in the Xia family! Who does she think she is! Why are all of you protecting her like this!"

Although what Tan Jing said was the truth, the Xia family did not think that there was anything wrong with it. Instead, they all felt that Qiao Mei was a wonderful person and could not wait to give her the best things in the world.

"That's not something you should be concerned about. You should take good care of yourself. Once you've come to terms with it, we'll... get a divorce," Xia Wen said. I think you should take a look at pafladasnovel.com

Tan Jing suddenly smashed the teacup on the coffee table. She would never allow Xia Wen to leave her, nor could she accept leaving the Xia family in disgrace! She could not accept it!

"Never! Let me tell you, Xia Wen! Even if I die, I want to die in the Xia family! Even if I die, I want to die as your wife! If you divorce me, I'll kill myself! After all, if I get a divorce, I'll be despised by everyone. Since I'll die either way, I might as well die now!" Tan Jing roared.

Xia Wen's expression remained unchanged. He knew that Tan Jing was just bluffing. She cherished her life very much. She was the type of person who would rush to the hospital to check on a small cut on her hand and would only feel at ease after confirming that there was no danger to her life. How could such a person commit suicide?

"You should think about your parents. They've been looking for you recently. Once you think it through, go back and visit them. Think about the divorce carefully. I'm discussing it with you now and I'm giving you a week. If you still can't come to terms with it in a week, then I'll... I'll send all the evidence I have about you and Cheng Gu to the police station. I'll also send all the gambling debts and evidence of prostitution relating to your brothers," Xia Wen said.

Tan Jing collapsed onto the sofa. Seeing that she did not cry or throw a tantrum, Xia Wen let her be. He did not intend to stay here tonight. This was a place he prepared for Tan Jing to stay. He decided to go back to the workplace unit and make do with the sofa there.

Tan Jing did not sleep the entire night and just sat there in a daze. After a night of careful consideration, she decided to divorce Xia Wen. However, she had her own conditions relating to the divorce. She would not rest until she pulled a layer of skin off the Xia family!

παΠdasNovel.com If Qiao Mei's accident had something to do with her, then how could the Xia family not be responsible for all the hardships she had suffered? If not for the fact that the Xia family became enemies with Cheng Gu, she would not have become like this.

Tan Jing quietly hailed a car to go to Xu Lan's house early in the morning without telling Xia Wen. Due to Tan Jing's injuries and her drug addiction which flared up from time to time, she was now only skin and bones and looked as if she could be blown over by a gust of wind. Therefore, when Luo Yu saw Tan Jing, he was shocked. He thought that he had encountered a ghost in broad daylight!

"You... what are you doing here?" Luo Yu looked at Tan Jing and asked hesitantly.

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Chapter 1202 Paying Mother-In-Law A Visit

Tan Jing sneered and said, "Why can't I come over? Xia Wen and I are not divorced yet! I'm still the Xia family's daughter-in-law! Why can't I come here! Or... is it because the occupants don't want to see me and ask you to stop me?"

"No, but owing to the special circumstances now, I have to go in and report it no matter who the visitor is. Even if Xia Wen is here, he also can't just walk in. I seek your understanding on this," Luo Yu said respectfully.

"Is that so? Then what about Qiao Mei? Do you need to report it if Qiao Mei comes here?" Tan Jing asked suddenly.

"Of course. It applies to everyone," Luo Yu replied without any hesitation.

After hearing this reply, Tan Jing calmed down a lot. Luo Yu was stating the facts and he did not lie to Tan Jing. There was no need for him to lie to her at all. Currently, he would immediately get a headache whenever he saw any member of the Tan family. The bright red paint at the neighborhood entrance from yesterday's incident was still not completely cleaned up yet!

He and his team had been punished for the incident. Not only did they have to clean up the mess, they had to undergo physical training as punishment. They only returned to the dormitory to rest at three in the morning. They had the Tan family to thank for all this.

παΠdαsNovel.com He already planned to avoid any Tan family member in the future!

Luo Yu entered the house and asked Xu Lan for her permission before letting Tan Jing in. Tan Jing was the type of person who bullied the weak and feared the strong. She knew that Luo Yu would not speak rudely to her, so she behaved threateningly and spoke maliciously to Luo Yu. However, she was a totally different person when she saw Xu Lan.

After all, Xu Lan was still the matriarch of the Xia family. As long as Xu Lan issued an instruction, Tan Jing's divorce would be a foregone conclusion. There would not be any more possibility for reconciliation!

By the same logic, she had come round this time to beg Xu Lan to persuade Xia Wen to maintain the relationship and not get a divorce. She thought that the older generation would usually persuade couples to reconcile rather than break up? If Xia Wen got a divorce, it would also be a scandal for the Xia family. Xia He had no choice but to get a divorce due to the circumstances she was in. If Xia Wen got a divorce right on the heels of that, surely that would attract criticism?

"Mother, what are you doing at home? Have you eaten?" Tan Jing asked with a smile.

"If you have something to say, just say it. I don't have a lot of time to spare right now," Xu Lan said coldly.

"Are you going to the art troupe tomorrow? Then I have really come at the wrong time," Tan Jing said apologetically. I think you should take a look at παΠdαsnovel.com

"Of course not. I'm already retired now. What does the art troupe still need me to do personally? Qiao Mei will be discharged from the hospital tomorrow. As her eldest sister-in-law, it's fine if you can't remember anything, but you don't even know how to express concern for her. Your mother is more diligent than you when it comes to going to the hospital," Xu Lan said.

