

Fat Wife 1971

Chapter 1971: The Truth From Back Then

Since Qiao Mei was Gao Tao's descendant, Qiao Mei must know the secret regarding this set of jewelry. Gao Tao must have told Qiao Mei about this! That must be it! It must be Qiao Mei who stole the cufflink!

"Stop pretending. Hand over the cufflink to me and I'll spare your life. If you keep me in a good mood, I might let all of you off and also save the dying Gao Ming," Zhang Cheng said.

"What do you mean! So you are the one who caused my grandson to almost die!" Gao Lin questioned.

"Hmph, I'm sure you don't know that I'm a shareholder of this hospital! Haven't you realized this even though he's been getting treatment here for such a long time? Why do you think Gao Ming still doesn't show any signs of getting better?" Zhang Cheng asked as he looked at Gao Lin mockingly.

lightsNovel com Gao Lin looked at Zhang Cheng with a lot of hatred in his eyes. At the same time, he also felt very sad. Back in those early days, the Gao family had a rough idea of how much assets the Zhang family had, but as the Gao family continued to decline while the Zhang family's business grew bigger and bigger, they no longer knew what kind of properties and businesses the Zhang family had. He had been blind to all these and it was his fault that Gao Ming did not get appropriate and timely treatment.

"Why are you so obsessed with my grandmother's jewelry?" Qiao Mei asked.

"Hmph, why are you asking me? Don't you already know?" Zhang Cheng said as he looked at Qiao Mei.

It was only at this moment that Gao Lin finally saw Zhang Cheng's true colors. It turned out that Zhang Cheng had done all these unscrupulous things in order to get his hand on Gao Tao's jewelry. The Gao family's decline was definitely related to Zhang Cheng!

“Did you have anything to do with the car accident that Gao Ning and Gao Long were involved in! Did you cause the death of my son!” Gao Lin questioned angrily.

Zhang Cheng sighed lightly and said, “So what if it’s me? If you want to blame someone, then you should blame the Gao family for being too stupid. Both you and your sister are the same. However, your sons and grandson are smart enough to find out about my plan. But then, anyone who obstructs me will have to pay the price.”

“What... what do you mean? Did you have something to do with that fire that my sister was caught in!” Gao Lin asked as he looked at Zhang Cheng in disbelief.lightsnovel

“Let me tell you the truth. I’m the one who started the fire back then, but I really didn’t expect Gao Tao to be able to escape from such a big fire. She’s really very lucky and she even managed to have descendants! I’m really surprised by this turn of events,” Zhang Cheng said.

“Beast! You’re a beast! Why did you try to kill my sister! Why would you do this! My sister was nothing but nice to you!” Gao Lin roared heart-wrenchingly.

“Because she’s too smart. She found out about Liang Jin and me and wants to take back everything she had given to me. How can I let her take everything back? She deserves to die!” Zhang Cheng said.

At that time, Gao Tao found out that he was dating Liang Jin in secret. Gao Tao told Zhang Cheng to return her the cufflink and said that she wanted to call off their impending wedding. At that time, Liang Jin and Zhang Cheng already knew that the cufflink brought them luck, so why would Zhang Cheng be willing to return such a treasure! They decided that they had no choice but to kill Gao Tao. As for the other jewelry, Gao Tao had hidden them away and they did not manage to find much.

If that wasteful woman, Liang Jin, did not use Gao Tao’s brooch to buy Liang Shu t’s silence, they would definitely have even more assets than what they had now!

Since he had come to look for the Gao family members today, he had no intention of letting any of them get out of here alive. He might as well tell them everything that had happened over the years and let them die with full knowledge of what had happened.

Gao Lin rushed up to Zhang Cheng, but he was forcefully pressed down on the floor by Zhang Cheng's bodyguards. The Zhang family's bodyguards rushed into the room and surrounded all of them. Qiao Mei stood quietly in the middle of the room and looked at Zhang Cheng without saying anything.

With the truth about the past coming to light, Qiao Mei felt a little sorry for Gao Tao. She also felt indignant for Gao Tao, but fortunately, Gao Tao lived a happy life in her later years and Qiao Qiang had taken very good care of Gao Tao. However, because of the fire back then, Gao Tao had many recurring illnesses, so she did not manage to live to an old age.

"Young lady, hurry up and hand over my cufflink and those jewelry in your possession! It's best for you to be obedient when I still have some patience left. Don't test my limit, alright?" Zhang Cheng looked at Qiao Mei and threatened her.

"What if I say no?" Qiao Mei held up the walkie-talkie in her hand. Da Dong and the others suddenly rushed into the room and immediately subdued most of the bodyguards inside.

Qiao Mei immediately ran up to Zhang Cheng and pointed her gun firmly at his head as she said, "All of you, don't move! Don't move if you don't want him to die!"

Chapter 1972: Perish Together

The Zhang family's bodyguards put down the weapons in their hands and Da Dong and his team tied them up. Gao Lin immediately got up and locked the door of the ward to prevent anyone outside from hearing anything.

In this era, cell phones were not prevalent. Walkie-talkies were more common and communication was clear and easy within a 500-meter radius. If Qiao Mei had not happened to see Da Dong and the other bodyguards using the walkie-talkies to talk to one another, she would have already forgotten that this equipment existed.

Right from the beginning, Da Dong and the team had been hiding in the stairwell of the hospital, ready to come out and protect Qiao Mei at any time. The original plan was for them to rush into the room only

after Qiao Mei gave them the order, but when they heard Zhang Cheng starting to talk about his past crimes, Da Dong felt very uneasy. They hurried to standby close to the ward to prepare for an attack.

lightsnovel “What... what are you doing! Let me tell you! This is my hospital! You won’t be able to get away!” Zhang Cheng said fearfully.

