

Priceless Baby 511

Chapter 511: A Scapegoat

Huo Yunshen had asked his friend in the Public Security Department to put in a word with his men and let Xu Xiyan and Qi Liya see Huang Guoqiang. But that wasn't all; he went a step further and asked his friend to set up a special investigation team to work on the murder case. The sooner the case was solved, the sooner Huang Guoqiang would be cleared of all suspicion.

By the time Xu Xiyan and Qi Liya arrived at the police station, there was already someone waiting at the door to receive them and take their witness testimony. After that, the two women were allowed to meet with Huang Guoqiang.

"Why are the both of you here? Didn't I tell you not to worry?"

Huang Guoqiang seemed to be in good spirits. He was neither panicked nor tired; he seemed entirely at ease.

"Jing Xi got a friend of hers to let us in. I had to see how you were doing."

The stone Qi Liya had been carrying in her heart finally fell away when she saw Huang Guoqiang.

"Thank you, Jing Xi."

Huang Guoqiang now had yet another reason to be grateful to Jing Xi. He was thankful for her integrity, kindness, and willingness to help.

"You're more than welcome, Director Huang. Why don't the two of you have a nice long chat? I'll wait outside."

Xu Xiyan exited the room, leaving the two of them alone.

She was entirely sympathetic towards Huang Guoqiang because she had been in a similar situation. Xu Xiyan had previously been suspected of murdering Jia Qing; back then, she had felt helpless and vulnerable because no one would believe her.

But Huang Guoqiang had not shown the slightest hint of panic or anxiety in front of his beloved. Instead, he had been the one doing the comforting, telling Qi Liya not to worry.

Xu Xiyan was now fully aware of the relationship between Qi Liya and the two directors.

On the way to the police station, Qi Liya had told Xu Xiyan about her past with Peng Sicheng.

Xu Xiyan had been impressed with Qi Liya's emotional fortitude. She knew it couldn't have been easy for Qi Liya to break free from the trauma of her breakup and start over.

Youth was fleeting. It was a waste for a woman to squander her youth on a failed relationship.

Qi Liya had sacrificed the best years of her life to Peng Sicheng, but the director had failed to appreciate her because of his obsession with his career. Xu Xiyan inwardly snorted: whatever, it was Peng Sicheng's loss.

Everything had worked out for the better now. Qi Liya had chosen Huang Guoqiang, a man who truly loved her. It was the right decision.

It was all right for a woman to choose a man she loved and engage in a passionate, fiery romance with him.

But when it was time to think of marriage, a woman had to find someone who loved and understood her. She had to find a man who was willing to give her all of his heart.

Women were like flowers. They blossomed beautifully with tender loving care. They needed to feel appreciated.

Xu Xiyao wished Huang Guoqiang and Qi Liya the very best in life. She hoped that they would be able to find their happy ending.

As Huang Guoqiang was now suspected of murder, production for “Red Sleeved Beauty” had to be suspended.

The murder case attracted a lot of bad press and negative comments on the internet. Huang Guoqiang was now trapped in a whirlpool of negative feedback; it would be difficult for him to pull himself out of it.

Because production had been suspended, everyone involved in the production was now temporarily on vacation.

Xu Xinrou returned to the Xu residence during her time off.

Her mother, Su Rui, had been paying close attention to the case. As soon as she saw Xu Xinrou, she quickly asked, “How's the situation?”

“Let's talk inside.”

Xu Xinrou handed her bag to her mother as they walked into the Xu family villa.

Mother and daughter sat down to talk as soon as they were inside. Su Rui asked nervously, “The police won't suspect you, will they?”

Xu Xinrou had always discussed all her nefarious schemes with her mother. Together, they had come up with the plan to remove Qi Liya's womb by faking the need for a surgery.

“They'll never suspect me. I have it all worked out,” said Xu Xinrou confidently. She had already prepared a scapegoat; her plan was completely foolproof.

Her only regret was that she had failed to sabotage Qi Liya. Her hatred for the actress continued to burn inside her.

“Ugh... it's all Xu Xiyao's fault. She keeps getting in your way. If she hadn't stuck her nose where it doesn't belong, everything would have gone according to plan,” Su Rui said venomously.

“Hmph! She foiled our plan to teach that Qi wench a lesson, but no matter, she'll pay for it. That bastard child of the family won't stay arrogant for long!”

Xu Xinrou's next target for revenge was Xu Xiyan.

It was time to take Xu Xiyan down. Xu Xinrou knew she had to do it ASAP, before Xu Xiyan's new shows began airing on TV. She did not want to risk having Xu Xiyan overshadow her in popularity.

Chapter 512: A Threatened Abortion

“Okay, but you should take good care of your body now. Mom has stewed some old hen soup for you so you should drink more later to replenish some nutrients. After all, your son is the key to your high status. After marrying into the Huo family, you shall enjoy endless prosperity and riches.”

