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### Chapter 171 Calculating

“Don’t do such a dangerous thing next time! Ziyang and I can deal with it!” Luo Cheng held Li Xiaoran’s hand and reminded her softly.

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Li Xiaoran nodded, but she was determined.

If there was really a next time, she would still intervene because she didn’t want anything to happen to Luo Cheng.

Luo Cheng actually knew what Li Xiaoran was thinking, so he didn’t say anything else and quickly brought her home.

When she reached home, Li Xiaoran realized that there was blood seeping out of Luo Cheng’s waist.

“Why didn’t you say that you were injured? You have to wipe this wound with strong alcohol! Then apply the medicine!” Li Xiaoran said as she hurriedly looked for strong alcohol.

“There’s strong alcohol in my house. Don’t be anxious. It’s just a small injury!” Luo Cheng said with a smile when he saw that Li Xiaoran was so anxious that she didn’t know what to do.

“How can you still laugh?!” Li Xiaoran was sobbing and trembling.

“Wait a moment. I’ll go to your room and find some hard liquor!”

With that, Li Xiaoran ran towards Luo Cheng’s room.

Luo Cheng looked at Li Xiaoran’s anxious back and smiled slightly.

Previously, Li Xiaoran had said that she wouldn’t enter his room. Now, she did!

Thinking of this, Luo Cheng followed and returned to his room.

“There’s a jar of strong alcohol in the cabinet on the third floor below the bookshelf. Take out a wooden box too. There’s good Golden Wound Medicine inside. I’ll heal quickly after having the medicine applied!” Luo Cheng said as soon as he walked in.

When Li Xiaoran heard this, she immediately turned around and walked towards the place Luo Cheng had mentioned.

As expected, Li Xiaoran quickly found the jar of strong alcohol and the wooden box containing the medicine.

While Li Xiaoran was getting her things, Luo Cheng went to a place to get some things.

On the other side, Li Xiaoran found a clean white cloth, then found a teacup and poured some strong alcohol in.

She first soaked the white cloth in the strong wine to disinfect it. Then, Li Xiaoran washed her hands with the strong wine.

After doing all this, Li Xiao'an poured a cup of strong alcohol.

"Come, let me see your wound!"

Luo Cheng lifted his shirt, revealing the wound.

Li Xiaoran looked over with the help of the oil lamp and confirmed Luo Cheng's injuries.

"It's fine. You only grazed your outer skin and suffered some minor injuries!"

With that, Li Xiaoran took out the white cloth soaked in strong wine and gently wiped the wound when Luo Cheng was unguarded.

"Hiss!" Luo Cheng didn't expect the wound to hurt so much when she wiped it with hard liquor.

He was caught off guard, and it hurt so much that he wanted to stomp his feet.

"Wife, are you trying to murder your husband?" Luo Cheng muttered with a grimace.

"I'm disinfecting you! If I wanted to murder my husband, I could have just drugged your food. There's no need to do this!" Li Xiaoran said angrily.

With that, Li Xiaoran couldn't help but bend down and blow at Luo Cheng's wound.

For some reason, after Li Xiaoran blew over it, the stinging feeling immediately diminished.

"Just bear with me for a moment. I'll clean it for you so that the wound doesn't ooze!"

With that, Li Xiaoran took another white cloth stained with strong alcohol and wiped Luo Cheng's injured hand.

To be honest, the pain made Luo Cheng grimace.

He had no choice. He wanted to hold back, but he couldn't.

"Alright, the wound has been washed. Is the next thing to do is apply this medicine?"

Li Xiaoran confirmed that the wound was clean, so she looked up and asked.

As soon as she looked up, something happened again.

Luo Cheng was looking down while Li Xiaoran was treating his wound when he suddenly looked up. Luo Cheng's chin touched the top of Li Xiaoran's head.

Now, both of them cried out in pain.

At this moment, Li Xiaoran felt as if something hard had hit her head. It was extremely painful.

Luo Cheng also felt as if his chin was about to be dislocated. It was really too painful!

But when they heard each other cry out in pain, they forgot their own pain and asked in unison, "Are you okay?"

As soon as they said this, the two of them laughed again.

“Husband, your chin must be made of iron! My head hurts!” As Li Xiaoran spoke, she moved to the side and stood up carefully.

When Luo Cheng heard Li Xiaoran’s words, he walked over to see how her head was.

“Alright, don’t move. I just washed your wound! Come quickly. I’ll apply the medicine for you!” Seeing this, Li Xiaoran stopped Luo Cheng and turned around to take out the medicine.

After applying the medicine, Li Xiaoran bandaged Luo Cheng’s wound with a white cloth.

“Alright, put down your clothes now!”

When Luo Cheng heard this, he put down the clothes and reached out to pull Li Xiaoran over.

“Look down. Let me see how your head is.”

This time, Li Xiaoran didn’t refuse. Instead, she bent down slightly and let Luo Cheng examine the top of her head.

“Was this place hit?” Luo Cheng quickly located the place where Li Xiaoran was hit.

At this moment, Li Xiaoran only felt a sudden chill on her head and felt much better.

“Yes, that’s right! I felt that it was hot before, but now that you put your hand on it, I feel that it’s cold and comfortable!” Li Xiaoran replied.

Luo Cheng had good eyesight and immediately saw that the top of Li Xiaoran’s head was red and swollen.

“Sit here and wait. I’ll get you some medicinal wine to wipe it off. Your head is already red and swollen!”

With that, Luo Cheng went to a bookcase and took out a small bottle of medicinal wine.

After carefully applying some medicinal wine for Li Xiaoran, Luo Cheng even fed Li Xiaoran a pill that could stimulate blood circulation.

After that, the two of them tidied up the things they had used on the table.

After a long time, it was already late at night.

“Wife, it’s too late. Let’s rest!” Luo Cheng looked outside and said.

“Alright! Then let’s go back to our room to rest!” Li Xiaoran didn’t think of anything else and replied casually.

“Sure!” Luo Cheng replied calmly and pulled Li Xiaoran towards the bed he often slept on.

By the time Li Xiaoran realized that something was wrong, she was already pressed against the bed by Luo Cheng.

“Husband, husband, we came to the wrong room. We should sleep in the next room!”

“Wife, don’t talk. I’m tired!” Luo Cheng muttered. Then, he stretched out his leg and pressed it against Li Xiaoran’s leg before falling asleep.

This time, Li Xiaoran was forced to sleep in Luo Cheng’s room and on his bed!

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Li Xiaoran could bet her twenty years of innocence that Luo Cheng had definitely done it on purpose.

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Taking advantage of his injury, he saw that she would be soft-hearted and not want to hurt him, so he schemed against her and pressed her to sleep in his room.

At this moment, Li Xiaoran wished she could drag Luo Cheng up and beat him up.

But when her hand was about to fall, she hesitated.

Sensing Luo Cheng in the darkness, Li Xiaoran could only obediently cover herself with the blanket and sleep.

This man was full of tricks, and they were all used against her.

She could not break free even if she wanted to!

But on second thought, didn’t this mean that the man beside her cared about her?

Realizing this, Li Xiaoran was less angry.

Closing her eyes and smelling the familiar smell, Li Xiaoran quickly fell asleep.

Sensing that the breathing of the person beside him had calmed down, Luo Cheng knew that Li Xiaoran must have fallen asleep.

He turned around and supported his head with one hand. Luo Cheng looked at Li Xiaoran carefully.

As he watched, Luo Cheng smiled in satisfaction. Then he closed his eyes too and went to sleep.

On the Guan family’s side, Guan Dongshan and He Hui could not fall asleep at all.