“You’re still so stubborn even in this situation,” Qiao Mei said as she looked at Zhang Cheng in disdain.

“Since you’re my sister’s descendant, then we’re family now. You should address me as Granduncle,” Gao Lin said as he looked at Qiao Mei tenderly.

“Hello, Granduncle!” Qiao Mei said sweetly.

“Good kid.” Gao Lin patted Qiao Mei’s head with a gratified smile on his face. He slowly walked up to Zhang Cheng and stuffed a handkerchief in Zhang Cheng’s mouth before giving him a good beating. Every punch he dished out was for a member of his family.

Gao Lin was smart enough to only hit Zhang Cheng’s body and did not injure his face in any way. This way, it would not arouse any suspicion from other people.

“I won’t let you have it easy.” After saying that, Gao Lin turned to look at Da Dong and said, “Knock him unconscious. Don’t allow him to speak.”

Da Dong looked at Qiao Mei. When he saw Qiao Mei nodding, he raised his fist and then knocked Zhang Cheng out cold.

“Granduncle, what do you intend to do now?” Qiao Mei asked.

“You don’t have to worry about whatever happens next. I don’t want you to get involved in this matter. It’s time to end the grudge between the Gao family and the Zhang family. You must live your life well. By the way, how’s my sister?” Gao Lin said.lightsnovel

Qiao Mei was a little hesitant, but in the end, she chose to tell Gao Lin the truth. She looked sad as she said, "Grandmother passed away many years ago."

After Gao Tao escaped from the fire, her face was burned beyond recognition and her vocal cords were also damaged. Before she met Qiao Qiang, she had suffered a great deal. Qiao Mei could not bear to tell Gao Lin and the others about all these.

"I need to move them somewhere else now. If you're willing to stay and help me! I'll reward you with 100,000 dollars!" Gao Lin said as he looked at Da Dong and the rest of the bodyguards.

"We're Miss Pu's bodyguards and we only follow her orders," Da Dong said. "Granduncle, these are all my people. If you need them to help, feel free to instruct them. There's no need for any reward," Qiao Mei said.

The ward they were in was on the second floor and it was located at the back part of the hospital. Very few people noticed this corner. If they threw those men down from the second floor window while positioning people below the window to catch them, none of those men would die. Gao Lin wanted to transport them to the basement of the Gao family's old house.

The Gao family had sold everything they owned over the past few years, except for the Gao family's first house. Firstly, it was because they did not have time to do so, and secondly, it was because the transaction procedure for this house was more complicated. Therefore, Gao Lin never had any intention of selling the house.

In those early days, the Gao family and the Zhang family lived in the same area and were neighbors. Later on, after Gao Ning died, the Zhang family seemed to have a guilty conscience and moved to the mountain area. The two families grew apart after that.

"Father! What are you doing! You can't ruin yourself! Gao Ming is already so ill and I can't walk yet. If anything happens to you, how am I going to go on!" Gao Long grabbed the corner of Gao Lin's shirt and said agitatedly. Gao Long felt that Gao Lin looked like he was ready to perish with Zhang Cheng.

Gao Lin hesitated and looked at Gao Long and Gao Ming sadly. Looking at Gao Ming's current condition, he would only be able to stay alive for another month at most. Was the Gao family's younger generation going to die before the older generation?

"Gao Ming can still be saved!" Qiao Mei said quickly.

"Little girl, is that true? Can Gao Ming still be saved?" Gao Lin asked agitatedly.

Qiao Mei walked over to take a look at Gao Ming. Although his breathing was quite shallow by now, it was still not too late to save him. Qiao Mei thought for a moment and then said, "Back home, I met an old man fortuitously. He is a brilliant physician and I've managed to pick up some skills from him. Gao

Ming can definitely be saved.."

Chapter 1973 Discharged from the Hospital

"Father! Do you hear that! There's hope for Gao Ming! He can still be saved!" Gao Long said excitedly as he grabbed Gao Lin's hand.

"Granduncle, don't be impulsive. Let's just lock up Zhang Cheng for now and slowly gather evidence of his crimes. It's much better to bring him to justice than to perish with him! Don't do anything stupid!" Qiao Mei reminded him.

Gao Lin's eyes gradually reddened. He was already so old, had already lost a son and was about to lose a grandson. He originally did not have any desire to live on, but Qiao Mei's arrival had ignited hope for his family.

"Little girl, don't worry. I'll follow your advice," Gao Lin said.

Qiao Mei left the hospital alone first. Gao Lin, Da Dong and the rest worked together to transport those men out of the room through the window. Gao Lin then jumped down from the second floor and returned to the Gao family house with them.

After settling everything there, he asked Da Nan and Xiao Bei to lock up those men in the basement and keep an eye on them. Gao Lin had to quickly return to the hospital so that the hospital staff would not discover that he had left the ward.

Those of them who made their way to Country M in those early years and managed to make a name for themselves all practiced some form of martial arts for self-protection.

Even though Gao Lin was almost 70 years old this year, his skills were still as good as before. His hair turned white overnight only because of Gao Ning's death, otherwise he would not look so aged. He climbed back into the ward on the second floor easily by making use of the drainpipe by the wall.

That night, when Zhang Cheng did not make his way home, Zhang Ping realized that something was wrong and immediately brought a team of men to surround the entire hospital. In the morning, Zhang Cheng had told Zhang Ping that the cufflink was stolen by the Gao family. Although he did not believe it, he let Zhang Cheng say whatever he wanted. He did not expect something like this to happen by the time night fell. Could it be that the matter of the missing cufflink was really related to the Gao family?

