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### Chapter 511 Confronting Xu Anran

Xu Anran's eyes were cold. Although Qiao Xi was wearing ordinary clothes, her temperament was extraordinary. Her appearance and eyebrows were not similar to her mother's, but she was very similar to her mother's devastatingly beautiful and talented sister, Xia Yunqiu.

covered in dirt.

Xu Anran suddenly felt jealous. She restrained the emotions in her heart and pretended to be enthusiastic. "Xi Xi, welcome home. We can live together in the future."

Qiao Xi was speechless. Her tone made it seem as if she was the one who was adopted. Was it her blessing that the Xu family could accept her?

Her expression was indifferent as she sneered. "Heh! You want me to live with you? Xu Anran, you're not a daughter of the Xu family, so why

to the Xu family. I'm the eldest daughter of the Xu family. Could it be that... you still want to stay in the Xu family?"

As soon as she finished speaking, she entered the living room like a gust of cold wind. The servants immediately lowered their heads in fear. Only then did they realize that this unfamiliar lady was the biological daughter the Xu family came to Li City to look for.

Xu Anran was not the real daughter of the Xu couple.

When Madam Xu heard these words, she instantly said hatefully, "Qiao Xi, what are you talking about? You're back, but why do you have to ask Anran to leave? Anran has been living in the Xu family for so many years, after all. She's your sister. In the future, you have to respect her. Don't bring the shameless behavior you learned from outside to the Xu family!"

Qiao Xi had an innocent expression. "Shameless behavior? How am I shameless? Madam Xu, you already said that I'm your biological daughter. Xu Anran is someone who replaced me after she was swapped. Moreover, I heard that Xu Anran is only the daughter of a servant!"

Madam Xu was infuriated.

Qiao Xi remained calm. "I've already returned to the Xu family, so Sister Anran should return to her biological parents. Could it be that Madam Xu thinks that Sister Anran will forever be the eldest daughter of the Xu family? Could it be that just because the Xu family is rich, she has to abandon her biological parents and pretend not to know anything?"

Madam Xu was so angry that her face turned red, but she did not know how to retort.

Before Madam Xu could speak, Qiao Xi nodded. "So, this is how the Xu family educates their children. Anran doesn't need to care about her parents' lives or deaths. There's no need for her to show filial piety to her parents. She should just stay in the Xu family and be the eldest daughter, right?" Madam Xu was so angry that she almost vomited blood. This little b\*tch was really sharp-tongued! Xu Anran shed tears aggrievedly. "If you want to chase me away, then I..." "Anran!" Madam Xu shouted anxiously, then

her tone became gentle. "Xi Xi, although Anran is not our biological daughter, she has been by my side for so many years. We have feelings for each other, so we plan to take her in as our adopted daughter. The two of you must get along well in the future." Xu Anran's eyes were filled with tears. "Sister, I really just want to stay by Dad and Mom's side. I won't snatch anything from you. Everything that happened before was a misunderstanding. I'll let you have your way in the future. I don't want Mom to be sad, so don't make a scene, alright?"

When Xu Anran approached, her eyes revealed a trace of provocation.

How was it? Was Qiao Xi very angry?

'So what if you're Dad and Mom's biological daughter? So what if you're back? The person Dad, Mom, and Brother dote on is still me. Your appearance won't change anything.'

Xu Anran was actually looking forward to Qiao Xi getting angry. As long as Qiao Xi made a scene, everyone would think that she was unreasonable and not worthy to be the eldest daughter of the Xu family.

Unexpectedly, Qiao Xi smiled lightly. "Sure!"

The smile on Xu Anran's face froze as she looked at her in disbelief.

Qiao Xi said indifferently, "Miss Xu, I'm not fooling around. I'm just stating the facts. Since you're already the adopted daughter of the Xu family and Dad and Mom have agreed to let you stay here, I naturally won't object. It's just one more person to feed. The Xu family's big business doesn't lack this bit of money. We'll just take care of you!"

"..." Xu Anran was instantly infuriated.

Her anger surged, and she took a few deep breaths to suppress her anger. After calming down, she said, "Sister, I'll bring you around now."

Qiao Xi nodded. "Alright."

Chapter 512 The Yin Family In Shengdu

At Gu Corporation.

Gu Zheng was holding his phone and watching the video. He had installed a surveillance camera on Qiao Xi's necklace, so he could completely see what Qiao Xi was seeing at this moment.

The man smiled lightly. The Xu family had schemed against the wrong person this time. Qiao Xi was not a kind person.

Moreover... the matter of Xu Anyi getting his bodyguards to kill Qiao Xi was not over yet!

Just then, Song Shijing knocked on the door and came in to report about work. He then said seriously, "President, I've already investigated the Xia sisters, but many things have been hidden by the Xia family."

"Yeah."

“However, I’ve also found some clues. Actually, Madam Xu and her sister, Xia Yunqiu, didn’t have a good relationship. They weren’t as close as the rumors said. Although they were biological sisters, they didn’t live together when they were young.

“Madam Xu Yunlou grew up in the Xia family, while Madam Xia Yunqiu lived with her mother in the Yin family in Shengdu. After Madam Xia Yunqiu went missing, the Yin family has been searching for her. Unfortunately, Madam Xia Yunqiu died at a young age. The Yin family never found her.