"My mother? My mother has gone to visit Qiao Mei?" Tan Jing asked in shock.

"Of course. I also don't know why. Perhaps your mother also likes Qiao Mei. Otherwise, why would she visit Qiao Mei every day?" Xu Lan said casually.

She did not know much and had only heard about it from the Xia family's staff. Whether it was one day or one week, Jiang Yi had definitely visited Qiao Mei. So what if she mentioned more days? It did not make any difference.

Tan Jing felt as if her heart was being cut by a knife. She could not believe that Jiang Yi would go and visit Qiao Mei. She did not even feel so sad when Jiang Yi chased her out of the house when she was young.

Back then, she left home alone and started working. She never had enough money or time to eat proper meals. It was considered good enough if she could have one meal a day. As time passed, that became the root cause of Tan Jing's illnesses.

One day, she had such bad gastric pains that she could not take it anymore and made a phone call home. Jiang Yi only said nonchalantly, "It won't kill you. What's there to be worried about?" After that, she hung up. From then on, Tan Jing never relied on her family for anything.

Yet Jiang Yi actually went to visit Qiao Mei! How ironic.

"You still haven't told me why you're here?" Xu Lan asked impatiently.

"I... Can't I come and visit you? I haven't come over for a long time," Tan Jing said.

There was nothing wrong with a daughter-in-law visiting her mother-in-law. Xu Lan was unable to pinpoint anything wrong, but she just did not want to see Tan Jing. Currently, she had to suppress the anger in her heart while talking to Tan Jing. If Tan Jing still kept talking incessantly, she might lose her temper soon and that would become an uncomfortable situation for everyone.

Chapter 1203 Threaten

"Sure you can, but I haven't been feeling well recently and I'm not in a good mood. The doctor had suggested that it shouldn't be too crowded at home, so only your second aunt-in-law is staying with me. I have even sent Xia He to Qiao Mei's place. So if there's nothing important, you should go back and rest well at home," Xu Lan said tactfully.

When Tan Jing went back to her maternal home, her own family did not welcome her. At her own home, she only received the cold shoulder from Xia Wen. Now that she was at her in-laws' house, she still had to face such looks of disdain from Xu Lan.

Where else could she go? Did she need to go to Qiao Mei's place to be humiliated as well?

"It's nothing much. I just want to ask... Mother, do you know that Xia Wen wants to divorce me?" Tan Jing stared at Xu Lan and asked tentatively.

"I know," Xu Lan said honestly.

Novel.com "Then... then how do you feel about that? Do you really want Xia Wen and I to get a divorce?" Tan Jing asked.

Xu Lan shrugged nonchalantly and said, "We won't get involved in the children's issues. It is up to the two of you to decide. The person who's going to divorce you is my son, not me. It's useless for you to come and look for me."

Tan Jing and Xia Wen did not have any children nor did they have any joint assets. All these years, the amount of money which the Xia family had given to the Tan family on Tan Jing's behalf was enough to buy five courtyard houses like the one Qiao Mei had. Xia Wen had even lent more money to the Tan family!

The matter of their divorce had nothing to do with her. Even if this matter had something to do with her, she would not take the initiative to speak up and would let Xia Wen worry about his own issue!

Back then, it was Xia Wen who was disobedient and insisted on marrying Tan Jing. If he had listened to her, none of these would have happened. It was the same for Xia He. In the end, these two disobedient children just ended up getting a divorce.

Although she did not like Qiao Mei at first, Qiao Mei was different. Her marriage was arranged by Xia Jun and Qiao Qiang, which was a fact that everyone accepted. Xu Lan was just angry that Xia Zhe got married without letting them know in advance and even gave so many betrothal gifts and the Four Big Things without his parents ever having met her.

By now, it did seem that Xia Zhe had made the right choice. She was such a nice girl, so of course he had to marry her as soon as possible! Otherwise, the Xia family's two eldest grandchildren would be part of another family now! It would have nothing to do with their family!! I think you should take a look at αΠδαςnovel.com

"I will never divorce your son. Mother, if you want both families to live peacefully, you should persuade Xia Wen not to divorce me. I believe he will listen to you," Tan Jing said.

"Are you threatening me? What basis do you have to threaten me? Do you only intend to stop after the Xia family exposes all those things that you have done?" Xu Lan asked as she looked at Tan Jing in disbelief.

"I'm not afraid! I will do everything to resist Xia Wen! I won't agree to a divorce!" Tan Jing said furiously.

Just as Xu Lan was about to say something to Tan Jing, Tan Jing's breathing suddenly quickened and she gradually lost all strength in her body and seemed to have fallen into a state of madness. She felt like there were countless little bugs in her body nibbling at her flesh and eating her internal organs, making her feel so uncomfortable that she wanted to die immediately.

Xu Lan looked at Tan Jing's abnormal behavior and was so frightened that she put down the things in her hand and hid behind the sofa. Xu Lan had never experienced such a thing before and did not know if she would agitate Tan Jing by yelling out now. All she could do was to make her way carefully to the stairs and then make a run for the study room when Tan Jing was not paying attention.

Apart from the phone in the living room downstairs, they also had another one in the study.