He rushed into Gao Ming's ward and took a look around. Then, he looked at Gao Lin and questioned, "Where's my old master!"

"How dare you! Who do you think you are! What right do you have to question me and why should I answer you!" Gao Lin roared.

After all, the Gao family had been very successful for a period of time and had been on equal footing with the Zhang family. Even if the Gao family was no longer doing so well, Zhang Ping should still address Gao Lin as "Old

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Master".

"Old Master Gao, I'm sorry. I was too agitated and forgot my manners. I hope you won't take it to heart," Zhang Ping said in a low voice.

"I won't lower myself and quibble with a dog," Gao Lin said sarcastically.

"Has Old Master Gao seen my old master today?" Zhang Ping asked as he suppressed his anger.

"Yes, I have. Why?" Gao Lin asked.

"Then when did my old master leave this place?" Zhang Ping asked again.

"He came this morning, probably at around nine. He spoke to me for a while and then he left. It probably took him not more than 10 minutes," Gao Lin said to Zhang Ping expressionlessly.

Zhang Ping looked at his pocket watch. It indeed matched the time when Zhang Cheng left the house. The Gao family no longer had the same connections which they had previously. Even if they wanted to kidnap Zhang Cheng, they probably would not dare to do so with so many bodyguards protecting Zhang Cheng.

"Sorry to disturb you, Old Master Gao." After saying that, Zhang Ping left the hospital with his men.

Although surveillance systems already existed in this era, it was not very widely used yet as it was very expensive. The equipment was also very cumbersome. Even if the system captured someone in action, it would take very long to search through all the videos taken by the surveillance cameras. Even the richest family in Sky City, the Zhang family, did not install surveillance cameras in their house. Only the big jewelry stores felt the need to install surveillance cameras to keep an eye on the jewelry from being stolen or damaged.

That night, the Zhang family members combed Sky City frantically for Zhang Cheng's whereabouts. It was a rare night when Gao Lin had a good night's sleep. This was the first time he had slept so well after so many years. The next morning, Gao Lin went to look for Gao Ming's attending doctor, indicating that he wanted to bring Gao Ming home.

Since Gao Ming could not get a cure here, what was the point of staying any longer and wasting money? It was better to bring Gao Ming home to live out his final days. This was a logical reasoning and the doctor did not think too much about it, so he let Gao Ming leave with his family members.

After Qiao Mei reached home, she produced five 10,000- year-old ginseng pills and two bottles of medicinal wine made from 10,000-year-old ginseng. The pills were for Gao Ming and the medicinal wine was for Gao Long.

Since they were all her grandmother's relatives, she wanted to help them buck up. She had taken a look at Gao Long's legs. Although the injuries were serious, he just needed to continue with his treatment. With help from her medicinal wine, it would not be long before he got a new start in life.

Chapter 1974: Silver Spider

If she was asked about the source of the medicinal wine, Qiao Qiang would have to continue to play the role of being a “descendant of a gifted doctor” and being in possession of a “secret prescription handed down from his ancestors”.

The news of Zhang Cheng's disappearance had spread throughout the city. Even Bella had sent a note to Qiao Mei, telling her to be careful. Bella was concerned that major changes were coming up in Sky City.

Bella even sent two beautiful women to Qiao Mei's house to protect her. Both women wore silver badges and were counted among the most highly skilled assassins in Bella's teams.

“Stop there! Who are you?” Da Dong asked as he looked coldly at the two women in front of him.

Yin Xing did not say anything and just showed Da Dong the silver badge on her shoulder. Da Dong immediately knew that this was one of Bella's team members, but without Qiao Mei's permission, no one was allowed to enter the villa. This was the rule!

“You didn't make an appointment in advance and the lady of the house didn't tell us that there would be guests today. Please wait here. I'm going in to check with her,” Da Dong said sternly.

“Wait? For how long?” Yin Xing asked impatiently.

“Until the lady of the house allows you in,” Da Dong said arrogantly. He had never met such a person before. She wanted to barge into a house without an invitation from the owner. This “Spider Rose” organization did not seem to have any discipline!

“Hey, hey, hey! Guys, don’t get angry at each other. My apologies, Big Brother. My younger sister has a quick temper. Please go and check with the lady of the house. We are only here on our superior’s orders,” Yin Yue said as she hurriedly put some distance between Yin Xing and Da Dong.

“Wait here.” After saying that, Da Dong went into the house to check with Qiao Mei. She nodded and asked Da Dong to bring the two women to the study. Then, she went to change her clothes before going over to meet them.

Yin Yue and Yin Xing simply stood in the middle of the study and waited for Qiao Mei to arrive. When Qiao Mei entered the room, she had a shock as it almost looked like there were two wooden mannequins in the room.

“You don’t have to be so solemn. Take a seat and let’s have a chat,” Qiao Mei said as she waved her hand.

“You must be Miss Pu Nan. We’re Bella’s subordinates. My name is Yin Yue and this is Yin Xing. In the coming days, apart from the time when you’re sleeping and in the toilet, we’ll be by your side at all times,” Yin Yue said with a smile.

It was such a coincidence that Yin Yue and Yin Xing had the same characters in their names as Qiao Mei’s children. Although it might be fate that brought them together, she would not have any privacy if they stayed by her side at all times.

“You can take a break when we are all in this house. You don’t have to be with me all the time,” Qiao Mei said.

“No, this is Bella’s order. We can’t disobey Bella’s orders,” Yin Xing said as she looked at Qiao Mei sternly.

“But shouldn’t you be taking orders from me now?” Qiao Mei asked.