“Xia Yunlou doesn’t like Young Madam but still wants to bring her back to the Xu family. I think it’s not just because of Xu Anyi. There might be other reasons. Otherwise, why would the entire family come to Li City?”

Gu Zheng’s expression was indifferent. “The noble Yin family of Shengdu?”

At the Xu family’s villa.

Qiao Xi followed Xu Anran to her room and could not help but narrow her eyes.

Although she had never lived in a villa when she was young, she had been living in Longwan Residential after marrying Gu Zheng. Generally speaking, the second and third floors were where the owners and guests stayed. The basement was where the servants stayed. The Xu family coincidentally arranged for her to stay on the first and second floors.

Xu Anran said with a gentle expression, “Dad, Mom, I’ve already instructed someone to prepare a room and even decorated it personally. I think my sister will definitely like it.”

Mr. Xu and Madam Xu looked at her affectionately. “Anran is not only obedient but also meticulous.”

When they looked at Qiao Xi, they had an impatient expression. “If you need anything, tell the servants at home to prepare it for you. There are some rules to living here.”

Qiao Xi smiled and did not say anything. She followed Xu Anran to the room in the basement.

The Xu family’s villa was very large, and there were many rooms in the basement. Qiao Xi’s room was in the corner of the basement. Although it was a little remote, the Xu family felt that it was much better than the place Qiao Xi used to live in.

Xu Anran pushed open the door. As the room was in the basement, the lights were switched on. However, the lights were very dim, making one feel very depressed. Who would have thought that the Xu family’s biological daughter would be asked to stay in such a room?

Xu Anran chuckled and said, “Sister, Nanny Li’s room is next door. If you need anything, just look for her.”

“Nanny Li?”

Xu Anran replied, “Yes, Nanny Li is an old servant of ours.”

Qiao Xi raised her eyebrows. The adopted daughter was staying in the largest room in the villa, but the biological daughter was only worthy of staying in the basement?

Xu Anran arranged her room here for her own selfish reasons. However, the Xu couple also tacitly agreed. This meant that this family did not take her seriously at all.

No family with a good upbringing would let a rich young miss stay on the same floor as the servants. If news of this went out, wouldn't it be embarrassing for the Xu family? However, the Xu family felt that all of this was reasonable. It seemed that agreeing to let Qiao Xi stay in the Xu family was already a great show of kindness. Xu Anran curled her lips. "Sister, do you like it here? But don't bring your things in. Mom said that the place you used to live in is too dirty. She's afraid that there would be germs, so she got someone to throw everything out. You won't mind, right?" Qiao Xi sneered.

Xu Anran thought that someone like her who came from the slums would definitely agree excitedly if she suddenly had a clean and spacious room.

However, what right did Xu Anran have to be so arrogant? In terms of blood relations, Qiao Xi was the biological daughter of the Xu family.

Qiao Xi smiled. "It's alright, but I still want to see other rooms."

Xu Anran's expression froze as she panicked. "This place is so nice! What's there to see?"

Qiao Xi had an innocent expression. "Can't I? Didn't you say that I can change rooms if I'm not satisfied? Could it be that you were just saying it?" "Uhh... sure!"

Chapter 513 I Want Your Room!

Qiao Xi rolled her eyes at her. "Then what are you waiting for? Let's go!"

"..." Xu Anran's face darkened.

This little b\*tch was treating her as a servant. She was actually talking to her in a commanding tone.

Xu Anran was walking around the basement with Qiao Xi. They passed by a few empty rooms. "Sister, what do you think of these rooms?"

"Tsk tsk, why must I stay in the basement? Although I've never stayed in a villa, I know that the basement is where the servants stay. The second and third floors are where the owners stay. The Xu family is really strange. They actually like staying in the basement, huh?"

Xu Anran frowned. "Sister, you've misunderstood. Dad and Mom don't stay in the basement. Do you want them to stay in the basement? That's against the rules."

Qiao Xi glanced at her coldly. "Oh, Dad and Mom aren't willing to stay in the basement, so why do you want me to stay here? Could it be that you like staying in the basement?"

"As the biological daughter of the Xu family, if I stay in the basement, doesn't that mean that the Xu family likes to stay in the basement?"

The atmosphere instantly became awkward.

Qiao Xi said casually, "If the Xu family likes to stay in the basement, then bring me to see if there are any other good rooms here. In any case, I don't like this one."

“How strange. A wealthy family likes to stay in the basement!”

Xu Anran’s expression was ugly as she hurriedly retorted, “Sister, what nonsense are you talking about? How could the Xu family like staying in the basement?”

Qiao Xi stopped in her tracks and sneered. “Since you don’t like it, why did you bring me to the basement? Do you think I’m not worthy of being the Xu family’s daughter, or are you jealous of my identity and want to target me, so you arranged for the real daughter of the Xu family to stay in the basement?”

Xu Anran immediately choked: “...”

Qiao Xi blinked. “If that’s not the case, why did you arrange for me to stay here?”

Xu Anran’s eyes were cold. This little b\*tch was really hard to deal with. It was already her blessing to be able to return to the Xu family. Was she still not satisfied?

Xu Anran suppressed her anger and gritted her teeth. “But... the rooms on the second floor are full.”

