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Little Yichen was surprised, Jiang Shen and Lu Jinyu were stunned as well. They had no idea when it was that this little fellow had become so capable that she could roll herself over!

They looked at little Yueyao flopping her tiny body about, her butt sticking out as she rolled around in the crib. Her two tiny hands were clenched into fists as she casually grabbed the doll that was placed at the side. After fussing around for a bit, she flipped back and lay on the bed. She held onto the doll with her tiny hands as she waved it around, making little noises as her saliva stained the soft towel.

Jiang Shen suddenly asked curiously, "Who's responsible for changing her diapers at home now?"

As though a thought had occurred to her, Yun Shishi suddenly burst out laughing.

Jiang Shen asked her at once what was going on and why she was laughing for no reason.

Her reply came back, "I'm recalling the very first time someone changed little Yueyao's diaper!"

One didn't need to guess, to know that she was talking about the Chief!

His eyes widened in shock. "Chief actually knows how to change diapers?"

"Yes! It's not like you guys don't know him. He had been yearning for a daughter and now that he has one, she's like a treasure and he simply wishes to personally do everything for her! I told him I'd handle the diaper changing, thinking that he wouldn't stand for it. But he confidently said that it was no big deal. You should have seen that look on his face when he removed her diaper!"

That smell.

After all, she was only a child and she couldn't control her bladder and bowel. The diaper would get soiled and someone had to change it!

Mu Yazhe thought that it wasn't a big deal, but when he removed it and smelled it, it gave him an experience he'd never forget!

According to the man himself, the smell hit him so hard he almost died.

Despite the unpleasant task, it did not diminish Mu Yazhe's affections for the little princess. He got used to it after awhile.

Initially, while in the hospital, it was mostly Auntie Yue who took care of the baby. But when they came home, he took over the task himself and was proud of being able to say that he kept his daughter's butt fragrant!

It amused Yun Shishi to no end!

In the end, even she felt a little jealous!

Mu Yazhe took care of the little princess meticulously. Whether it was feeding her, pacifying her, or changing her diapers. She gradually got more familiar with him. He became less clumsy and more adept over time when it came to doing these things.

It was rare for the couple to have time together. When they were in bed, she would hug him and joke that she had reincarnated into the wrong body.

When Mu Yazhe asked why, she would say half seriously, "Why do I feel that I'd rather be your daughter than your wife? Daddy Yazhe!"

As soon as she said this, Mu Yazhe rolled over and pinned her beneath him. He lightly pecked the corner of her lips then said playfully, "It seems that I have indeed neglected someone these past few days! Having served my daughter, I neglected my wife! Madam, how do you think I should make it up to you?"

Yun Shishi punched his chest. "You have to work and take care of the little guy at night. Why do I feel that you have so much energy left in you?!"

"The moment I see you, I'm filled with energy."

He kissed her lips with much tenderness and this was followed by a romantic and intimate session. When this blew over and he leaned into her embrace, Yun Shishi suddenly wondered if she had been too unkind!

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After delivering her daughter, Yun Shishi became like a little worm that cared only for eating, drinking, and sleeping well.

This man had taken care of all the day-to-day work so that she had nothing much to do.

Youyou said, "Mommy, you can go shopping at the mall like other rich ladies too. It's no wonder you're so free when you stay at home all day!"

"I don't like socializing with those heavily made-up rich ladies."

She added, "I'm happier having nothing much to do at home!"

Lu Jinyu and Jiang Shen did not dare stay for too long. They had snuck out from work and if Mu Yazhe were to find out that they had made use of their lunch break to play with his daughter, he'd probably give them a taste of his prowess!

Seeing that it was almost time to get back to work, they quickly said their goodbyes and slipped back to the office!

In the evening, when Mu Yazhe returned home from work, Yun Shishi went to welcome him at the door. He gave her a hurried peck on her face and eagerly walked toward the crib!

Yun Shishi stood rooted, stewing!

She turned around, watching a certain man walking happily to the crib. He bent over and picked the little princess up in his arms. He did not even care that the little girl was sleeping soundly. He simply missed his daughter dearly after not seeing her for a day!

He did not know why, but when he had some free time amidst a busy day at work, he would think of his daughter's tender face and then his heart would feel full and content!

He supposed this was what being blissful felt like.

With this weight of responsibility in his heart towards this little princess he cared about, his heart was really at home, even if he was in the office.

This did not mean that he was biased and neglected the three of them because of this little princess. It was just that Youyou, that little tsundere, did not rely on him that much, and always has little tricks up his sleeves!

