

The Beloved 171

Chapter 171: Love-hate Relationship!

Sizhe gave the beauty on his bed another look of reluctance again. He gritted his teeth and turned to leave...

He must make Chu Liyuan compensate him for his tosses!

Sizhe thought to himself...

However, the most thorny problem now was how to get that oddball to Li Garden.

He was famous for being difficult to deal with; he paid no heed to anyone.

Chu Liyuan! I've just returned and he's already causing trouble for me!

Sizhe sped to that oddball's house...

He looked at his watch and saw that it was not even 6 a.m..

50? early? Perhaps he wasn't up yet?

It's not a good thing to disturb someone's sleep. Will he have severe morning anger?

If he's having a raunchy session of "morning exercise" and I interrupt him midway, will I be thrown out?

Time passed minute by minute. Bigshot, Mr. Chu only gave me half an hour! Damn it.. Here goes nothing!

Sizhe gritted his teeth—stomped his feet—and pressed the doorbell...

As the doorbell rang, Sizhe felt increasingly uncertain.

Swoosh! The door suddenly swung opened. A thin, tall, fair, and elegant man there.

Although he looked very refined, he exuded a “do not disturb” aura.

“What’s up?”

The man looked at Sizhe indifferently.

51? Zhe wanted to roll his eyes. Who was he? Shang Sizhe! The second young master of Shang Corporation... The legend of Mercy Hospital... The tall, rich, and handsome Prince Charming in the eyes of women. Why did this guy treat him like this...

Forget it, time was tight. He had to put up with it for now!

Sizhe looked at the man in front of him with a smile. “Little Lu, I have a favor to ask of you. You must agree to it!”

The man looked at Sizhe with disdain... Little Lu? How disgusting!

This man’s name was Lu Ting. Although he was young and not even 30 years old, he was a very highly-skilled TCM practitioner. In short, they had a very subtle relationship that was somewhere between friends and confidants who learned from each other.

Although that was the case, their personalities were like chalk and cheese. Sizhe was a firecracker while Lu Ting was an introvert.

One was noisy while the other was quiet; like Yin and Yang... Very complementary.

The relationship between the two of them was strange, but it was also the best. It was a love-hate relationship!

“Did you come here early in the morning to disgust me?”

“No, no, no! How is that possible? Little Lu, rm...”

“If you call me Little... that again, please leave.”

“Alright, alright, alright! I won’t say that anymore, alright? Why are you so angry so early in the morning?”

After such a long time, Sizhe still had not gotten to the point. Lu Ting’s patience had reached its limit, and he was about to close the door on Sizhe...

Sizhe was quick to react. He put one foot in the door that had almost closed. “Damn, why did you exert so much strength? My foot is about to break.”

Sizhe immediately acted pitiful.

Lu Ting was lazy to leave. He turned around and went back into the house. Sizhe followed him in...

Lu Ting leisurely sat at the dining table and was about to eat breakfast.

“Ting, don’t eat anymore. Someone’s going to die. How can you still eat?”

Lu Ting ignored him and continued eating his breakfast.

“Someone’s life is in danger now. We need you to rush over to treat her as soon as possible. Otherwise, her life will be in danger.”

However, Lu Ting continued to eat slowly. “People whose lives are in danger won’t want TCM consultation. Besides, I don’t make house calls. You know that very well!”

“I know, but this is a special case! Just make an exception!”

“No!”

“Can you treat it as a favor to me?”

“Nope!”

This made Sizhe choke... This guy was really stubborn!

It seemed that he could only use his trump card.

“Ting, I’ll tell you the truth! If you don’t come with me today, I’ll die a horrible death.”

“You’re the second young master of the Shang family. Who dares to provoke you?”

“Chu! Li! Yuan!”

Upon hearing this name, Lu Ting suddenly stood up... with an expression of disbelief.

“I’ll go with you!”

This guy agreed? It seemed that his trump card had worked.. It seemed that he was still a little important!

Chapter 172: What a Worrying Stubborn Lass!

Lu Ting took his medical kit and followed Sizhe downstairs, not even finishing his breakfast.

Meanwhile...

Chu Liyuan sat by the side of the bed and looked at Jian Dan, who was lying on the bed with her brows closely-knitted all this while. His heart ached when he saw this. He used his right index finger to smoothen Jian Dan’s brows and gently relaxed them.

Jian Dan felt Chu Liyuan’s touch and slowly opened her eyes...