Yin Xing and Yin Yue looked at each other and said, "Yes, you are our boss now. We will listen to you."

"So my order is for you to do your own things when you're here. You can just tell the helper if there's something you feel like eating, just like Da Dong and the rest. However, if you want her to cook particular dishes for you, you have to pay her for the extra work. I'll cover the cost of the ingredients," Qiao Mei said.

In the past, Da Dong and the rest had very simple meals. They ate whatever the helper cooked and it was usually the leftover dishes from Xia Zhe's meals. They did not get any choice at all.

Xia Zhe was very seldom at home. He spent a lot of time in the office or on business trips to various cities in Country M. Out of the four bodyguards, two of them would accompany Xia Zhe at any one time, while the other two would be on standby at home.

It was inevitable that Xia Zhe did not pay any attention to such details. It was only after Qiao Mei moved in that the four bodyguards had better meals. Moreover, they had a pay increase, so they could afford to pay the helper to make all kinds of delicious food for them.

"Wow, I never expected that Miss Pu Nan would provide us with such a nice working environment! We used to only eat hardtack when we went on missions!" Yin Yue said aggrievedly.

"Hardtack? Why do you eat such things? Don't the other clients prepare food for you?" Qiao Mei asked curiously.

"They are not as nice as you, Miss Pu Nan. We're the Silver Spiders. People who can afford to hire Silver Spiders are either the ultra-rich or those important government officials. Their lives are in danger all the time. Even when they are sleeping, Yin Xing and I have to stand guard next to them. How do we have time to eat proper meals?" Yin Yue said..

Chapter 1975: The Back Mountain Behind the Gao Family's House

“It’s alright. At my place, you can eat whatever you want. Or you can join me for meals if you like. Da Dong and the rest will sit down for meals with me,” Qiao Mei said.

“Thank you, Miss Pu Nan!” Yin Yue said happily.

“Tell me more about your organization. I’ve never heard Bella talk about it before. Bella is so busy that I seldom get to see her,” Qiao Mei asked.

Yin Yue was caught aback. By right, these things could not be made known to outsiders, but then again, stories about their ranks and capabilities had always been rife. Moreover, Qiao Mei had a gold badge, so it should not be a big deal to answer her.

The name of Bella’s organization was “Spider Rose”. The assassins wore badges with only a spider pattern and no rose pattern, but each Spider could designate someone that they wanted to protect. These people would each get a badge with a rose pattern.

There were only four Gold Spiders in the organization. They were located in different cities in Country M and were the commanders of their own teams. It was said that one of the Gold Spiders was currently in Country K, helping Bella to expand her reach into that country.

As for Silver Spiders, there were 10 of them and they were all very highly- skilled. Each of them could easily fight 100 people at one time and they were invincible, never having lost a battle. Their fees were exorbitant though. If one wanted to hire them, one might go bankrupt just trying to make full payment. There were countless Copper Spiders and Iron Spiders and they were all masters in their own fields too.

“So how many people have the same badge as me?” Qiao Mei took out her gold badge and asked them curiously.

“Heavens! This is the first time I’ve seen Sister Bella’s gold badge! It’s really beautiful!” Yin Yue said excitedly as she stared at the badge in Qiao Mei’s hand. Even the usually blase Yin Xing could not help but lean nearer to Qiao Mei to take a closer look at the gold badge.

“How can you tell that this is Bella’s gold badge?” Qiao Mei asked.

“There are a total of four Gold Spiders. If you count Sister Bella as well, then there are only five gold badges. But your badge isn’t just made of gold. Don’t you find that it looks a little colorful under the sunlight? Also, you should look at it with a magnifying glass. There’s also a small ‘B’ in the bottom left corner!” Yin Yue said as she pointed at the gold badge.

Qiao Mei had been so busy all this while that she did not even have time to take a close look at the badge. She held it up to look at it under the sunlight. It was indeed as Yin Yue had said. Qiao Mei then asked, “So have the both of you given away your badges?”

“The two of us don’t have anyone we want to protect,” Yin Yue said regretfully.

Qiao Mei tidied up a room for the two of them. Tomorrow, she would bring them to the Gao family’s house to take a look at Gao Ming. However, Qiao Mei could not enter the Gao family’s house through the main door. Zhang Cheng’s disappearance had caused an uproar in the city and the Gao family was currently the biggest suspect. Whoever interacted closely with the Gao family would also be suspected of harming Zhang Cheng.

Fortunately, only the Gao family and Zhang Cheng knew that Qiao Mei was Gao Tao’s granddaughter. Otherwise, the consequences would be unimaginable. Zhang Ping would definitely bring everyone from the Zhang family to flatten Xia Zhe’s villa.

Early the next morning, Qiao Mei brought Da Dong, Yin Yue and Yin Xing to a restaurant. This restaurant was very famous and the owner maintained a good relationship with the Gao family.

Gao Lin did not show up. Instead, he had left a note with an address on it. Qiao Mei and the others then drove to the back mountain behind the Gao family’s villa.

Sky City was made up of hills and mountains of various sizes. A small part of the flat land had been developed into the current city center but most of the rich people like to live in the mountains.

“You’re here. Who are these two?” Gao Lin said warily.

“They’re Bella’s team members. Bella is my friend and she’s worried about me, so she sent two of her people to protect me. If it’s not convenient for them to go in, they will stay here,” Qiao Mei said immediately.

“This is the Gao family’s territory. Only Gao family members can enter. Only you can come with me, The rest of you will have to stay here,” Gao Lin said sternly.

“But...” Yin Yue looked at Qiao Mei worriedly. Even Da Dong was a little worried about Qiao Mei leaving with Gao Lin on her own.