Su Rui hoped that the child in Xu Xinrou's belly would be born to become the next heir of the Huo family.

Two days ago, the Huo family's second master, Huo Lin, came to visit the Xu family to discuss marriage on behalf of his son, Huo Jingtang.

Xu Jinshan and Su Rui had already agreed to the marriage and thus the Huo family began preparations for the wedding.

It wouldn't be long before her daughter was married into the wealthiest family in Peijing—the Huo family. By then, Su Rui would become the mother-in-law in a wealthy family.

Both mother and daughter decided to go downstairs. As Xu Xinrou got up, she let out a gasp as she felt a sharp pain flaring from her lower abdomen.

“What's wrong?” Su Rui was alarmed and quickly held Xu Xinrou steady.

“Mom, my stomach hurts. What's going on...”

Xu Xinrou stood up gingerly. Su Rui looked behind her and let out a scream, “Oh my god! There's blood!”

If a pregnant woman is bleeding, it is most likely a symptom of a threatened abortion. Su Rui was very experienced in this aspect and immediately got her daughter to lie down. “Quick! Lie down! Don't move!”

“Mom... I couldn't be...”

Xu Xinrou was beginning to be worried. She was worried about the child in her belly. What was she going to do if she could not keep the child?

The child was her biggest bargaining chip for her marriage into the Huo family.

“Everything will be okay, just relax. Don't panic.”

It was impossible for her not to be panicked. “Mom, how did I become like this?”

Xu Xinrou thought that pregnant women were very resilient. She had observed pregnant actresses who still went on with their movies and advertisement acting gigs, as though the children in their stomachs were super babies and they would not die no matter what.

Yet how could this happen when it came to her? She had just gotten pregnant recently, how could she be bleeding already?

“Your situation is very common with pregnant women. It happened to Mom too when Mom was pregnant with you. I had to lie in bed for a few months to recover the fetus in my tummy before giving birth to you. You're just like me,” Su Rui explained to ease her daughter from worry.

In fact, it was Xu Xinrou who did not know how to take care of her body. After getting pregnant, she was still having sex with Huo Jingtang, causing her fetus in her belly to become unstable.

Xu Xinrou became even more anxious after listening to her mother. “Then, what should I do? I have to go back to the studio to continue filming. I can't be lying in bed all the time, can I?”

“You're having a threatened abortion now and you better listen to your mother's words and lie down to take care of the baby. Anyway, didn't I hear that the production of your film has stopped recently? You should take the opportunity to take time off and rest at home. I'll take you to the hospital later and get some medicine to stabilize the fetus from the doctor. Everything will be all right after taking good care of the fetus.”

“All right.” Xu Xinrou had no choice but to heed her mother's words.

In the past two days, Xu Xiyan had been busy going places for Huang Guoqiang's sake. She hadn't had the time to look at the news.

It was Fang Xiaocheng who had called her up and told her about the scandal about Ying Bao and Huo Yunshen.

But by the time Xu Xiyan logged onto the internet to browse the news, all related news about the scandal was already gone.

She guessed that it must have been Huo Yunshen who had managed to get his staff to remove the scandal.

Huo Yunshen had saved them a lot of trouble after managing to remove the scandal in time. Xu Xiyan didn't want Ying Bao's identity to be exposed for the time being anyway.

As for Huang Guoqiang's case, the police were currently making an orderly investigation.

Originally, the new drama “Red Sleeved Beauty” was scheduled to be released on the following Monday. But because of this incident, its release had been postponed.

The drama looked like it was about to collapse before it was even released, and the entire production crew was also facing disbandment. It was impossible not to feel anxious about the whole thing.

The failure of a drama meant that the investment received during early production would be all for naught, the most straightforward consequence being the investors' complete loss of their money.

Chapter 513: Find The Other Woman

Huo Yunshen had invested in the drama during his tenure as president of Yunhai. Though he was no longer at Yunhai, Yunhai's loss still meant that the Huo Group would suffer damage as well.

However, as Xu Xiyan noticed, Huo Yunshen was very calm and did not seem to be greatly affected by it.

Instead, Chu Yuhe, the president of Juxing Entertainment, was the one who could not take it anymore. He announced through his lawyers and the media that he demanded Huang Guoqiang, the head of the "Red Sleeved Beauty" production, to compensate him for his investment losses.

His actions were no different than adding insult to injury.

The internet was filled with harsh criticism and reprimands. It all condemned Huang Guoqiang, and some people even chastised Qi Liya as well.

Everyone seemed to be skeptical of Huang Guoqiang as a director. They assumed that he was an unethical man and had misused investor funds to support his sugar baby, Qi Liya. Seeing now that he had even committed murder, they all thought that he really deserved punishment.

