

Sidekick 1271

Chapter 1271: Alumni Event (2)

Huh?

To make money?

Wouldn't people usually talk about ideals at times like this? Wouldn't they talk about their vision for the future, how to contribute to society and the world, and so on?

"Hahaha," the host laughed awkwardly. "Dean Jian is truly a straightforward person. Making money is indeed a good thing. A good economy can promote the growth of development of human society. If you don't mind me asking, how did you meet Master Sheng in the first place?"

"He scammed me out of a meal."

If Jian Yiling had known he was rich, she wouldn't have handed that lunch box to him in the first place.

Huh?

Scammed out of a meal?

What kind of strange first encounter was this?

Yu Xi also looked at Zhai Yunsheng. What exactly happened between Master Sheng and God Ling?

Why did he not know about this story?

All of a sudden, Yu Xi felt like he missed a lot of important moments in those years.

The host continued to ask: "Oh? If you don't mind, could you tell us the details of this encounter? I feel like it's a very interesting story."

"There's nothing interesting about it. He just thought it was fun at that time," Jian Yiling explained.

For a long time, in the beginning, Zhai Yunsheng helped Jian Yiling out because he thought it was fun.

As for when this changed, Jian Yiling herself was unaware.

As the host continued to ask questions, someone shouted from the crowd: "Dean Jian, do you mind that your husband Zhai Yunsheng is currently bankrupt? After declaring bankruptcy, most of his assets will be frozen until the liquidation is completed. During this time, he won't even have the money to buy a handbag for you."

If not for the fact that Jian Yiling's hospital belonged to her premarital property, even Lahaisen Hospital would be affected.

As this was a sensitive topic, the host deliberately avoided it. He didn't expect someone to yell the question out.

"I don't mind," Jian Yiling replied. Then she added: "My husband is the best, He's also incredibly capable. This also has nothing to do with whether or not he possesses the Zhai family business."

The expression on Jian Yiling's small face was serious and earnest as she said this. It did not seem like she was telling a lie to cope with the situation.

Upon hearing Jian Yiling's answer, quite a few people couldn't help but envy Zhai Yunsheng.

In life, Jian Yiling was someone who was quite dependent on her husband. However, when it came to working, she was very independent.

This meant that she could support the ego and pride of her husband whilst also being able to make money to support the family.

In the hearts of many men, this was their ideal type.

Zhai Yunsheng was indeed very lucky. To start with, he was born into the Zhai family. This meant his starting position in life was the ending position for many. As his family was rich and powerful, he could rely on their strength to bully and tyrannize others.

And even with the Zhai family becoming bankrupt, he married a capable and rich wife. This meant that his comfortable days would continue.

As everyone was looking at him, a smug smile appeared on Zhai Yunsheng's face.

There was nothing wrong with relying on his wife was there? It was nothing shameful.

"Does Master Sheng have any plans for the future? Or will he continue to lose against Qin Chuan? I heard that the Qin family has follow-up plans."

Inside the auditorium today were many of Zhai Yunsheng's former cohort. Many of them disliked Zhai Yunsheng and did not want to let go of an opportunity to publicly embarrass Zhai Yunsheng.

"Well if everyone knows about it, is it really a plan?" Zhai Yunsheng calmly replied.

Despite suffering many losses from Qin Chuan and the situation not being in his favor, Zhai Yunsheng seemed as unhurried and carefree as always.

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"Well, if you had a way to deal with it, would the Zhai family business end up going bankrupt?" the man continued to ask. He was undeterred by Zhai Yunsheng's attitude and response.

Zhai Yunsheng hooked his lips and replied: "It's my own family business declaring bankruptcy and undergoing liquidation. What has this got to do with you? Why are you so concerned about my affairs? And who told you that declaring bankruptcy means failure? Haven't you heard of learning from failure?" Zhai Yunsheng replied arrogantly.

This response made people feel quite uncomfortable. Despite the Zhai family business collapsing, Zhai Yunsheng still dared to act so arrogantly.

"So are you preparing any counter moves? When are we going to see these moves? Either way, I'm looking forward to seeing them. After all, we're from the same cohort. I can't bear to see you so down and out," the man replied. Despite sounding concerned, the man was actually mocking Zhai Yunsheng.