As for Little Yichen, perhaps because he had been too strict with this boy all along, hence the boy had always revered him as his father.

Yueyao, on the other hand, would look extremely reliant on him every time she saw him. When he carried her, she would also size him up with her bright eyes and pat his cheeks occasionally with her tiny hands, and at other times, she would grab his tie and tug at it.

It gave him a feeling of being deeply relied on!

Men all like to be relied on!

Carrying his daughter like she was a treasure, Mu Yazhe lifted his head and asked, "Has Yueyao's diaper been changed?"

"I've already changed it!"

She walked over to him and sat down, resting her chin on his shoulder as she watched.

The baby was still asleep. When he picked her up, he was very careful so as not to wake her up. Now, she was like a well-behaved little kitten, snuggled in his arms, her mouth moving and even creating little bubbles!

Yun Shishi poked at the bubbles curiously and laughed.

"She's sleeping so soundly!"

Mu Yazhe lightly patted her back as he lifted his eyes to meet hers and smiled.

He suddenly said, "These few days, I've been discussing the details of the wedding with the wedding planner! However, the theme of the wedding hasn't been confirmed! They've asked me to get your opinion on the theme style you'd like for the wedding"

"Style?"

"It's the setup of the venue!"

Yun Shishi replied, "How would I know these things? Why don't you decide."

"I should ask for your opinion no matter what! I shouldn't be the one making all the decisions."

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"I don't really know. I don't know what theme style means!"

Mu Yazhe re-phrased the question. "Do you like Chinese or Western style weddings?"

This question stumped her!

A Chinese-style wedding with a red and gold, or red and black theme would be steady and passionate. It's traditional without losing novelty, and would come across quite solemn.

Most importantly, the traditional charm of a Chinese wedding with a phoenix coronet and robe was irresistible to many women.

It has to be said that traditional Chinese culture has its charms. Just imagine, wearing a gorgeous Han Chinese costume with a phoenix coronet and bridal veil, it is a lovely vision!

However, most wedding ceremonies nowadays are western style!

The most eye-catching feature of Western weddings would be the pure and beautiful wedding gown!

A resplendent snow white. Be it a fishtail design or the puffy princess dress, every wedding dress had its own unique characteristics.

An arch of flowers, a sacred and solemn vow, specially customized wedding cake and champagne tower was also a rather attractive option!

Yun Shishi was in a dilemma. She liked both the Chinese and Western styles!

"Well..."

She frowned and started to hesitate. "I like the solemn style of Chinese weddings, but I also like the elegance of Western weddings! I like phoenix coronets and traditional wedding robes, but I also like the pure and dreamy wedding gowns! I like both and it's really hard to choose between the two!"

"Since it's hard to make a choice, let's have both styles!"

"Huh?"

Yun Shishi was a little stunned. "Gosh, these two styles are incompatible. How do we have both?"

"An outdoor lawn wedding, an indoor Chinese wedding. Since you like both of them, it's not like you don't have the conditions for it!"

She asked again, "What about you?"

"Hmmm?"

"What kind of wedding would you prefer?"

Mu Yazhe smiled as he looked at the sleeping baby in his arms. He said gently, "As long as you're the one standing before me and exchanging vows with me, I'm fine with any style."

He really didn't care about the style, only the person he was marrying. When that day would come, and she would stand before him, in that moment, everything else around would dim in comparison to her!

Hence whether it was Chinese style or the western style, he really couldn't care less!

He would only see her and nothing else!

In that moment, what would be more beautiful than her standing before him?

She would not have known what he was thinking, but seeing that he had thrown the question to her again, she struggled with her thoughts.

"Hubby, am I being too greedy, liking both Western and Chinese styles?"

Before she could finish speaking, the little guy in his arms suddenly kicked her legs. She might have been dreaming, but who knew what the dream was about. After kicking twice, she woke up!

Before she could even open her eyes, she started crying!

Probably because she was a little angry from having woken herself up, her mood turned sour. She groaned a few times and started crying!

Mu Yazhe hurriedly coaxed her. He kissed her forehead and patted her back. "Oh, oh," he said in a low voice. "Yueyao, don't cry. Yueyao, don't cry."

Little Yueyao did not pay any attention to the pacifying, she frowned and cried pitifully.

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"It's all your fault."

Yun Shishi blamed him. "Trying to carry her the moment you're home. She was sleeping and it's not like you don't know how she cries when she's not fully awake!"

Mu Yazhe did not take it to heart and replied, "I've worked hard all day. Isn't it natural to want to pick up my little princess when I'm home?!"