However, no one had bothered to thoroughly investigate Huang Guoqiang's motives to commit murder.

This was how scary public opinion could be.

On the seventh day after the incident, just when the rumors became rampant and the production crew was on the verge of breaking off, the police swiftly solved the case.

After a thorough investigation, the police crime investigation team locked onto Li Hong, the lover of the deceased Dr. Xia Bin, as the suspect.

Li Hong suffered from recurrent insanity and was heavily suspected of committing the crime.

After a series of interrogations on Li Hong while she was consciously clear in her mind, she finally explained her whole process of committing the crime.

She had always suspected that her husband was having an affair with another woman. She had secretly stalked him many times before but did not manage to find the other woman.

That is, until a few days prior, when she received some anonymous mail. Inside were intimate photos of her husband Xia Bin and the nurse Xiao Liu.

She finally knew who was the third person interfering with their marriage.

With a heart full of hate, she went to the hospital to confront her husband Xia Bin.

When she opened the door of Xia Bin's resting lounge, she saw him and Xiao Liu lying together on the bed.

The sight of them roused her nerves and she lost all sense and rationality under her overwhelming anger. She picked up a sharp scalpel and stabbed her husband and the nurse Xiao Liu to death.

She escaped after the murder. Huang Guoqiang, who was trying to find out the identity of the behind-the-scenes perpetrator who'd harmed Qi Liya, went to find Dr. Xia Bin.

As he opened the door of Dr. Xia Bin's resting lounge, he saw two people lying in a pool of blood. He approached them out of good intention, only wanting to check whether they were dead or alive. Unfortunately, a nurse came in at that time and saw him, thinking that he had committed the murder and reporting it to the police.

This was how Huang Guoqiang, who had only wanted to save their lives, became a target of police arrest.

The truth of the whole case was finally brought to light. The police released Huang Guoqiang without charge and published the entire report of the case on their official website.

After the truth had been clarified, the netizens and the public suddenly realized that Huang Guoqiang had been framed all along!

Everyone had misunderstood him!

After Xu Xiyan had helped clarify the murder, she let out a sigh of relief.

If Dr. Xia Bin and the nurse Xiao Liu had not had evil intentions, how could they deserve a consequence such as this?

They only had themselves to blame and they could never escape the consequences of their evil-doing.

Only Xu Xiyan knew that if it weren't for Huo Yunshen's help, the case would not have been solved so quickly.

It was thanks to him this time.

On the day when Huang Guoqiang was released, Xu Xiyan and Qi Liya came to pick him up and sent him back to the studio.

All of the crew and actors had come back and welcomed Huang Guoqiang's return.

Huang Guoqiang was glad to have his name cleared of the crime after so long and he was in a good mood. He reserved a room in Tong Fu House and treated everyone to lunch.

In the private dining room, Xu Xiyan received a phone call from her daughter. At the Jing family house, the little girl had used her smartwatch to send her two voice messages.

She stepped away from the crowd to listen to the voice messages. The messages went like this: ...

Chapter 514: The Child Is In Trouble

[Xi Baby, Daddy sent someone to pick Baby up, Baby is going home now!]

[Xi Baby, see you tonight!]

From Ying Bao's messages, it looked like Huo Yunshen had gotten one of his staff members to pick her up. She did not give it much thought, as she thought that her daughter would be safer with Huo Yunshen.

However, barely a few minutes had passed before “Mr. Billion” called her.

“Jing Xi, are you busy? Want to have lunch together?”

“I'm sorry, Director Huang is treating all of us to lunch. We're now at Tong Fu House!”

“I'm also at Tong Fu House having lunch with Ye Xun. I'm at your 12 o'clock direction.”

Huo Yunshen had happened to see her standing on the second floor, so he called her up.

Xu Xiyan looked across the huge crystal chandelier at the private dining room on the opposite side. Yi Xiao and some men were outside guarding the room. There was someone waving at her behind the window of the room.

Xu Xiyan shifted her gaze towards the window. Not only was Huo Yunshen inside, but Ye Xun was there too.

Ye Xun shot her a cheeky, devious look before giving her a military salute.

Her second senior was there too?

How did he end up having lunch with Huo Yunshen?

Since when did this guy become good bros with Huo Yunshen?

The phone call was still on. Xu Xiyan asked, “Is Cherry with you guys? Where are you guys planning to go after lunch?”

“Hmm?” Huo Yunshen was obviously surprised. “Cherry is not here with me.”

“What?”

Ying Bao was not with Huo Yunshen?

Xu Xiyan suddenly panicked. “Is she really not with you?”

“No, isn't Cherry at the Jing family house? I was planning to go pick her up after lunch.”

Ying Bao was not with Huo Yunshen?

She had told her via her smartwatch that her daddy had come to pick her up. What was going on?