Xu Lan called Xia Wen in a hurry. As soon as the call connected, she said fearfully, "Son! Come back quickly! Tan Jing has gone crazy! Come back and save me!"

"Mother! What's wrong! Are you alright!" Xia Wen said in shock.

"I'm fine, but your second aunt-in-law is still in the room downstairs! Come back quickly and bring her away! If you can't make it back, I'm going to call the police! Come back quickly!" Xu Lan said.

Xia Wen immediately hung up the phone and rushed to Xu Lan's house. Along the way, he was burning with anxiety. He was worried that something would happen to Tan Jing, but he was also worried that Tan Jing would hurt Xu Lan and Liu Fen. He was even more worried that Luo Yu would hurt Tan Jing in order to protect the two family elders.

He could only hope that everyone in the family would be safe and sound.

Chapter 1204 Get A Divorce Tomorrow

Before he could witness the scene for himself, all kinds of images kept flashing through his mind. Many of them were figments of his imagination, but they were also what he was most afraid of happening.

By the time Xia Wen reached home, Tan Jing had already fainted and was on the floor. Liu Fen and Xu Lan were hiding in a corner and did not dare to make a sound while Luo Yu stood protectively in front of the two women.

Xia Wen automatically reached out to check Tan Jing's breathing. Fortunately, there was no sign of asphyxiation. When Xia Wen was still on the way, he had already contacted their family doctor. The doctor would probably arrive soon.

Xu Lan walked furiously towards the stairs and turned around to look at Xia Wen. "Come upstairs with me."

"Mother! Can it wait until the doctor arrives?" Xia Wen begged.

"No! Luo Yu is around to take care of her! She won't die! Come upstairs with me!" After saying that, Xu Lan walked towards the study angrily. Xia Wen followed behind Xu Lan helplessly. The two of them entered the study and closed the door tightly.

Xu Lan sat on the chair and stared at Xia Wen. In the past, she always felt that although she did not take very close care of her three children, she was still the one who birthed them and should more or less understand their temperaments and personalities.

παΠδαςNovel.com However, it was only today that she realized she did not understand Xia Wen at all. During the past month, he had demonstrated only immaturity in the way he handled things and his behavior was completely different from how he used to be. He was even worse than a kid who had not stepped into society!

"When exactly are you going to divorce Tan Jing and send her back to the Tan family?" Xu Lan questioned.

"Soon," Xia Wen said.

Xu Lan smacked the table angrily and shouted, "I don't need this word 'soon'! How many times have you given me this word! I want you to do it tomorrow! I want you to divorce Tan Jing tomorrow and send her back to the Tan family! If she continues to pester us, then hand over everything we have to the police station and let them arrest Tan Jing!"

"Isn't this being too cruel to her..." Xia Wen said, feeling bad. I think you should take a look at παΠδαςnovel.com

"You can't bear to do it! Don't tell me you want everyone in the family to clean up this mess for you! Are we overly tolerating you and Tan Jing! Xia Wen! Are you disregarding whatever your father and I say and not listening to your grandfather too! Do you think you're the head of the Xia family!" Xu Lan said furiously.

Xia Wen lowered his head and did not dare to look at Xu Lan. This was only the third time he had seen Xu Lan so angry.

The first time was when he insisted on marrying Tan Jing. The second time was when he wanted to use the family's money to help Tan Hu pay off his gambling debts. Even when Xia He insisted on marrying Kong Lu, Xu Lan was not so angry.

"Why do you keep failing when it comes to this matter about Tan Jing? What are you hesitating about? Will you only be satisfied if our entire family dies together with the Tan family? She can even come to my house to confront me and almost cause a big scene. Qiao Mei is coming back soon. Do you want Tan Jing to continue harming Qiao Mei?" Xu Lan said.

"No she won't! I'll keep an eye on her!" Xia Wen said immediately.

"How can I believe you! What did you say when you sent Tan Jing to the countryside! How did Qiao Mei end up in the operating theater! Have you forgotten everything! How can I trust this vicious woman! Especially now that she's delirious! Xia Wen! What exactly do you want! What exactly do you want from the family!" Xu Lan said as she looked at Xia Wen.

She could not help but teared as she became emotional. She really could not understand what was happening with Xia Wen, how Tan Jing managed to bewitch Xia Wen to this extent, and why the Tan family wanted to harm her children and her family.

All the pent up grievances that she had suffered silently for so many years suddenly erupted. Xu Lan turned her back to Xia Wen and wept silently.

Xia Wen actually did not want all this to happen either. He just... just felt that he would owe Tan Jing too much if he did this. Although the Xia family had fulfilled the Tan family's material wishes, perhaps even giving them hundreds or thousands times more than what they deserved, Xia Wen still owed Tan Jing a lot when it came to emotions.

"I hear you. Mother, don't worry. I'll handle this matter tomorrow," Xia Wen said gently.

"You'd better keep your promise. Take the car and leave with Tan Jing tonight. Qiao Mei's whole family is coming back tomorrow. Don't let them bump into one another," Xu Lan said to Xia Wen while trying to control her trembling voice.

Chapter 1205 Send Her Back To Her Maternal Home

Before Xia Wen left, he turned around to look at the thin Xu Lan sitting at the table. The originally steely figure looked so fragile at the moment. It was all his fault. If he had not been so conflicted and hesitant, perhaps Tan Jing and the Xia family would not need to suffer so much.