“Can’t I take a look?” Qiao Xi raised her eyes coldly. “Sister, you just said that you want to show me around the house. Why can’t I do it now?”

Xu Anran suppressed the anger in her heart and nodded. “Alright, alright. Sister, follow me.”

The two of them went upstairs.

The rooms on the second floor were bright and spacious, completely different from the ones in the basement.

Xu Anran pretended to be the host and introduced, “This is Dad and Mom’s bedroom, as well as the study and cloakroom. There are also two servants’ rooms here, so there’s really no room available on the second floor.”

Qiao Xi said casually, “It’s fine. Isn’t there a third floor?”

“Uh... This...” The corners of Xu Anran’s mouth twitched slightly, but she thought that even if Qiao Xi liked her room, she could not snatch it away. Her parents would definitely not agree.

Xu Anran said generously, “Then come upstairs with me, Sister.”

When the two of them reached the third floor, Qiao Xi went straight to a room.

The last time she watched the live broadcast, she knew that this was Xu Anran’s room. It was luxuriously decorated and looked like a princess’ residence. All the ornaments were extremely expensive. Even the most ordinary desk was specially customized and was worth more than 100,000 yuan. The room in the basement was completely different from this one. This was where the daughter of the Xu family should stay. It was obvious that the Xu couple doted on Xu Anran very much and treated her as their biological child.

Qiao Xi sized it up and praised in her heart that this room was luxuriously decorated. Its aesthetics were not bad, so she nodded. “This room will do!”

Xu Anran's eyes widened abruptly. "Sister, this... This is my room! There were originally many rooms on the third floor, but Dad and Mom thought that my room was too small. They took down the rest of the rooms, turning them into a cloakroom and a study for me. The other room is occupied by my brother. There are no more rooms here.

"You want to stay in my room, but the things in my room can't be moved out anytime soon, So..."

Qiao Xi directly interrupted her and said coldly, "Don't you understand human language? I want this room!"

Xu Anran's eyes turned red. "Sister, how could you..."

Chapter 514 Successfully Snatched Xu Anran's Room

"What are you arguing about?!" At this moment, Mr. Xu and Madam Xu went upstairs. Madam Xu said impatiently, "Have you handled the matter of the room?"

Qiao Xi did not say anything. Xu Anran said aggrievedly, "Mom, Sister... she doesn't like the room I decorated for her. She... She wants my room, but I..."

The Xu couple looked at each other, then glared fiercely at Qiao Xi. "Didn't we already arrange a room for you? Why do you have to snatch your sister's?"

Qiao Xi sneered. Xu Anran was still gnashing her teeth in anger just now, but she pretended to be weak in front of the Xu couple.

If she were just an ordinary child, she would definitely be sad because her parents despised her and might even leave the Xu family. However, she was Qiao Xi. She would make whoever wanted to deal with her pay the price.

Qiao Xi raised her eyes. "Madam Xu, do you really not agree to let me stay in this room?"

"Anran is so thoughtful. She arranged a room for you before you even came, but you want to steal her room instead! Why are you so insensible?!"

Madam Xu frowned. She felt that her biological daughter was really not modest.

Qiao Xi was helpless. "Alright, if you don't want me to stay here, then forget it. I'll go stay in the basement, but if news of this gets out and outsiders know that the Xu family's biological daughter is staying in the basement, I don't know what they'll think of the Xu family."

Madam Xu froze. Mr. Xu was confused, "Staying in the basement?"

Qiao Xi had an aggrieved expression. "Yes, the room my sister arranged for me is in the basement. Moreover, the servants' rooms are all there too. My sister said that there are no empty rooms on the second and third floors. The empty rooms on the third floor have all been made into her dressing rooms, so I have to stay in the basement. I thought my parents knew about it. Otherwise, why wouldn't they agree to let me stay in Xu Anran's room?"

"At first, I thought that my sister didn't like me, so she arranged for me to stay in the basement behind my parents' backs. It turns out you all know about it. Perhaps this is the Xu family's rule. A biological

daughter is only qualified to stay in the basement while an adopted daughter can stay on the spacious and bright third floor.

“Actually, it doesn’t matter where I stay, but if news of this gets out, it won’t be good for the Xu family’s reputation. It’ll make outsiders think that the Xu family’s upbringing isn’t strict. Since Dad and Mom think so, I’ll just stay in the basement.”

Mr. Xu quickly stopped her. “Wait!”

Mr. Xu glared at Xu Anran, then said seriously, “Anran, pack your things now. In the future, Xi Xi will be staying in this room!”

Xu Anran’s eyes instantly turned red as she shed tears aggrievedly. “Dad! Alright! I’ll move out now.”

This damned Qiao Xi! She had been gone for 20 years. What right did she have to snatch away what belonged to her the moment she returned?

She snatched her room as soon as she came. Wouldn’t she go overboard in the future?

Madam Xu’s heart ached as she advised, saying, “Xi Xi, there’s no empty room upstairs. You can just stay in the basement for the time being. It’s much better than the room you used to stay in, anyway. Why are you...”

Madam Xu did not think that there was anything wrong with letting Qiao Xi stay in the basement. Instead, she thought that she was very suitable. After all, she came from the slums.

“The basement is indeed better than the old neighborhood I lived in, but...”