“Don’t worry, these people are my relatives. They won’t harm me.” Qiao Mei walked over to Da Dong and whispered, “I’ve brought the walkie-talkie with me. There’s also Da Nan and Xiao Bei inside. I’ll be fine, Stay here and keep an eye on things. Don’t let the Zhang family find out that we’re here.”

“Alright,” Da Dong said softly..

Chapter 1976: Treatment

Gao Lin brought Qiao Mei deep into the mountains. Inside a cave, the Gao family had built a secret passage that led directly to the basement of the Gao family’s house.

“I never expect such a place to exist,” Qiao Mei said in shock.

“Back then, the first thing that the Gao family did when we moved here was to build a secret passage. This is so that in the event that the Gao family is ever framed or in trouble, all the Gao family members can escape safely. We’ve never had to use it though. Later on, it became a place where Gao Ming played many games of hide and seek,” Gao Lin explained.

He had never expected the secret passage to come into use due to the Zhang family. Fortunately, Gao Ming had never told Zhang Yao about this place.

Otherwise, Zhang Ping would already be here, demanding for an explanation!

When Qiao Mei emerged from the basement, she saw that the villa's living hall was completely empty. There was not even a sofa. Everything in the house had already been sold, all except for the three men's beds.

"It's so embarrassing for you to see this. All these years, I've spent all the money on the Gao family's business and Gao Long's treatment. Now, there's also Gao Ming's treatment. Sigh..." Gao Lin said with a sigh.

"It's fine. We'll slowly get all our things back," Qiao Mei said firmly as she looked at Gao Lin.

"Yes, we'll get everything back. Let's go and take a look at Gao Ming first," Gao Lin said with a smile.

The two of them went to Gao Ming's room. Gao Long was in the room as well. After returning home from the hospital, Gao Ming looked worse for wear now, as if he would shatter with a light touch.

"You're here! Come and take a look at Gao Ming! He hasn't been looking too good for the past two days," Gao Long said worriedly.

Qiao Mei went forward and held Gao Ming's wrist. She quickly activated her

X-ray vision and the butterfly on her chest burned slightly hot. Soon, Qiao Mei finished checking Gao Ming's entire body and found that he did not have any other illnesses. Either the Zhang family did not attack Gao Ming with the intent to kill him or Gao Ming was just lucky enough not to be fatally injured.

However, there was a big amount of turbid air in Gao Ming's chest. It was probably the energy from the cufflink that was causing Gao Ming's body to weaken day by day. Qiao Mei did not know that this form of energy could also work as a weapon.

Seeing that Qiao Mei did not say anything, Gao Long immediately asked, "Is it very serious?"

“It’s indeed quite serious, but it’s not too bad. He can still be saved, but he needs someone to stay here and take care of him for the next few days. The person can’t leave his side at all,” Qiao Mei said.

“Alright! I’ll go and make the arrangements! Let me know what you need and I’ll go get it for you,” Gao Lin asked.

“There’s no need. I’ve brought what I need.” Qiao Mei took out a small pill and continued, “This is a ‘divine medicine’ passed down in my family. It can cure all kinds of poisons. If both of you trust me, I’ll feed it to him.”

If this was in the past, Gao Lin would definitely think of her as a liar for saying that something can “cure all poisons” or “cure all illnesses”. However, the person standing in front of him now was his elder sister’s descendant. Other than trusting Qiao Mei, Gao Lin had no other way out. He believed that Qiao Mei would not hurt Gao Ming.

“I trust you! Give it to him!” Gao Lin said.

Qiao Mei pried open Gao Mings mouth and pushed the pill down his throat. At first, there was no reaction and everyone waited anxiously. Suddenly, Gao Ming began to cough up blood and in an instant, the entire bed was already covered in Gao Mings blood.

“Gao Ming!” Gao Lin and Gao Long yelled out agitatedly. They tried to wipe away the blood that Gao Ming spat out.

“What’s going on! Does your medicine even work?” Gao Long looked at Qiao Mei and roared at her.

“This is a normal phenomenon. Gao Ming is poisoned. He can only recover if he expels all the poison,” Qiao Mei said calmly.

“Then... then how long is he going to cough like this! If he continues coughing like this, he will bleed to death!” Gao Long said with heartache.

“No, he won’t. Let’s wait a little longer,” Qiao Mei said.

Not long after Qiao Mei said this, Gao Ming went quiet and his face looked much rosier. It seemed that Qiao Mei's medicine was quite effective.

Gao Lin hurriedly changed Gao Mings bedsheets and blanket. Then, he carefully wiped Gao Mings body clean. Gao Long sat at the side and watched everything quietly. After hesitating for a while, he went over to Qiao Mei.

"I'm sorry. I was a little agitated just now and I was rude to you," Gao Long said.

"It's alright, Uncle. We're all concerned for Gao Ming. I won't take it to heart," Qiao Mei said with a smile..

Chapter 1977: Treating the Injured Legs

Gao Long had met Gao Tao once when he was much younger. As he was too young at that time, he could no longer remember Gao Tao's appearance clearly. He only remembered that his eldest aunt had very warm hands and that her voice was very pleasant.

Qiao Mei's gentleness reminded him of Gao Tao. No wonder Zhang Cheng searched for Qiao Mei so persistently to try to snatch the remaining jewelry from her.

"Uncle, how long has it been since your legs were injured?" Qiao Mei probed.

At the mention of his injured legs, Gao Long's face turned slightly pale. He used to be the young master whom everyone admired in Sky City. He was suave and handsome and many young ladies from prestigious families wanted to marry him. However, ever since he was framed by the Zhang family and lost the use of his legs, no one had any time for him anymore. Even all his good friends from those days avoided him.