The thought of what had happened during the day and night filled the couple with anxiety.

On the other hand, Guan Kang was sleeping soundly in bed, completely unaffected by what had happened previously.

Looking at her son lying on the small bed not far away, He Hui said softly, “I don’t think we can let Kang’er follow us. It’s too dangerous. We have to find a safe place for Kang’er so that we don’t have to worry all day long!”

“Where can we send him? We have nowhere to send him now. It’s safer for him to stay with us!” Guan Dongshan said sensibly.

“Then send him to the Luo family!” He Hui suddenly thought of something. “I think Luo Cheng is a very capable person. It won’t be a problem for us to send Kang’er to him!”

Guan Dongshan actually had the same thought, but he did not know how to start.

“What’s Luo Cheng’s personality like?”

He Hui fell silent when she heard her man’s words.

“Why are you so quiet?” Guan Dongshan asked.

He Hui did not hide anything and told him what had happened to Luo Cheng.

When Guan Dongshan heard this, he shook his head. “Rumors are very damaging! Look, isn’t our son the victim? After these few days of contact, I feel that Luo Cheng is a reliable person. Look at how he treated Li Shun’s family. He even took the initiative to help us yesterday! Therefore, everyone in the village was wrong about Luo Cheng!”

“Even if he misjudged Luo Cheng, he might not help!” He Hui said.

Guan Dongshan thought for a moment, as if he had made a decision.

“Don’t think about it. Hurry up and sleep! Don’t worry, Luo Cheng will help us!”

He Hui did not know why her man said that. When she really wanted to ask, Guan Dongshan stood up and blew out the light to rest.

The next day, when Li Xiaoran opened her eyes, it was already sunrise.

There was some movement from the kitchen not far away.

Li Xiaoran thought for a moment and wanted to sit up.

At this moment, Luo Cheng was no longer in bed. It seemed that he had woken up.

After Li Xiaoran put on her clothes, she pushed the door open and walked out.

As soon as she opened the door, she saw Zhao Xiu coming in.

The mother and daughter both froze.

“Mother, what’s the matter?” Li Xiaoran came back to her senses and asked.

Zhao Xiu nodded subconsciously and said, “I’m here to wake you up for breakfast!”

With that, Zhao Xiu looked at the room Li Xiaoran had come out of and asked in confusion, “Why did you walk out of his room?”

With that, Zhao Xiu immediately realized something and quickly pulled Li Xiaoran to the side.

“Were you with him last night?” Zhao Xiu asked tactfully.

Li Xiaoran was stunned for a moment before nodding.

“Yes!” Li Xiaoran only said this word.

When Zhao Xiu heard this, she immediately laughed.

“That’s good! You’re already married. You two should sleep together!”

With that, Zhao Xiu ran out with a smile.

Li Xiaoran was stunned when she saw her mother running away happily.

Why was her mother so happy that she was living with Luo Cheng?

On the other side, Zhao Xiu pulled Li Shun to a corner and whispered something in his ear.

“Really?” Li Shun couldn’t help but ask.

“I saw Xiaoran coming out of Luo Cheng’s room. How can this be fake?!” As Zhao Xiu spoke, she muttered to the heavens, “Thank God, the two of them are finally living together! Otherwise, I’d be worried!”

Li Shun had an indescribable feeling at this moment. He felt as if the girl he doted on had been seduced by a pig. His expression darkened.

Zhao Xiu was glad that her man did not look happy, so she patted his shoulder.

“Hey, what are you thinking about? It’s a good thing that our daughter and son-in-law are together! Previously, when the two of them lived separately, I felt uneasy. Now that the two of them have a good relationship and are together, I feel at ease!” At this point, Zhao Xiu looked at Li Shun again. “Besides, our son-in-law is a good person. I think it’s our daughter’s blessing that she was able to marry him!”

As the saying went, the more a mother-in-law looked at her son-in-law, the more satisfied she was.

Li Shun knew that was the case, but he suddenly realized something.

“I know. I’m not used to it. Sigh, I’m really uncomfortable! We married one off, but there’s another one!” Speaking of this, the old father’s heart ached.

“Then hurry up and find a son-in-law for your youngest daughter!” Zhao Xiu rolled her eyes at her man and went to the kitchen.

Li Shun was very anxious. A good son-in-law was difficult to find!

Sigh, this matter was really worrying.

With a long sigh, Li Shun continued to come with the ax. He hacked at the firewood.

“No wonder everyone likes to have sons! It turns out that marrying off a daughter really makes people feel uncomfortable!” Li Shun muttered as he chopped wood.

Luo Ziyang happened to hear these words and had a look of deep agreement.

After he got married in the future, he had to have a son.

He felt terrible just thinking about marrying his daughter off, let alone actually experiencing it!

This silly guy was completely led astray by Li Shun.

He did not think about the fact that he did not even have a wife, yet he was already thinking about marrying off a daughter?

## Chapter 173 Conflict

When Luo Cheng ran back from somewhere for breakfast, he felt that the atmosphere at home was strange.

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His mother-in-law was all smiles and even picked up food for him from time to time.

On the other hand, although his father-in-law was expressionless, he looked a little awkward.

Luo Cheng was a little baffled. He felt that something had happened while he was away.

After eating breakfast in awkwardness, Luo Cheng called Li Xiaoran aside.

“Wife, don’t you think your parents are acting a little strange today?”

When Li Xiaoran heard Luo Cheng’s words, she immediately said gloomily, “You felt it?”

“Yes! Your parents are acting so strange. I’d be stupid not to feel it!” Luo Cheng replied.

Li Xiaoran thought of what had happened today and rolled her eyes at Luo Cheng. She told him about how she had walked out of his room in the morning and bumped into Zhao Xiu, who misunderstood.

“At that time, the way my mother looked at me made me panic. I couldn’t explain myself! It’s all your fault!” Li Xiaoran said angrily.

If Luo Cheng hadn’t shamelessly left her in his room yesterday, her mother wouldn’t have misunderstood this morning!

When Luo Cheng heard this, he laughed.

“Since Father-in-law and Mother-in-law know, let’s not hide anymore! Anyway, we’re husband and wife. There’s also a marriage certificate. You’re my legal wife, so it’s only right for us to live together!” Luo Cheng tried his best to calm down and not let his smile show as he asked her to let the two of them start sleeping together.

When Li Xiaoran heard Luo Cheng’s words, she laughed angrily.

“Legal? Then why haven’t I seen a matchmaker visit?”

When Luo Cheng heard Li Xiaoran’s words, he suddenly fell silent.

He was indeed at a disadvantage.

From the beginning until now, he owed Li Xiaoran a lot.

Li Xiaoran didn’t have any of the formal marriage procedures and formalities that others had when they married.

When Li Xiaoran saw the silent Luo Cheng, for some reason, she suddenly felt a little suffocated.

“If you have nothing else, I’ll go to the shop first!”

With that, Li Xiaoran turned around and left.

At this moment, Li Xiaoran was flustered. She didn’t know how to face Luo Cheng, so she could only leave to calm herself down.

Luo Cheng stood there and watched Li Xiaoran leave without saying a word.

Just like that, the two of them suddenly fell out.

On the way to the shop, Li Xiaoran was very depressed.

To be honest, she actually didn’t mind getting married to him officially.

However, when her marriage was mentioned, she felt a little sad.

Yes, she had some feelings for Luo Cheng now, but they were limited.

She could accept Luo Cheng’s intimacy and feelings. She could even snuggle up to him at night, but she was still not prepared to give herself to him.

Right. She didn’t think their relationship had reached that stage yet.