As he spoke, he lightly kissed Yueyao's forehead to try to comfort her. He patiently coaxed the crying child without showing the least bit of impatience nor loss of composure as many helpless new fathers would!

He was already able to handle little Yueyao's crying with ease!

He suddenly took out an exquisite looking, small red brocade box from his pocket. He handed the box to Yun Shishi and gestured. "Open it and take a look!"

She took the box from him curiously and asked with a puzzled expression, "What is this?"

"Open it and you'll find out!"

Yun Shishi raised an eyebrow and opened the box. Inside lay a small but intricate longevity lock made of pure silver.

The longevity lock is also known as the longevity band. It is usually put on a child during the 100-day banquet or when the child is one year old. The purpose of wearing the longevity lock is to prevent plagues and evil spirits from harming the child.

In ancient times, people believed that once they put a longevity lock on their children, the child would be able to grow up safe and sound.

Longevity locks are mostly made of pure silver, with the words “Long Life and Prosperity” inscribed on them. People believe that because it is a securing device, once a door or a box is sealed with a lock, only a key could open it. Hence they believe that the longevity lock can secure good health and long life.

This is a rather superstitious theory!

Initially, Mu Yazhe did not care for all these beliefs given he had no experience with them and he had little understanding of these traditions and myths.

But on the day of the 100-day banquet, a female guest suddenly asked, “Why didn’t you put a longevity lock on the child?”

Mu Yazhe was a little puzzled when he heard this. What was a longevity lock?

Hence, the lady explained it to him. However, he didn’t think much of it!

But after work today, for some reason, he went to the jewelry store on the way home and chose a longevity lock with a nice design for little Yueyao.

“Longevity lock?” Yun Shishi was surprised. She pouted coquettishly. “Didn’t you say that these are superstitions and not to be believed?!”

Mu Yazhe’s face turned red in embarrassment. He then solemnly explained, “Although it’s superstition, it doesn’t hurt to believe it!”

“Oh?”

Yun Shishi held the longevity lock in her hand and traced it with her fingers before saying, “There’s more to buying a longevity lock than this! You have to remember to ask for a golden key to restore it when Yueyao turns 12! Otherwise, it won’t be efficacious and will lack sincerity! Actually, I think that there are some traditions that you should either not believe in, or you should sincerely believe and revere.”

As she spoke, she placed the longevity lock around little Yueyao’s neck. As she put it on for her, she made a sincere wish in her heart: *I hope that Yueyao can live a peaceful life and live a long life of prosperity!*

For some reason, the moment she secured the longevity lock, little Yueyao blinked and stopped crying!

Strange!

The child blinked her teary eyes. The moisture in her reddened eyes instantly turned into twinkling stars, making her look extremely charming.

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The child put her finger in her mouth and looked at Yun Shishi first, then at Mu Yazhe. Suddenly, she flailed her limbs with excitement!

“Yi... ya.. ya...”

She reached out with her saliva-stained fingers and slapped his face, causing saliva to be smeared all over his face.

Yun Shishi was amused and Mu Yazhe burst out laughing as well. He looked at Yueyao and then at his wife, saying, “She stopped crying after you put on the lock. Sometimes, it’s really hard to explain certain things! It feels as if there’s a profound mystery behind it all!”

“She’s just like that, crying one moment and laughing the next! She likes to be carried by you and Xiaojie the most! Especially you. No matter how aggrieved she is, she’ll stop crying and making a fuss when you carry and coax her!”

Yun Shishi snorted indignantly. “Everyone says that a daughter is close to her father. I think that’s true!”

“Isn’t she close to you too?”

Yun Shishi tilted her head and said, “It’s not that I’m not close to her! It’s just that once she starts crying, she won’t smile even after I coax her for a long time, you know? Sometimes, she’s really cute when she’s lying alone in the crib. And then when little Youyou suddenly sticks his head in, she’d get a shock and start crying! Sometimes, she’s very, very smart, she knows that when she cries, there will be many people fighting to carry her! But she’s also fussy about whom she allows to carry her! If it’s not the person she wants, she will continue crying! For example, sometimes, when Hua Jin carries her, she will not stop crying. She’d only stop when Xiao Jie carries her!”

“Isn’t it a good thing for children to be smart?! If they’re as unintelligent as Little Yichen, that’d be the end!” He said it like it was a matter of course.

Little Yichen was passing by the living room when he suddenly heard these words. He felt as though a huge black pot had smashed him right in the back of his head... that was completely uncalled for. Clutching his chest, he complained unhappily, “Daddy, you’re talking bad about me behind my back again!”

