

Mr Han 1861

Chapter 1861: How Immature

Hence, Du Yiqin happened to miss seeing the screen.

Du Yiqin then walked towards the window and got stopped by Shi Guanzhong. "Where are you going?"

"I'm going to the window to take a look," Du Yiqin said.

Shi Xiaoya and her boyfriend had just entered the courtyard gate.

If she went over right now, she would be able to see the two of them in the courtyard.

"They will be coming in in a moment. You already waited for one week, can't you wait for a few more minutes now?" Shi Guanzhong stopped her and said, "If he saw you standing at the window here, how immature will that look?"

Within those few words being said, Shi Xiaoya and Han Zhuoling had already reached the door.

"Sir, Madam, they are here," the Auntie said softly, turning back.

Great. Du Yiqin did not need to lean on the window to look anymore now.

The three of them, Shi Guanzhong, Mrs. Shi, and Shi Nancang, stood at the door together.

The Auntie saw Han Zhuoling through the screen just now.

She was hesitant to speak right now.

But then she thought that since he was about to come in, and since Du Yiqin would also see him, there was no need for her to say anything more.

Not long after, they heard the sound of footsteps.

"Dad, Mom, Older Brother." Shi Xiaoya came in first.

Shi Guanzhong and Du Yiqin were both smiling. "Quick, come in, come in."

After that, they saw Han Zhuoling, who came in right on the heels of Shi Xiaoya.

Shi Guanzhong: "..."

Du Yiqin: "..."

Du Yiqin's body swayed, and she almost lost her balance.

Luckily, Shi Nancang supported her just in time from behind.

Du Yiqin's minor unusual behavior was not obvious because of Shi Nancang's quick reflexes.

But this did not manage to escape Han Zhuoling's eyes.

Han Zhuoling's heart stopped for a bit.

Could it be that Father-in-law and Mother-in-law did not like him?

“Mr. Han?” Shi Guanzhong appeared much calmer than Du Yiqin on the surface, but the moment he opened his mouth, he exposed himself.

He was very shocked too!

Shi Guanzhong stared at Han Zhuoling, then at Shi Xiaoya.

So, Han Zhuoling was Shi Xiaoya’s boyfriend?!

Du Yiqin turned around and threw a glare at Shi Nancang.

This was such a huge matter, yet he actually helped Shi Xiaoya to hide it from them and not tell them!

It made them completely unprepared and almost made them embarrass themselves.

“Uncle, Auntie.” After Han Zhuoling greeted them, he then greeted Shi Nancang, “Big Brother.”

Shi Guanzhong: “...”

Du Yiqin: “...”

If she remembered correctly, Han Zhuoling seemed to be a few years older than Han Zhuoling.

Shi Nancang: “...”

“Uncle, you can just call me Zhuoling,” Han Zhuoling said.

It’s true that in terms of age, Shi Guanzhong was more senior than Han Zhuoling.

In business, however, there was no seniority by age.

Although he never had the chance to work together with Han Zhuoling, who would not have heard of Han Zhuoling before?

Hearing Han Zhuoling say this now, Shi Guanzhong instantly felt as if he was dreaming.

Du Yiqin regained her composure and quickly invited them into the house.

After that, they then saw the bags of different sizes that Han Zhuoling brought with him.

“Why did you bring so many things here? You’re too polite.” Du Yiqin was shocked when she saw it.

Han Zhuoling carried three bags in his left hand and four in his right hand.

And they were the especially huge kind of paper bags, with square boxes inside of them, making it look very thick and full.

“These are the things that Old Mrs. Han and my mother asked me to bring over,” Han Zhuoling explained. “They know that I am coming to visit Uncle and Auntie today, and they were afraid that I would fall short on formalities. Old Mrs. Han specially sent someone to deliver many of these over. Mom then added many more. If not for how I really can’t take all of them, they would have had me bring even more things.”

This...

The Shi parents were at a loss for words.

It was not that they could not afford to accept these expensive gifts. They just did not expect that even the Han Family's elders knew, and seemed very supportive.

Chapter 1862: Don't Have Such Bad Judgment

"The Han Family's elders have seen Xiaoya already?" Du Yiqin asked.

"They met during an event at the National Film Academy. We were not together yet at that time. But at that time, I was already wooing her," Han Zhuoling said with a smile.

Even Shi Xiaoya could not help but turn to look at Han Zhuoling when he said that.

He made it sound as if it was true.

Seeing how shocked she looked, Han Zhuoling raised his eyebrow and said, "At that time, didn't I send you flowers every day?"

Shi Xiaoya: "..."

She actually could not rebut him.

This man, he secretly retconned what happened!

At that time, he'd clearly sent her the flowers because he wanted to apologize.

But...

If it were someone else, Han Zhuoling might at most just apologize. He probably would not have given flowers.