Therefore, she instinctively resisted Luo Cheng’s invitation for her to stay in his room.

After Li Xiaoran left, Luo Cheng’s expression was uncertain. No one knew what he was thinking.

After a while, Luo Cheng said something to Luo Ziyang and left.

Luo Cheng didn’t explain where he was going or how long he would be gone. He only said that he had something to do.

On the other side, Guan Dongshan, who had finally woken up, sat in the courtyard and thought for a long time. In the end, he got up and said something to his wife, He Hui, before going to Luo Cheng’s house.

However, he was a step late. Luo Cheng left before he arrived.

Only Luo Ziyang was left in the Luo family.

“When can Luo Cheng come back?” Guan Dongshan asked again.

“He didn’t tell me! Uncle Guan, is there anything urgent? If it’s urgent, you can tell me!” Luo Ziyang looked at Guan Dongshan and said.

Guan Dongshan shook his head. He planned to wait until Luo Cheng returned.

“Then I’ll come back tomorrow!”

Seeing this, Luo Ziyang didn’t force him. Then, he sent Guan Dongshan off.

By now, most of the trees in the orchard had been dug up. There were a few left.

After digging these trees, Luo Ziyang wouldn’t have to stay at home anymore. He could go to the shop to help.



Li Xiaoran wasn't in the mood to do anything today. Several times, she touched the hot pot and burned the back of her hand.

"Are you torturing yourself? If you're not feeling well, go home and rest. Don't hurt yourself!" When Zhao Xiu saw her daughter's distracted look, she thought that this child was too tired after having sex with her son-in-law yesterday. She quickly came forward to take over the cooking of the noodles.

Li Xiaoran didn't explain and took this opportunity to go out for a breather.

After walking out of the shop, Li Xiaoran felt much better and heaved a sigh of relief.

Unknowingly, Li Xiaoran arrived near the land where the house was built.

Coincidentally, Old Madam Jin was also checking on the construction of the house. When she saw Li Xiaoran nearby, she walked out.

"Why aren't you cooking noodles in the shop? Why are you here?"

"I came out to relax. I'm tired from cooking noodles!" Li Xiaoran said with a smile.

When Old Madam Jin saw Li Xiaoran like this, she walked over and pulled Li Xiaoran to a big rock on the other side.

Seeing this, the woman behind her quickly brought the thick cotton mat she carried and placed it on the big rock.

Old Madam Jin pulled Li Xiaoran to sit down.

After that, the maidservant beside Old Madam Jin stood outside and guarded.

"What's wrong with them?" Li Xiaoran looked at the people around her and asked in confusion.

"I used to like to sit here and look at the scenery, and I don't like to be disturbed. After the servants learned about my habits, they know what to do!" Old Madam Jin glanced at Li Xiaoran and said with a smile.

When Li Xiaoran heard this, she immediately understood.

"Little girl, are you unhappy?" Old Madam Jin looked at Li Xiaoran with affection and asked with a smile.

"How did you know?" Li Xiaoran asked in surprise.

One had to know that she was actually trying very hard to restrain her emotions.

"Don't forget that I grew up as a little girl and became old!" Old Madam Jin teased.

When Li Xiaoran heard this, she smiled.

"You're not old at all. You're still young!"

“You’re such a sweet talker. You know how to make me happy!” Old Madam Jin said happily, “Tell me, what’s there to be sad about? Tell me. Perhaps I can help you! After all, I’m much older than a little girl like you!”

#### Chapter 174 The Same Kind

For some reason, Li Xiaoran suddenly had the urge to confide in him.

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“I believe you’ve investigated me! I was married to my husband in place of someone else.”

When Old Madam Jin heard Li Xiaoran’s words and saw the dejected look in the little girl’s eyes, she seemed to understand something.

“Are you feeling uneasy because there was no official marriage ceremony? After all, if you get married to Luo Cheng like this, you’ll be criticized.” Old Madam Jin said what she had guessed.

Li Xiaoran was silent for a moment, then nodded.

Old Madam Jin looked at the little girl in front of her and suddenly smiled bitterly.

“Even if you get married officially, will you definitely be happy?”

Li Xiaoran didn’t expect Old Madam Jin to say such a thing, so she looked up at her in surprise.

“Little girl, what you care about is actually superficial. You know yourself whether your life is good or not! It doesn’t matter if you get married officially or not if you live a happy life. Those who care about you will dote on you. If he doesn’t care about you, these things are just superficial!” At this point, tears fell from the corners of Old Madam Jin’s eyes.

“I’m living a luxurious life now and have so many servants serving me, so I should be happy! Actually, that’s not the case! Back then, I had an arranged marriage. I was married to my husband officially. Unfortunately, we’ve been married for so many years! When I was young, I tried my best, but the two of us couldn’t get along. Later, when I had a child, I gradually focused on the child and didn’t force things anymore!” As she spoke, she smiled.

“Look, little girl, what you care about is not important at all! As long as the marriage between you two is valid, you’re his wife. This is a fact that no one can change. As for the criticism, it’s because they are envious and jealous of you. As long as you’re strong-willed, don’t be afraid of others’ words!”

At this point, Old Madam Jin laughed.

“In this world, what you actually get will always be more important than pride! I only realized this at my age!”

When Li Xiaoran heard this, she fell into deep thought.

At that moment, Old Madam Jin thought of something and looked at the old woman not far away.

“Go and bring me my favorite thing!”

Soon, the old woman brought over a bowl of food.

“Come, little girl, let me show you my treasure!” Old Madam Jin said as she opened the lid of the bowl.

As soon as the lid was removed, a stench wafted out.

Li Xiaoran looked down and saw a bowl of stinky tofu in front of her.

“Stinky tofu?” Li Xiaoran exclaimed in surprise.

“That’s right! It’s stinky tofu! Smell it. Doesn’t it stink?” Old Madam Jin said.

“Yes, yes. The stinky tofu smells bad but tastes delicious!” Li Xiaoran nodded and echoed.

“Hahahaha, no wonder I like you so much. So you have the same tastes as me! Come, come, come. Since we’re so compatible, let’s eat this stinky tofu together today!” As she spoke, Old Madam Jin asked someone to bring two more pairs of chopsticks over. The two of them picked up a piece each and ate.

When Li Xiaoran tasted the familiar taste of a piece of stinky tofu, she smiled happily.

“I like this taste and texture! It’s crispy on the outside and tender on the inside. There’s also the taste of oil and chili. Put in chameleon plants and onions, then the taste will definitely be even better!”

“Yes, yes, yes. I like this texture too! Some people like to eat the crispy texture and fry it! But I think this crispy texture is the best!” Old Madam Jin nodded and said as if she had met a soulmate.

As soon as she finished speaking, Old Madam Jin realized that Li Xiaoran had picked up another piece of stinky tofu to eat and was immediately anxious.

“Little girl, respect the old! Don’t eat too quickly. I bought this stinky tofu!”

“This stinky tofu is so delicious. Let me eat one more piece!” Li Xiaoran stared at Old Madam Jin and couldn’t help but beg, “Don’t worry, I’ll make something delicious for you later. I guarantee that you’ll like it very much too! And it’s also smelly but delicious food!”

When Old Madam Jin heard this, she immediately perked up.

“Really? It’s also smelly and delicious?”

“I guarantee that it’s definitely smelly and delicious!” Li Xiaoran widened her eyes and said.

Perhaps it was Li Xiaoran’s sincere and earnest look that moved Old Madam Jin’s heart, or perhaps Old Madam Jin was just playing with Li Xiaoran in the first place.