He returned home with Tan Jing during the night, not to their house, but the Tan family's house.

Jiang Yi put on a coat and opened the door groggily. When she saw Xia Wen and Tan Jing, she acted like she had seen a ghost and immediately closed the door and ran back into the house.

"Why are you so flustered!" Tan Bo said disdainfully.

"Tan Jing! Xia Wen brought Tan Jing back! They're just outside! Hurry up and put on an act! Don't expose the truth!" Jiang Yi said in a panic. She was so frightened that she quickly picked up the tea jar to drink a full glass of water as she patted her chest to calm herself down.

Tan Bo hurriedly messed up the bedding and blanket. He poured some water from the metal tea jar into his palms and rubbed it over his head, messing up his hair. Then, he lay motionlessly on the bed.

Jiang Yi dressed up properly and tidied up the house before going to the door to welcome Xia Wen.

"Why are you here in the middle of the night? It's so cold. Come in quickly," Jiang Yi said.

Xia Wen helped Tan Jing into the house and did not even bother to look at Tan Bo. He only cared about putting a blanket over Tan Jing so that she could have a good sleep. Jiang Yi stood at the side and looked at Xia Wen quietly.

It was really abnormal that they did not go home in the middle of the night but came here instead. Moreover, Tan Jing was sleeping so soundly, but there was no smell of alcohol on her, so why was she unconscious?

"Um... are you staying for the night too?" Jiang Yi asked curiously.

"I won't be staying over. I'm just sending Tan Jing home," Xia Wen said lightly.

"Why is it that the two of you don't go back to your own house but come here in the middle of the night instead? Is there some conflict between the two of you? Or did Tan Jing make you angry because she has not been sensible enough?" Jiang Yi asked. I think you should take a look at pandasnovel.com

Xia Wen pondered for a moment before saying, "Tan Jing and I are divorced."

Tan Bo was so shocked that he almost opened his eyes and grabbed Xia Wen by the collar to give him a good scolding. However, he still needed to rely on the Xia family's divine medicine to extend his life! He must continue to put on an act. Even without him, Jiang Yi knew what to do next.

"You have divorced my daughter! Did the two of them force you to get a divorce? Why are you getting a divorce for no reason! Every family has its own difficulties. What is so bad that it can't be overcome?" Jiang Yi said.

"I think I've already made it very clear to you the last time. She has made a very grave mistake and my family can't accommodate her anymore. My parents don't know about this yet and I'm the one who made the decision. If you still want to go to my house to cause trouble, it's fine. At most, I'll just send Tan Jing to jail. None of your sons can escape as well, each of them will have to go to jail for at least eight to ten years," Xia Wen said forcefully.

pandasnovel.com Jiang Yi pointed at Xia Wen and said angrily, "Xia Wen! Back then, you were the one who begged me to let Tan Jing marry you! Yet you're treating her like this now! Are you even human! Why is my daughter unconscious! Did you do something to her! You bastard! What right do you have to divorce my daughter!"

Tan Bo raised a trembling hand and pretended to be weak as he pointed at Xia Wen and said, "Beast... You beast... How can you treat my daughter like this... You heartless thing..."

These two people seemed to be standing up for Tan Jing, but they were actually doing it for the Tan family. If Tan Jing left the Xia family, all the glory which the Tan family enjoyed would disappear in an

instant. The people they bullied in the past would definitely take this opportunity to come knocking on their door, and some would even kick them when they were down.

They must protect the couple's marriage at all costs. It did not matter even if it only existed in name, or if Tan Jing was imprisoned by the Xia family for the rest of her life, or even if Xia Wen beat Tan Jing up every day! As long as they did not get a divorce, the Tan family would allow Xia Wen to deal with Tan Jing as he pleased.

"Dad, it seems that you're quite sick. No wonder Mom had to ask Qiao Mei for the 'divine medicine'. Have you gone to the hospital for a checkup?" Xia Wen asked hypocritically.

Jiang Yi thought that she would be able to scam Xia Wen of his money, so she quickly took out Tan Bo's medical report and said, "Your father had gone to the hospital to do a checkup and it cost a lot of money! It's not enough to only drink the medicine which Qiao Mei gave us, but he also has to eat other supplements. These are all huge expenses!"

Xia Wen took the report to take a look. It indeed belonged to Tan Bo, but it was dated half a year ago.

Chapter 1206 No Longer Associated

The results of a medical report from half a year ago was hardly valid anymore. Furthermore, Tan Bo's complexion looked rosy and he did not look like a sick person at all.

There were also two bottles of liquor on the table at the other side! If he was sick, how could he still be able to eat proper meals and drink so much wine? He was probably just trying to cheat their family of the "divine medicine".

"So Dad, are you feeling better after drinking the medicinal wine? Do you feel much better than before?" Xia Wen asked.

"Isn't that so true! Your dad is indeed in a much better state after drinking it. It's just that he's too sickly, so he needs to continue drinking it for a long time before he can completely recover. Otherwise, he will suffer from a relapse!" Jiang Yi said with a sigh.

Xia Wen only knew that Qiao Mei had given Jiang Yi some medicinal wine, but he did not know that the medicinal wine was fake.