From being a popular person, he became a person whom everyone despised.

This affected him so much that he almost took his own life. Fortunately, Gao Ming and Gao Lin had always stayed by his side, giving him something to live for. Otherwise, he might not be alive by now.

“It’s a long story. There’s no hope for my legs. I’ve been to all the hospitals in Sky City and all the doctors told me that I won’t be able to regain use of my legs. No matter what I do, it’s useless,” Gao Long said regretfully.

“Will you let me take a look? My mentor taught me many rehabilitation techniques. Perhaps there’s still hope for you,” Qiao Mei said.

Gao Long immediately looked hopeful. He held Qiao Mei’s hands and said in a trembling voice, “Really? If you want to take a look, then go ahead! See if you can help me!”

Qiao Mei placed her hands on Gao Long’s knees. There was indeed nothing wrong with Gao Long’s bones, it was only his nervous system that had been damaged. In that case, his recovery process would be much simpler. If it was his bones that were injured, she might have to break his bones to cure him.

“Uncle, there’s hope for your legs. I can treat you, but I also need you to persevere in your rehabilitation exercises. I wonder if you can persevere,” Qiao Mei said.

“Yes I can! I’ll do whatever you say! Whatever you say!” Gao Long said excitedly.

Qiao Mei took out the medicinal wine from her bag and handed it to Gao Long. “This is the medicinal wine made from my master’s recipe. Soak the bandage in it and then wrap the wet bandage around your legs. Remove it only when it dries up. You should feel some sensation in your legs within a week. If it proves to be useful, I’ll make some more for you.”

“Thank you! Thank you so much! How... how can I thank you... Father! Father! There’s hope for my legs! Father, come quickly!” Gao Long looked at Gao Lin, who was in the distance, and started talking incoherently.

Gao Lin quickly walked forward to comfort Gao Long and said, “What’s wrong? What happened?”

“Granduncle, Uncle should be able to stand up within a month, but if he wants to walk, then he still needs to slowly train on his own. This process is very difficult and Uncle will have to overcome it himself,” Qiao Mei said.

“Oh my goodness! This is great news!” Gao Lin quickly rummaged through his pockets to see how much money he had left. However, even if all the Gao family members pooled their money together, they would only have 20,000 dollars at most. He still needed this amount of money to hire a helper to take care of Gao Ming and Gao Long.

“Pu Nan, look. I don’t...” Gao Lin said with a sense of guilt.

“It’s alright, Granduncle. We’re a family. There’s no need to stand on ceremony. I believe that Grandmother will be happy to see us reunited,” Qiao Mei said with a smile.

Gao Lin and Gao Long started tearing up. Perhaps it was really Gao Tao who was protecting the Gao family from the heavens. Otherwise, why would they meet Qiao Mei at such a desperate time? This was all meant to be.

After Qiao Mei gave Gao Lin more detailed instructions about caring for the other two men, she left the Gao family’s house through the secret passage. She did not plan to appear in public for the time being and did not want to draw attention to herself.

The three people left behind at the back mountain stood motionlessly in their spots. Anyone who did not know better would think that there were three pillars there!

Yin Yue finally could not stand the awkward silence. She climbed up the short tree beside her and lay down on the thick branch as she said, “Yin Xing, come up too! The view from above is much more interesting than the view from below!”

“That’s so lame. I’m not doing it,” Yin Xing said coldly.

Da Dong looked at Yin Xing, who was next to him. From the first moment he saw her, she did not look cordial at all. She looked at everyone like they owed her a lot of money..

Chapter 1978: Back In Sky City

“Are the two of you... sisters? The two of you look very alike,” Da Dong said as he tried to start a conversation with Yin Xing.

“What’s it got to do with you?” Yin Xing asked.

“We’re all Miss Pu t s bodyguards now and we need to work together often. We are like colleagues, so I’m just curious,” Da Dong explained.

Actually, he had been trying to find an opportunity to apologize to Yin Xing. When they first met, they were immediately at each other’s throats. He felt that he should not have been so fierce to Yin Xing. Since they would be working together, he wanted to improve his relationship with Yin Xing.

“We’re different from you. Even without you, Miss Pu will still be safe and sound. It’s the same with or without you,” Yin Xing said.

“Hey! What are you saying? Are you saying that you Silver Spiders are omnipotent?” Da Dong said unhappily.

“What else can I mean?” Yin Xing looked at Da Dong mockingly.

“You’re such a cold-blooded and heartless person. Every time I see you, there’s always a scowl on your face, as if everyone owes you money! You’re so arrogant! Can’t you have a smile on your face like your elder sister! Even if...

even if we can’t get along, you should at least smile at Miss Pu,” Da Dong said.

At the mention of Qiao Mei, Yin Xing finally raised her head to look at Da

Dong. She asked, "Is it Miss Pu who's complaining about my attitude?"

"That... that's not the case, but being a professional, it should be basic courtesy to treat your boss warmly," Da Dong said.

"I don't know how and I've never done that. If you're so unhappy with me, then let's have a fight. The loser will have to listen to the winner," Yin Xing said as she pulled out the dagger strapped at her waist.

"Sure! I'm not scared of you! I'm also a MMA champion!" Da Dong said agitatedly.

Just as the two of them were about to start fighting, Yin Yue quickly jumped down from the tree and stood between them. These two were really too childish. Why would they quarrel over something like an expression on the face?

"Both of you, enough already! Yin Xing, if you fight with one of the client's guys, you will be punished by Sister Bella," Yin Yue warned.