Du Yiqin sat down. If she did not sit down now, she was afraid she might not be able to stand firm on her feet any longer.

"This child, why didn't you tell us earlier that you were dating Young Master Ling? You even hid it from us. What's there to hide about this?" Du Yiqin said to Shi Xiaoya.

Du Yiqin still felt a little dizzy right now.

She did not think that there was anything bad about Han Zhuoling. She just never thought that Shi Xiaoya's boyfriend would be Han Zhuoling.

She just felt that the two of them could not have had any connection with each other at all.

"I just wanted to give you both a surprise," Shi Xiaoya said.

Du Yiqin thought to herself that it was more of a scare than a surprise.

When she saw Han Zhuoling walk into their house, she almost got scared to death, okay?

“Auntie, you can just call me Zhuoling,” Han Zhuoling said. “I know, I have many shortcomings. I am much older than Xiaoya, and I’ve had a past marriage, but I hope you can give me a chance to be with Xiaoya.”

“Young Master Ling—Eh no, Zhuoling,” Du Yiqin immediately corrected herself and said, “Don’t misunderstand. We’re not against it.”

Du Yiqin turned to ask Shi Guanzhong, “Right?”

Shi Guanzhong smiled and nodded. “We are not against it. Although we haven’t had the chance to interact before, I believe no one would be unfamiliar with your name in the field of business. I often heard people say that even though you take a strong stance when doing business, your methods have always been proper, and you never resort to any underhand means to do things. If your personality is like that even in business, nothing more needs to be said for other aspects.”

There were so many people who would resort to unscrupulous means to earn money, using both legal and illegal connections for business.

They would unscrupulously set up their competitors, play dirty tricks, and even resort to more extreme measures.

But Han Zhuoling had always been disdainful of such methods.

“To be honest, you and Xiaoya’s age gap isn’t that big either. As for your previous marriage, I won’t comment on it, but I trust your character, and I believe in Xiaoya’s judgment as well. So you don’t have to worry about all those things you were worried about earlier on,” Shi Guanzhong said, smiling.

He personally picked a teacup for Han Zhuoling and poured tea for him.

“We were just too surprised,” Du Yiqin said. “Xiaoya, this child. She would not tell us a single thing about her boyfriend no matter how we asked, insisting on giving us a surprise.”

“To be honest, in our hearts, we even prepared for the worst. Is it because the guy is pretty normal in many aspects, be it in looks, career, or family, such that he is not that compatible with her?”

“I even thought, could it be that he doesn’t even have a stable job, much less a successful career? Anyway, I already thought of all kinds of ridiculous, terrible scenarios in my head before this.”

“Mom,” Shi Xiaoya said.

In front of her parents, she seemed more like a little girl, calling out softly with a bit of cuteness in her tone.

Han Zhuoling looked at her and broke into a warm smile. “Xiaoya’s judgment isn’t that bad.”

Chapter 1863: So Happy That She Felt Like Clapping

Du Yiqin thought proudly, “Isn’t that so?”

If she had bad judgment, she would not be able to get you to be her boyfriend.

Until now, Du Yiqin was still feeling that it was surreal.

Who would have thought that her daughter would actually get Han Zhuoling to be her boyfriend?

And based on what Han Zhuoling said, it was Han Zhuoling who actively wooed her.

It's true that Du Yiqin also felt that Han Zhuoling just did not look like the kind who would actively woo someone.

But Han Zhuoling had said that he wooed her by sending her flowers every day.

Whether or not Han Zhuoling purposely said it to make Shi Xiaoya look good, he was willing to say so anyway, so she just accepted it as such.

If not for how she wanted to maintain her image, Du Yiqin, who was so happy, felt like clapping right now.

Shi Xiaoya was growing older every year. A while earlier, she had even mentioned to Shi Guanzhong at home that Shi Xiaoya should also consider dating and thinking about marriage.

She was even thinking of asking Shi Guanzhong and Shi Nancang to take note of anyone they knew who might be a suitable, reliable, and talented young man that they could introduce to Shi Xiaoya.

She was not rushing her to get married now. After all, Shi Xiaoya was still young, so there was no need to rush it.

But they still had to date first and understand each other so that they could walk into marriage together, right?

They couldn't possibly rush to get married after briefly knowing each other just because they were getting older. They would not even understand each other well enough.

The Shi family did not have any plans to arrange the marriage, be it for Shi Xiaoya or Shi Nancang, who would eventually inherit the Shi family business. They never planned to sacrifice their childrens' marriage to make the Shi family even stronger.

As long as the two of them found someone they liked, it would be good enough.

Of course, there were still some expectations to be met.

They could not possibly let the two of them find someone with ulterior motives, or someone who was cunning and scheming, and come back with a partner that had bad character.

Du Yiqin did not have that many considerations, unlike Shi Nancang.