If someone like Xia Mao, who was bordering between life and death, could be revived with the medicinal wine, did this mean that Tan Bo was even more seriously ill than Xia Mao? They actually claimed that Tan Bo needed to drink the medicinal wine on a long term basis so that he could stay alive. Even He Ning did not make such an unreasonable request. Xia Wen felt that Jiang Yi only wanted to get Qiao Mei's medicinal wine so that they could make use of the opportunity to resell it and make a fortune.

"There's not much medicinal wine left anyway. This is the last bit. You should drink it sparingly. I'm leaving. Take care in the future," Xia Wen said emotionlessly.

Jiang Yi immediately stopped Xia Wen and pointed at him. "What do you mean by this? Don't tell me your family doesn't want to care about us anymore? You're really vicious! If my old man dies! Are you even able to compensate us!"

"We have nothing to do with each other anymore. Move aside. I have nothing else to say to you," Xia Wen said impatiently.

pandasNovel.com The matter of the divorce had dragged on for too long and their grudge with the Tan family had also been an entanglement for too long. It was time to end everything.

Xia Wen left the Tan family's house without looking back. No matter how Jiang Yi shouted, Xia Wen ignored her. From now on, the Tan family's matters had nothing to do with him anymore. It did not matter whether they lived or died.

The next day, Qiao Mei woke Xia Zhe up even before dawn. This was the first time Qiao Mei had ever been the one waking someone up!

"Wake up! The sun is almost up! Get up and pack up! We're going home!" Qiao Mei said as she pulled Xia Zhe's hands. I think you should take a look at pandasnovel.com

After Qiao Mei's tireless efforts over the past few days, the wound on her stomach was almost healed. There was a light scar left, but it would disappear after she applied ginseng juice for a few more days. It was just a matter of time before she fully recovered.

Xia Zhe opened his eyes groggily and looked at the sky outside. The sun had only just risen and it was still foggy outside. What was Qiao Mei trying to do so early in the morning?

"My darling, look at the time. It's only four in the morning. Are you really going home now?" Xia Zhe asked in agony.

Qiao Mei looked at Xia Zhe firmly and said, "Yes! I want to go home now! I can't wait another minute!"

Xia Zhe got out of bed and carried Qiao Mei back to the hospital bed. He covered her with the blanket and crawled under it himself. As the two of them squeezed together on a single bed, Qiao Mei felt as if she had gone back to the time when she first came to the capital. At that time, she and Xia Zhe also squeezed together in the small bed at Xia Fang's house and slept like this every day.

In the blink of an eye, their children were already born. Time really passed quickly!

"Sleep for a while more, my little ancestor. Even if we want to go back now, our grandfathers and the rest are not up yet. Besides, the two little babies are also still sleeping. Sister Feng isn't here yet either. Are we going to sneak back ourselves?" Xia Zhe said.

In the end, Qiao Mei burrowed into Xia Zhe's arms to rest for a while. Ever since she became pregnant, she had not hugged Xia Zhe properly. Due to her big belly, the two of them were always very careful. If Xia Zhe wanted to hug her, he would only slowly wrap his arms around her from behind. He did not dare to rest his arm on Qiao Mei's stomach.

They did not need to worry so much anymore. They could hug each other however they wanted!

Xia Zhe also noticed some changes in Qiao Mei's body. It was like... her bosom seemed to be bigger than before and her butt was also a lot more perky. He could not help but pinch Qiao Mei's perky butt.

"If you touch me again! I'm going to tell Aunt!" Qiao Mei said in a muffled voice.

Xia Zhe sighed helplessly. Xia Fang had already reminded him not to do anything overboard even though Qiao Mei had already given birth.

Chapter 1207 Avoid Trouble

Qiao Mei had not fully recovered yet. It would take at least two months before they could sleep together. Otherwise, if they caused the core of her body to be hurt, she would never be able to recover her health.

It was said that a woman going through her confinement period was like getting born a second time. Some people were weak and sickly since they were young, but if they took good care of themselves during the confinement period after giving birth, they might even be able to treat and recover from their existing illnesses!

If a woman did not place any importance on the confinement period, she would end up like Li Gui. As long as her hands touched cold water, she would feel unbearable pain and her joints would also feel extremely uncomfortable.

For the sake of Qiao Mei's future health, Xia Zhe decided to endure his urges for a while longer.

The two of them fell asleep groggily and only woke up at noon. It was rare for Xia Zhe to have a good rest. There was no standard timing to rest and sleep in the military. In fact, he only managed to sleep three to four hours a day, not even the most basic eight hours.

He would be able to have proper rest time if he was training in the army camp, but he was on missions most of the time. Even if he managed to get some time to rest, he would rather choose to strategize a battle plan late at night or read the reports from his seniors to gain more experience and knowledge. It was safe to say that he did not get any proper rest all year round.

In the past, Xia Zhe did not even take any vacation leave. It was only after marrying Qiao Mei that he started to come home more often when there was less work to handle! The vacation period could be considered his rest time.

After Feng Hua arrived early in the morning, she did not go in to disturb the couple while they were sleeping. She quietly packed up the two children's belongings in the living room outside before going to settle Qiao Mei's discharge procedures.

Qiao Mei had left a sum of money with Feng Hua. This was because Feng Hua needed money to buy groceries for meals, replenish daily necessities, repair any worn out furniture and buy all kinds of items for the house.