Qiao Xi paused for a moment and continued, “But I’m the daughter of the Xu family now. If I hadn’t been swapped back then, I would have been the one staying in this room. Madam Xu, you wouldn’t even have known Xu Anran, yet you think that I’m not worthy of living in this room? Then do you think Xu Anran is worthy?”

“She’s just an adopted daughter, but she’s staying in the largest and most luxurious room in the entire villa. I’m your biological daughter, but I have to stay in the basement. Do you think that’s appropriate?”

“The Xu family is a noble family, after all. If others find out that the Xu family doesn’t care about status, aren’t you afraid of being mocked by the other families in high society? Aren’t you afraid that the company’s interests will be affected?”

Everyone frowned.

Madam Xu gritted her teeth and raised her hand with the intention of slapping Qiao Xi.

Mr. Xu quickly grabbed her hand and stopped her. “Xi Xi is right. Anran, how could you arrange for your sister to stay in the basement? You can’t be so unruly in the future!”

Xu Anran was already angry. Hearing her father scolding her, her tears began to fall.

Chapter 515 The Xu Family Is Truly Ridiculous!

Mr. Xu said seriously, "Xi Xi, you're right. If outsiders find out about this, they'll definitely laugh at our Xu family for being unruly. Wouldn't that be embarrassing for the Xu family?!"

Madam Xu was still unconvinced. "What are you afraid of? They don't even know that Qiao Xi is our biological daughter. Why should Anran suffer?"

Qiao Xi sneered. Look at this, this was her biological mother. She was so biased toward Xu Anran in front of her.

It was because she led a life outside of the family and did not receive any etiquette guidance. Xu Anran was a top socialite raised by Madam Xu, so she was unwilling to acknowledge her biological daughter?

Mr. Xu said sternly, "Although everyone thinks that Xi Xi is our adopted daughter now, letting her stay in the basement with the servants is not the Xu family's upbringing. "You have to know how developed the internet is now. A small matter can spread like wildfire. If others find out that we let Xi Xi stay in the basement, they'll say that we abused our daughter! They'll even say that Anran is jealous."

Hearing that Xu Anran would be affected as well, Madam Xu did not retort anymore.

Qiao Xi leaned against the wall and looked at Xu Anran provocatively. "Sister, quickly move your things!" Xu Anran sobbed and looked at her with red eyes. "You..."

"You what?! Hurry up and pack up. I want to move in!" Qiao Xi sized up the room. "Take all your things with you, or I'll throw them away later. If you lose anything, don't blame me!"

Xu Anran was so angry that she gritted her teeth. "Alright, I'll... pack my things up now."

"Mr. and Mrs. Xu." Qiao Xi suddenly thought of something. "Earlier, Xu Anran said that there are no more rooms on the second and third floors, so she asked me to stay in the basement. If Miss Xu still stays upstairs after moving out, doesn't that mean that she was deliberately targeting me just now?"

Xu Anran was so angry that her face turned red.

Did Qiao Xi want her to stay in the basement?

Mr. Xu frowned and turned to leave unhappily.

When Madam Xu saw that he had left, she immediately roared angrily, "Qiao Xi! Are you done? Nothing good has happened since you appeared. You're just a wild girl. What right do you have to compete with Anran?! Anran, stop crying and leave with me!"

Xu Anran nodded and stopped in her tracks before turning around. "Sister, don't blame our parents. If you want to blame someone, blame me. Mom only said that for my sake. I only hope that you can stop fooling around for the sake of our family's harmony. Let's get along well, alright?"

Qiao Xi rolled her eyes and closed the door fiercely.

She looked around the room and really liked it the more she looked at it. Then, she instructed the servants to throw Xu Anran's things out. Then, she lay on the bed comfortably.



Suddenly, a strange sound came from the window. Qiao Xi abruptly stood up. The man climbed in through the window and nimbly entered the bedroom. He scanned the room and said with a faint smile, "Mrs. Gu, you're living very comfortably!"

Qiao Xi curled her lips. "Gu Zheng, you're the dignified president of Gu Corporation, yet you climbed in from the window?"

The man's expression was indifferent. "The Xu family went to pick someone up."

Qiao Xi raised her eyebrows. "Is that so? Do you think Xu Anyi can come out?"

Xu Anyi got his bodyguards to kill her. The evidence was conclusive. If she sued him, Xu Anyi would definitely be put in jail. That was why the Xu family was so anxious to acknowledge her. If she admitted that this was just a joke between the siblings and she did not pursue the matter anymore, everything would be resolved.

Gu Zheng said casually, "They've proven that you're the Xu family's daughter and Xu Anyi is your brother. They claimed that the two of you were just joking around. With the Xu family's help, Xu Anyi will indeed be released soon."

Qiao Xi smiled. She knew that Gu Zheng definitely had a backup plan.

"However, I was in the car then." Gu Zheng smiled meaningfully.

Qiao Xi suddenly reacted.

That was right, Gu Zheng was in the car too!

If Gu Zheng was unwilling to settle, Xu Anyi could not be released!

The man slowly approached her and reached out to touch her fair collarbone. His hand landed on her slender neck again as he looked at the necklace with the hidden camera.

He sneered. "The Xu family is really laughable!"

"How laughable, indeed! They just appeared and they already dare to take me down a notch. If I spread this news, will they still have the cheek to stay in high society?"