Since Shi Guanzhong said that Han Zhuoling's character was trustworthy, then there was no problem.

A person's character is the most important.

As long as Han Zhuoling's character was good, he would not let Shi Xiaoya suffer.

In his previous marriage, even though it came to such an end, he did not ever say anything bad about his ex-wife, and he did not do anything to betray his marriage.

He was a person who seemed very cold and aloof to everything normally, who had never fallen in love with a woman before.

But now that he fell in love with Shi Xiaoya, he would definitely love Shi Xiaoya wholeheartedly.

Hence, Han Zhuoling's visit went surprisingly well.

At lunchtime, Shi Guanzhong even pulled Han Zhuoling to drink with him.

At first, Shi Guanzhong was still a little distant when interacting with Han Zhuoling.

After all, given Han Zhuoling's reputation outside, if he wasn't in a relationship with Shi Xiaoya and Shi Guanzhong saw Han Zhuoling on a normal day, he would also have treated Han Zhuoling politely.

To say something a little embarrassing, even Shi Guanzhong felt a bit scared in front of Han Zhuoling.

He did not expect that as long as Han Zhuoling wanted to, he could easily make people warm up to him and no longer be cautious and formal around him.

Not long after, Shi Guanzhong had been coaxed until he was all smiles and happy, no longer feeling unfamiliar with him.

This was the first time Shi Xiaoya saw Han Zhuoling coaxing someone. She would never have imagined that he would actually know how to say nice things to make someone happy.

Shi Guanzhong went to take the liquor.

From whiskey to Maotai, even bringing out red wine.

Drinking all of this together looked scary enough.

Han Zhuoling was never much of a drinker.

He did not like the feeling of not being in control after getting drunk.

Shi Xiaoya had just gotten together with him for a while. She did not fully understand him, but based on their previous experience in the production team...

Han Zhuoling only drank alcohol lightly. Shi Xiaoya could roughly guess that Han Zhuoling definitely did not like to drink, though she did not know how well he could hold his liquor.

Chapter 1864: Jealous

That was pretty good. She did not like men who lost all sense of discipline when they drank.

If they did not even have such basic self-control, what could they achieve?

"Dad, this is way too much." Han Zhuoling felt embarrassed saying it, so Shi Xiaoya said it first. "And you're mixing them together, which will make one drunk way too easily. You will get an upset stomach afterward."

"I'm happy today," Shi Guanzhong said as he laughed heartily. "I don't really drink usually either. It's rare that I can be with Zhuoling, so we father and son-in-law can have a good drink together. You are not allowed to hold us back and dampen our spirits."

Shi Guanzhong then said to Shi Nancang, "Nancang, you keep us company too. Let's have a good drink together. We father and son also have not had a good drink together for a long time."

Shi Xiaoya watched as the way Shi Guanzhong called Han Zhuoling changed from Mr. Han at the start to son-in-law.

Seeing that she could not stop him, she turned to look at Han Zhuoling apologetically.

How bad would it be if he was forced to get drunk on his first visit here?

Han Zhuoling smiled and said, "No worries. Since Uncle is happy, I will accompany with."

"Exactly, Xiaoya, don't stop us. What a mood spoiler!" Shi Nancang said very unkindly.

Shi Xiaoya did not dare to go against Shi Guanzhong, but she was not afraid of Shi Nancang!

She just threw a glare directly at him.

Shi Nancang scoffed once in his heart.

His younger sister treated him so well in the past. Yet now, because of some other man, she even glared at him!

See if he won't make Han Zhuoling dead drunk today!

Shi Xiaoya could only ask Du Yiqin for help.

Du Yiqin also felt bad for her future son-in-law, so she warned them and said, "You guys better know your limits! It's Zhuoling's first time coming today and you want him to go back drunk. That's too unruly!"

"Don't worry, we know what to do," Shi Guanzhong said.

Du Yiqin thought to herself, "What do the both of you know about what to do?"

But looking at the situation now, it was not stoppable.

Han Zhuoling secretly squeezed Shi Xiaoya's hand and said, "Don't worry, it's fine."

Shi Xiaoya could only look at him apologetically.

When they were drinking, Shi Xiaoya desperately picked food out for Han Zhuoling, to let him eat more when he was free, lest he felt uncomfortable drinking on an empty stomach.

In the past, whenever they ate, it was always Han Zhuoling taking care of Shi Xiaoya.

But this time, being "attacked" by both Shi Nancang and Shi Guanzhong at the same made Han Zhuoling a little too busy.

Seeing that Shi Xiaoya was deboning fish for him again, Han Zhuoling quickly said, "You don't need to worry about me. Quickly, eat your food."

"You're only focused on drinking right now. You will feel uncomfortable if you don't eat," Shi Xiaoya said.

Seeing this situation, Han Zhuoling quickly started putting food on her plate.