A strong ominous premonition flashed across Xu Xiyan's mind and she felt a bone-chilling fear rising from the soles of her feet. “This is not good... Ying Bao might be in trouble. I have to go now, I need to go back and find her.”

Without saying more, she immediately hung up Huo Yunshen's call and called Ying Bao on her smartwatch.

While she was waiting for the call to connect, she was already rushing towards the exit of the restaurant.

Huo Yunshen saw Xu Xiyan rushing out of the restaurant. She had told him that Ying Bao might be in trouble so he immediately took off with Ye Xun to catch up with her.

Xu Xiyan wanted to contact Ying Bao to confirm whether she was okay.

However, her smartwatch had been switched off.

If the smartwatch was still turned on, she could still track her with GPS. But since it was turned off, there was nothing she could do.

She decided to call the front desk of Renjing Chinese Medicine Hall but the line was busy. Xu Xiyan then called her grandfather's mobile phone. There was a long wait before the call connected.

"Hello? Grandpa? Is Ying Bao with you?" Her heart almost stopped beating as she asked the question. She held her breath as she waited for his answer.

Jing Huaduo's voice finally came from the other side of the call, sounding quite anxious. "Yanyan, I was about to contact you! I have bad news; the child is gone. A car took her away just now..."

As soon he said that the child was gone, Xu Xiyan was thunderstruck.

Her terrible hunch had turned into reality. Her greatest fear had finally manifested itself.

Someone must have used Huo Yunshen's name to trick the child.

The thought of Ying Bao being caught in unknown danger made her so terrified that she could not breathe. She was worried that the child would encounter people with evil intentions. She was afraid that they would do something unthinkable...

"Okay, okay, I'll get someone to help right away."

Huo Yunshen and the others had already come out when she was about to turn back to the restaurant to look for them. Yi Xiao had called up the RV and the vehicle was already parked at the restaurant entrance.

"Huo Yunshen... Second Senior..." Xu Xiyan went up to them, looking very worried.

Huo Yunshen furrowed his brow. "What happened? Did something happen to Cherry?"

Chapter 515: Shocked Out Of Her Wits

He had never seen Xu Xiyan like this before. She looked so anxious and helpless that he could not help but feel his heart tense up too.

Xu Xiyan had been tensing all over with anxiety. When Huo Yunshen asked her, she could not restrain her tears anymore and let them trickle down her cheeks.

Xu Xiyan was usually a strong woman. Yet at this moment, she was shocked out of her wits and was completely overwhelmed with anxiety. She was so helpless that she looked like she was about to break down.

She didn't know what else to do except shed tears.

"Little Xixi, what happened? Just tell us?"

After hearing that it had something to do with Ying Bao, Ye Xun became very anxious too. He guessed that the child was most likely in trouble.

Huo Yunshen became even more worried as he watched her cry. He handed her a handkerchief and asked her, "Don't cry, Jing Xi. Tell me, what happened? You said Cherry is in trouble. What happened to her?"

"Huo Yunshen..."

She threw herself onto his knees and cried, "Someone tricked Ying Bao with your name and took her away. I suspect that she's been kidnapped."

That person had impersonated Huo Yunshen to pick up Ying Bao, so the child had been willing to go with him.

Oh, this was all her fault. She hadn't been doing a good job teaching her child to be wary around strangers. Otherwise, this wouldn't have happened.

"Kidnapped?"

Huo Yunshen was surprised. Who would kidnap Ying Bao? Who had used his name and represented him?

"She was playing in front of my grandfather's medicine hall before she was taken away by a car. Before she was taken away, she left me a voice message with her smartwatch. She said that her Daddy had come to pick her up."

After listening to Xu Xiyan's tearful explanation, Ye Xun swiftly got onto his bike. "Boss, take care of Little Xixi, I'll go to the medicine hall to look for clues," he said as he put on his helmet.

Ye Xun wanted to find out who had kidnapped Ying Bao, what kind of car the culprit was driving, and which direction the car had gone.

"Okay, let's keep in touch. Report to me immediately if you find anything."

Ye Xun gestured an "okay" sign then rode off, the engine of his bike roaring away.

Huo Yunshen pulled Xu Xiyan up and said, "Jing Xi, let's get in the car first."

In the RV, Xu Xiyan clasped her hands together anxiously, looked up at Huo Yunshen with her tearful eyes and pleaded, "Yunshen, I beg you. Please think of something and save Ying Bao, okay?"

She always believed that he was omnipotent. There was nothing that he couldn't do.

She knew that turning to him for help was no mistake.

"Jing Xi, don't be sad. I'm going to order my men to find her now. Believe me, I'm sure we can get our child back."

"Okay," Xu Xiyan nodded. She could only rely on him now.