“Well, it won’t take long for you to see my counter move,” Zhai Yunsheng replied indifferently.

“Then we will be waiting!”

When the host sensed that the atmosphere was not right, he hurriedly gestured to Jian Yiling to return to her seat before he invited another distinguished alumni representative to speak on stage.

When the speeches came to an end, the crowd exited the auditorium.

Several people rushed over to Jian Yiling in order to speak with her.

Perhaps it was unintentional but all of them ignored Zhai Yunsheng’s presence when they were talking around Jian Yiling. They all treated him like air.

“Dean Jian, I heard that you were planning to open another branch in Continent Y. If you need any building materials or resources, feel free to contact me.”

“Dean Jian, when will the recruitment for that branch begin? I have a niece who is a medical student. I wanted to ask if she can get the opportunity to intern at that branch.”

“I heard that you’ve collaborated with XDL to release a new cosmetic. Could you reveal anything about that product to us?”

Despite the Zhai family’s bankruptcy, Jian Yiling’s current career was going strong. In fact, even before the Zhai family got declared bankrupt, they weren’t necessarily doing better than Lahaisen Hospital.

However, Jian Yiling was not interested in speaking with these people. She instead took Zhai Yunsheng’s arm and walked away with him.

When they saw Jian Yiling leave with Zhai Yunsheng, the faces of the few people who were eagerly speaking to Jian Yiling immediately changed.

“Who do they think they are? Her husband’s already bankrupt. Why are they still acting high and mighty?”

“I get Jian Yiling acting like that. But why is Zhai Yunsheng still acting that way? Doesn’t he know his family is bankrupt?”

“What a loser. Nothing is going to change. There will be many more opportunities to mock him.”

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Qin Chuan appeared at a Loyalty Alliance meeting. Originally, only Zhai Yunsheng and a few core members were meant to be at the round table.

The corners of Zhai Yunsheng’s mouth held a smile but he was not too surprised by Qin Chuan’s appearance.

“Mr. Qu, it looks like you and Mr. Qin have gotten along well during the two years of my absence,” Zhai Yunsheng commented with a smirk on his face.

Upon hearing this, the slightly fat old man who was named lowered his head sheepishly. He did not dare to look directly at Zhai Yunsheng.

During the two years when Zhai Yunsheng was ill and unable to manage the affairs of the Loyalty League, Qin Chuan began to infiltrate into the Loyalty Alliance.

As Qin Chuan had memories of his previous life, he remembered his experience of defeating the Zhai family in the past. Therefore, his knowledge and understanding of the Loyalty Alliance were no less than that of Zhai Yunsheng.

Chapter 1273: In Exchange, I Want Jian Yiling

Hence, this time around, he penetrated into the Loyalty Alliance much more easily. By doing so, he managed to dismantle this business alliance that lasted for hundreds of years.

“Master Sheng, we can’t be completely blamed for this matter. You didn’t show up for two whole years and we did not know whether you were dead or alive. If you die, there would be no one to inherit the Zhai family business. If that was the case, the Loyalty Alliance would not have a leader in the future. This would be a huge mess to deal with,” the slightly fat old man replied. He tried to justify his betrayal and that of the other members.

“That’s right. If you showed up once in the past two years or if the Second Master of the Zhai family was willing to get married and in turn take over the Zhai family, we wouldn’t have had any business dealings with Mr. Qin,” another core member added.

There was a smile on Zhai Yunsheng’s lips as he listened to their excuses. It was as though he was watching a play

“Well well, you’ve already colluded with Qin Chuan. So why don’t you guys stop making excuses for yourself? So what exactly do you plan to do in the future?” Zhai Yunsheng asked as he leaned back on his chair and twirled the purple sand teacup in his hand. He was seemingly not affected by the mutiny in front of him.

“Master Sheng, even though we feel bad for the Zhai family and we’re sorry to Master Zhai, Mr. Qin and the Qin group is now the leader of our Loyalty Alliance. This can’t be helped as the Zhai family has been declared bankrupt. We will no longer listen to the Zhai family.”

“Yeah, our company enterprises manage hundreds and thousands of employees and manage the livelihood of thousands of families. If our businesses also collapse, many people will have to lose their jobs. There is nothing we can do about this.”

“Master Sheng, I think it is best for us to resolve this matter peacefully. There’s no point in doing this the hard way. The Zhai family has been declared bankrupt and you’re not suitable to be our leader anymore.”