Du Yiqin had taken note of how Han Zhuoling took care of Shi Xiaoya and could not help but keep nodding in approval.

Her thoughts earlier on were correct. She could tell that Han Zhuoling usually took good care of Shi Xiaoya.

At least, Han Zhuoling looked very adept at taking care of Shi Xiaoya. It was actually Shi Xiaoya whose actions were a little clumsy and did not look very familiar with what she was doing.

But Shi Guanzhong felt very displeased when he saw it.

Even though Shi Xiaoya lived alone outside, she rarely had to do things herself, let alone take care of other people.

Usually, the Auntie at home would go over to help her with the household chores.

When Shi Xiaoya cooked occasionally, that was out of interest, to make life a little more interesting.

When she was at home, she would even be pampered by the whole family.

It had always been other people taking care of her. When had she taken care of other people before?

But now, she took the initiative to take care of Han Zhuoling.

This kind of treatment, even he as her father had not enjoyed before.

Hence, Shi Guanzhong's mood swung back and forth between joy and jealousy.

Chapter 1865: Let's Discuss the Wedding Date Right Now

In the end, it completely turned into dejection.

His cute, pretty, lovely little daughter was about to be ruined by a b*stard.

Hence, Shi Guanzhong joined forces with Shi Nancang to start forcing Han Zhuoling to drink more and more.

But how smart was Han Zhuoling though? He quickly sensed Shi Guanzhong's attitude.

So, not long after, Shi Guanzhong was pacified nicely by Han Zhuoling again.

Du Yiqin stared at him with cold eyes. Shi Guanzhong was simply being played around the palms of Han Zhuoling!

How embarrassing!

Shi Guanzhong was not young anymore. He had been doing business for decades, yet he actually could not hold out for even a few rounds in front of Han Zhuoling. He was completely not his match.

Du Yiqin secretly said to Shi Xiaoya, "Luckily, our family is doing business in a different domain and never competed with them before, or else how could we win? In the past, I thought your father and brother were quite capable, but now, compared to Han Zhuoling, they are really too weak to watch."

Shi Guanzhong had been pacified so thoroughly by Han Zhuoling that he was smiling all the time. Not long after, Shi Guanzhong called, "Son-in-law."

Shi Xiaoya: "..."

It's only been a short while, and he'd switched to calling him son-in-law already!

"Father-in-law!" Han Zhuoling readily responded in kind.

"You cannot bully our Xiaoya, cannot let her suffer. Although our family cannot compare to the Han Family, Xiaoya has also been raised as the apple of our eyes since she was young. Ever since she was a child, we have never let her suffer. When it comes to you, all the more it's not allowed," Shi Guanzhong said. "You have to remember, we didn't pamper her all the way until she grew up just so she could suffer at your hands."

"Don't worry," Han Zhuoling said. "How can I bear to let her suffer? I won't let her suffer from anything, and I won't allow other people to cause her any suffering."

Shi Guanzhong nodded. "Don't just make it sound nice. You must definitely be able to do it."

"You can just wait and see."

Shi Xiaoya looked at the three of them and wondered what good deed she'd done in her past life.

That must be why in this life, she could live in bliss.

She had parents and a brother who doted on her. And now, she'd met Han Zhuoling and continued to be doted on by him.

Seeing how worried Shi Guanzhong was about Han Zhuoling because of her, Shi Xiaoya felt indescribably warmed.

Du Yiqin did not know whether to laugh or cry as she said, "I've really never seen someone just address the girl's father as father-in-law directly the first time they visit the girl's family. Han Zhuoling is really no average person."

Du Yiqin had said that to Shi Xiaoya softly.

Yet despite how Han Zhuoling had clearly drunk quite a lot already, he actually managed to hear that. He turned to Du Yiqin and said, "When I started dating Xiaoya, marriage has always been the purpose I am aiming for, so it's not too early for me to address Father-in-law as such now."

Du Yiqin: "..."

It was rare that at her old age, Du Yiqin's aged face actually blushed.

It was totally because she had said it softly, yet the main person in question heard it, which made her feel awkward.

Luckily, she did not say anything bad.

Han Zhuoling's ears were too sharp.

Only Shi Xiaoya's heart suddenly raised when she saw Han Zhuoling being like this.

Indeed, Han Zhuoling was heard calling right afterward, "Mom."

Shi Xiaoya: "..."

Du Yiqin: "..."

Shi Nancang: "..."

Only Shi Guanzhong, who had had a drink too many, did not react to it.

Hearing Han Zhuoling call him "Father-in-law" and Du Yiqin "Mom" still made him quite happy.

"Good son-in-law!" Shi Guanzhong immediately filled Han Zhuoling's glass with alcohol and said, "Since you already address us as such, I will really treat you like my son-in-law now. You must not do anything to betray Xiaoya!"