Huo Yunshen quickly summoned Yi Xiao and told him to make arrangements to block all major traffic routes in Peijing. All outbound traffic in the airport, docks, and bus stations were to be thoroughly checked too, lest Ying Bao be taken out of Peijing.

At the same time, he told him to call in a helicopter and have it on standby.

Ye Xun rode on his high-performance bike and quickly arrived at the Renjing Chinese Medicine Hall.

The first thing he did was question everyone in the medicine hall. He found and questioned the last eyewitness, Xiao Mei, the front desk assistant.

The last time she saw Ying Bao was half an hour ago. Ying Bao was riding on her little bicycle outside the entrance of the medicine hall.

After that, she didn't see the child anymore. Her bicycle was left at the side of the road.

Ye Xun also took footage from the surveillance system. From the footage of the camera outside the medicine hall, he could see Ying Bao playing outside the entrance that morning.

At the last scene, a car came and parked at the side of the road. An unfamiliar man came down from the car and bent over to talk to the child.

After that, Ying Bao got off from her bicycle and said something to her smartwatch.

After standing around for a while, the man opened the door of the car and Ying Bao got into it by herself. Then, the car drove out of sight.

Chapter 516: Got Some Leads

Due to the camera's distance and the scene taking place at the edge of the camera's field of view, the person's face and the license plate number of the car were hardly visible.

The only things that were known were the color of the car and the direction the car had driven off in.

Ye Xun immediately contacted Huo Yunshen to inform him of the newly found clues as he swung back onto his bike. "Boss, I got some leads. It's a black Toyota MPV, heading east from west of Baima Road."

Using the newly obtained leads, Huo Yunshen gave an order to contact the transport department, "Contact the transportation department and tell them to monitor all roads and lock onto the suspected vehicle."

Yi Xiao contacted the transport department. After locking onto the suspected vehicle, the department used an advanced traffic network control system to track the vehicle and send its driving route data over to them.

The RV sped off down the road. Huo Yunshen had already given a hard order and mobilized all personnel. They were to capture the vehicle no matter what and ensure the safety of the child.

Now he could only pray for Cherry's safety.

As time passed, everyone became more and more anxious.

Xu Xiyuan's face hadn't been dry of tears ever since she'd found out that Ying Bao was lost. She felt extremely terrible and could not stop blaming herself.

"This is all my fault. If only I educated her more often, this would not have happened today. It's all my fault..."

"Don't blame yourself, Jing Xi. It has nothing to do with you. I should be the one apologizing. If I hadn't brought her out in public and caused the scandal, maybe someone wouldn't have used my name to trick her."

What was of the use of saying all this right now?

It wouldn't solve anything if they kept blaming themselves.

"I don't blame you. I just feel like I'm not a good mother." Xu Xiyuan was saddened that she had not protected her daughter well.

Huo Yunshen squeezed Xu Xiyuan's hand dearly and kept on comforting her. "No, you are a great mother. Don't be sad, I believe there will be news soon."

He felt that she had raised her daughter by herself and had educated her so well. Such a good mother like her was rare in this world.

The black suspected vehicle drove out of the city as it continued heading east.

In the back seat of the vehicle, Ying Bao looked out at the environment outside. It was totally different than the usual way home.

Moreover, the scenery outside looked more and more desolate. Far behind, the tall buildings were disappearing in the distance.

She cocked her little head to the side and asked puzzlingly, "Uncle, when can Baby meet Daddy?"

The man with a cold expression on his face said to her, "Soon, you will see him soon."

"But Baby remembers that this is not the way home."

"That's because we're taking a detour today," the man lied to her.

Ying Bao did not ask again but she still had a nagging feeling that something was wrong. She wanted to call her mother but her smartwatch was out of battery.

"Uncle, do you have a mobile phone? Can Baby borrow it to make a call?"

"No," the man refused her coldly.

The little girl pouted her lips. She was beginning to be unhappy.

Why was Daddy's staff not being friendly to her?

Under normal circumstances, Ying Bao was not a child who was easily deceived.

But today she had believed the two men in the car because they had come to her with a picture of Huo Yunshen.

Because she saw that it was a photo of Huo Yunshen, she believed that they were sent by her daddy.

She remembered clearly that her daddy's bodyguards were dressed the same as them. This was how she got tricked.

Halfway through the journey, the man in charge of driving stopped the car by the side of the road and got out of the car.

In the car, Ying Bao could vaguely hear that the man was making a call outside. She could hear his voice saying, "Yes, everything went very smoothly. I've already caught the little girl. Yes, we will settle it..."

Ying Bao had a vague feeling that something was wrong. The man said that he had caught a little girl—was he referring to her?

Chapter 517: Finally Got Rid Of The Wheelchair

If it was her Daddy, how could he have told his men to come and capture her?