If they did not do it this way, Feng Hua would have to come to Qiao Mei with a list every day to get the money for expenses. Although some families liked to do it this way, whereby every issue and each cent had to be reported, Qiao Mei felt that it was really too troublesome. She decided to just give some money to Feng Hua and let Feng Hua spend it at her own discretion. Feng Hua could then ask Qiao Mei for more when she had spent all the money.

Qiao Mei simply gave Feng Hua 5,000 dollars and told her to only report it when she had spent all the money. If there was anything they needed to get for the house, Qiao Mei wanted her to buy good quality items that were similar to what they had in the past and not the cheap stuff. I think you should take a look at paπdasnovel.com

Previously, Liu Fen had reminded Qiao Mei to check on Feng Hua's accounts from time to time, so that Feng Hua would not get greedy and get up to no good.

Qiao Mei felt that if she decided to hire someone, she must trust the person. If there was not even the most basic trust between them, then what was the point of hiring the person? She should just hire someone she trusted!

She felt very much at ease with having Feng Hua in charge. Sometimes, in order to buy things for Qiao Mei, Feng Hua would even chip in with her own money! Therefore, she was not calculative with Feng Hua. Even if Feng Hua stole tens of dollars, it was not a big deal to her.

Xu Lan and Liu Fen came to the ward with many bags of items. Even though everyone knew that Qiao Mei was going to be discharged today, those who did not know better would think that they were going to be hospitalized, going by the amount of things that they brought!

"Are Xia Fan and Xia Xing ready? It's still cold out there and the two children must not catch a chill. They must be wrapped up tightly. I've prepared these blankets and clothes for the children. Put them on for the children later," Xu Lan instructed.

"Sure, I'll go and get a nurse to put the clothes on for the children now," Feng Hua said.

Qiao Qiang and Xia Jun were still playing chess in the ward next door. The two old men did not bring much with them. They only had three sets of clothes each and it would all fit into one bag.

Xu Lan and Liu Fen sat in the living room and did not even dare to breathe loudly, worried that they would wake Qiao Mei and Xia Zhe up. The two of them also did not dare to go next door to take a look at Qiao Qiang and Xia Jun. What if the two men became unhappy and started reprimanding them?

There were so many things that happened at home over the past few days. Although Qiao Qiang and Xia Jun did not care about these family matters, they still knew everything clearly. They just could not be bothered to help. After all, it was nothing very major.

Xia Zhe took advantage of the time when Qiao Mei was still asleep to pack up everything in the room. It was quite extraordinary that Qiao Mei had very good quality sleep nowadays. Even thunder or an earthquake would not affect her sleep. Probably even if the sky collapsed, she would still be able to have a good rest first.

Chapter 1208 Thief

"Mei Mei isn't up yet?" Xu Lan asked softly.

"Yes, do you want me to wake her up now?" Xia Zhe said.

παΠδαςNovel.com "Don't! How about this, I'll get the chauffeur to send Uncle Qiao and your grandfather back to Qiao Mei's place to stay for a while. Your grandfather says that he wants to stay with Uncle Qiao for a while more. Since the nanny is already here, she can also come along. Your second aunt-in-law and I will bring the two children and all this mess back to our house first. You just wait here for Qiao Mei to get up," Xu Lan said.

This way, not only did it not disturb Qiao Mei's sleep, but it also would not disrupt the two old men's game of chess and chitchat. It would also allow the children to go home first to get familiarized with the new living environment. Moreover, it would also give Xia Zhe and Qiao Mei a lot of couple time!

This was the best arrangement!

It was only after everyone left that Qiao Mei gradually woke up. When she opened her eyes, the entire room was empty except for her bed.

"Did... a thief come in?" Qiao Mei asked as she blinked her big eyes.

"Do you think a thief will let you off? Are all those things more valuable than kidnapping you?" Xia Zhe said with a laugh.

"Oh no! Then Mother and Second Aunt-in-law must have seen me sleeping in! I hope they didn't complain about me!" Qiao Mei asked as she looked at Xia Zhe nervously.

Given Liu Fen's character, she would usually nag when she saw Qiao Mei sleeping in until late in the morning. How would she give up such a good opportunity now that Qiao Mei was getting discharged from the hospital today?

Qiao Mei had completely underestimated her current status in the Xia family. Even if she wanted to go home in the same car as Xia Jun, he would be more than willing to do so. Even if she asked the Xia family to buy her a big house, the Xia family would sell all their assets to do it for her.

Xia Zhe packed up the rest of the things and left the hospital with Qiao Mei, headed for Xu Lan's place. Until Qiao Mei could cope with taking care of the two children alone, they would all stay at Xu Lan's place.

Although Qiao Mei's room had proper flooring and floor tiles, the courtyard was filled with limestone bricks. There was soil all around and it was not very clean. To prepare for Qiao Mei coming over to stay, Xu Lan had even specially hired people to wrap the railings on the second floor with yarn as well as to weave it into netting to cover the gaps in the middle. This was to prevent the children from climbing over and falling through the gaps. I think you should take a look at paTdasnovel.com

As long as it was a hidden danger that Xu Lan could think of, she would do everything she could to address it. When one entered the Xia family residence now, one would feel that it looked like a kindergarten and no longer looked as grand as before.

"Wow, the yarn is even weaved into patterns! How long did it take to do this!" Qiao Mei looked up at the railings on the second floor in surprise.

"Not too long. I hired many master craftsmen, so everything was finished in a couple of days. Do you like it?" Xu Lan asked expectantly.