Han Zhuoling immediately raised his glass and said, "Dad, if you are worried, why don't we discuss the wedding date right now?"

Shi Nancang: "..."

Chapter 1866: The Way This Opportunity Was Caught Was Really Awesome!

Shi Xiaoya: "..."

This is the first time you visited and you already want to discuss the wedding date? What are you doing!

Afraid that Shi Guanzhong would agree just like that, Shi Nancang quickly took over and said, "What a thing to do right now! We're all drinking, yet after you've had a drink too much, you suddenly talk about discussing the wedding date? You're treating this like a joke! What do you treat Xiaoya as? For you to mention this matter jokingly under such circumstances?"

Shi Xiaoya: "..."

The way her brother caught this opportunity was really too awesome.

Han Zhuoling did not have such an intention at all. How could he possibly treat Shi Xiaoya frivolously?

He just followed Shi Guanzhong's line of conversation and replied accordingly. It was proper and fitting.

There was absolutely no intention of treating it like a joke.

Because he was actually not drunk and was very alert.

But after Shi Nancang said that, Han Zhuoling also felt that it was not right.

He quickly explained to Shi Xiaoya, "I didn't mean to slight you."

Shi Xiaoya smiled as she shook her head. "I know."

Shi Nancang shook his head in disappointment and resignation and said, "What do you know and what makes you think you know?"

Shi Xiaoya puffed her cheeks and scoffed. She would not be provoked like that.

At this moment, Han Zhuoling said, "It is indeed improper for me to bring this up at this time."

When Du Yiqin heard him say that, she felt even more pleased with him.

Han Zhuoling was heard saying right after that, "Why don't our families gather together tomorrow and discuss this matter?"

Shi Nancang: "..."

He was too young and was not experienced enough, so he could not tell that there were people who were evil by nature.

He did not expect Han Zhuoling to be so thick-skinned as to actually continue the topic to this extent!

Shi Xiaoya also did not expect that after only a few days of dating, he was already going for marriage now.

Who would get married so fast like this?

It sounded unreliable just from hearing it.

Du Yiqin felt so too.

No matter how pleased she was with Han Zhuoling, she had never thought of letting Shi Xiaoya marry him straight away after they'd been dating only for a few days.

Whether the two of them were compatible did not just depend on material conditions. More importantly, they had to match each other in mind and spirit.

Their personality would have to match, as well as their three views¹.

After spending a long time together, they would be able to accept each other's issues.

Only then could they indeed walk into marriage together.

Lest they get married on impulse and only realize after marriage that there were many things that were different from what they had imagined.

Be it for Han Zhuoling or Shi Xiaoya, it would not be good.

"This is too hasty," Shi Nancang said.

He could not depend on Shi Guanzhong. He'd already had too much to drink, so it was considered not bad already if he did not help the wrong side right now.

Shi Nancang could only look to Du Yiqin.

Du Yiqin also smiled and said, "There is indeed no need to rush this."

Du Yiqin thought about it and said, "It's going to be the New Year soon. There are many things to do before the New Year, so no matter what, it will be too rushed. Why don't we do it after the New Year?"

Shi Nancang: "..."

Shi Nancang had question marks all over his face.

Mom, are you serious?

You didn't drink, so why are you speaking as if you drank as well?

I asked you for help, not for you to quickly marry my younger sister off!

Du Yiqin ignored Shi Nancang's desperate look and smiled kindly at Han Zhuoling as she said, "Why don't we do it within the next year after the New Year?"

Anyway, now was really not a good time to talk about proper matters, so Han Zhuoling did not insist anymore.

It was really too rushed to do it before the New Year.

So he nodded and said, "Sure."

Afraid that Han Zhuoling would say something more about taking his younger sister away, Shi Nancang quickly filled Han Zhuoling's glass and said, "Come, come, drink up, drink up!"

Shi Xiaoya: "..."

Her older brother was indeed no match for Han Zhuoling.

Shi Nancang felt melancholic deep down.

After going through a few rounds with Han Zhuoling, he had never won once.

Han Zhuoling had so many tricks up his sleeve that it almost made people develop an intense phobia of him. How could his younger sister be a match for him like this?

Chapter 1867: Han Zhuoling Knows How to Act Cute?

This round of drinking lasted from 12 noon all the way to 3:30 in the afternoon.

Shi Guanzhong was completely drunk. He held Han Zhuoling's hand without wanting to let go and was just one step away from calling themselves brothers.

Shi Nancang was also drunk, but his condition was a little better. He sat there quietly without speaking and was helped over to rest on the sofa by the helper auntie.

Shi Nancang just leaned against the sofa, looking drowsy like he was about to sleep.

"Seriously..." Du Yiqin said to Han Zhuoling in embarrassment. "We really made a joke of ourselves to you today. They are already so old, yet they still could not control themselves when they drink."