Seeing Chu Liyuan sitting by the bed and staring straight at her, Jian Dan felt a little uncomfortable. Just as she was about to get up, she felt a sharp pain in her lower abdomen...

Of course, she knew what this pain meant.

What was going on? Why was it suddenly brought forward? Wasn’t there still two days left? Could it be...

Was it because she had a foot bath yesterday and it promoted her blood circulation, so it was brought forward?

Ever since Jian Dan became a woman, her abdomen hurt very much every menstrual cycle, especially on the first and second day. Sometimes, it was so painful that she could not get out of bed!

Ever since she married Chu Liyuan, she would hide on campus every time her period was about to come because she did not want Chu Liyuan to worry. However, she did not expect that she was still discovered.

No... I can't let Uncle know that...

Jian Dan endured the sharp pain in her lower abdomen and sat up. "Uncle, why are you looking at me like that? Is there something on my face?"

"Does it hurt a lot?"

Has Uncle saw through it? But I clearly...

"I'm not in pain!"

"Your lips are already pale, yet you're still trying to put on a brave front!"

Jian Dan subconsciously covered her mouth with her hand.

"I'm really not in pain!"

Jian Dan forced a smile.

Chu Liyuan's heart felt like it was being gripped hard in someone's hand when he saw how this lass was clearly in pain but was still putting on a brave front and refusing to tell him the truth.

This lass would usually complain that she was tired during training and refused to exercise. She would complain that it was bitter when it was time to take medicine and try to wheedle her way out of it. But now, she insisted on not telling him?

“Alright, alright! It’s a little painful. It’s really just a little!”

Seeing the look of disbelief on Chu Liyuan’s face, she could only change her tune.

“Were you like this before?”

In his memory, there did not seem to be any memories of Jian Dan’s period. It was as if she did not have periods.

Now that he thought about it, Jian Dan seemed to return to campus for a few days every month. At that time, she told him that she had something to do, and he had never suspected anything. Now that he thought about it... it was very likely that she did not want him to know, so she deliberately avoided him every time.

“Every girl’s tummy hurts during those few days! That’s normal! Uncle, don’t worry.”

Jian Dan shifted a little upright. As it was too painful, she could not control her expression and frowned slightly before resuming her poker face. However, Chu Liyuan still caught it.

“I’ll massage it for you!”

Looking at Jian Dan’s expression of pain, he was at a loss for what to do.

“No need!”

Jian Dan said as she covered her abdomen with her hand.

Why was Jian Dan’s reaction so big? 1 was just going to massage her tummy Could it be...

Chu Liyuan quickly removed Jian Dan’s hand, then lifted the blanket and reached inside her clothes... It was so fast that before Jian Dan could react, Chu Liyuan’s hands were already on her abdomen.

The moment he touched Jian Dan's abdomen, he knew why this lass had such a big reaction when she heard that he wanted to massage her abdomen.

Jian Dan's abdomen was as cold as ice. It was so cold that it would definitely hurt, let alone during her period.

Yesterday, he had realized that Jian Dan's hands and feet were abnormally cold. So there was a reason.

"Your hands are so warm!"

"Tell me the truth!"

"I've always been like this. I'm used to it."

Jian Dan pretended to be nonchalant.

"So, Uncle, you really don't have to worry!"

"From now on, you're not allowed to hide on campus during your period!"

Now, when he thought about how Jian Dan had always endured this pain alone in the dormitory, his heart ached terribly.

In the future, he would never let Jian Dan be alone again.

"Okay!"

Chu Liyuan's tone was very stern, but it was music to Jian Dan's ears! Chapter 173: F*ck! When Did This Happen? Why Didn't I Know?

Half an hour? Sizhe's car was comparable to a rocket...

Finally, they made it...

Without any delay, the two of them went straight to the master bedroom on the second floor...

The moment he entered, Sizhe's eyes fell to the ground.

A woman was lying on Chu Liyuan's bed? How was that possible? He must be seeing things.

Sizhe rubbed his eyes hard and realized that the girl was still there...

Was he dreaming? He pinched his thigh again.

Holy sh *t! Ouch!

That wasn't a dream? Then this was... time distortion? Parallel universe?

"What are you waiting for? Come over quickly!"

He was standing at the door in a daze.

Lu Ting had already walked over...

Chu Liyuan looked at the man in front of him and smiled. "It's you!"

A rare smile appeared on Lu Ting's face.

Clearly, the two of them knew each other.

However, Sizhe was still immersed in the shock of seeing Jian Dan, so he did not notice their interaction.