Even though the Zhai family had been the leader of the Loyalty Alliance for hundreds of years, they were now being forced to abdicate by the people they supported.

And somehow, Qin Chuan had unknowingly taken over the Loyalty Alliance from within.

Qin Chuan and Zhai Yunsheng looked at each other. Both of their eyes were incredibly sharp.

“Zhai Yunsheng, I’m giving you a chance to take back everything and revive the Zhai family business. The only thing that I want from you in exchange is Jian Yiling.”

As Qin Chuan was unable to change Jian Yiling's mind, he decided to attempt to convince Zhai Yunsheng.

As long as Zhai Yunsheng unilaterally gave up, Jian Yiling would naturally be disappointed in him.

"Are you daydreaming or something? If you're unable to wake up, go back to sleep," Zhai Yunsheng replied. "Why would I care about this trashy alliance? Why would I ever exchange my darling Yiling for this? Who would want such a terrible deal?"

The core members of the Loyalty Alliance looked a bit uncomfortable when Zhai Yunsheng called them a "trashy alliance."

It was clearly the Zhai family's own uselessness and their own bankruptcy.

What right did he have to call them trashy?

"Zhai Yunsheng, I know you're a proud man. Losing your career and family business made you suffer a lot of ridicule. You probably experienced it not long ago at the alumni event. Will you really be able to rely on a woman for your entire life?"

Qin Chuan knew that Zhai Yunsheng had his pride.

Even though he acted like he didn't care about anything, this was not the case.

"It seems as though you know me quite well," Zhai Yunsheng replied. He could not deny that he did not want to rely on a woman for the rest of his life.

Chapter 1274: Not as Important as My Darling Yiling

As a man, he wanted to be able to run his own business. He wanted to be strong enough to protect the woman he loved. He didn't want to be the one who was protected.

"And so, I'm giving you this opportunity. I'm giving you the chance to take back the Loyalty Alliance and the Zhai family business," Qin Chuan offered. To anyone else, this would be a very tempting offer.

"Well, you still don't know me well enough. Even if I'm not willing to be protected by the woman I love, it doesn't mean I'll exchange her for power, status, and money. Pride isn't at stake here. Not to mention..." Zhai Yunsheng paused for a moment before he swept his gaze over the few people seated at the round table.

"The loyalty of everyone here is debatable. I don't care about them," Zhai Yunsheng continued. The look in his eyes was contemptuous and his smile was sarcastic.

Upon hearing this, ugly expressions appeared on the faces of those who sat around the round table.

"Young Master Zhai, you shouldn't blame this on us. Instead, you should think about your own actions. The Zhai family's actions were truly worrying and there was hardly any change in the years where you were looking after the Loyalty Alliance. Even though Mr. Qin took over the Loyalty Alliance not long ago, we've taken several steps forward. At the same time, our profit has doubled compared to before."

"Exactly. It's smart to pick a good leader. There are also times when you should learn to look for problems in yourself rather than just blaming others."

The people seated around the table began accusing Zhai Yunsheng and the Zhai family of doing nothing when they were in power.

In their eyes, Zhai Yunsheng and the Zhai family were the incompetent ones. They failed to do their duties as the leader of the alliance. And thus, the rest of them could not be blamed for their current actions.

Zhai Yunsheng looked at these people with a smile on his face. He listened to their attempts to refute his words.

“And so, you’re willing to be this man’s servile follower?” Zhai Yunsheng asked. The smile on his face was mocking the people in front of him.

“Zhai Yunsheng, you shouldn’t say such ugly phrases. What do you mean by servile follower? We’ve always been in an alliance with the Zhai family. It’s the same with Mr. Qin!”

Zhai Yunsheng’s words managed to anger everyone seated at the round table.

Upon hearing this response, Zhai Yunsheng narrowed his eyes and then smiled. It was as though he was admiring the expressions on their faces.

Qin Chuan’s gaze was also dark: “Zhai Yunsheng, this is your choice. If you don’t accept my offer, then there will no longer be any relationship between you and the Loyalty Alliance in the future.”

“This doesn’t matter to me. All of them added together are not as important as my darling Yiling. If you like to associate and interact with this group of people, go ahead and do so,” Zhai Yunsheng said. When he finished speaking, he stood up from his seat.