Du Yiqin supported Shi Guanzhong. Shi Guanzhong was swaying around and could no longer be steady on his feet.

He was already mumbling incoherently.

Han Zhuoling still looked very alert and clear-minded.

He was standing steadily and did not sway, and even his expression did not look unusual.

It was probably impossible to tell that he'd drunk so much.

It was really shocking that he could actually drink so much.

Han Zhuoling said apologetically, "It's me who should apologize for letting Uncle drink so much."

"It's not your fault," Du Yiqin said casually. "It's all his fault. Does he not know how much he can drink? He insisted on forcing you to drink with him, so what could you have done? You couldn't have rejected him. Thankfully, you can hold your liquor well. If you really got knocked out drunk when it's your first time here, how bad would we feel?"

Han Zhuoling smiled and said, "No worries. I will take note next time and not let Uncle drink so much anymore."

"Sure." Du Yiqin smiled and said, "I will help him back to the room first."

Or else, if she continued to let Shi Guanzhong stay here and utter drunken words, they would really make a fool of themselves.

"Okay." Han Zhuoling maintained a small smile.

Du Yiqin quickly helped Shi Guanzhong back to the bedroom.

Only then did Shi Xiaoya touch Han Zhuoling's cheeks and said, "I really couldn't tell that you can drink a lot, even though you rarely drink usually."

"I'm just putting on a strong front." Once they were gone, Han Zhuoling relaxed. "When Auntie was talking to me just now, I didn't even dare to move my head. If I moved, I would feel dizzy and embarrass myself."

After Han Zhuoling said that, Shi Xiaoya recalled that, just now, Han Zhuoling had indeed only spoken, but she never saw his head move once.

Suddenly, her shoulders sank.

Han Zhuoling slightly bent over and rested his head on Shi Xiaoya's shoulder.

"I feel very dizzy," Han Zhuoling said in a low voice.

His voice nested in his throat and sounded out lazily.

It sounded as if he was acting cute.

Han Zhuoling knows how to act cute?

Even Shi Xiaoya thought that she heard wrongly.

But she really did hear it clearly just now.

His body also reeked strongly of alcohol.

If it was someone else, she would have felt super disdainful long ago.

But coming from Han Zhuoling, she did not find it smelly at all.

She lowered her head slightly. Han Zhuoling's face was very near hers.

She just needed to move a little bit more for her lips to touch his cheeks.

When she saw Han Zhuoling with his eyes closed and taking deep breaths, she thought he really looked like he drank too much and felt uncomfortable.

At first, she thought that even after he drank, the color of his face did not really change much.

But looking up close now, she noticed that his cheeks were tinged with a faint hint of red from being drunk.

Probably just like his personality, nothing about himself would be revealed easily.

So even if he drank too much, that tinge of red was very faint and low-key.

Shi Xiaoya raised her hand to massage his temples and said, "Then when my mom comes out, let's just go back and have a good rest after that."

"Okay." Han Zhuoling sounded really lazy, as if he was in a dream.

"What are the two of you doing?" Shi Nancang, who had collapsed on the sofa initially, suddenly woke up for some reason. He sat up straight at once and pointed at Han Zhuoling and said, "Straighten up your back! Don't take advantage of my younger sister!"

Chapter 1868: Did She Even Know How to Talk

Because he was drunk, these imposing words were not uttered very clearly.

Han Zhuoling: "..."

Shi Xiaoya: "..."

Shi Xiaoya was shocked by Shi Nancang's sudden comment.

Han Zhuoling could only frown and stand up straight.

Unexpectedly, Shi Nancang collapsed again after shouting those words, as if he was talking in his sleep. He closed his eyes and snored in a deep sleep.

Shi Xiaoya: "..."

Han Zhuoling: "..."

At this moment, Du Yiqin came back.

Now that the two men in the house were dead drunk, and Han Zhuoling himself was quite drunk as well, she naturally could not ask him to stay to continue chatting.

“Mom, Zhuoling is drunk too and feels quite uncomfortable. We will leave first,” Shi Xiaoya said.

“Okay.” Du Yiqin nodded. “Then both of you, take care on the way back. Be careful when you drive.”

“Got it,” Shi Xiaoya said, smiling.

“Oh, right, I asked the helper auntie to prepare some hangover soup. I’ll put some in a thermos bottle to let you bring back for Zhuoling to drink,” Du Yiqin instructed.

Not long after, the helper auntie came out with the thermos bottle.

The thermos bottle even came with a heat insulation carrier bag especially for it.

Shi Xiaoya took it. Du Yiqin and the helper auntie walked them out together, all the way until they reached the courtyard gate.

And watched as Han Zhuoling sat in the passenger seat.

“We’re going off now. Mom, you both quickly go back in now,” Shi Xiaoya said.