Without any hesitation, Yin Xing put away the dagger. She climbed up to the spot on the tree where Yin Yue rested just now and promptly fell asleep. She would leave Yin Yue to take care of things.

"Why is she like this!" Da Dong said.

"Kid, calm down. Yin Xing is just like that. She's not doing it on purpose. Also, you shouldn't provoke her. I've never seen anyone survive her dagger, except for the Gold Spiders," Yin Yue said with a smile.

"Hmph, it's not like I'm someone to be trifled with!" Da Dong muttered indignantly.

Yin Yue shook her head helplessly. She did not know what was going on with these two. They quarreled every time they met. When they got back, she needed to have a good talk with Yin Xing. That girl could not cause trouble like the last time. If Sister Bella found out, Sister Bella would definitely skin her alive!

When Qiao Mei emerged from the cave, she did not notice the strange angry atmosphere. The group rushed home and Qiao Mei sat by the bed, waiting for Da Dong to come back with updates about the happenings in the city.

After dinner, Qiao Mei could suddenly sense a 10,000-year-old seed moving around in Sky City. She had stuffed this seed into Xia He's clothes before Xia He left. Why did it suddenly appear?

"Yin Xing! Yin Yue!" Qiao Mei shouted as she rushed out of her room anxiously.

Yin Xing and Yin Yue immediately appeared in front of Qiao Mei. They bowed slightly and said to Qiao Mei, "We are here."

"Yin Xing, you go to the airport with Xiao Xi to pick up my elder sister. You have to be fast. If you're any later, she won't be at the airport anymore," Qiao Mei said with a slight frown.

"May I ask what your elder sister looks like?" Yin Xing asked.

"Xiao Xi knows. Go now and come back quickly," Qiao Mei said.

Yin Yue stayed behind to protect Qiao Mei. Two hours later, Xiao Xi and Yin Xing brought back Xia He, who had sneaked into Sky City. In order to prevent Qiao Mei's men from discovering her presence, Xia He had even specially put on a disguise!

"Why are you back here?" Qiao Mei asked.

"I... I'm just here to have some fun... The last time I was here, I forgot something, so I came back to get it!" Xia He said awkwardly.

"Go on! Continue making up reasons! I want to see what other reasons you can come up with," Qiao Mei said angrily.

Xia He quickly walked over to Qiao Mei and said, "Sigh, can't you tell that I'm just worried about you? I'm worried about you facing so many things alone without a trusted relative by your side.."

Chapter 1979 The Zhang Family Is in a Mess

These words really hit home with Qiao Mei. She had a lot of things to think about during this period of time and she also needed to keep tabs on the many lies she told the Gao family. She was indeed both mentally and physically exhausted.

Qiao Mei pulled Xia He into her room to have a private conversation. It was time to tell Xia He about the relationship between her and the Gao family.

"Huh? They're actually your grandmother's relatives!" Xia He said as she looked at Qiao Mei in shock.

"Yes, my grandfather only told me about my grandmother recently. I had thought that if I could find my grandmother's relatives, it would be some form of comfort for my grandfather. I didn't expect them to be leading such a difficult life," Qiao Mei said.

"Those Zhang family members are really too much! They've really gone overboard! We must settle this score with them!" Xia He said agitatedly.

Qiao Mei had the same idea as Xia He, but it turned out that there was no need for them to do anything. The Zhang family was already in a mess.

Zhang Cheng had a total of six mistresses. These women had given him six illegitimate children, five sons and a daughter. Liang Jin actually knew about all these illegitimate children. Usually, they did not interact with one another. So long as they did not threaten the status of her son, Zhang Ou, she did not care about what those people did. When she had a chance in the future, she would get them all in one fell swoop.

All these years, Liang Jin was not just a useless pretty face. She had built up her own team of people and had also set aside a lot of money. She had evidence of all those things which Zhang Cheng did, so all

these years, Zhang Cheng would give her whatever she wanted unconditionally, making her a very respected person in Sky City.

Zhang Cheng did not give these mistresses any money or authority so that they could not do the same things as Liang Jin. He just kept them in luxurious villas like they were his pet canaries. In the end, this made it easy for Liang Jin to get her hands on these women.

According to those women's neighbors, Liang Jin had caused these women to be disfigured. A few women were forced to drink a lot of safflower water, which would make them infertile and cause harm to their health. It seemed that Liang Jin was quite intent on getting rid of them this time round.

Today was the third day of Zhang Cheng's disappearance. Zhang Ping was still trying his best to find Zhang Cheng's whereabouts. Zhang Cheng had saved Zhang Ping's life. Even if no one else wanted to help Zhang Ping, he still wanted to find Zhang Cheng, whether the old man was alive or dead.

However, those illegitimate children and mistresses did not share his thoughts and neither did Liang Jin. She had long wanted Zhang Cheng dead so that she could have all the

Zhang family's assets. Then, she would be the new head of the Zhang family.

However, those illegitimate children were a source of trouble for her. After all, they were all Zhang Cheng's children whom he had painstakingly nurtured, especially Zhang Shou and Zhang Gong. The two of them had a tight grip over the Zhang Group and everything that went on in the company had to be approved by them. If Liang Jin wanted to get all of the Zhang family's assets, she had to find another way.

"It sure looks like the Zhang family is facing retribution now, but why does the name Liang Jin sound so familiar? What's her relationship with the Liang family in the capital?" Xia He asked curiously.

As expected of a member of the Xia family, she caught on fast and was able to immediately focus on the crux of the issue.

"She's from the Liang family. Let's not talk about this anymore. How's everything at home? Are the children doing well?" Qiao Mei said.

"I have come back here to tell you something important! Do you remember John from the 'Vicious Wolf'?" Xia He said agitatedly.