Lu Ting did not say anything else. Instead, he went over to Jian Dan and performed a pulse diagnosis...

Uncle called a doctor? But when did he do it?! Moreover, it was a TCM practitioner!

Most TCM doctors were very old. They had long beards and stroked their beards as they performed the pulse diagnosis.

However, this person looked very young and was so handsome.

Were the requirements so high now? Apart from good medical skills, did they also need to be beautiful and have good figures?

When she saw the handsome man, she felt that her abdomen did not hurt as much as before. It seemed that this doctor's handsome face was very helpful for treatment!

She saw the handsome man frown slightly as he assessed her pulse...

Was her problem very serious? It was just menstrual cramps. Which girl didn't have that?

"It's indeed Cold Womb Syndrome!"

"Many girls have Cold Womb Syndrome, but hers is fairly serious!"

"Do your hands and feet usually feel cold?"

This TCM practitioner even knew how to read fortunes!

Jian Dan looked at him and nodded.

“Treatment plan?”

“Cold Womb Syndrome can only be slowly be nursed back to health through nourishment. Eat less cold food. Remember to keep warm. You can take baths and foot baths more often. Eat more “heaty” food. I’ll prescribe a few doses of medicine for you to build up your health for a few months first and we’ll see from there.”

Lu Ting handed the prescription to Chu Liyuan...

“Thanks!”

“Do you still need to use this word between us?”

Just then, Sizhe’s consciousness had already returned...

“Erm... You two?”

Seeing their interaction, Sizhe curiously asked about their relationship...

“We’re comrades!”

“The two of you are actually comrades! Oh my God! What a coincidence!”

“Wait... Wait a minute. Did you agree to come not because of me, but because of him?”

Sizhe asked as he pointed at Chu Liyuan.

“Yes!”

That one word had made Sizhe fall from heaven to hell in an instant. Initially, he thought that it was because of his immense charm, but he did not expect it to be this way!

Heavens! Tell me this isn't true!

“What about her?”

The camaraderie of comrades was not something that the average person could understand. He could ignore it, but not only did Chu Liyuan wake him up early in the morning for a woman, he even made him go through so much trouble to invite this oddball Lu Ting?

“My wife!”

“What?”

Hearing this news, not only was Sizhe shocked, but Lu Ting was as well.

Chu Liyuan was married? If someone else told him that Chu Liyuan was married, he would definitely say, “Bullsh*t. That's definitely impossible!”

But now that it came from Chu Liyuan's mouth, how could he not believe it?

“F*ck! When? Why didn't I know?!”

Chapter 174:1 Don't Need You to Like My Lass!

Who's this? Why does it feel like these two people are very familiar with Uncle?

"You do now."

Chu Liyuan had a look of "it was a matter of course".

"That's not cool, man. You didn't inform me about such a big thing like marriage. You really broke my heart."

Sizhe covered his face with his hands and sobbed.

Seeing that a grown man was crying, Jian Dan immediately panicked. "Don't cry! Uncle was too busy with work, so he didn't have time to inform you. Don't mind him."

Jian Dan sat up straight and comforted him.

This movement tugged at her abdomen, so the pain swept over her again...

Chu Liyuan and Lu Ting looked nonchalant.

"Laid it on thick..."

Chu Liyuan said coldly as he looked at Sizhe.

"Really? I feel that my acting skills have improved recently!"

Upon hearing Chu Liyuan's words, he removed his hands from his face. Not a single tear on his face. He even had an irreverent expression on his face...

Jian Dan was dumbfounded...

Sizhe was a callous person. His heart was bigger than the Pacific Ocean and he felt that nothing in this world could affect his mood. How could he cry over such a small matter?

This guy loved to prank people. Chu Liyuan and Lu Ting had known Sizhe for so long. How could they fall for his tricks? They were already used to it. Only a noob like Jian Dan would fall for his tricks.

This guy is so frivolous. How could he joke with such matters? Made me so nervous just now.

However... I like him. He's such a fun person. Must "spar" with him when I have the time!

"What's your name?"

Caught off guard, Sizhe appeared in front of Jian Dan and looked at her with a smile.

It happened so suddenly it gave Jian Dan a scare. She probably looked very dorky now.

"Hello, I'm Sizhe, your husband's pal."

"Oh! Hi, I'm Jian Dan... I'm Uncle's..."

Wife? Spouse? Missus?

Jian Dan felt a little awkward...

I don't think I've ever called myself that in front of others!