Han Zhuoling also popped his head out and said, “Auntie, goodbye.”

“Okay.” Du Yiqin smiled while nodding, but she did not go back in and watched as Shi Xiaoya drove off.

When she could not even see the rear of the car anymore, Du Yiqin then said to the helper auntie, “Xiaoya said Zhuoling is drunk, but how come I couldn’t tell?”

“I think First Young Master Han is an extremely self-disciplined person. Even if he’s really drunk, he still won’t show it,” the helper auntie said.

“True.” Du Yiqin nodded. She broke into a delighted smile and said, “Aiyo, I always felt that that child Xiaoya was silly and ditzy when it comes to everything else other than work. I didn’t expect that, really, fortune favors fools. She actually ended up with Han Zhuoling.”

The helper auntie said helplessly, “Madam, Missy is not silly.”

“Right, she’s not silly, my precious daughter is cute,” Du Yiqin said, smiling.

At this moment, the neighbor from the villa next door, also a Mrs. Fu[1], came out very nosily.

“Mrs. Shi,” the madam next door greeted with a smile.

“Oh, it’s Mrs. Zheng,” Du Yiqin greeted, smiling as well.

She usually did not really like to hang out with Mrs. Zheng. She felt that this person was too gossipy and was especially fake when talking to others.

The words that come out of her mouth were only 30% believable.

It was really meaningless to talk to her.

But Du Yiqin was in a good mood today, so she had the patience to deal with Mrs. Zheng.

Mrs. Zheng walked out with her coat on and said, “Xiaoya brought her boyfriend back today? Hahaha, in the morning, when my helper auntie came out to throw the rubbish, she said she saw Xiaoya coming back together with a young man.”

Actually, that helper auntie’s original words were, The young man Shi Xiaoya brought back looked really imposing.

He clearly did not look at her, but the helper auntie still felt nervous looking at him from afar.

With one glance, she knew he was no common man.

Han Zhuoling already came up to her house openly, so he had no intention to hide.

Anyway, he could not have a secret relationship with Shi Xiaoya either.

Even if Han Zhuoling really wanted to do that, they would not agree to it.

Han Zhuoling did not intend to hide it, so Du Yiqin naturally said very confidently, “Yeah, he is Xiaoya’s boyfriend.”

“Oh, Xiaoya finally found a boyfriend,” Mrs. Zheng said.

Du Yiqin’s smile was very forced now.

This person, did she even know how to talk to people?

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What did she mean by finally found a boyfriend?

She made it sound as if it was so difficult for their Xiaoya to find a boyfriend.

“Haha, our Xiaoya is completely focused on her career right now,” Du Yiqin said. Hah, who didn’t know that Mrs. Zheng had a son and a daughter? But her son was hedonistic. And other than her son being the classic second-generation rich kid, even her daughter frequented clubs every day and would not listen to her no matter what she said.

Both of her children were good-for-nothings.

Their old Zheng family still had a family business to pass on to their children.

Given how her son and daughter behaved, they might just ruin the family business eventually.

Their Shi family also had a son and a daughter, but the situation was very different.

Shi Nancang was outstanding and motivated. Even the friends he made were very reliable people.

Needless to say, in Shi Xiaoya’s case, she was now one of the most outstanding makeup artists in the country.

Her two children both had their own careers and were busy with proper affairs every day. How would they have the time to go to those entertainment venues?

Hence, at this moment, Mrs. Zheng became the one with a forced smile.

“That’s why, she did not have much time to meet someone from the opposite sex. Anyway, her work usually involves interacting with people in the entertainment industry more often. Not that I am prejudiced against people in the entertainment industry, just that the entertainment industry is a colorful world. Our Xiaoya is a pure person, so I won’t be assured if she finds someone from the entertainment industry,” Du Yiqin said. “Anyway, Xiaoya is still young, so we don’t rush her either.”

“But who knew that the more laidback and unhurried that child is, the more fate had to choose her? Her boyfriend is the one who kept wooing her, and he wooed her for a long time before they finally got together.” Du Yiqin smiled exceptionally proudly as she said, “Today, it’s her first time bringing him back for us to meet. Everyone in our family is very pleased and happy. Her boyfriend, not that I want to exaggerate, is a very outstanding person.”

The more Du Yiqin said, the more she could not hide the happiness and pride on her face.

“I can even dare to say that there are very few men who are more outstanding than him,” Du Yiqin said. “This also shows that our Xiaoya is very outstanding too. Or else, why would someone so outstanding like her?”

The moment Du Yiqin thought of Han Zhuoling, she could not help but want to feel proud.

What a great son-in-law!

Mrs. Zheng gave her a patronizing smile. She did not really believe it in her heart. How could it be so exaggerated?

It was possible that the person was decent, but to say that there were few people who would be more outstanding than him, that would be too much of an exaggeration.