As soon as he moved, the people seated at the round table felt a bit nervous.

Even if Zhai Yunsheng was not a smart and accomplished businessman, he knew how to fight.

This was especially the case after he returned from his two-year absence. His strength suddenly managed to soar and even experts from the reclusive families could not win against him.

All of them watched Zhai Yunsheng with a wary eye until he left Cai Ningxuan. Only then did they relax.

“Mr. Qu, what do we do now? If we treat Master Sheng like this, what should we do if the Second Master of the Zhai family takes revenge on us? Even if Zhai Yunsheng is incompetent, we still need to worry about the Second Master of the Zhai family.”

There were still a few people who are a bit apprehensive.

“We’ve acted and made our decision already. Therefore, we shouldn’t worry too much. Furthermore, the Second Master of the Zhai family’s company is in Country Y. In the past, he’s never intervened with matters back here. In fact, he might not have the ability to intervene even if he wanted to.”

“And so what if he intervenes? With Mr. Qin around, we don’t have to be afraid of him.”

Chapter 1275: No Joy From Victory

"I agree. If the Second Master of the Zhai family was really as powerful as the legend says, the Zhai family would not have deteriorated so much in the past two years."

There was a regretful expression on Mr. Qu's face as he said: "To be honest, I really can't bear to see the Zhai family be in this state. We have been in an alliance with the Zhai family for so many years. I truly did not expect this to change in our generation."

"It's okay. You don't need to lament about this. If the old doesn't go, the new won't come. There's nothing in life that's set in stone. There will always be changes. The only difference is whether the change is in our hands or in the hands of others."

Then, the group asked Qin Chuan what to do next.

Qin Chuan told them not to be anxious and that he would pay close attention to the actions of the Zhai family. He also told them he would make plans for the future development of the Loyalty Alliance.

Upon hearing Qin Chuan's words, a lot of them felt much at ease.

However, as Qin Chuan left Cai Ningxuan, he felt no joy from his victory over Zhai Yunsheng.

His heart didn't move for the person he liked in his past life.

And his heart beat rapidly for the person he hated in his past life.

The person he didn't like stayed by his side and the person he liked stayed by someone else's side.

And thus, Qin Chuan did not feel happy over this victory. After all, what was there to be happy about.

As the memories of his two lives were intertwined in his mind, sometimes, he could not distinguish which life he was in.

He couldn't even tell if he liked the current Jian Yiling more or the former Jian Yiling who was crazily in love with him.

He just did the things that he remembered doing.

But he could not bring back the happiness he once felt.

Everything in his life had deviated from the original track.

And now, he was the one who did things without considering their consequences. In the past, didn't Jian Yiling do that as well?

This time around, he personally experienced the sensation of powerlessness and loneliness.

As soon as Qin Chuan returned to the Qin Residence, he was greeted by Mo Shiyun. Mo Shiyun had a warm smile on her face as she asked: "Why are you back so early today?"

"I'm a little tired," Qin Chuan replied as he avoided Mo Shiyun's touch. Then, he returned to his study upstairs.

After she got rejected, Mo Shiyun stood still in the same place. She got hit by a pang of sadness.

However, she didn't show her dissatisfaction.

She knew that Qin Chuan did not like her. She also knew that he was avoiding her.

But that didn't matter. She was willing to wait. After all, Jian Yiling did not like Qin Chuan. If enough time passed by, he would eventually forget Jian Yiling and turn his attention to her.

Qin Yufan stood at the entrance of the stairs. She said furiously: "Qin Chuan, you must be very proud of yourself! You must be happy that the Zhai family is ruined! And now, you have total control over Beijing! You've perfectly inherited our father's virtue of being a profit-minded man! Well, let me tell you right now that even if you win and even if Zhai Yunsheng has nothing, I still think he's better than you! He's more of a man than you!"

Qin Chuan looked at Qin Yufan's angry face. In his memories, she had also questioned him in such anger.

Back then, she also said that he was not worthy to compete with Zhai Yunsheng.

However, at that time, she said so because she liked Zhai Yunsheng.

Now, she was saying this because she hated him for what he did.

"Qin Chuan! Say something back! Are you mute or something? If you're capable of doing those despicable things, why are you not capable of answering my questions?!"