"Jian Dan? That's an interesting name!"

Interesting? What's so interesting? Is it very interesting?

"Shang Sizhe. This name is quite elegant too."

"Right? Of course! In the future, just call me Sizhe like Chu Liyuan!"

"Sizhe!"

"You know what? I like you so much. Your reaction just now was really too good, not like the two of them—so boring!"

"Hehe" ...

You mean I'm stupid?

"Why did you marry Chu Liyuan? He's so boring and cold. What do you like about him?"

Sizhe asked Jian Dan with a gossipy look on his face.

"Hey!"

This guy actually dared to talk to his lass at such a close distance. What did he just say? "Like you so much??" Looks like this brat has been living too comfortably recently. 1 should make him suffer a little.

Chu Liyuan grabbed Sizhe's collar—lifted him up from the bed—and moved him to the other side.

"I don't need you to like my lass!"

Chu Liyuan said in a tone brimming with jealousy.

“F*ck! Is this still the Chu Liyuan I know? Were you jealous just now?”

Sizhe teased.

Why are Uncle’s pals all like this? She had thought that Ling Jihao was already very shocking, but she did not expect Sizhe to be even worse!

Uncle and his pals don’t seem very compatible with each other. Is this the legendary complementarity??

That’s true. If Uncle’s friends are all like him, then there will definitely be awkward silence if they go out together! Yes! That’s right!

Jian Dan thought to herself..

Chapter 175: Finally Found the Cause

Chu Liyuan cast a look at Sizhe...

“Alright, alright, alright! I won’t say anything, alright?”

Sizhe was not afraid of anything except for Grim Yama, Chu Liyuan!

Because this guy was plain inhumane when he wanted to!

He would not run out of ideas with his tricks.

Don't think that he would just beat you up or lock you up. That was child's play.

Only by experiencing you would you understand... That was even cruder than The Top Ten Tortures of the Qing Dynasty!

He still remembered when he first met Chu Liyuan. At that time, he was truly fearless and insisted on provoking Chu Liyuan...

He met with a sorry end...

Chu Liyuan did not hit, scold or hurt him. Instead, he injected Sizhe with anesthesia and propped his eyes open with two matches. Sizhe could not sleep for three days and three nights...

At that time, he felt that if he had a choice, he would rather be beaten up.

He made the fastest and most correct decision in his life in that moment— that man was too terrifying; he could only be friends with him, and not enemies!

It was because of this... that the two of them slowly became friends.

Of course, the process was also bitter! It was not that easy to be Chu Liyuan's friend, but... the process was not important; the outcome was!

Hence, Sizhe dared not provoke this dangerous man again.

"Jian Dan, how do you find married life with Chu Liyuan?"

"Has he thrown his temper at you?"

"Did he inflict any strange punishment on you?"

“Is there...”

“You talk too much!”

He did not know how those girls were charmed by him. Were they not afraid that their ears would get calluses?

Chu Liyuan grabbed Sizhe’s collar and brought him out of the bedroom!

“Ting!”

Before he left, he also called that handsome TCM practitioner...

“Jian Jian, lie on the bed and rest. I’ll bring you breakfast.”

Oh my God? What did I just hear?

Such a gentle voice came from Chu Liyuan’s mouth? Am I possessed?!

After leaving the bedroom, Chu Liyuan let go of Sizhe and immediately asked Lu Ting, “Is there a serious problem with Jian Jian’s health?”

He could not ask many questions in front of Jian Dan in the bedroom.

Lu Ting looked at Chu Liyuan solemnly. “Actually, Cold Womb Syndrome doesn’t affect her much. She’s just more afraid of the cold than others. It’s just that...”

Lu Ting hesitated.

“What?”

“Liyuan, it’ll be a little hard if you plan to have a child.”

Chu Liyuan frowned deeply. “What do you mean?”

“It’s not what you think. It’s just that it’ll be more difficult than the average person. Furthermore, she needs a long time to build up her health and improve her condition.”

“I understand. I’ll leave the rest to you.”

“Don’t worry!”

Chu Liyuan asked himself in his heart what would happen to him if Jian Dan really couldn’t have children. How should he tell Grandpa? But in just a second... He had already made a decision. It did not matter if Jian Dan really could not get pregnant, he would still be with her and never let her leave...

“Don’t tell Jian Jian about this!”

Lu Ting nodded.

“Chu Liyuan, you really care a lot about her!”

Sizhe commented as he put aside his usual frivolity.