Just like that, the old and young ate their stinky tofu and chatted.

“You don’t know, but when I was in the city in the past, I had to be on my best behavior. I couldn’t make any mistakes. I was very unhappy. I couldn’t eat anything I wanted to eat! For example, this stinky tofu! None of the sons I gave birth to were easy to raise, but all of them objected to me eating these smelly things! Not long ago, for some reason, I left home in a fit of anger and came back to live here!” Perhaps because they had the same preferences, Old Madam Jin immediately became talkative.

“How good is it for me to live here? No one cares about me, and I don’t have to be so uptight. I can do whatever I want. I can be as happy as I want! Let’s talk about this stinky tofu! I can eat a bowl every day now. No one cares if I want to eat it! I don’t know how happy and carefree my future days will be! I was so stupid before. I lived a bitter life for those brats and some irrelevant people! Now that I’ve figured it out, I can live for a few more years! If I don’t enjoy life while I’m still in good health, I won’t have a chance!” As she spoke, Old Madam Jin ate the last mouthful of stinky tofu.

“In the past, I was always trapped in the backyard. Now that I’ve come out to take a look, I realize that the world is huge and there are countless beautiful scenery!”

With that, Old Madam Jin stood up, then looked around and shouted.

Li Xiaoran looked at the carefree Old Madam Jin and suddenly envied her!

“Little girl, what are you waiting for? Come over quickly and shout like me. You won’t feel depressed anymore! After venting your emotions, you can enjoy life!” After Old Madam Jin shouted, she called out to Li Xiaoran.

## Chapter 175 I’ll Treat You to a Drink

Li Xiaoran looked at Old Madam Jin’s encouraging gaze and walked over. Then, she shouted at the field.

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“Ah! Ah! Ah! I, Li Xiaoran, am the best!”

As expected, after she shouted, the frustration in her heart dissipated a lot.

“Hahahaha! You really look a little like me when I was a girl! That’s right. The current you is the real you! Remember, you have to bring me the smelly food you owe me!” Old Madam Jin reminded happily.

“Don’t worry, I’ll find the ingredients to prepare it for you when I get back! However, there’s something that needs to ferment before it can be made into the smelly food I mentioned. Therefore, I’ll have to trouble you to wait until after the new year! I guarantee that I’ll definitely make this food to show my filial piety to you!” Li Xiaoran agreed with a smile.

“Alright, I’ll wait for you! Coincidentally, my house will be built this month. I’ll invite you to my house!” Old Madam Jin said with a smile.

“Alright! I’ll definitely bring good food to your house!” Li Xiaoran promised.

“Alright, we have a deal!” Old Madam Jin agreed readily.

After leaving Old Madam Jin’s place, Li Xiaoran’s mood had returned to normal.

At this moment, she had already figured it out. All the negative emotions that had entered her heart had disappeared.

It was a fact that she had married in someone else’s place. Luo Cheng had helped her and her family.

Now, she was angry at Luo Cheng because they had developed feelings for each other. This wasn’t right.

Life was about self-awareness, so it was good not to care about those superficial things.

As for the rest, she would leave it to time!

She would slowly make herself stronger and not be affected by those superficial things!

She had to live a good life! Li Xiaoran was also confident that she would definitely live a better life!

After returning to the shop, Li Xiaoran became energetic.

Seeing that her daughter was energetic, Zhao Xiu was relieved.

“Father, can we still dig out bamboo shoots now?” Li Xiaoran asked as soon as she finished cooking the knife-cut noodles ordered by the last customer.

Li Shun thought for a moment and said, “We can dig for winter bamboo shoots now! There should be a lot of bamboo shoots where I went to cut bamboo previously! Why, do you want to eat them?”

“Yes, I want to use bamboo shoots to cook. After we close the shop later, let’s dig bamboo shoots!” Li Xiaoran thought for a moment and said.

“You two can go and dig! I won’t go. I have to dig out some of the radishes we planted and cut them into radishes to dry!” Zhao Xiu said when she heard their conversation.

Li Xiaoqing thought of something and said, “Mother, keep the radish tassels. We can also make pickled vegetables when the time comes!”

“You gluttonous cat, you only know how to eat. Help me make it later!” Zhao Xiu teased.

“No problem, I’ll help you when we get back!” Li Xiaoqing agreed readily.

Actually, Li Xiaoqing had wanted to learn how to do this since a long time ago, but at that time, the Li family had already fed the radishes to the chickens.

Zhao Xiu did all the work alone, so over time, Zhao Xiu was unwilling to be nosy, so she didn’t make pickled vegetables with radishes anymore.

Li Xiaoqing had no chance to learn it.

Now that she had a chance to learn, Li Xiaoqing naturally wouldn’t let it go.

“I wonder who you took after. You don’t like anything else but making pickled vegetables and cooking!” Zhao Xiu sighed.

“Of course. I’m willing to cook anything I like!” Li Xiaoqing didn’t hide her thoughts.

When Li Xiaoran heard her sister’s words, she couldn’t help but laugh.

To be honest, she really liked her sister’s frank personality. She was righteous and clear-cut about love and hate.

Of course, she also hoped that her sister could continue to maintain such a personality in the future.

She wondered which brat would benefit from her good sister in the future!

At this moment, Li Xiaoran suddenly understood how her parents felt when they married off their daughter.

At this moment, as the eldest sister, she felt bitter at the thought of her sister marrying into another family.

No wonder her father, Li Shun, looked upset after her parents misunderstood her relationship with Luo Cheng.

Thinking of this, Li Xiaoran looked at her busy father.

Fortunately, she had married Luo Cheng. Although there were no rituals, she had married him, accompanied by her parents and sister.

Luo Cheng was also very considerate to her.

Speaking of which, this marriage was really a good one!

Luo Cheng drove the ox cart to town alone.

Coincidentally, there were not many things to do at the office today. As soon as Luo Han walked out of the office, he saw Luo Cheng sitting on the ox cart.

“Hey, to be honest, I never thought you would sit in such an ox cart! Now that I look at you carefully, you seem to be able to ride any kind of cart very well!” Luo Han teased.

“Cut the crap. Get in the car. I’ll buy you a drink!” Luo Cheng said to Luo Han.

Luo Han was immediately interested when he heard that he wanted to drink.

“Just because you invited me to drink, I’m definitely going to sit on your ox cart!”

With that, Luo Han leaped to Luo Cheng’s side.

Soon, the ox cart started running and brought Luo Han to Luo Cheng’s house in town.

Luo Han looked at the house that he hadn’t been to in a while. It had changed. He said with a smile, “This house finally feels a little livelier!”

“If there’s someone living there, of course it’ll be livelier!” With that, Luo Cheng walked straight to his study.

Not long after, a servant brought over a jar of wine that had been unloaded from the ox cart.

In addition, Luo Cheng also asked the woman from the kitchen to cook two side dishes.

After Luo Cheng filled the glass, he downed the wine without taking a bite of the food.

“There’s something wrong with the way you’re drinking! What happened?” Luo Han asked with concern.

“There’s something I haven’t figured out! If you like a woman but can’t marry her openly and can only give her a marriage contract, will she mind?” Luo Cheng asked.

When Luo Han heard Luo Cheng’s words, he recalled Luo Cheng’s marriage and said seriously.

“If you’re talking about you and Li Xiaoran, in that case, you’ll be letting her down. You don’t care about this, but that’s not the case for Li Xiaoran’s family! Think about it, Li Xiaoran was married off by the Li family and even brought her parents and sister over. This is enough to make others gossip!”

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Luo Cheng was stunned by Luo Han’s words. Then, he poured another glass of wine and drank it.