Qin Chuan did not answer Qin Yufan's question. Instead, he bypassed Qin Yufan and went straight to his bedroom.

Chapter 1276: Bankruptcy is No Big Deal

Qin Chuan tiredly laid down on his bed. When he closed his eyes, memories once again began to surface.

"Qin Chuan, how is Mo Shiyun better than me?"

"Qin Chuan, I was the one who met you first! Why exactly am I not good enough?"

"Qin Chuan, I'm telling you that I like you! Don't hide from me! You can't drive me away like that!"

In his memories, her eyes were red and swollen from crying.

She told him that she was only willing to listen to his words during that period of time.

She said that it was because he told her that she was a good girl. It was because she got told that if she learned to control her temper, she would be more liked by everyone around her.

However, he told her that he didn't like her. He also asked her to stop doing things that didn't make sense. Things that would hurt not only others but herself as well.

But this time around, she refused to listen to him. She began to act more aggressively and crazily.

Back then, Qin Chuan thought she was just being unreasonable.

That was until he became the one who loved someone but could not be with them. He now understood her obsession and her unwillingness to give up.

She was stubborn because she loved him.

She was unwilling to give up because she loved him.

He never experienced these emotions and feelings before because, in the past, everything went very smoothly.

Even though he was an illegitimate child, he was able to resolve all the so-called difficulties he encountered afterward.

And his romantic relationship was even simpler. After all, the person he liked also liked him.

Back then, they cherished and trusted one another, grew to become a better person together, and protected each other from any harm.

It was a simple and loving relationship.

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A few days later, everything belonging to the Zhai family was auctioned off.

A mysterious buyer from Country Y purchased everything that belonged to the Zhai family.

The Zhai family mansion alone was worth billions of dollars. Along with the furnishing and antiques, an average person would not be able to purchase everything.

And thus, everyone was curious about which tycoon had bagged all these items from the Zhai family.

Despite waiting a long time, the buyer did not show up.

It appeared as though some rich people liked to be low-key.

Master Zhai was playing chess with Grandpa Jian.

Grandpa Jian commented: "Do you not have anything better to do? So many things are happening around you and yet, you choose to play chess with me every day to relieve boredom."

Even if Grandpa Jian was worried, he could do nothing. After all, he had given all major power in the Jian family to Jian Yuncheng.

"What is the big deal?" Master Zhai asked. "Yiling disappearing two years ago was the big deal! Nothing can be compared to the shock I felt back then!"

At that time, the entirety of the Zhai family felt like the sky was falling down.

"Even if that's the case, you don't have to play chess with me every day right?" Grandpa Jian said in a good-natured way.

"Brother Jian, my home is being auctioned off. There is no place for me to go. Where else can I go if I don't come to play chess with you?" Master Zhai commented sadly.

Upon hearing this, Grandpa Jian realized this was the truth.

Everyone in Beijing was eager to clear their ties with the Zhai family.

"Well, is there anything we can help with?"

"Brother Jian, don't worry about this. Families rise and fall and dynasties come and go. This is normal. You just have to get used to it," Master Zha replied with a relaxed expression on his face.

Chapter 1277: A Sheng Purchased It

Just get used to it?

Despite being someone who had seen a lot of things in life, Grandpa Jian still admired Master Zhai's mentality.

After all, the Zhai family's century-old foundation had been ruined. How could this be a normal occurrence?

"By the way, that orchid you planted smells incredible when it blooms. Can you propagate it? I want to grow one as well," Master Zhai asked as he directed his attention to the orchids planted by Grandpa Jian.

"Nope, my darling planted it for me. Why would I share it with you?" Grandpa Jian immediately responded.

As soon as his beloved orchids were mentioned, Grandpa Jian was not willing to share.

"Hmph, what are you so proud of? When I go back, I'll ask my granddaughter-in-law to plant one for me too!"

Master Zhai was proud that Yiling was now his granddaughter-in-law!

Upon hearing the argument, Grandma Jian looked at the two of them in disgust. Together, the two of them almost reached two hundred years old! Why were they fighting like three-year-olds?!

Grandma Jian told Master Zhai: "Yiling is a very delicate girl. I gave her the best of everything. Now that she's married into the Zhai family, even if your family is bankrupt, you must not let her suffer."