Chapter 516 Justice For Her Granddaughter

Qiao Xi grunted coldly. "Only Mr. Xu is considered a smart person in this family, but his good attitude toward me is also for the sake of the Xu family's reputation. As for that Madam Xu, she's really hopelessly stupid. Moreover, she's filled with hostility toward me I really don't understand."

Gu Zheng lowered his eyes.

Actually, he did not understand why the Xu couple doted on an adopted daughter more.

They were not happy that their biological daughter had returned home. Instead, they thought that she was a burden.

Perhaps it was because they felt that Qiao Xi was just a wild girl who had led a wandering life outside, while Xu Anran was a top socialite

Perhaps there was another reason.

Qiao Xi pursed her lips. "I have to find out about Mom, so I have to stay with the Xu family for a few days. Moreover, I realized that Madam Xu seems to have a secret!"

"Previously, the investigation showed that although Madam Xu and her sister didn't grow up together, the two of them were biological sisters, after all. Their relationship was quite good. Back then, if it weren't for Madam Xu's sister, I wouldn't know where I would have ended up. In other words, it was her sister who saved her biological daughter. Logically speaking, she should be grateful, but she doesn't seem to think so.

"You've also investigated and found out that the Xia family is a noble family in Luo City. They're a century-old family. Before their two daughters got married, they never stepped out of their houses. But look at Madam Xu's shrewish appearance. Does she look like someone from such a family?"

Gu Zheng looked indifferent. "Mr. Shen and Madam Shen are here in Li City. It seems that they're here because of you."

Qiao Xi's eyes instantly lit up. "They're here!"

"They're here to avenge you, so they're holding a banquet and have invited the Xu family."

Qiao Xi smiled lightly. The Xu family had not even gained any benefits from her yet, but her elder brother and the rest came to vent their anger?! However, she really looked forward to seeing the Xu family's dejected expressions at the banquet.

At the Yin family's residence in the capital.

"Madam, the Xu family has found their biological daughter."

An elegant and noble old madam was half-leaning on a small couch. Her eyes were narrowed slightly, and she looked very pleased.

She opened her eyes. Although she was old, she had taken good care of herself. There were not many wrinkles on her face. "Have you found Yunlou's child?"

The old madam's eyes were red as her voice trembled. "After so many years, we've finally found that child. Hurry! Call the young master at home and follow me to Li City!"

The servant nodded and hesitated. "Old Madam, although Madam Yunlou has found her biological daughter... I heard that the Xu family doesn't treat her well. They even arranged for her to stay in the basement and let their adoptive daughter stay in the largest and most luxurious room in the villa. Look at this..."

The old madam glared.

The servant took a deep breath and continued, "Madam Yunlou doesn't even treat her biological daughter well. The Xia family is so biased. I wonder how they're going to make things difficult for that child!"

The old madam's face was filled with anger as she slammed the table. "This Yunlou! She's really too much! I still can't change her character. That's her biological daughter! How can she be so insensible?! That little girl was lost the moment she was born., yet she can even bear to do this?"

The old madam was furious, and the servant was helpless. "Old Madam, I think Madam Yunlou doesn't like that child not because she led a wandering life since she was young, nor because she despises the child for being uneducated and not like a top socialite. It's because..."

"It's because after that child was swapped, she was saved by Eldest Madam."

When the old madam heard these words, tears fell uncontrollably. "Yunqiu..."

into a family in Li City. Then, she died because of an illness. Young Miss lost her protection and was bullied by that man's mistress and illegitimate daughter since she was young. She almost died in the hands of those two vicious women. After that, she finally found her biological parents but they still treated her badly. Sigh! My heart really aches!"

"I'll go to Li City now!"

The old madam stood up abruptly with a gloomy expression. "That granddaughter of mine has finally returned home. Let's see who still dares to bully her! Yunlou doesn't know what's good for her, so as the child's grandmother, I have to stand up for her!"

The servant's heart ached.

#### Chapter 517 The Pain Of Love

The servants thought that Second Madam had completely cut off all contact with the old madam a few years ago. They originally thought that the old madam did not want to see her daughter anymore, but she was, after all, her biological daughter. How could she completely cut ties with her? After the old madam found out that Second Madam's biological daughter went missing, she had been hoping to find her biological granddaughter. Now that she had finally found her, how could she not meet her?

Li City's Xu family.

Xu Anran sat on the sofa with tears streaming down her face. She was trembling. Mr. Xu pointed at her and roared, "You idiot! It's fine that you let your brother take revenge for you, but why didn't you tell him that Gu Zheng was in the car? Getting people to kill Gu Zheng is equivalent to killing the Xu family!"

Madam Xu quickly shielded Xu Anran. "Stop shouting. What does this have to do with Anran? Anran didn't ask Anyi to do it. Anyi wanted to stand up for his sister, so he sent his people to do the task. I say that Qiao Xi is to blame for this. If she hadn't caused trouble, how could so many things have happened? How could Anyi have been arrested?"

"Anyi has been focusing on his job for the past 20 years and has never done anything wrong. He just happened to run into trouble when he encountered Qiao Xi. It's all Qiao Xi's fault!"