"Yes, I remember," Qiao Mei said with a nod.

"Our farm has played a big part in the town making good money. Every family is very happy now and John is aware of everything that's been going on. Some time ago, a competitor from the neighboring town came to cause trouble and almost poisoned many cows on our farm. When John found out about this, he destroyed that person's farm," Xia He said.

Qiao Mei frowned slightly. It did not seem like John to do something so flashy. Could it be that John was waiting for her to go back and wanted to talk to her?

"Don't worry! John didn't ask for any payback. He seems to have done it voluntarily. The children have been doing very well recently. The house on the farmland is already completed and Luo Yu and the rest have moved in with the children," Xia He said.

"Alright, we'll talk about this when we get back. Come with me to visit the Gao family members tomorrow," Qiao Mei said with a smile.

Xia He and Qiao Mei soon fell asleep in the room. Qiao Mei slept very soundly that night, but Xia He did not dare to fall into deep sleep. She knew that Yin Yue and Yin Xing were standing guard near their room.

Chapter 1980: Not Over the Hill Yet

Yin Yue and Yin Xing were sometimes on the roof and sometimes in the corridor, and they kept changing their positions. Xia He trusted the bodyguards downstairs. After all, Da Dong and the rest were people whom Xia Zhe personally hired. Xia Zhe was a very meticulous person. If he did not trust them, he would not have handed them over to Qiao Mei.

However, it was a different situation with Bella. Qiao Mei's encounter with Bella was filled with coincidences. After Xia He found out about the significance of the gold badge, she became even more suspicious that Bella had other plans in mind when it came to Qiao Mei, so she wanted to be more vigilant.

"Yin Xing, Miss Pu's elder sister doesn't seem to like us either," Yin Yue sat on the roof and whispered aggrievedly.

"Yes, I know," Yin Xing stood beside Yin Yue and said coldly.

"I thought you won't be able to sense it! The thing is Miss Pu is just from an ordinary family. Why is her elder sister so different from her and is even so highly skilled in martial arts? These two people are really strange," Yin Yue said.

"It's alright. She can't beat me," Yin Xing said.

"You! You're so boring! You're not curious about anything! How annoying! Just keep standing there. I'm going to take a break. I'll come back and take over your shift later. After saying that, Yin Yue jumped down from the roof and disappeared into the darkness.

Two days later, Qiao Mei received some news and returned to the back mountain behind the Gao family residence. Yin Yue and the rest were again asked to wait outside. Qiao Mei and Xia He entered the Gao family's house through the same secret passage.

"Granduncle, how has Gao Ming been recently?" Qiao Mei asked as she walked over to Gao Ming's bed.

Gao Lin looked troubled. Although Gao Ming's complexion had been rosy during this period of time and he looked much better than before, he still showed no signs of waking up. Gao Lin was really worried that Gao Ming would remain in a vegetative state, which was why he had called Qiao Mei and asked her to rush over to take a look at Gao Ming.

"He's being kept alive by the intravenous drips and he has not regained consciousness at all," Gao Lin said.

Qiao Mei reached out and placed her fingertips on Gao Mings wrist, checking the extent to which the ginsengs energy had spread throughout Gao Mings body. Perhaps it was because the pill was not as concentrated as the ginseng juice, so it was not enough to help Gao Ming regain consciousness. Qiao Mei took out the medicinal wine and pried open Gao Mings mouth, pouring some inside. Not long after, Gao Mings fingers started to tremble slightly.

Gao Long pointed at Gao Mings hand excitedly and shouted, "He's moving!

He's moving! I hope I didn't imagine it! Gao Ming moved his hand!"lightsnovel

Gao Ming opened his eyes slowly. The moment he laid eyes on Qiao Mei, he thought that he was looking at an angel. He had only known Zhang Yao all these years and never paid attention to other women. He felt that it was worth it to be able to see such a beautiful woman before he died.

"Am I... am I already dead..." Gao Ming said hoarsely.

Qiao Mei took a few steps back. Gao Lin and Gao Long immediately rushed to the bedside and grabbed Gao Mings arms. Gao Lin immediately said, "My grandson! You're not dead! You're finally awake!"

"Grandfather..." After Gao Ming saw who the person beside him was, he immediately held Gao Lin's hand tightly and said, "Zhang Cheng... the jewelry... He's the one who attacked me!"

"Grandfather knows everything. I've already locked Zhang Cheng up in our basement. Let's take care of it slowly behind closed doors. You've only just woken up so don't get too agitated!" Gao Lin comforted him.

Gao Ming blinked in confusion. What did all this mean? Zhang Cheng had been captured by his grandfather? He did not expect his grandfather to be able to capture Zhang Cheng alive.

"Who are those two people?" Gao Ming asked.

“She’s your eldest grandaunt’s descendant. She should be considered your younger cousin. She’s the one who saved your life!” Gao Lin explained.

“Thank you... really... thank you so much...” Gao Ming was breathless as he tried hard to speak.

“You shouldn’t try to talk so much now. You have to rest well,” Qiao Mei said.

After confirming that Gao Ming was really fine, Gao Lin finally felt that he had the time and energy to deal with Zhang Cheng in the basement. At that time, Zhang Cheng had only told him briefly about the fire back then. If he wanted to get Zhang Cheng convicted, he needed to find more compelling evidence.

For the past few days, Gao Lin had asked the helper to give the men in the basement some steamed buns and pickled vegetables just to keep them alive. This was already good enough for prisoners!

Qiao Mei and the others made their way to the door leading to the basement.

Da Nan looked at Qiao Mei happily and said, “Miss Pu, you’re finally here..”