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“I know your personality! Actually, the reason you did that previously was to save Li Xiaoran’s family from the Li family! It was fine to do so at that time, but it’s different now!” Luo Han picked up his wine glass and took a sip. “Luo Cheng, we’ve been

buddies for so many years. I know you very well! Your feelings for Li Xiaoran are very extraordinary! At least, in my opinion, you're in love!"

"Since you're in love, everything will be different! If you still want to get a wife to fool the people in the capital, you just have to leave Li Xiaoran and her family in Hele Village. But you're obviously in love, so everything will be completely different!" Luo Han put down his glass and looked at Luo Cheng seriously.

"Ask yourself what you want," Luo Han said finally, and began to eat the side dishes.

When Luo Cheng heard Luo Han's words, his expression became colder and colder, but he had already figured it out.

Yes, Luo Han was right.

He had no choice but to do that previously because he felt that Li Xiaoran was an interesting person. It would be simpler and more convenient for the two of them to work together.

However, everything had changed now, so the corresponding arrangements were naturally different.

"You don't know?! The people in the capital are still targeting Li Yan!" Luo Cheng said after taking another sip of wine.

Luo Han had just picked up a mouthful of peanuts when he heard Luo Cheng's words. He immediately sat up straight.

"When was that?"

"Just a few days ago, the Zeng family of White Foothill City came to the Li family to propose marriage to Li Yan. My people have already investigated. The Zeng family is actually related to the Cao family. The Cao family's eldest aunt married into the Zeng family! My good second brother really put in a lot of effort on finding me! Now that I'm already hiding here, he actually still won't let me off and still wants to extend his reach!" Luo Cheng sneered.

"Is that why you don't dare to give Li Xiaoran a status?" Luo Han immediately understood.

"That's true. In fact, the other important reason is that I want to protect her. She's too different. She's so dazzling that I want to hide her light from others!" Luo Cheng poured another glass of wine and took a deep sip.

In his original plan, he had come here to reduce his presence.

He didn't want those people to keep thinking about him. He only wanted to live the life of an ordinary person. It was simple and not troublesome.

However, after marrying Li Xiaoran, not only was he attracted to her, but he also realized how special she was.



If his brothers found out about Li Xiaoran's existence, they would probably come to snatch her from him.

He only pretended to want to marry Li Yan, but his second brother kept such a close watch on Li Yan.

If he showed that he cared too much about Li Xiaoran and wanted to marry her openly, he would definitely endanger Li Xiaoran and make everyone who was secretly paying attention to him start to target Li Xiaoran.

Luo Cheng couldn't bear such consequences.

He wanted to protect his wife!

However, this was too unfair to Li Xiaoran.

He could only give her a marriage contract. He couldn't marry her with eight bridal sedans and a wedding ceremony.

At the thought of this, Luo Cheng's heart ached.

The person he loved had to suffer because of him.

And as a man, he couldn't make her have a decent life.

"What do you think I should do?" At this moment, Luo Cheng's eyes were red as he looked up at Luo Han.

Luo Han was at a loss for words when he saw how anguished Luo Cheng was.

He wasn't Luo Cheng. There was no way to empathize with his struggles and pain, so he didn't know how to handle this.

It was difficult to have the best of both worlds.

Luo Han said nothing. He only picked up his glass and clinked it with Luo Cheng's before drinking it in one gulp.

Luo Cheng also knew that this matter was difficult to resolve, so he could only drink another glass of wine silently.

After that, they stopped talking about it and talked about other things.

"How's the handling of the previous incident going?" Luo Cheng asked.

"I caught her, but that woman was very stubborn and didn't say anything. Now, she's no longer in my hands! You know how serious this woman's crime is. I can't keep her!" Luo Han's face was filled with frustration as he spoke.

"It's not for nothing. At least the souls of those who died in that alley are finally comforted!" Luo Cheng said when he heard Luo Han's words. "Many things don't happen overnight. It's not easy to get things done. Take it slow. We still have time!"

Luo Han nodded, then told him about his affairs.

“In the past, I always thought of going to a place to be a benevolent official. I would definitely do my best to do more for those poor people, but after I became a county magistrate, I realized that my previous thoughts were too naive. As a county magistrate, I have too many things to consider. I can’t do whatever I want! There are too many things and too many uncertainties!”

Luo Cheng looked at Luo Han’s dejected expression and thought for a moment before saying something.

“This doesn’t seem like the Young Master Luo Han I know! I remember when I first met you, you didn’t listen to anyone and did whatever you wanted. When your temper flared up, you dared to hit anyone!”

Luo Han couldn’t help but laugh when he heard Luo Cheng’s words.

“At that time, I was born fearless and only relied on my courage to charge forward. Now that I’ve finally grown up and seen a lot, I no longer have the courage I had back then!”

“Perhaps what we lack is the courage from back then! We were overcautious and worried too much, but we forgot our original intentions!” Luo Cheng said.

Luo Cheng was suddenly stunned.

These words were directed at Luo Han, but weren’t they also directed at himself?

Since when did he start to worry too much? Was this the reason he wanted to leave the capital back then?

Didn’t he leave back then to live the life he wanted?

Now that he had found the person he could spend the rest of his life with, why did he become timid?

Luo Cheng stood up abruptly, then left.

“I still have something to do. I’ll meet up with you next time. After you’re done eating, ask the servants to tidy up this place!”

## Chapter 177 Don’t Regret It

As he drove the ox cart, Luo Cheng held the reins in his hand and enjoyed the cold wind. His heart thumped.

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At this moment, he wished he could fly in front of Li Xiaoran immediately.

He was eager to return.

However, by the time he rushed to the shop, Li Xiaoran and the others had already gone home.

By the time Luo Cheng rushed home, Li Xiaoran went to dig bamboo shoots again.

With no choice, Luo Cheng could only tie the cow up and rush out to look for Li Xiaoran.

At this moment, Li Xiaoran and her father were digging bamboo shoots in a large bamboo forest.

Originally, the father and daughter were still digging in the same place. As they dug, they each went in a direction and gradually distanced themselves.

“Hahahaha, Father, I dug up another very good winter bamboo shoot!” Li Xiaoran had just dug out a winter bamboo shoot and laughed happily.

Luo Cheng, who had just arrived at the bamboo forest, heard Li Xiaoran’s voice and ran over.

When he heard the familiar voice not far away, Luo Cheng rushed over and picked her up.

“Ah!” Li Xiaoran was shocked. Then, she smelled a familiar scent and was relieved.

“Luo Cheng, what are you doing? You scared me to death!”

Luo Cheng looked at Li Xiaoran, who was in his arms, and smiled. Then, he kissed her red lips.

At this moment, Li Xiaoran stopped speaking...

With her in his arms, Luo Cheng finally felt satisfied.

It turned out that Li Xiaoran had unknowingly become an indispensable part of his life.

At this moment, all his worries were thrown to the back of his mind. Luo Cheng only wanted to live well with Li Xiaoran and create a future together.

After letting go of the person in his arms, Luo Cheng stared at Li Xiaoran and said this.

“Pick a good day and let’s get married!”

Li Xiaoran, who had been caught off guard by Luo Cheng’s intimate actions, suddenly widened her eyes when she heard Luo Cheng’s words.

“Why? Why are you suddenly talking about this?”

“Wife, you’re right. I still owe you a wedding ceremony, a formal marriage! Previously, I brought you, Father and Mother over because it was an emergency, but it’s different now. I want to marry you officially and let you accompany me for the rest of my life. I don’t want you to be criticized, nor do I want you to suffer any grievances! So, let’s start over!” Luo Cheng said what was on his mind.