Qiao Xi sat in front of the table in the bedroom with a computer in front of her. The screen showed the surveillance footage from downstairs. When she heard their words, she could not help but sneer. Gu Zheng smirked. "Mrs. Gu, it's against the rules to do this."

Qiao Xi raised her eyebrows. "Who asked them to have ill intentions? I did this for the sake of protecting myself. After all, the Xu family harbors a criminal who hired people to kill me. Even though I wasn't killed, I'm afraid. Is there a problem with installing a pinhole camera?"

The man took a few steps closer and smiled. "Mrs. Gu, do you want me to forgive the Xu family?"

Qiao Xi smiled slyly.

Gu Zheng instantly understood and said casually, "They'll come and beg me soon. In order to avenge Mrs. Gu, of course, I won't let go easily."

The corners of Qiao Xi's mouth curled up as she lowered her head in embarrassment.

Gu Zheng's heart instantly felt warm. Mrs. Gu was always so cute. She would be so touched that she did not know what to do whenever he helped her.

The next second...

Qiao Xi raised her eyes and lifted her head arrogantly. "Don't tell me you think you can move my heart just like that? Even without you, there are still many people who will help me vent my anger. You're not the only one. I'm really too charming. I'm just so doted on by so many. It can't be helped. Being too outstanding is also a flaw."

Gu Zheng: "..."

The man was silent for a moment. He pursed his lips and sighed helplessly. "I'll get Song Shiyu to stay here to protect you." Qiao Xi pretended to be unwilling. "Ah Zheng, I'll miss you!"

Gu Zheng lowered his eyes and looked at her smiling eyes. He could not help but smile gently. "Alright, I'll miss you too."

Qiao Xi waved at him. Just as she was about to leave, Gu Zheng reached out and pulled her into his embrace, scaring her into shouting.

She blushed. "What? I already said that I'll miss you. After all, this is the first time we've been separated since we got married. If you really miss me, Ah Zheng, why don't..."

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"Mrs. Gu, I'll go back now. You can call me if you need anything."

Qiao Xi instantly choked. "How can phone calls make up for the pain of missing you? Without me by your side, every day must feel like a year to you!"

She smiled slyly. "Why don't-".

"I'll come again tomorrow."

Qiao Xi's face sank as she glared at Gu Zheng's smiling eyes.

At this moment, even if he could not hear Qiao Xi's thoughts, he could tell what she was thinking. She just wanted him to stay so that she could recover her taste buds again.

Gu Zheng smiled helplessly when he saw Qiao Xi frown and look troubled. "Alright."

Qiao Xi raised her eyes and was slightly puzzled. She was just about to ask what 'okay' meant when she felt a warmth on her lips. "Rest well. The Xu family won't look for trouble with you for the time being." Qiao Xi hurriedly picked up the apple on the table and took a bite. The sweetness was truly too wonderful. Her taste buds were finally recovered.

"I don't think so. If the Xu family knows that you and I were in the same car, they might come looking for me directly and ask me to plead for Xu Anyi. They'll definitely come looking for trouble with me."

Chapter 518 Even If You Can't Kill, You Can Set Fire

Gu Zheng was silent for a few seconds before smiling meaningfully. "You'll know what's going on in a while."

Qiao Xi was puzzled.

She felt that Gu Zheng was hiding something!

Gu Zheng and Song Shiyu left the villa. They were about to leave when they heard rustling sounds in the Xu family's villa. Then, Xu Anran could be heard sobbing. "Dad, don't be angry anymore. It's all my fault. I'm occupying the identity of the eldest daughter of the Xu family, making my sister unhappy. I'll leave now!" Then, Madam Xu stopped her in a loud voice. "No! Anran, why are you the one leaving? Qiao Xi should be the one leaving!"

Mr. Xu's face darkened. "Anyi hasn't been released yet. Don't provoke Qiao Xi. It'll be me if she changes her mind! Anran, go to the basement and suffer there for a while."

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"Dad!"

Mr. Xu was impatient. "You heard what Qiao Xi said. If you don't go to the basement, then that means you were deliberately targeting her by making her stay in the basement. You'll anger her. If she's unhappy and goes to President Gu to complain about you, will your brother still have a chance of getting released?"

Madam Xu quickly shut up when she thought of her son who was suffering in the detention center.

Xu Anran sobbed. "Alright, I... I'll move to the basement now. Dad, Mom, I really didn't do it on purpose. I... I'm sorry."

Gu Zheng turned to Song Shiyu. "Did you hear that?"

Song Shiyu looked up and hesitated for a moment before giving her a thumbs up. "Yes. Young Madam, is so capable!" Gu Zheng could not help but laugh. He was really curious about why the Song brothers were so stupid when they clearly came from the same womb. Hence, he reminded him, "Xu Anran is staying in the basement now. Don't you get it?" Song Shiyu reacted abruptly and was excited. "You're

finally going to deal with Xu Anran, that scheming b\*tch. President, how do you want her to die? I promise I won't leave a trace!"

"..." Gu Zheng frowned. "I told you long ago not to keep talking about fighting and killing. Can you not be so violent?!" Song Shiyu scratched his head in embarrassment. He was no longer an adjutant, and Xu Anran was not an enemy on the battlefield. He really should not kill anyone.

Then, he asked obsequiously, "President, what should I do?"