Chu Liyuan’s lips curled up...

Finally found the cause now...

It turned out that it was not because he did not work hard enough, but because the house was too cold...

Chapter 176: The Person Sizhe Could Not Win Over

Mrs. Jin had already prepared a sumptuous breakfast downstairs...

"Mrs. Jin, I love you so much. You understand me so well."

Sizhe gave Mrs. Jin a bear hug and spun her around.

"It's so early in the morning. Are you trying to break my old bones?"

Sizhe was a frequent visitor to Li Garden. He had not been here recently because he was away in England for a medical conference. In the past, he would come here every other day.

Hence, the staff of Li Garden were fairly familiar with him.

"Hehe! Mrs. Jin, you're still young!"

Sizhe sat at the dining table and picked up the sandwich that consisted of bacon, over easy egg, olives, avocado, tomatoes, and cheese that Mrs. Jin had specially made for him!

One bite...

"Oh my God! This is heavenly! When I was in England, I kept thinking about Mrs. Jin's food!"

There was egg yolk dripping from the corner of his mouth as he closed his eyes and chewed contentedly...

“You’re so exaggerating!”

“It’s definitely not an exaggeration. Look, I’ve lost weight in the past few months... Because I haven’t eaten your cooking.”

“Oh, you glib talker!”

Mrs. Jin smiled from ear to ear.

Now it was clear why Sizhe was so popular with girls. Apart from his family background and his handsome face, he was also honeymouthed.

“Have a seat too! I don’t know your taste, so I casually prepared some.”

Mrs. Jin said.

“I’m fine with anything!”

Lu Ting also sat down...

“You guys eat. I’ll send some to Jian Jian...”

When the two of them turned around, they only saw Chu Liyuan’s back.

“Sigh! We can’t understand a man in love.”

“Quit staring and eat quickly! Mrs. Jin’s culinary skills are not to be underestimated.”

If not for Mrs. Jin's excellent culinary skills, why would he come to Li Garden every other day? For that iceberg Chu Liyuan??

Just then, Zi Yan also came downstairs for breakfast...

"Hey! Zi Yan, when did you come back?"

Sizhe asked in surprise before he could swallow the sandwich in his mouth.

Sizhe felt that he could win over all the women in the world, except for the one before him. No matter how much he flirted with her and used all his charm, she ignored him.

See... He greeted her so warmly, but she did not even look at him. Instead...

"Zi Yan."

"Ting."

"You two know each other too?"

Sizhe exclaimed in surprise. How did Lu Ting know everyone? And he seemed to be very familiar with Zi Yan.

Zi Yan glanced at Sizhe coldly. "None of your business!"

Sizhe instantly shivered.

Why did a pretty girl like her have to learn from Chu Liyuan instead of putting on makeup? Now, she was like a female version of Chu Liyuan. What kind of man could tame such a girl?!

Sizhe tactfully stopped talking and lowered his head to continue eating his breakfast.

“Mrs. Jin, I want another serving!”

“Alright!”

“Thank you, Mrs. Jin. You really dote on me!”

When he said this, he deliberately cast a glance at Zi Yan and Lu Ting...

However, they did not pay any attention to him at all. Instead, they ate their breakfast with calm expressions.

Don't be mad, don't be mad! I'm not mad! I'm a very magnanimous person. Moreover, my beauty and charm don't need to be verified by the two of you. That's public knowledge and widely acclaimed!

Sizhe picked up the second sandwich that Mrs. Jin had made for him and took a big bite..

Chapter 177: Be Good and You Can Have Anything!

“Jian Jian!”

Chu Liyuan returned to the bedroom with breakfast.

“Does your tummy still hurt?”

“It's already much better.”

Jian Dan said with a smile.

“Drink this first!”

Looking at the brown sugar ginger water that Chu Liyuan handed over, she frowned. “Uncle, can I not drink this?”

“No!”

He could accede to her every request, but not this.

“This tastes like traditional Chinese medicine. It doesn’t taste good at all!” Jian Dan pouted.

Jian Dan had long known that drinking brown sugar ginger water during periods could relieve menstrual cramps. However, she really did not like this taste, so she had never drunk it.

“Then you’ll have to get used to it.”

“Uncle, what do you mean?” Jian Dan looked at Chu Liyuan warily.

“Ting said that your Cold Womb Syndrome needs traditional Chinese medicine to build up your health.”

“What?” Jian Dan sat up agitatedly... “Ouch!” That action tugged her abdomen and the pain spread throughout her body again.