This happened too suddenly, but it also made Li Xiaoran very happy.

Li Xiaoran was naturally very happy to be valued and respected by someone she liked.

Hearing this, Li Xiaoran reached out and wrapped her arms around Luo Cheng’s neck with a smile.

“Husband, I’m very happy that you are willing to do this! It’s just that I don’t think it’s necessary anymore! I’ve thought it through before. Those are actually superficial. As long as you always have me in your heart and treat me well, we don’t need these!”

Looking at his wife, who was smiling brightly, Luo Cheng's heart softened.

Li Xiaoran was understanding, but he couldn't really not do anything.

He should make up for what he owed Li Xiaoran.

He wanted her to at least have what others had.

"Wife, you have to listen to me! This is my responsibility as a man, understand?"

With that, Luo Cheng couldn't help but kiss Li Xiaoran again.

Seeing that Luo Cheng insisted, Li Xiaoran nodded.

"Sure!"

She was naturally willing to marry him officially.

Besides, she had never experienced this before! She was naturally looking forward to it!

Now that her man was willing to give it to her, she was naturally willing to accept it.

"Alright, leave this to me!" Luo Cheng said happily.

With that, Luo Cheng put Li Xiaoran down.

"Why are you here digging bamboo shoots? Come, let me help you dig!"

"I was in a bad mood today, so I went out for a walk and bumped into Old Madam Jin. Old Madam Jin said a lot to me and even shared her favorite stinky tofu with me. So I decided to make a smelly food for her after the new year!" Li Xiaoran told him why she dug the winter bamboo shoots.

"Old Madam Jin? What did she say to you?" Luo Cheng was immediately alarmed. Afraid that she had been hurt, he stared at Li Xiaoran nervously.

Li Xiaoran didn't hide anything and repeated what she had said to Old Madam Jin.

"Husband, in the past, it was often said that having an elderly in the family was like having a treasure. At that time, I didn't believe it. But after meeting Old Madam Jin today, I realized that it was really the case! With such a wise elderly person around, the younger generation will have a smoother life!"

When Luo Cheng heard what Li Xiaoran said, he was surprised.

Could the Old Madam Jin Li Xiaoran was talking about be the Old Madam Jin he had heard about?

The difference was too great!

"Could she have wanted to get close to you for an ulterior motive?" Luo Cheng thought of a possibility.

"No! I can feel that Old Madam Jin said these words from the bottom of her heart. Husband, have you forgotten that I can tell if someone has good intentions or ill

intentions? At least, when we were talking, Old Madam Jin didn't have any ill intentions!" Li Xiaoran shook her head and said firmly.

When Luo Cheng heard this, he was slightly relieved.

If that was really the case, then he had really misjudged Old Madam Jin previously.

"Perhaps after experiencing some things, Old Madam Jin suddenly figured it out!" Luo Cheng finally said.

"Husband, you know Old Madam Jin?" Li Xiaoran asked curiously.

"Yes, when Old Madam Jin's servants came to ask us to make noodles, I checked the Jin family's situation! The Jin family's situation is also very complicated. If we really talk about it, it will take three days and three nights. Anyway, the current situation is that Old Madam Jin left the Jin family and came here to live alone. However, after she started living here, her life has indeed become much easier!" Luo Cheng could only explain briefly when he saw that Li Xiaoran was curious.

"Everyone has their own difficulties!" Li Xiaoran sighed.

"Alright, let's not talk about her anymore! Let's dig bamboo shoots together! How many do you plan to dig?"

"A lot! Anyway, we still have to make more! If Old Madam Jin likes it, we can make more for her in the future!" Li Xiaoran thought for a moment and said.

"What's so delicious? I want to try it too!" Luo Cheng said enviously.

"Oh really? Are you sure you want to eat it? It smells bad." Li Xiaoran raised her eyebrows and teased.

"As long as it's made by my wife, I'll eat it!" Luo Cheng looked like he was going all out.

"Alright! I hope you won't regret it!" Li Xiaoran said with a smile.

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"Don't worry, I definitely won't regret it!" Luo Cheng said confidently.

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Li Xiaoran only smiled and didn't say anything else. Then, the two of them looked for winter bamboo shoots and dug them.

When the sun set, Li Xiaoran had already dug up a basket of winter bamboo shoots.

Li Shun also dug up a lot of winter bamboo shoots, which filled most of the basket.

It looked like a lot, but there wouldn't be much left when they went back and peeled it.

"These winter bamboo shoots are also very delicious to make soup with!" Zhao Xiu looked at these winter bamboo shoots and said, "When I was young, I saw my parents cooking winter bamboo shoots in the soup. That soup was so delicious that I'll remember it for the rest of my life!"

"Mother, if you want to eat it, just cook it! Don't reminisce anymore. You can't mistreat your body!" When Li Xiaoran heard her mother's words, she immediately picked up a few winter bamboo shoots and stuffed them into Zhao Xiu's hand.

Zhao Xiu looked at the winter bamboo shoots in her hand and smiled.

"Alright, I'll go make winter bamboo shoots now! I'll let you guys have a mouthful of delicious soup tonight!"

With that, Zhao Xiu ran towards the kitchen happily.

"Since this winter bamboo shoot is so delicious, let's go out and dig tomorrow!" Li Xiaoqing thought of something and said.

Li Shun thought of something and said, "This winter bamboo shoots aren't easy to dig. Most of them are buried in the ground. It's really not easy to find inexperienced people! I'll go and take a look tomorrow! I reckon the bamboo forest we went to previously has been dug up. We have to find another bamboo forest!"

Speaking of the bamboo forest, Luo Cheng thought of a place.

"I know a bamboo forest. Few people go there! Why don't I go with you tomorrow?!"

"I think it's fine! Tomorrow, my dad will go to the bamboo forest. My husband and I will go to the mountains to look!" Li Xiaoran agreed readily.

At that moment, there was a knock on the door.

"Is Luo Cheng at home?"

As soon as Li Shun heard this voice, he immediately recognized who it was and quickly ran over.

"Brother Guan, why are you here?"

Li Shun asked with a smile when he opened the door and saw that it was really Guan Dongshan.

"I came to see Luo Cheng about something. Is he back?"

"Yes, yes. Come in quickly!" Li Shun replied as he let Guan in. He closed the door behind him.

Guan Dongshan saw Luo Cheng as soon as he came in. He thought for a moment and said, "Luo Cheng, can we talk in private?"

As soon as Luo Cheng heard Guan Dongshan's words, he glanced at him and guessed Guan Dongshan's intentions.

“Sure. Uncle Guan, go to my study!” Luo Cheng thought for a moment and nodded.

After that, the two of them left.

Seeing this, Li Shun came to Li Xiaoran’s side.

“Daughter, why is Guan Dongshan looking for Luo Cheng?”

“It’s most likely related to Guan Kang!” Li Xiaoran thought for a moment and said.

“I thought so too!” Li Shun agreed.

He couldn’t help, so he didn’t follow them.

Therefore, after saying this, Li Shun didn’t say anything else and went to the kitchen to help Zhao Xiu cook.

On the other side, after Luo Cheng sat down with Guan Dongshan, he poured a cup of tea.

“Are you here about your son?” Luo Cheng asked.

Guan Dongshan nodded and told him why he was here.

“You know Kang’er’s situation too! I can guarantee that Kang’er’s blood really doesn’t have the same effects as the rumors outside. It’s just that many people don’t want to believe it. As you can see, if everyone comes to take some of Kang’er’s blood, I’m afraid my son won’t live long! So I want to ask you to protect Kang’er! As long as you protect Kang’er, I’m willing to exchange a silver mine for it!”