Ying Bao looked around at the desolate surroundings, and then looked at the cold-faced uncle beside her. The more she thought about it, the more scared she felt.

She missed her mother.

She also missed her grandpa.

She wanted to go home.

She glanced at the safety lock on the car door, then quietly reached out with her little hand, flipped the safety lock and unlocked the door.

The strange uncle next to her did not notice her. She opened the door and tried to escape.

However, before her little feet could touch the ground, she was caught by the strange uncle. He pinned her back in the backseat and she could not move.

The man outside was done with his phone call and got into the car. They continued driving for a while until they reached the seaside.

They had come to a rocky sea cliff. It was a no man's land and there were no signs of civilization.

The strange uncle in the back seat opened the door, preparing to carry Ying Bao out of the car.

Ying Bao took the opportunity to bite the strange uncle hard on his wrist. The pain caused him to release her and she dropped to the ground on her feet and darted off.

"You dare run away?"

She was only four years old. How could her two short legs outrun the two men's four long legs?

The strange uncle easily caught her within three strides. Ying Bao resisted him, struggling desperately to break free from his grasp.

“You little bastard, I'm going to strangle you if you don't stay obedient!”

The strange uncle was losing his patience, and the fact that he had just been bitten by her made him even angrier. He gave Ying Bao a few hard slaps on her mouth in anger.

It's so painful! Ying Bao cried out loud as the man hit her, and her fair little face immediately became red and swollen.

“Bad uncle, you're all bad uncles...” she sobbed, “I want to go home... I want Mommy...”

The man viciously threatened her, “Damn you, little girl! You're so noisy! If you continue with your racket, I'll take your little life!”

“You baddie... I'll beat you...”

She grabbed a stone from the ground and flung it at the bad uncle, but he kicked her and sent her flying into the air.

Her little body flew for a meter or two before falling heavily onto the ground.

Unfortunately, Ying Bao's head struck against a rock as she fell. Blood immediately streamed from her head to the ground and she fell unconscious.

The cold-faced man watched the child become motionless as blood flowed out from her head. He said to his partner, “Damn, did I just kick her to death?”

The other man was already taking out some rope and a sack from the trunk. “Even better. We're supposed to kill her anyway. Put her in the sack!”

The cold-faced man picked Ying Bao up from the ground and put her into the sack. Then the two men filled the sack with plenty of stones before tying it up with a rope.

The two dragged the heavy sack toward the edge of the cliff, intending to throw it into the sea.

The stone filled sack would sink to the bottom of the sea and nobody would discover it. A job easily settled.

“Okay! On the count of three, fling it out to the sea!”

“Okay!”

The two lifted the sack up together. One of them began to shout, “One...Aaahhhh!”

There was a deep boom in the air as the one who was counting was shot in his temple. He released the sack as his body fell over the sea cliff, plunging into the sea.

Before the cold-faced man could react, another booming gunshot echoed in the air.

The cold-faced man let out a groan as his legs buckled to the ground.

The pain caused him to release the sack he had been gripping. He fell to the ground and clutched at his leg in pain.

He looked toward the direction where the bullet had come from with horrified eyes. On the other side, away from the sea cliff, a black figure rushed towards him in staggered footsteps.

It was none other than Huo Yunshen.

When Huo Yunshen had arrived at the sea cliff, he saw two bad guys were about to throw his child into the sea. At that moment of imminent peril and desperation, he had leaped out of his wheelchair and charged forward to save his daughter.

He was finally free of the wheelchair!

He could run freely again!

Chapter 518: Heartbroken

Though he was able to walk again, it was not a time to celebrate because there was still something more pressing at hand.

He still had to save his daughter.

He had only one strong notion in his heart. He swore that those who dare harm his daughter would be cut into a thousand pieces and burnt into nothing but ashes!

At this moment, Huo Yunshen was surrounded by a dark murderous aura.

Not only did he have firearms, but he was also a very skilled marksman.

The way he had killed the man with his gun was extremely ruthless.

From so far away, he was able to aim at his target's temples and make a precise kill.

“Cherry...”

Huo Yunshen made his way to the sea cliff. The first thing he did was cut the rope tying the sack and opened it.

After the sack was completely opened, he saw Ying Bao lying unconscious amidst the stones. The wound on her head was still bleeding, soaking her head and her body with fresh blood. There was so much blood all over her that she was almost unrecognizable.

“Cherry!”

Huo Yunshen fell to his knees. The pain was so great in his heart that he could not breathe and tears immediately welled up in his eyes.

He was extremely heartbroken to see his daughter cruelly tortured and severely wounded.

Oh, his daughter, his poor child. Do you know that Dad is so heartbroken to see you suffer such torment?

“Cherry...”

My daughter...

It is Dad's fault for coming so late...

Huo Yunshen was extremely distraught as he watched his daughter's blood-stained body.