Did she really think the eight great families were there for nothing?

No, if she brought up the eight great families, she would be thinking too highly of Shi Xiaoya’s boyfriend.

“Mrs. Shi, you said so much, but you didn’t say who exactly Shi Xiaoya’s boyfriend is, right?” Mrs. Zheng smiled and said, “Although even if you say it, I might not know—”

Du Yiqin said, “You actually know him.”

“Oh?” Mrs. Zheng was shocked.

They were all in the same circle. Even if she was not familiar with the person, she had also heard of many names before.

But Mrs. Zheng had never been interested in those all along.

It was mainly because her own children were not competent. Why would she go and learn more about those competent children from other families?

As for competent young people, Mrs. Zheng only knew a limited few who were so famous that wherever she went, people would talk about them. There was no way she would not know even if she did not want to know.

But those people were mostly from the eight great families.

She did not think that Shi Xiaoya's boyfriend would be one of them.

The names that Mrs. Zheng had heard of were categorized into two groups of people.

The first group consisted of the extremely outstanding ones, but she did not believe any of them would be Shi Xiaoya's boyfriend.

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The other group was made up of the kind of hedonistic second-generation rich kids like her son.

She could not stand hearing about the outstanding children from other families, so Mrs. Zheng heard more often about whose child got into what trouble again, or did something stupid again, or embarrassed themselves in some way again.

Anyway, as long as they were worse than her son, she could find some form of comfort in it.

She could think to herself that this person was worse than her son.

Her son was not the worst after all.

Every day, she could only think in that way.

Hence, when Mrs. Zheng heard Du Yiqin say that, she laughed. "I heard of him before?"

Given the people she heard of, this boyfriend was probably some hedonistic second-generation rich kid.

Even with that, Du Yiqin could make it sound like roses. It was just to save face for Shi Xiaoya.

"Not only have you heard of him, I think that normally, only a few people would not know who he is." When Du Yiqin saw Mrs. Zheng laughing like she could not be happy for other people, she immediately knew what Mrs. Zheng was thinking of, thus quickly adding this.

"Oh?" Mrs. Zheng was waiting to watch Du Yiqin make a fool of herself, so she took her words with a pinch of salt.

Du Yiqin finally stopped beating around the bush and said, "Xiaoya's boyfriend..."

As Du Yiqin spoke, she could not help but laugh. "Is Han Zhuoling!"

This should scare you to death!

Mrs. Zheng: "???"

Han Zhuoling?

What in the world?

Wait, Han Zhuoling?

Mrs. Zheng's lips twitched; she was trying her best not to laugh out hysterically.

"Mrs. Shi, you really know how to make a joke." Mrs. Zheng laughed, not really believing her.

Even if she wanted to boast, she should not bring up someone like Han Zhuoling since no one would believe it.

If one mentioned anyone else from the eight great families, it would be even more believable than Han Zhuoling.

After Han Zhuoling got divorced, almost everyone thought that whether Han Zhuoling would get married again or not in the future remained a question.

This man was like an emotionless animal.

But now, Du Yiqin was saying that Shi Xiaoya's boyfriend was Han Zhuoling?

HAHAHAHAHAHA!

This was such a joke.

How did Du Yiqin say it just then?

She said Shi Xiaoya's boyfriend took the initiative to woo her and even wooed her for a long time.

This would surely not be Han Zhuoling already.

"I'm not joking," Du Yiqin said unhappily.

But Mrs. Zheng evidently still did not believe her and said rather dully, "If you don't want to say it, then don't. You don't have to use Han Zhuoling to patronize me."

"I still have something on, I'll go back first," Mrs. Zheng said, then turned to go back through the courtyard gate next door.

Du Yiqin was utterly upset. She turned to the helper auntie beside her and said, "Say, a person like her, can't she be happy for others or what! Did she think I couldn't tell what kind of expression she had just now? She was hoping that Xiaoya had found a lackluster boyfriend. She's really so annoying!"

As the two of them walked back in, the helper auntie coaxed her by the side, "Madam, don't we know how that Mrs. Zheng is like? Why bother stooping to her level? She just can't stand that Young Master and Missy are doing well because her own children are incompetent. She is just jealous. Next time, when Mr. Han comes, let her see for herself. What else can she say then?"

"Right!" Du Yiqin nodded. "Anger her to death! Serves her right for snubbing other people all the time."

Han Zhuoling had gotten drunk to such a state, so Shi Xiaoya did not dare to send him back to his home.

If his family saw that he got into such a drunken state the first time he came to her house, what was she supposed to do?

Hence, she could only bring Han Zhuoling back to her house.

She parked the car.

The moment she unfastened the safety belt, Han Zhuoling leaned over.

He did not care that it was in the car and it was actually not that comfortable, he just lazily rested his head on her shoulder.