Luo Cheng was shocked when he heard Guan Dongshan’s words.

“Uncle Guan, do you know what you’re talking about?”

“I know very well what I’m talking about!” Guan Dongshan smiled bitterly and said, “At this point, I won’t hide it from you! Actually, my ancestors discovered a silver mine a long time ago. It’s just that at that time, my ancestors also knew that this matter would cause trouble if it spread, so they kept it a secret and passed it down from generation to generation. I don’t know why, but when it reached my father’s generation, there was a problem. The news actually leaked out. Many people were secretly inquiring about this silver mine!”

“In order to protect me, my father pretended to fall out with me and chased me and my wife out of the house. He let us leave our family and come to Hele Village to settle down. However, things went wrong. First, my son almost died in his mother’s womb. Now that my son was finally saved, he’s in danger! After thinking about it, I can only ask you for help!” Guan Dongshan said.

Luo Cheng suddenly said when he heard Guan Dongshan’s words.

“May I ask what Guan Yongming has to do with you?”

When Guan Dongshan heard Luo Cheng's words, his eyes suddenly widened.

"That's my uncle! Luo Cheng, how do you know him? It's just that my uncle has been missing for decades. Have you seen him somewhere?"

Luo Cheng fell silent when he heard Guan Dongshan's question.

At this moment, the study was silent except for the sound of their breathing.

After a while, Luo Cheng said, "Send Guan Kang to live with me! As long as he doesn't leave my house, he'll be fine. As for the silver mine, I'll pretend that I didn't hear it, and you'll keep quiet from now on! If you don't want to cause trouble for your family, keep quiet from now on. Even if you die, you can't tell anyone!"

Guan Dongshan didn't expect Luo Cheng to really agree. He even warned him not to tell anyone about the silver mine.

At this moment, he still understood that Luo Cheng's actions must have something to do with his uncle, Guan Yongming.

"How is my uncle now?" Guan Dongshan suddenly asked.

Luo Cheng was silent. In the end, he only said a few words.

"He's dead!"

As soon as he said this, Guan Dongshan's face turned pale.

"How? How did this happen?"

Luo Cheng sighed when he saw Guan Dongshan like this.

"Your uncle is an upright and loyal person! I owe him a favor, so I'll return it to your son today! As for other things, Uncle Guan, don't ask! Don't mention your uncle again in the future!"

Guan Dongshan nodded. Although he didn't understand why, since Luo Chen told him to keep it a secret, it meant that there must be many factors involved.

Once these things were exposed, there would be no peace waiting for him.

Therefore, after leaving this room, he should forget everything he knew.

"Don't worry, I'll keep my mouth shut! I'll leave Kang'er to you in the future!" Guan Dongshan finally made a decision.

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Guan Dongshan thought for a moment and asked, "Then can I ask Kang'er to come over tonight?"

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Luo Cheng thought for a moment and then said, "Why don't you all move in?! The child definitely won't be used to living here alone. Anyway, there are many empty rooms at my house!"



Guan Dongshan thought for a moment and hesitated.

“I’ll go back and discuss this with my family! We won’t come over today. We’ll send the child over tomorrow morning!”

Luo Cheng nodded and didn’t insist.

Although he was being kind, the other party had his own concerns.

When they had finished talking, they walked out of the study.

“Brother Guan, have you eaten dinner? Why don’t you stay for dinner?!” Li Shun asked with a smile when he saw Guan Dongshan.

“Not today. I’ll come again tomorrow!” Guan Dongshan nodded at Li Shun and left.

When Li Shun heard Guan Dongshan’s words, he looked at his son-in-law, Luo Cheng.

“He’s still coming tomorrow? What does that mean?”

Luo Cheng looked at his father-in-law and suddenly smiled.

“You’ll know tomorrow, Father-in-law!”

With that, Luo Cheng went to look for Li Xiaoran.

Although he had promised Guan Dongshan to let Guan Kang live here, this house didn’t belong to him alone, so he had to tell Li Xiaoran first.

Li Xiaoran was putting the freshly roasted meat in hot water when she saw Luo Cheng walk in.

“Uncle Guan left?” Li Xiaoran asked.

“Yes, I have something to tell you! Guan Kang will probably move into our house tomorrow. As for whether Uncle Guan and Aunt Guan will come or not, I’m not sure!” Luo Cheng said simply.

When Li Xiaoran heard this, she thought of something.

“Is it to protect Kang’er?”

Luo Cheng nodded.

“Alright, we’ll tidy up a room tomorrow!” Li Xiaoran nodded and said.

“Let’s wait for Uncle Guan and the others to come tomorrow! We’ll let them tidy up by then!” Luo Cheng said with some heartache.

Actually, the rooms at home were very clean. Zhao Xiu often went to the empty rooms to clean them up.

Therefore, if someone really lived in, they could just clean it slightly.

When Li Xiaoran heard Luo Cheng’s words, she knew that he felt sorry for her, so she nodded.

“Alright, let’s talk about it tomorrow!”

After Luo Cheng told him about this, he thought for a moment and went to look for Luo Ziyang. The fruit trees had been dug up today, and some of the pits left behind had been filled, so Luo Cheng wanted to take a look at the situation in the field.

Coincidentally, Li Shun also wanted to take a look, so the three of them went out together.

It had to be said that after the orchards had been dug up, everything was bare.

Fortunately, there were still some weeds on the ground, so it didn't look very desolate.

Li Shun was a farmer. He squatted down and looked at the soil.

"The soil here is quite fertile and suitable for farming. However, the soil quality of this large piece of land is indeed a little different." Li Shun looked around and returned to Luo Cheng.

"That's why Xiaoran said that we have to plant something suitable according to her ideas! Father-in-law, listen to Xiaoran! There's nothing wrong with listening to Xiaoran!" Luo Cheng said.

"I think so too! In the past, this girl didn't talk much. Ever since she married you, her personality has become much more cheerful. Everything she says makes sense! Speaking of which, it's because of the chemistry between the two of you!" Li Shun sighed.

When Luo Cheng heard his father-in-law say this, he remembered something.

"Father-in-law, I plan to choose a good day to marry Xiaoran. What do you think?"

"Get married?" When Li Shun heard this, he immediately looked at Luo Cheng.

"That's right! Previously, I only brought Xiaoran back so that you guys could escape the Li family first. Now, I really want to marry Xiaoran and take care of her for the rest of my life. Naturally, I should also let her marry me!" Luo Cheng said seriously.

When Li Shun heard Luo Cheng's words, he felt a little ambivalent.

To be honest, Li Shun didn't feel good about following his daughter to Luo Cheng's house.

Thinking of how his daughter didn't even get married, Luo Cheng hated himself for being so cowardly.

Now, when he heard Luo Cheng say that he wanted to marry his daughter, Li Shun felt mixed emotions.

After a while, Li Shun, who had composed himself, smiled in satisfaction.

"I think it's not a bad idea! Son-in-law, you're so considerate!"

At this moment, Li Shun acknowledged Luo Cheng as his son-in-law from the bottom of his heart.

Luo Cheng became happy when he heard his father-in-law agree.

“Then let’s choose a good day together after dinner tonight! Then we’ll discuss how to handle this marriage!”

Li Shun nodded with tears in his eyes and agreed.

After returning, Li Shun came to Zhao Xiu’s side and whispered Luo Cheng’s plan.

Zhao Xiu was stunned for a moment before a gratified smile appeared on her face.