“What are you doing? Lie down!”

Chu Liyuan slowly help Jian Dan lie back on the bed.

“Take traditional Chinese medicine?”

Jian Dan could not even stand the taste of brown sugar ginger water, let alone traditional Chinese medicine.

“Uncle, can I just drink the brown sugar ginger water and not traditional Chinese medicine?” Jian Dan took the cup from Chu Liyuan’s hand and said to him with a smile.

“No! You have to drink brown sugar ginger water and traditional Chinese medicine!”

“But...”

“No bargaining.”

Jian Dan pouted. Deeply.

“As long as you’re willing to take your medicine obediently, I can grant you one wish.”

“Huh?” Jian Dan immediately perked up. “Anything I want?”

“Anything you want!”

“Then I’ll have to think about it carefully.”

“Before that, drink the brown sugar ginger water.”

Chu Liyuan pointed at the cup in Jian Dan’s hand.

“Okay!”

Jian Dan reluctantly drank the brown sugar ginger water.

After drinking it, her facial features scrunched up. She stuck her tongue out and said, "Uncle, water!"

Chu Liyuan handed the water on the table to Jian Dan.

However, when he saw Jian Dan obediently drink the brown sugar ginger water, a satisfied smile appeared on his face.

"Eat your breakfast!"

Chu Liyuan brought the breakfast to Jian Dan's mouth.

"But... I haven't brushed my teeth yet!"

Jian Dan said sheepishly as she looked at Chu Liyuan.

"Do it after breakfast!"

He scooped from the bowl with the spoon.

"Uncle, I'll eat it myself!" Jian Dan wanted to take the bowl from Chu Liyuan.

"Open up!"

Chu Liyuan commanded, and Jian Dan opened her mouth obediently...

Mrs. Jin had prepared her favorite glutinous rice balls made with rice wine.

“Uncle, have you eaten?”

“I’ll eat after you finish!”

“Then let’s eat together!”

Jian Dan gently pushed the spoon to Chu Liyuan’s mouth.

Chu Liyuan smiled and popped the glutinous rice ball into his mouth.

He usually did not eat such sweet food, but today, he felt that it tasted quite good.

Jian Dan was really the most precious gift given to him by God. He wanted to use everything in his power to carefully protect this precious gift and not let her get hurt!

And so... The warm sunlight fell on the bed in the bright morning. One of them was lying on the bed, and the other was sitting by the bed with a bowl of glutinous rice balls made with rice wine. They shared the food sweetly as they exchanged loving looks.. The sparks between their eyes were clearly visible, and the entire room was filled with pink bubbles!

Chapter 178: PDA Is a Relationship Killer!

In the afternoon, her menstrual cramps no longer hurt as much. She did not know if it had something to do with the cup of brown sugar ginger water in the morning. She had heard from Chu Liyuan that after her period ended, she would have to start taking traditional Chinese medicine.

Why is my life so hard?!!

However, with Jian Dan’s personality, as long as she could get out of bed, how could she stay in bed?

Jian Dan got dressed and went downstairs. She saw the two men from this morning and Zi Yan sitting in the living room.

Shang Sizhe and Zi Yan were playing games... and it looked like he was about to lose.

Jian Dan walked over and took the game controller from him. "You're so stupid. Watch me!"

Jian Dan gave him a confident smile.

He had originally been in a disadvantageous position but managed to turn the table on Zi Yan and turned defeat into victory because of Jian Dan's help...

Sizhe had a look of disbelief on his face. Under such circumstances, he could still turn the table and turn defeat into victory! He gave Jian Dan a thumbs up.

Jian Dan watched as he raised his chin arrogantly and did not notice the expression on Zi Yan's face...

"One more round!"

Zi Yan stared at the LCD screen with an unyielding expression.

"Zi Yan, Jian Jian is the absolute queen of gaming! You can't beat her!"

Chu Liyuan—who had just come in from outside—said.

"Uncle."

"Why did you come down? Does your tummy not hurt anymore?"

"Yes! My tummy doesn't hurt anymore. It's so boring for me to be up there alone."

“Okay. But if you’re not feeling well, you have to go upstairs to rest, understand?” Chu Liyuan patted Jian Dan’s head dotingly.

“Oh my god! It’s so blinding! What did 1 just see?” Sizhe covered his eyes with one hand, but his fingers were separated as he peeped through his fingers.

“Are you envious?”