Gu Zheng said slowly, "Even if you can't kill, you can still set fire."

Song Shiyu: "..."

'You're so noble and virtuous, huh? You said that I can't fight and kill, but you want her to burn to her death!'

Xu Anran sat on the sofa in the living room and cried for a while. Then, she went to the basement pitifully. Madam Xu's heart ached. "An An has been pampered since she was young. I can't bear to see her suffer even a little. As soon as Xi Xi came back, she forced An An to stay in the basement... This child is really vicious. How could I have such a daughter?!"

Mr. Xu looked helpless.

Madam Xu was so sad that tears fell. "When I said that Xi Xi should stay in the basement, it was only a temporary arrangement. Our villa in Li City is not big, and there are no other empty rooms. However, as soon as we return to Luo City, I'd arrange a new room for her. However, Xi Xi insisted on snatching Anran's room. She's too insensible!"

"Someone! Help! Fire!"

Before Madam Xu could finish, the servants screamed in horror.

At this moment, Qiao Xi was watching a TV show upstairs when she heard a commotion coming from downstairs.

Fire?

If she did not hear wrongly, Xu Anran's room was on fire. No wonder Gu Zheng said that they would not look for trouble with her. It turned out that he had found something for the Xu family to busy themselves with.

Qiao Xi smiled lightly and walked downstairs with her head held high.

In the living room, Xu Anran was crying in Madam Xu's arms.

The servants hid in the corner and discussed softly. "This is retribution. Who asked her to target the real daughter of the Xu family? That's why people can't do bad things."

The butler quickly berated, "Shut up!"

Although he did not allow everyone to discuss this matter, he agreed with the servants' words. How did the basement catch on fire for no reason?

Moreover, the other rooms were not affected. It was just Xu Anran's room. This might really be retribution. "What are you doing here? Are you here to see your sister make a fool of herself?! You don't even care about your sister!" Madam Xu berated.

#### Chapter 519 Don't Blame Me For Being Unrighteous

Madam Xu watched as Xu Anran cried sadly, and her heart ached so much that tears kept falling. Unexpectedly, when she looked up, she saw Qiao Xi standing at the staircase with an indifferent expression. She was instantly infuriated.

"You're a jinx. It's all your fault! That room was originally yours, but you insisted on snatching Anran's room and even forced her to stay in the basement. Anran was harmed by you!"

Everyone fell silent.

Nanny Li was an outsider and could not take it anymore. Although Second Miss had gone missing for 20 years, she was still the daughter of the Xu family. Moreover, the basement had suddenly caught on fire. Second Miss could not be blamed for this.

It was just that she was just a servant and did not dare to criticize Madam Xu. However, she was afraid that Qiao Xi would be wronged and was about to speak up for her

Qiao Xi suddenly had an aggrieved expression. "What does the fire in the basement have to do with me?! Could it be that it doesn't matter if my room catches fire, but it matters if Xu Anran's room catches fire? If Madam Xu, you have the time to push the blame on me but why can't you send people to investigate the cause of the fire? Otherwise, the same incident will only happen again.

"By the way, Madam Xu, now that you mention it, you reminded me of something. That room was originally arranged for me by Xu Anran. Now, it suddenly caught on fire. Could it be that she tampered with the room and wanted to burn me alive? If that's the case, the news of the adopted daughter murdering the biological daughter of the Xu family will blow up."

After that, Qiao Xi said with a smile, "Fortunately, I wasn't in the room. Sister Anran doesn't have to bear the infamy of conspiring to kill the biological daughter of the Xu family."

Xu Anran was so angry that her face turned red.

"You were the one who set the fire!" Madam Xu roared.

Qiao Xi had an innocent expression. "Madam Xu, what are you talking about? I've always been upstairs. Nanny Li and the other servants can testify. How could I have gone to the basement to set the fire?"

Nanny Li said firmly, "Madam, Second Miss has been upstairs all this time. She really didn't go downstairs, much less the basement."

Upon hearing this, everyone was indignant. Their adopted daughter's room caught on fire, but the madam actually blamed her biological daughter. Moreover, everyone had seen with their own eyes that Second Miss had been in her room the entire time. How could the madam blame her for this?

Second Miss was right. This room was originally arranged for her by Eldest Miss. Perhaps she was jealous of Second Miss' identity and tampered with the room. Unexpectedly, the room caught fire as soon as she entered. Second Miss could not be blamed for this. If Eldest Miss wanted to blame someone, she could only blame herself!

Qiao Xi glanced at the pair of mother and daughter, grunting coldly. "Continue crying, then. I won't disturb you anymore."

"You..."

Madam Xu's expression was ferocious. "Qiao Xi! Even if you didn't set the fire, it was you who caused the entire family to be unlucky. Before you came back, the house was always peaceful. As soon as you came home, you caused so much trouble. Now, Anran's room even caught on fire! Perhaps something terrifying will happen in the future!"

Qiao Xi stopped in her tracks.

It was true that Gu Zheng was the one who was behind the fire, but he would never let anyone have a handle on him. Why did he have to set the room on fire so openly? If they found evidence, wouldn't it be hard to explain?

There was only one reason for this. There was something wrong with that room from the very beginning. Xu Anran had deliberately put many flammable things in it when she arranged the room for her.

This sister was really scheming!