"Sister Jian, you don't need to worry about this. Please put your heart at ease. I would not let my granddaughter-in-law suffer. Everything she has and uses will be the best," Master Zhai hurriedly reassured Grandma Jian.

As the three of them chatted, Zhai Yunsheng and Jian Yiling arrived.

"Darling! Come here to let your grandma take a good look at you! Have you lost weight recently?" Grandma Jian asked as she pulled her granddaughter over

"Ahh, you've gotten skinner! Were you worried? That damn Qin Chuan! In the past, I thought he was a good person! I didn't expect that I would be mistaken!"

Somehow, Grandma Jian concluded that Jian Yiling had lost some weight when she hadn't.

"Grandma, don't be upset," Jian Yiling said as she gently patted her grandma's chest to help smooth her breath.

"No no, I'm not upset. I just feel bad for you."

Upon hearing this, Master Zhai said: “Aiya, why do you say that Sister Jian? It sounds like the Zhai family treated her poorly or something.”

Grandma Jian: “I’m not referring to the Zhai family. I’m talking about the bastard surnamed Qin! He took advantage of the situation and has the face of a man but the heart of a beast!”

“Grandma, we’re actually fine. The Zhai family is also fine. We’re planning to move back to the Zhai family mansion in a couple of days,” Jian Yiling explained to Grandma Jian.

“Move back into the Zhai family mansion?” Grandma Jian repeated in confusion. “But I just saw on the news that the Zhai family mansion had been bought out.”

“Yeah, A Sheng bought it.” Jian Yiling replied.

“Huh? What’s happening? Weren’t his assets all liquidated? Where did he get the money to buy back the mansion?”

Zhai Yunsheng explained to Grandma Jian: “Well, this matter is a bit complicated.”

Master Zhai said smilingly: “See, I told you not to worry about them.”

It was clear that Master Zhai was aware of the situation beforehand.

“What the hell is going on here? Why am I still confused?” Grandma Jian exclaimed. She didn’t know what the Zhai family was doing. If the Zhai family has the ability to do this, why did they declare bankruptcy in the first place?

Chapter 1278: Two Old Men Childishly Compete for Favor

Zhai Yunsheng explained to Grandma Jian: “In order to clear our relationship with some snakes, rats, and insects, it was necessary to destroy everything we had and start all over again.”

As the Loyalty Alliance was created by the ancestors of the Zhai family, after hundreds of years, the alliance gradually lost its original meaning.

If the previous trend were to continue, more and more leeches would appear. Naturally, this was not good for the Zhai family.

And thus, from very early on, Zhai Yunsheng, Han Mengyu, and Xing Wei founded a new business alliance that distinguished itself from the Loyalty Alliance.

And during the two years that Zhai Yunsheng was sick, the Second Master of the Zhai family further split up the Zhai family business.

Therefore, when Qin Chuan decided to take over the Zhai family business and the Loyalty Alliance, Zhai Yunsheng decided to go with the flow.

Upon hearing this explanation, Grandma Jian gradually understood what was going on.

“Then... The two of you...” Grandma Jian started as she looked at Jian Yiling and Zhai Yunsheng.

“We’re fine,” Jian Yiling replied. Then she added: “Grandma, please don’t worry about us. You should take care of your own health.”

Grandma Jian had experienced a stroke in the past. Therefore, she should not be anxious or worried for a long period of time.

“Good, good,” Grandma Jian repeated. She finally felt relieved.

Upon hearing this, Master Zhai mentioned the orchid to Jian Yiling: “Yiling, this orchid smells amazing. I want one as well.”

Without waiting for Jian Yiling to answer, Grandpa Jian said: “Yiling, this orchid was cultivated especially for me right? It’s exclusive right?”

Both Master Zhai and Grandpa Jian looked at Jian Yiling expectantly.

All of a sudden, Jian Yiling did not know what to say.

Zhai Yunsheng hurriedly said: “Grandpa, orchids require special care. Since you don’t know much about raising orchids, let’s forget about raising orchids. Yiling was knitting a scarf earlier. She can gift that scarf to you.”

“Really? Is she okay with that?”

After all, Yiling was knitting the scarf. It wasn’t any random old scarf. For the scarf to be gifted, Yiling herself had to give permission.