“I’m envious? 1 have many girlfriends! Why would 1 be envious of you? 1 just want to remind you that PDA is a relationship killer!”

Sizhe said fearlessly.

“You want to become mute?!”

The moment Chu Liyuan said this, Sizhe instantly shut his mouth...

Seeing that Sizhe had shut his mouth tightly, Chu Liyuan turned his gaze back to Jian Dan in satisfaction.

“You don’t know them yet, do you? Let me introduce...”

From Chu Liyuan’s introduction, she realized that Lu Ting was Chu Liyuan’s former comrade. They had developed a deep friendship during their time in the military and had even gone through fire and water together. Those who had never experienced such camaraderie would definitely not be able to understand it.

He came from a TCM family—a family legacy that had been passed down for generations—so he had started learning TCM since he was young. He learned to recognize the herbs of traditional Chinese medicine and their uses. He also learned acupuncture and Tuina?. In particular, his attainments in this aspect were very impressive. That was why he became such an outstanding TCM practitioner at such a young age. They had lost contact with each other after leaving the military.

As for Sizhe, he was the second young master of Shang Corporation. The head honcho of Shang Corporation now was his brother, Shang Simiao. The two brothers were very close, so there was no so-called family feud or rivalry. Moreover, he was not interested in the corporate world and had never thought of joining Shang Corporation. That was why he chose to study medicine.

Oh my God? Sizhe was actually a doctor? Jian Dan could not imagine what a person like him would look like when he picked up a scalpel.

Would he tell jokes to the nurses during the surgery? Would he talk the patient who was undergoing surgery into a coma?

It was unimaginable!

Moreover, from what Chu Liyuan said, he seemed to be a very highly-skilled doctor.

However, his private life was a little unflattering...

The number of women who flock to the hospital... Not to mention the young nurses in the hospital.

However, he had the ability to make those young ladies willingly throw themselves at him. Even though they knew that nothing would come out of it, they were still willing. It was akin to the harem of ancient emperors—they would jump at the chance for a night with the emperor.

Chapter 179: This Is the Correct Way For a Good Friend to Open Up!

Although Chu Liyuan had said that, Zi Yan was the kind of person who refused to admit defeat. She was out to win in everything that she did. It was precisely because of this personality that made Zi Yan who she was today.

So how could she admit defeat just like that?

Since Zi Yan wanted to continue... Of course, Jian Dan would take her on right to the very end...

After more than 30 rounds...

Zi Yan was crushed by Jian Dan in every round. Of course, Jian Dan was not out to prove how good she was. It was just that she felt that it was a form of respect for Zi Yan to do her best.

Just as Jian Dan thought that Zi Yan would continue to say the words 'one more round'...

Zi Yan turned Jian Dan around to face her and said in all seriousness, "Teach me!"

This was... She did not expect the usually cold Zi Yan to have such a side! Since that was the case, she obviously had to take the opportunity...

"Teach you? No problem! But..."

"I only teach my friends!"

Zi Yan was taken aback for a moment when she heard Jian Dan's words. She had thought that Jian Dan would make a request of her because to her... If she wanted to obtain something, she had to give something in exchange. However, Jian Dan actually only wanted to be friends with her?

Jian Dan had broken some of her understanding of this world.

What she did not know was that from this second onwards, she had started to open up towards Jian Dan...

"Alright!" Zi Yan extended her hand to Jian Dan.

The smile on Jian Dan's face grew increasingly wider. She ignored Zi Yan's outstretched hand and hugged her instead. "This is the correct way for a good friend to open up."

Zi Yan's hands froze in mid-air, and her face froze. Her body seemed to have been frozen.

Ever since her family had been slaughtered overnight, she had never had such intimate contact with anyone. This sudden hug made her unable to adapt for a moment.

"Zi Yan, are you nervous now?"

Jian Dan asked with a smile when she saw Zi Yan's uneasy expression.

"Haha! It's alright. You'll get used to it after a few more hugs." She hugged Zi Yan again... "First hug, second hug, third hug..." She hugged Zi Yan repeatedly.

"How is it? Do you feel much better now?"

"Don't worry, you'll slowly get used to it in the future."

The coldness in Zi Yan's eyes had long disappeared because of Jian Dan's actions just now...

Chu Liyuan looked at Zi Yan's change and a smile flashed across his eyes...

In this moment, Zi Yan finally understood why Chu Liyuan had undergone such a huge change because of Jian Dan—she had a special magical power that could infect the people around her unknowingly.