Since she was heartless, she could not blame Qiao Xi for being heartless as well.

Qiao Xi turned around and said coldly, "If Madam Xu insists that this fire is related to me, why don't you just call the police and get them to investigate? Why did the basement catch fire for no reason?"

As soon as she finished speaking, a fireman walked over. "Madam Xu, we found flammable powder on the floor of the basement room. There are many flammable items in the corner as well. As long as the temperature in the room reaches a certain level, it'll catch fire. Don't scatter this powder on the floor in the future.

"This time, only this room was burned and no one was killed. But if you continue doing this, the entire villa will be engulfed in flames!"

Xu Anran's expression froze.

Madam Xu was stunned for a moment, then she looked at Xu Anran in disbelief. "Anran, you..."

"The person in charge has already said that. Who do you think had the chance to scatter flammable powder in the room? Moreover, there were a lot of flammable things piled up there. The truth is right in front of you. Whether you believe it or not, it's up to you, Madam Xu!"

Chapter 520 Eyes Full Of Personal Gains



Qiao Xi stared coldly at Xu Anran. "This room was originally meant for me. If I really stayed there, even if I didn't get burned to death, I would've been disfigured. Everything in the Xu family will then belong to you, the adopted daughter. Miss Xu, you're really vicious!"

The servants were full of disdain.

Eldes Miss was too much. Fortunately, Second Miss did not stay in the basement. Otherwise, the consequences would have been unimaginable.

"I... I..."

Seeing Xu Anran stammering and looking guilty, Madam Xu understood. When Anran was setting up the room, she scattered the flammable powder on the floor and also put a lot of flammable things there. If Qiao Xi had stayed there, then...

No! Impossible! Anran was so gentle and kind. How could she do such a thing?

Even if Anran really did it, it was because Qiao Xi had provoked her first. In short, it was all Qiao Xi's fault! Qiao Xi paid no further attention to them and turned around to go upstairs.

"Xi Xi."

At this moment, a male voice sounded from behind.

Qiao Xi turned around. Mr. Xu had a serious expression on his face. "I heard that you and Shen Yu know each other. The Shen family is holding a banquet tomorrow. Come with us!"

Qiao Xi was calm. Although Mr. Xu was still considered polite to her, his eyes were filled with the glow of personal gains. To him, it did not matter who his biological daughter was. He only cared about who could bring more benefits to him.

She smiled and nodded. "Alright! I know Shen Yu. He even recommended me for a role previously!"

When Mr. Xu heard this, his gloomy expression eased up a little. Although he liked Xu Anran more, Qiao Xi was still useful and not completely useless.

Mr. Xu said, "Alright, then get ready and dress up nicely tomorrow. You're the daughter of the Xu family now. You have to attend the Shen family's banquet as one of us. Don't embarrass the Xu family.

"I heard that President Gu will be participating too..."

The crowd fell silent.

Mr. Xu hesitated for a moment, then said in a gentle voice, "Anyi likes to create trouble, so he made a small joke with you. Although you won't hold it against him anymore, President Gu was in the car that day. He probably thought that Anyi got people to kill him, so..."

"I think you must be very familiar with President Gu since you were in the same car as him. Help your brother put in a few good words and tell President Gu not to pursue the matter anymore. Tell him to just forgive your brother!"

Qiao Xi looked troubled. "Of course, I want to save Young Master Xu, but everyone knows that President Gu has a bad temper. At that time, Young Master Xu sent so many people to chase after us. Someone even attacked President Gu. If it weren't for President Gu's assistant, we might not have survived. It won't be easy to make him relent."

Mr. Xu's expression was heavy. He knew that Qiao Xi was telling the truth, so he gritted his teeth. "Why don't you tell President Gu that as long as he agrees to reconcile, the Xu family will give him a gift? I hope he'll give us some face."

Qiao Xi chuckled and nodded. "Yes, I'll tell President Gu that tomorrow!"

Mr. Xu heaved a sigh of relief and took out a card from his pocket. "Xi Xi, this card is for you. There's 200,000 yuan in it. Buy whatever you like. If it's not enough, you can ask me again." Qiao Xi smiled sweetly and received it casually. "Thank you."

As soon as she finished speaking, she skipped upstairs. After she left the crowd's line of sight, Madam Xu could not help but roar, "What right does she have to receive 200,000 yuan and attend the Shen family's banquet? She's just a wild girl. It'll be so embarrassing to bring her to a banquet in high society! Is the Shen family in the capital people she can climb over?"

Mr. Xu frowned unhappily. "If we were still in Luo City, it wouldn't matter. Now that we're in Li City, everyone knows that we came here to look for our daughter. If we only bring Anran with us when we attend the banquet, the Shen family will definitely think that the Xu family is uneducated. They'll say that we didn't let our biological daughter attend but we brought our adopted daughter with us instead. Wouldn't that be a loss of status?"

Madam Xu was unwilling to give up. "Then... Then why did you give Qiao Xi so much money? Just let her pick one of Anran's old clothes. They're all new anyway. She won't be able to tell. She's not a top socialite, so what's the point of wearing such good clothes?!"

Mr. Xu was helpless. "We have a favor to ask of Qiao Xi now. If we don't coax her, how can we get her to plead with President Gu? Do you still want to save your son?"