At this moment, his eyes and heart were filled with great anger, and there was a cold, murderous look in his bloodshot eyes.

If he had not made it in time, the consequences might have been even more unthinkable.

The two men had the audacity to assault a four-year-old child. Not only had they cruelly harmed her, but they had also intended to throw her into the sea.

What kind of grudge did they have which was so great as to make them this perverse?

Huo Yunshen removed the stones that were pinning the child down and tossed them away, then pulled the child's blood-stained body out of the sack.

He held the child in his arms and pressed his cheek against the child's forehead, feeling very terrible for her. "Baby, you must hang on. Everything will be okay. Dad will save you."

He carried the child up from the ground and stood. As he turned around, he saw that Xu Xiyao, Yi Xiao and some men were rushing towards him.

"Ying Bao!"

Xu Xiyao immediately burst into tears when she saw that her daughter was covered in blood. "Ying Bao! Oh, please wake up, Ying Bao! Mommy's here, open your eyes and look at me!"

Ying Bao was dying. Her blood-soaked head hung down lifelessly from her limp little body.

"I'm sorry, Baby. Mommy has come late for you, I shouldn't have been late... It's all Mommy's fault..."

Her daughter was hurt and bleeding profusely. She was so distressed that she was about to break down.

"Baby... Ying Bao... Mommy is here... please wake up..." Xu Xiyao sobbed uncontrollably as she held onto her daughter's little hand.

"Please don't cry, Jing Xi. We should send the child to the hospital right now!" Huo Yunshen said, furrowing his eyebrows deeply.

Just then, there was a loud noise in the sky as a helicopter approached them and quickly landed on the sea cliff.

"Quick! Go to the hospital!"

After ordering Yi Xiao to stay behind to take care of the crime scene, Huo Yunshen carried his daughter and boarded the helicopter with Xu Xiyao. The helicopter then took off, sending the child to the hospital at the fastest speed possible. They could not delay for another second.

When the helicopter landed on the rooftop of the hospital, Ye Xun had already arranged everything and gotten several hospital staff members to be on standby.

As soon they got off the helicopter, Ye Xun and the medical staff went up to them with a stretcher.

“Daughter, Daughter! Please wake up...”

When Ye Xun pushed the nurse aside and saw the bloody child lying on the stretcher, he was shocked.

How had Ying Bao bled so much?

Was she gravely injured?

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Xu Xiyan had only told him on the phone that Ying Bao had fallen unconscious and had to be sent to the hospital for emergency treatment immediately, but she had not told him that the child was seriously injured.

She was the precious daughter he had lovingly raised and he had been overprotective of her as if she was a delicate little flower. He could never bear to see harm come to her.

But now, she was hurt and her life was in danger!

Ye Xun felt very guilty. He blamed himself for not accompanying his daughter 24/7 and letting her fall into the hands of criminals.

Ye Xun held onto the child's little hand, his heart aching as he called out her name. The doctor patted him on the shoulder. “I'm sorry, please let us through. We're racing against time for her life. If we delay any longer, it may endanger her life.”

Alas, under the doctor's persuasion, Ye Xun stepped aside. They all waited outside as the child was wheeled into the emergency room.

“Who did it? Why did they want to torture a child?”

Ye Xun was getting angrier. Other than worrying about the child's condition, he wanted to know who the vicious person was that would not even spare a child.

“One of them is already dead. The other one is still alive, waiting to be interrogated,” Huo Yunshen said, clenching his fists, a murderous look in his eyes.

Judging from the behavior of the kidnappers, these kidnappers were not in for the money.

Why would they want to kill a child for no reason?

This could only mean that they were acting under someone else's orders.

If he didn't want to find out who the perpetrator was, he wouldn't have left one of them alive.

Even if he had obliterated those men, it would still not have been enough to feed his hatred.

“Leave the interrogation to me!”

Ye Xun wanted to interrogate that cruel man personally and then cut him up into pieces.

As long as the picture of the child covered in blood appeared in his mind, he was overcome with self-blame.

Ye Xun clutched his head with his hands in distress. "It's all my fault. If only I had protected her, she would not have fallen into harm's way."

He lowered his hands from his head and punched the wall, bloodying his knuckles.

Then he let go another punch, again and again, staining the white wall with blood.

Xu Xiyan could understand what Ye Xun was feeling. She knew how much he loved Ying Bao, as he had raised her since she was born. Now that the child was injured, he must be blaming everything on himself.

Xu Xiyan could not bear to see him harm himself again and again. She grabbed him from behind and stopped him from punching the wall. "Second Senior, please don't do this, don't harm yourself anymore. I don't blame you, I really don't. Please don't blame yourself anymore."

Huo Yunshen also helped to persuade him, "Ye Xun, it was thanks to your help this time. Otherwise, we wouldn't have successfully found Cherry."