“Of course, she’s okay with that,” Zhai Yunsheng answered. There was a tinge of guilt in his voice.

Although Jian Yiling did intend to give Master Zhai the scarf, she planned to give it to him when the weather was cooler

Even though it was autumn, the weather was still quite warm.

“Yep,” Jian Yiling gave an affirmative answer.

Upon hearing this, Master Zhai’s heart immediately burst with joy. A handknitted scarf by his granddaughter-in-law meant way more than an orchid!

The fragrance of orchids was nothing compared to a warm hand-knitted scarf!

Grandpa Jian looked at Master Zhai in contempt. What was he being proud of?

Then Master Zhai said to Jian Yiling: “Yiling, you don’t need to call me Grandpa Zhai in the future. Just call me Grandpa. After all, you’re married to A Sheng now. I’m officially your grandpa.”

“What is this nonsense?” Grandpa Jian immediately said. “I still exist! If Yiling calls someone grandpa, am I meant to respond, or are you meant to respond?”

“Well, I’m still her grandpa!”

“She should only call you grandpa when I’m not there! However, as long as I’m present, you are still Grandpa Zhai!”

Master Zhai had no choice but to agree: “Okay, okay. You’re older. I will listen to you.”

Grandpa Jian and Master Zhai bickered like two children. If they weren't stopped, they could argue for half a day on this topic.

Chapter 1279: Auction (1)

A lot of big shots were gathered at the auction of the land west of Beijing.

Everyone wanted to buy this land. However, most of them knew that they were not likely to win the bid. After all, the Qin Group was also determined to win this piece of land. This meant that the probability of other families winning the bid was not large.

Qin Chuan arrived at the auction with his girlfriend Mo Shiyun.

The couple was very eye-catching.

Many people went to greet the two of them. They also flattered Qin Chuan and Mo Shiyun attentively.

Upon hearing the praise, Qin Chuan did not really react. On the other hand, Mo Shiyun's face was slightly flushed. She felt very happy listening to these flattering words.

Suddenly, the crowd that surrounded Qin Chuan and Mo Shiyun looked in another direction.

Their attention was redirected to Zhai Yunsheng. Today, Zhai Yunsheng was wearing a dark suit that showed off his well-proportioned body. There was a deep gaze in his eyes.

Jian Yiling stood beside him. She was wearing simple clothing which highlighted her natural beauty.

Why was Zhai Yunsheng also here?

Wasn't the Zhai family bankrupt?

Didn't their own home get auctioned off?

Then why was he here to bid for the piece of land?

Everyone had doubts in their minds when they saw Zhai Yunsheng's appearance.

But because of the presence of Jian Yiling, no one dared to directly ridicule Zhai Yunsheng.

After all, even if the Zhai family went bankrupt, Jian Yiling still had a lot of assets under her name.

Maybe she was intending to purchase this piece of land to open up another Lahaisen Hospital branch. That was also a possibility.

When Zhai Yunsheng and Qin Chuan's eyes met, the crowd felt a hint of tension in the atmosphere.

"Young Master Zhai, are you here to bid on the plot of land today?" Qin Chuan opened his mouth and asked Zhai Yunsheng.

"What else would I be doing here? Would I come here to play?" Zhai Yunsheng replied with a smile. The smile on his lips was evil and charming.

"Where are you getting the money from?" Qin Chuan continued to ask. It was as though he was mocking Zhai Yunsheng's overconfidence.

Upon being asked this, the person who stood next to Qin Chuan piped up: "He's relying on his wife!"

When everyone else heard this, they had to cover their mouths to not laugh out loud.

Everyone here came from a formidable family or had a large business to back them up. Therefore, they all interacted with Zhai Yunsheng to some degree in the past.

The man they all feared in the past had to rely on his wife for support. Wasn't this absolutely hilarious?

Despite hearing these words, the smile on Zhai Yunsheng's face did not diminish. Instead, he replied: "Mr. Qin, are you jealous that I have a wife that I can rely on? On the other hand, you only have a girlfriend who holds you back with scandals and improper conduct."

Upon hearing this, Mo Shiyun's grasp on Qin Chuan's hand tightened.

She knew that what happened to her was known to everyone. Secretly, there were many people cursing her and despising her behind her back.

But because of her relationship with Qin Chuan, no one dared to say anything in front of her.