“As expected, husband, you didn’t misjudge him back then. Luo Cheng is really worth our daughter entrusting her life to!”

At this moment, Li Shun completely accepted Luo Cheng and nodded. “That’s right. They say that fate is predestined! I keep feeling that Xiaoran and Luo Cheng’s marriage was also decided by the heavens!”

“Alright, let’s see what day to choose later. We must choose a good day and hold a party for our daughter,” Zhao Xiu said with a smile.

Li Shun nodded. Then another question popped into his mind.

“But how should we get married? We’re still living at our son-in-law’s house. Where should the ceremony start from?”

Zhao Xiu was also stunned.

They couldn’t possibly go back to the Li family’s house again, right?

At the thought of this possibility, Zhao Xiu trembled.

Actually, Luo Cheng was already considering this question.

Since they wanted to get married officially, they naturally had to follow the usual process of the marriage ceremony.

Li Xiaoran naturally had to get married from somewhere outside. As for where to get married from, he had yet to think about it.

Now that he had a house in town, if possible, he could directly transfer the house to Li Xiaoran. This could be considered Li Xiaoran’s dowry.

It was possible to get married from town, but it was a little far.

However, these were only his preliminary thoughts. He would talk about it after the family discussed it tonight.

Because Luo Cheng was going to marry her daughter officially, Zhao Xiu was in a good mood and made a few more dishes.

Looking at the sumptuous meal on the table, everyone in the family had an appetite.

After a busy day, everyone picked up their chopsticks and ate.

As expected, it was more enjoyable to eat with more people.

It didn’t take long to finish the table of dishes.

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After eating and drinking, Luo Cheng got down to business.

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Other than Li Xiaoqing, everyone knew about this.

Although Li Xiaoqing was young, she knew the importance of marriage.

She was naturally the happiest person to see her sister finally get married.

“Then is my sister going to embroider her own wedding dress?”

As soon as she said this, the smile on Li Xiaoran’s face froze.

Embroider the wedding dress? No, she refused!

Luo Cheng seemed to have seen through Li Xiaoran’s thoughts and said with a smile, “There’s no need to embroider the wedding dress. I’m in a hurry to get married, so I’ll prepare the wedding dress for you!”

When Li Xiaoran heard Luo Cheng’s words, she finally heaved a sigh of relief.

As long as there was no need to embroider a wedding dress, it was fine!

Li Shun hesitated for a moment before asking the question he had thought of previously.

“Then where should I get married?”

Li Xiaoran was also stunned when she heard this question. Clearly, she hadn’t realized this before.

“Why don’t we get married from the shop?” Li Xiaoqing thought of something and said.

As soon as he said this, everyone thought about it.

“It’s still not appropriate. After all, it’s a place that represents my family. I’ve already bought a house in town. When the time comes, I’ll put it under my wife’s name and get married from town!” Luo Cheng said his plan.

“No, the house in town is so big and has a shop. I can’t accept it!” Li Xiaoran shook her head and refused.

Zhao Xiu thought of something and said, “Why don’t I go and talk to He Hui? When the time comes, we should be able to let our daughter get married from the Guan family. The Guan family’s house is empty. We’ll pay to rent it for a few days. In terms of customs, it’s reasonable!”

“If that’s the case, we might as well rent a house in the village!” Li Xiaoqing said, “I remember that there’s an empty house beside Little Huzi’s house. We can rent it!”

Speaking of this, Luo Cheng also remembered.

Indeed, there was an empty house not far from Little Huzi’s house.

This family used to be farmers. Later, when their son went out to serve, he was lucky and was chosen by a high-ranking official to be his follower. Therefore, the family moved away with this son and sold this house to the village.

Over the past few years, it wasn't that no one had designs on this house, but this house was well-built. It would cost a lot of money to buy it.

It was quite expensive for most families, so it wasn't worth it.

Previously, some people had rented it.

When the village saw that there was rent to be collected, they didn't think of selling it anymore.

After all, there were guests in the village who needed to rent a house from time to time, so they had never sold it.

"I'll go and take a look at that house tomorrow! If it's not bad, we'll rent it after the good days are decided!" Luo Cheng thought for a moment and said.

"Yes, yes, yes. Let's look at the good days first!" Li Shun quickly nodded and said.

On the other side, Luo Ziyang heard everyone's words and took out the almanac that he had prepared long ago.

"I just flipped through it. There aren't many suitable days in December and January. The suitable days are during the new year. I think we should avoid them. Other than these dates, there's only February 20th. It's a good day for everything." Luo Ziyang told him the information he had seen earlier.

When Luo Cheng heard this, he realized that he had to wait until February 20th. Wasn't this too long?!

When Li Xiaoran heard this, she frowned.

Li Xiaoran thought for a moment and said, "January is over, and the weather hasn't warmed up yet at the end of February! Why don't we look at March?! Don't people often say that it's spring? The weather starts to warm up in March, and everything is full of life. I think this is the most suitable time!"

As soon as Li Xiaoran said this, everyone started thinking.

Li Shun and Zhao Xiu also felt that March was the most suitable time.

Marrying was a troublesome matter. In the middle of winter, the weather was too cold. It was inconvenient.

When it warmed up in March, not only did the ingredients for the banquet increase, but people also became much more energetic.

Therefore, if they wanted to get a good prize, they had to arrange it in March.

Luo Cheng was also thinking. Since he had decided to marry her officially, the marriage couldn't be dealt with in a sloppy manner.

March was just right. It would be even better if they were well prepared.

After all, marriage was a major event in his life. He couldn't settle it rashly.

Even if he didn't have any relatives to manage it for him, he should still handle his marriage properly.

"Then, Ziyang, which day is good after March?" Luo Cheng asked.

Luo Ziyang quickly flipped through the almanac and deliberated for a long time before saying, "28th March! This is a good day!"

Now, everyone agreed.

After the matter was settled, everyone returned to their rooms to rest.

Li Xiaoran thought for a moment and said to Luo Cheng, "Since we're going to get married, let's sleep separately for the next few months!"

When Luo Cheng heard Li Xiaoran's words, his body stiffened and he was a little unwilling.

However, when he thought about how they had previously agreed to marry officially, it was indeed inappropriate for him to sleep with Li Xiaoran now, so he could only endure it.

After all, he didn't want Li Xiaoran to be criticized by others because of him, let alone suffer any grievances.

"Alright! I promise you that I won't do this again before we get married! You don't have to think too much about marriage. Just leave everything to me! You just have to be my bride!"

With that, Luo Cheng smiled at Li Xiaoran and turned to enter his room.

Li Xiaoran thought that she would have to spend a lot of effort to persuade Luo Cheng, but she didn't expect him to agree immediately.

After a while, Li Xiaoran came back to her senses and immediately smiled. She turned around and went into her room to rest.

At the same time, Li Shun and Zhao Xiu were also talking about Li Xiaoran and Luo Cheng's marriage.

"Husband, we have to prepare some dowry for our daughter's marriage! But in our current situation, how can we provide dowry?!" Zhao Xiu said worriedly.

Li Shun was also a little worried when he heard Zhao Xiu's words.

They still had to rely on their son-in-law. They really didn't have the money to prepare a dowry!

"Why don't you bring our daughter around the mountain? You might encounter some reishi mushroom or ginseng again." Zhao Xiu started to come up with ideas.

Li Shun couldn't help but laugh when he heard his wife's words.

"Do you really think reishi mushrooms and ginseng are so easy to find?! Your daughter was really lucky to find them previously!"

At this point, Li Shun thought of something and finally made up his mind.

“I know there’s a gold-threaded cedar in the mountains. It’s a good piece of wood.”