"I like it! Thank you for your hard work, Mother," Qiao Mei said with a sweet smile as she held Xu Lan's hands.

Xia He came speeding down the stairs and handed Qiao Mei two red boxes. She held back her joy and said, "Take a look and see if you like them. If you don't, there's nothing I can do. I can't go back and exchange them anyway."

When Qiao Mei opened the boxes, she saw a gold lock and a silver lock with the names of the two children engraved on them. The silver lock was for the boy while the gold lock was for the girl.

"Why do the two children get different items?" Qiao Mei asked curiously. She did not have any ill intent when saying that, she was just curious why they did not both get gold locks or silver locks.

"Our custom here is that boys can't be brought up to be too pampered, so I just buy a simple silver lock for Xia Fan in order to make him work hard. As for the girl, we have to give her the best things. The gold lock is meant to represent that she will be able to live a worry-free life. I waited until the two children were named before I asked the master to make the locks for me. It's not too late to give them to you now," Xia He said.

"Thank you, elder sister~ I know you care for the children a lot!" Qiao Mei said sweetly.

"Eh~ Just behave normally. Don't disgust me by behaving like this. I'm not used to it. It's just two locks. It's not a big deal," Xia He said disdainfully.

Xia Wen still had work to do today and he could not come back for the family reunion, so he asked his secretary to send his gifts home first. It was similar to Xia He's gifts. He gave two lockets, one gold and one silver, which were much smaller than the ones Xia He prepared. These were used to make anklets for children. It seemed that this was really the local custom for boys to receive silver locks and girls to receive gold locks. Even Xia Wen also prepared the gifts in the same way.

Chapter 1209 - 1209 Sleep

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It was obvious that Xia Wen had prepared these things quite some time ago as the boxes did not look new. Even though he still owed He Ning 500,000 dollars then, he remembered to buy gifts for the two children. It was enough to show how much Xia Wen cherished these two children.

Unfortunately... Xia Wen did not have a child of his own after so many years... Otherwise, he would definitely be a very good father.

“Alright everyone, don’t just stand here. Go and take a rest!” Xu Lan said.

The two children had completely different personalities. One look at Xia Fan and one could tell that he was an obedient child. He ate and slept well and did not cry or make a fuss. He just liked to stare at people with his big round eyes and he smiled at everyone.

Xia Xing was completely different. Although she did not cry much, it was very difficult to get her to fall asleep. No matter how hard anyone tried to coax her, she refused to sleep and would only fall asleep slowly in Feng Hua’s arms. Once she was put down onto the small bed, she would wake up, so Feng Hua had to carry her while she slept. These few days, Feng Hua’s arms hurt so much that she could not even lift them anymore.

Qiao Mei only just heard about this today. She immediately went upstairs to check on Feng Hua. As soon as she pushed the door open, she saw Feng Hua sitting in the corner with a tired expression and holding the sleeping Xia Xing in her arms.

“Sister Feng, is the child still unwilling to sleep on the bed?” Qiao Mei asked with a frown.

Feng Hua thought that Qiao Mei was blaming her, so she quickly stood up and said nervously, "Yes, but the child sleeps soundly in my arms. I'm not tired at all. It's fine. It'll get better when she grows up. Perhaps she's still young and needs someone to take care of her."

Qiao Mei called Xia Zhe over and asked him to carry Xia Fan out to Xu Lan's room. They would only keep Xia Xing in their room.

"Sister Feng, put her on the small bed. She has to get used to it. How can she want someone to hug her to sleep all the time? We can't spoil the child like this," Qiao Mei said.

Feng Hua followed Qiao Mei's instructions and put the baby down properly. As expected, Xia Xing started wailing as soon as she touched the bed. Feng Hua's heart ached and she wanted to lift the baby up, but when she saw Qiao Mei's stern expression, she gritted her teeth and endured it.

"Sister Feng, let her cry. She just needs to know that crying is useless. This is something she must go through," Qiao Mei said.

"But what if she keeps crying?" Feng Hua probed.

This was also Qiao Mei's first time having children. She did not know if the baby would continue to cry non-stop, but if that happened, she would think of a way to make a cushion that would let Xia Xing feel like she was lying in someone's arms.

"It'll get better. If it really doesn't work out, I'll ask my mother to come over to take a look. She should know how to solve this problem. No matter what, we definitely can't keep carrying the child anymore. If this continues, no matter how many of us there are, there won't be enough arms to go around. We can't let the child develop such a habit," Qiao Mei said.

Just as Qiao Mei had said, Xia Xing stopped crying not long after. However, it was possible that she was simply tired out from crying. She slept soundly on the small bed and looked very cute.

Feng Hua could finally rest for a while. Qiao Mei told her to hire two more helpers. One of them would take over Wei Hao's position and the other would work at Xu Lan's house.

The news of Qiao Mei reaching home spread very quickly and the phone downstairs did not stop ringing. Many families wanted to come and congratulate her. Qiao Mei and Xia Zhe discussed this matter and decided not to hold a one-month-old celebration event for their children. They would just invite only close relatives for a gathering and this would not include any of their friends.

Firstly, the children were still young and it would be inconvenient to have so many people coming to the house. Secondly, these people would definitely rush and crowd around to take a look at the children and then at Qiao Mei. She did not mind it for herself, but it would be taxing on the children.