At this time, Qin Chuan, who should have defended Mo Shiyun, instead turned his gaze towards Jian Yiling. He asked: "Is he worth it?"

In Qin Chuan's memory of his previous life, Zhai Yunsheng was not a good person.

He was cynical and did not even take his own life seriously.

He was also the person who caused his own death.

Qin Chuan's actions made Mo Shiyun even more nervous.

She hoped for Zhai Yunsheng and Jian Yiling to leave quickly and not appear in front of Qin Chuan again.

Every time Jian Yiling appeared in front of Qin Chuan, Mo Shiyun would become incredibly nervous.

"Yep," Jian Yiling replied without the slightest hesitation.

Then, Zhai Yunsheng and Jian Yiling walked over to their seats.

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Someone amongst the crowd whispered: "Why is he saying such a thing with that much pride? Is he addicted to relying on a woman for support?"

"I'd say so. Take a look at the smug expression on his face. If he hadn't married Jian Yiling before the Zhai family went bankrupt, what could he possibly have right now?"

"And he has the audacity to come and bid on the land. Doesn't he know how expensive this plot of land is? It will definitely cost billions of dollars... How could he possibly have that much money?"

"Do you think Jian Yiling is willing to fork out tens of billions of dollars for Zhai Yunsheng?"

"Well, if she does, she's quite stupid."

"..."

Quite a few people were discussing this amongst the crowd. However, they lowered their voices and did not dare to let Zhai Yunsheng and Jian Yiling hear their discussion.

As these people stood closer to Qin Chuan and Mo Shiyun, the two of them could hear this conversation.

Upon hearing such words, Mo Shiyun felt much better,

She was no longer foolish enough to do something that would trouble Jian Yiling. However, when she heard others belittle Jian Yiling, her heart could not help but feel happy.

At least she wasn't the only one who was being ridiculed.

Mo Shiyun looked up at Qin Chuan again. She quickly noticed at Qin Chuan was still looking at Jian Yiling.

Even though her heart ached to see this, she quickly suppressed the pain.

However, no matter how painful it is, she had to endure it. After all, she refused to make another mistake. As long as she did not make a mistake, she could continue to stay by Qin Chuan's. To stay by his side, she was willing to bear any slander.

As the central part of Beijing had long been devoid of land to develop, in the past two years, the land on the outskirts of Beijing had been sold at sky-high prices.

Hence, many corporations and companies were interested in purchasing the piece of land that was to be auctioned.

The bid started off at 5 billion dollars. In less than ten minutes after the bidding started, the price had already been raised to more than ten billion.

At this point, many people had to give up.

So far, Zhai Yunsheng and Jian Yiling hadn't made a bid.

The people around them were curious about why this was happening. Were they not worried? Or did they not intend to bid on this piece of land in the first place?

Jian Yiling leaned on Zhai Yunsheng's shoulder. Her eyes began to flutter close and she seemed like an obedient kitten.

As she slept late last night, she didn't have enough energy to stay awake during the day. On top of this, she wasn't interested in the auction anyway.

As Zhai Yunsheng felt bad about what happened last night, he decided to let her nap on his shoulder.

Even though he intended to hold himself back, self-control was difficult to have.

When the bidding reached 18 billion dollars, Zhai Yunsheng finally spoke up.

"18.8 billion."

Zhai Yunsheng's bid caused many people to cast a strange look at him.

Was he really bidding?

Did he really have that much money?

Even the Dean of Lahaisen Hospital should not be able to gather that much money at once, right?

And even if they did have that much money, more money had to be expended on later development. They couldn't just hold onto a piece of land and not do anything with it right?

The land had to be developed and constructed. How did Zhai Yunsheng intend to do this?

"19 billion," Qin Chuan's assistant exclaimed in Qin Chuan's stead.

"20 billion," Zhai Yunsheng said smilingly.

It seemed as though he was serious about this.

When everyone else heard this, they couldn't help but exclaim that Jian Yiling was indeed very rich.

As expected of someone who founded Lahaisen Hospital.

"20.8 billion," Qin Chuan's assistant continued to raise the price on behalf of Qin Chuan.

"21 billion," Zhai Yunsheng continued with a relaxed expression on his face. He continued to raise the price. It seemed as if he wanted to fight Qin Chuan to the very end.