I... have a friend? Jian Dan? She's my friend now? My first friend?

Before this, Zi Yan did not have any friends. Chu Liyuan and Lu Ting could only be considered as comrades and not friends.

Zi Yan carried a blood feud with her. She had never thought of making friends, nor did she need friends. But today... just a moment ago... She had a friend!

“Jian Dan!”

At the thought of this, a smile flashed across Zi Yan’s face that she did not even notice...

“Zi Yan, don’t worry. With me teaching you, you will definitely become a super expert in the gaming world!”

Jian Dan raised her eyebrows confidently.

“Jian Dan, can you teach me too?” Sizhe tried to get in on the act too.

“You? Depends on my mood!”

“Why? Didn’t you say that you only teach friends? I’m good friends with Chu

Liyuan. Of course, I’m your friend too then!”

“Sort of! But... Zi Yan is different from you... I like Zi Yan!”

“You don’t like me?” Sizhe asked as he pretended to be sad.

“You want me to like you? You have to ask Uncle if he agrees first!”

Sizhe turned around and met Chu Liyuan’s cold eyes. He instantly shivered. “Forget it, I’d better wait for your mood then!”

Sizhe raised his white flag and surrendered in the face of Chu Liyuan...

Chapter 180: Chu Liyuan, Are You Sure You Didn't Break the Law?

"Mr. Chu, dinner is ready!"

Mrs. Jin's voice rang in the air...

"Zi Yan, let's go eat!" Jian Dan held Zi Yan's hand and walked towards the dining table.

The moment Jian Dan held her hand, Zi Yan's heart had a slight tremble.

It seemed that she really had to slowly adapt to the feeling of having a friend.

They chatted during the meal.

"Jian Dan, you're really amazing. You actually managed to win Chu Liyuan aka Hades Chu over? Share it with us. How did you do it?" Sizhe asked directly.

There was nothing he could do about Chu Liyuan! It would be great if Jian Dan could teach him a few moves!

"Well... I don't think I have anything to tell you because I don't know either!"

Jian Dan was a little embarrassed.

"You don't know? You won him over without even knowing?"

Sizhe could not believe his ears.

“Hehe...”

“Then tell us about your meet-cute with Chu Liyuan?”

Ling Jihao had asked her this question before. At that time, she was so shy that she wished she could find a hole to hide in...

However, after that, she had done her homework. If she thought that someone would ask her this question again, she would say... “It’s our secret. That’s for me to know and you to find out!”

“Wow! Looks like their meet-cute is not appropriate for public consumption!” Sizhe said with a mischievous smile.

Jian Dan’s face turned red again at Sizhe’s words...

“Then you can at least tell us about your anecdotes with Chu Liyuan!”

“After hearing what you said, I feel very square.”

“You what?”

“I’m not European. Please let me off! Please let me off!”

Everyone at the dining table who heard Jian Dan’s words had the words “What are you talking about?” written all over their faces.

Sizhe was the only one who understood it...

“Hang on. Jian Dan, how old are you? This should be fine to reveal, right?!” “Sure, I’m 20!”

The moment Jian Dan said the word “20”, not only Sizhe, but even Lu Ting looked surprised. Zi Yan had guessed that Jian Dan was younger than herself, but she never expected that she was actually seven years younger than her.

Although May-December romances are common... But isn’t this ‘spring’ & a little too youthful?

“Damn it. Chu Liyuan, are you sure you didn’t break the law?”

Sizhe felt that his jaw was about to drop to the ground...

There were countless women around him, but he only made his moves on girls who were above 25! Moreover, he was five years younger than Chu Liyuan!

Chu Liyuan got involved with a millennial for his first love. How could he bear to do that?

“Why is it illegal?” Jian Dan asked innocently.

“There’s an age difference of 18 years between the two of you! 18 years! Don’t you know that in ancient times, an 18-year-old would already be the father of a few kids?” Sizhe felt that he was already incoherent from shock.

Was it illegal? It was definitely not illegal. It was just to highlight his surprise! “So what if it’s 18 years? Uncle and I got together because we like each other. What does this have to do with age? Besides, I don’t think Uncle is old at all. He’s still so young!”

Jian Dan said as she gazed lovingly at Chu Liyuan.

Chu Liyuan’s eyes were smiling. It was obvious that Jian Dan’s words made him very happy.

So what if it was 18 years? Perhaps in the eyes of outsiders, 18 years was a huge difference, but did it matter what others said? What was most important was that they felt that there was no problem!