It was enough to just accumulate good fortune for the two children! They were grateful that everyone cared about the children. Xia Zhe had already taken note of which families had sent gifts to the house.

“I wonder if Second Uncle and Third Uncle can come back. Second Aunt-in-law, has Second Uncle mentioned anything recently?” Qiao Mei asked curiously.

“Your second uncle always behaves very mysteriously! I don’t know what he does whenever he goes back to the army. He only tells me that he’s going back to work and I don’t ask anything. This time round, I also don’t know when he’ll be back. I think you can ask Eldest Brother. He should know where his brothers are,” Liu Fen said.

Of course Qiao Mei knew that she could ask Xia Mao, but she was still afraid of him! Even though Xia Mao was very nice to her, the authoritative look on his face made her afraid to look at him. She decided to get Xia Zhe to ask him.

Chapter 1210 - 1210 Embarrassing

1210 Embarrassing

“Elder Sister, why don’t you ask Deng Fan to come over and have some fun with us?” Qiao Mei sat beside Xia He and whispered into her ear.

“Shoo, shoo, shoo! Why should he be here! How can an outsider like him attend our family gathering?” Xia He said angrily.

However, Xia He’s ears were so red that they were the same color as the sunset outside. She was clearly feeling shy!

“But when you were in trouble, he helped a lot! In the end, Deng Fan was the one who resolved this matter. You can’t just forget about him like this,” Qiao Mei said as she pouted.

“Of course I know that! But it’s not good to invite him to your children’s one-month-old celebration. We haven’t even confirmed our relationship yet! At that time, this house will be full of our relatives and it will be so awkward for him to be here,” Xia He said earnestly.

Xia He could not go against her own conscience and say that she did not like Deng Fan at all. She felt that Deng Fan was a good person, but she also felt that if she really got together with him, it would hurt him.

Deng Fan could be considered to be from a scholarly family and was still single after all these years. It was said that Deng Fan’s parents had a very loving relationship their entire lives and that Deng Fan had a very blissful life. He had a good personality and was also very knowledgeable. How could a previously married woman like her be worthy of such a good person like him? The neighbors would gossip about Deng Fan!

The Deng family had never received a bad comment from anyone. If they were criticized because of her, she would not be able to take it.

“Then what about Brother Luo?” Qiao Mei asked next.

“There’s even less of a relationship between Brother Luo and me. He’s at most my older brother, just like Xia Wen. Don’t talk about these things to Mother. She likes to listen to such gossip the most. If she finds out, she might go to the art troupe to try and do something!” Xia He reminded Qiao Mei.

“Oh my! I know, I know. I’m just asking. Then you must update me if there’s any progress! Otherwise, I’ll go and snitch on you~” Qiao Mei said smugly.

“Sure, sure, sure! Take it that I’m scared of you!” Xia He said helplessly.

While the Xia family was in a harmonious and happy mood, the Tan family was in chaos. The entire family had been arguing in the house for an entire day!

“How do you get yourself sent back by the Xia family! Isn’t it embarrassing! Get lost as far as you can! I find it unlucky to see you at home! I don’t even know what people will gossip about me when I go out in the future!” Tan Hu said angrily.

Tan Jing sneered and said, “Hmph, you must feel uncomfortable that no one is paying off your gambling debts for you. What has it got to do with you whether I feel embarrassed or not?”

“How can you talk to me like that! Mom! Can’t you discipline her!” Tan Hu said as he pointed at Tan Jing.

“Tan Jing! Hurry up and think of a way to go back! How can our family support you! Besides, your father needs the Xia family so that he can get his medicine! If you’re not in the Xia family, how can we get the medicine?” Jiang Yi said anxiously.

Hearing the mention of medicine, Tan Jing perked up. She looked at Jiang Yi in puzzlement and asked, “What medicine?”

Jiang Yi took out the bottle with a little bit of liquid left and said, “This one! I don’t believe that you don’t know. Don’t pretend to be ignorant. Isn’t this the ‘divine medicine’ from the Xia family? It can even revive the dead. Even if you are divorced, you have to hurry back and ask Qiao Mei for a few more bottles!”

Tan Jing could tell at a glance that this was definitely not the “divine medicine” which Qiao Mei had. She had even drunk that medicinal wine before and the color should be light green at the very least. It was impossible for it to be transparent and colorless like the liquid in the bottle now. It was obvious that Qiao Mei had lied to Jiang Yi.

Tan Hu and Tan Bao could no longer sit still at the side. The two of them were veteran racketeers, so they were aware of the power of the Xia family’s “divine medicine”. Moreover, many people had even asked them if they knew the price!

“Mom! Do you still have any more of this!” Tan Hu asked with wide eyes.

“What do you want it for? This is for your father’s treatment! Don’t you have even a shred of conscience!” Jiang Yi said.

“Do you know how much this is worth? A tiny bottle is worth 1,000 dollars! What you have in the bottle can be sold for 3,000 dollars!” Tan Hu said.

“What!” Jiang Yi quickly held the glass bottle with both hands, worried that she would accidentally break it. She carefully placed it on the brick bed and only let go after confirming that it was safe.

Tan Bo was also so shocked that he sat up from the bed. All his illness and pain seemed to have disappeared in an instant. The entire family, except for Tan Jing, stared intently at the small bottle on the brick bed.