If Ye Xun had not hurried back to the medical hall in time to look for leads of the suspected vehicle, they couldn't have rushed to the seaside in time.

Ye Xun finally calmed down, but his knuckles had already become a bloody pulp after punching the wall.

Xu Xiyan put her grief aside momentarily and went to look for a nurse to help bandage Ye Xun's hand.

The emergency room was bustling as the doctors and nurses were fighting to save the child's life. In contrast, the atmosphere outside the emergency room was grave as everyone waited anxiously.

It was unknown how long they had waited, but a nurse finally came out. Xu Xiyan and the others immediately went up to the nurse and asked for news.

"The wounded has lost too much blood and she needs a blood transfusion right away. I'm going to the blood bank to prepare the blood plasma now."

After the nurse explained this with an expressionless face, she hurried away.

Oh dear, Ying Bao had lost too much blood and needed a blood transfusion!

Everyone's hearts were trembling with anxiety. There was nothing they could do but pray for the child.

Xu Xiyan could not stop weeping as she muttered to herself, "God, please bless her. Please help Ying Bao overcome her critical condition. As long as the child is safe, I'm willing to sacrifice twenty years from my own life."

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Huo Yunshen held her hand. He was comforting himself too as he comforted her, "She will be okay, everything will be okay for her. Cherry is a strong child, she will be okay."

After a while, the nurse who had just left for the blood bank came back. She said to Xu Xiyan and the others, "There is insufficient type A blood in the hospital blood bank. Is anyone here type A blood? Anyone?"

Huo Yunshen thought about his blood type, then immediately raised his hand and said, "Yes! My blood is type A! Use mine!"

As long he could save his daughter, he was willing, even if they need to drain all of his blood.

The nurse asked, "What is your relationship to the patient?"

"I'm her father."

The nurse shook her head. "Immediate family members are not allowed to transfuse blood. Is there anyone else with type A blood?"

Anyone with medical knowledge would know that a blood transfusion between immediate family members was not allowed as it was prone to cause immune diseases.

The fact that he could not transfuse his blood to Ying Bao and he was unable to help her made Huo Yunshen feel even more anxious and helpless.

Coincidentally, in their group, including the assistants and bodyguards, Ye Xun was the only other one with type A blood besides Huo Yunshen.

"I'm type A and have no kinship with the patient. Take mine!" Ye Xun said, standing up as he volunteered to donate blood.

"Good, come with me now!"

The nurse took Ye Xun to the blood collection room.

"Thank you, Second Senior," Xu Xiyan thanked him from the bottom of her heart.

Ye Xun looked back and a comforting smile drew across his pale face. "You're welcome. Don't worry, I won't let anything happen to Daughter."

Xu Xiyan watched Ye Xun walking off determinedly and felt very moved.

Thank you, Second Senior!

She thanked him for his selfless dedication for treating Ying Bao as his own.

Xu Xiyan would never forget his kindness until the end of her life.

Huo Yunshen was also very grateful to Ye Xun, appreciating everything he had done for Xu Xiyan and the child.

Time passed. They had collected blood from Ye Xun a total of three times. At last, the lights in the emergency room were extinguished.

The doctor came out of the emergency room. Xu Xiyan and the others flocked around him and asked about the child's situation.

The doctor took off his surgical mask and said, "Mr. and Mrs. Huo, the child is safe now, thanks to the timely delivery of the child to the hospital and the timely provision of the blood plasma. If her treatment had been delayed even for a few seconds, I'm afraid we could not have done anything to save her."

Everyone breathed a sigh of relief. The child's life was saved and that was more important than anything else.

"Thank you, thank you, doctor..."

They all thanked the doctor. After that, a nurse wheeled the child out from the operating room, sending her to the children's intensive care unit.

Considering that the child was young and prone to infection, she had to stay in the hospital's sterile ward and under observation for 48 hours.

During those nerve-racking 48 hours, everyone was praying and worrying for the child in their hearts.

Yi Xiao had already arrived at the hospital with his men. They had also brought the young master's electric wheelchair along for him.

Huo Yunshen no longer needed a wheelchair. He could now stand, walk, and run like a normal person.

He knew that it was because of what had happened that day. If it wasn't for the sake of saving his child's life, he would not have been able to rouse his inner potential. He had finally seen the light after living his life in hell for five years.

Since he had recovered his body, he could stand side by side with Xu Xiyan. He now had the ability to protect her, sheltering her from the wind and rain.

He only hoped that his daughter would get better soon. He still had to spend more time with her to make up for those years she had lived without her father's love.

After anxiously waiting for 48 hours, Ying Bao had finally overcome the critical period. Her family could go in and visit her now.

They finally saw the child, still in a coma as she lay on the bed with white gauze wrapped around her head, her little face pale and bloodless.