When Youyou passed by Little Yichen and saw Mu Yazhe carrying little Yueyao, he added fuel to the fire, “See? Little Yichen, ever since our little sister was born, your position in Daddy’s heart has been getting lower!”

Little Yichen felt even more aggrieved when he heard this. Unable to contain his anger, he threatened the man, “Daddy, don’t forget that you have to work during the day! When I’m at home, I’ll badmouth you to Little Sister!”

“I dare you to do that!”

Mu Yazhe took it seriously and actually glared at the boy. "You're not allowed to badmouth Daddy in front of Yueyao."

"Then why did you say I'm unintelligent in Little Sister's presence?!"

Little Yichen pouted. "If Little Sister knows that I'm stupid and bullies me when I grow up, then there'll be absolutely no one who will dote on me or love me anymore!"

"How old is Little Sister? How would she understand what I'm saying?"

"In that case, since she doesn't understand, I'll badmouth you then. You've said that she's too young to understand anyway!"

At this point, his mind was working rather quickly!

Mu Yazhe could not out-talk him. He could only take a step back and say, "Daddy is wrong. Daddy won't say you're unintelligent anymore."

Little Yichen was finally satisfied.

Having sharp eyes, he ran up to Yueyao curiously. His gaze was fixed on the silver longevity lock on her neck. He asked curiously, "What is this?"

"Longevity lock."

Yun Shishi explained to him what a longevity lock was.

Little Yichen was upset again. "If my sister has a longevity lock, why don't my brother and I have one?"

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"I do. Mommy said that she put it on me when I was one year old! But I'm easily allergic, so I don't wear it often."

Little Yichen was even more disappointed to hear this and lowered his head in dejection!

Mu Yazhe felt upset when he noticed this!

At once, he felt that he owed this little guy too much.

He admitted, although Mu Yichen had been given the best of everything in the Mu family ever since he was born, however, among the three children, he was the most neglected and least cared for.

He rarely took part in this child's birthday events, nor played a part in planning and preparing for it, not to mention getting the child a longevity lock.

Most of these things were prepared by the servants at home and they would remind him beforehand. He would then send his men to buy birthday presents or whatever Yichen wanted.

Mu Yichen was by nature a rather lively child. Hints of this could be seen from the time he was one year old!

However, at that time, Mu Yazhe had limited experience in taking care of children and was very strict with him.

Children love to play and move about. It is normal for them to accidentally fall or knock into things, or even break things.

However, at that time, Mu Yazhe did not know how to educate his children. Sometimes, he was too concerned and worried that the children would break things and hurt themselves in the process!

As a result, he would punish them by making them face the wall and reflect on their mistakes. However, the child subconsciously thought that he had caused trouble and made his father unhappy, not realizing that this was actually how his father demonstrated concern!

After all, the child was only young. In terms of understanding, it might be very difficult for him to comprehend a father's care and concern, or the concern of the elders.

When he was older, Mu Yazhe had sent him off to special training camp and there, life was not as easy!

Ever since he returned from the special training camp, Little Yichen seemed to have changed into a different person. From being lively and active in the past, he seemed to have turned into a little iceberg!

In reality, he was merely arming himself!

When the mother and son reunited and he returned to Yun Shishi's side, his natural frankness and pureness gradually revealed itself!

Why else would it be said that when it comes to family, the child can not be apart from both parents!

The father is the backer, providing a sense of security!

The mother is the harbor, providing the greatest warmth!

Without either one, the home is incomplete!

Looking at Little Yichen's disappointed face, Mu Yazhe finally realized that he seemed to have neglected Little Yichen, and hadn't given the boy much care!

In the past, it was because he was inexperienced as a father and did not know how to manage his relationship with his child.

When the mother and son reunited, he returned to Yun Shishi's side to spend time with Youyou. Little Yichen acknowledged his role as an older brother, so he learned to be mature and take care of Youyou.

However, everyone seemed to have forgotten that even though Little Yichen was the older brother, he was only a few minutes older than Youyou, and he was only seven years old.

While a crying child is often given sweets to eat. The feelings of the mature one inevitably gets overlooked.

Mu Yichen did not know what his father was thinking. Noticing his father's gaze on him, he thought that he was being willful and immediately declared, "Anyway, I'm not saying I have to have a longevity lock! I was only teasing Daddy!"

“Come over here!”

Mu Yazhe summoned the boy, his tone instantly became tender.

Little Yichen was a little bashful. “What is it?”

He was certainly not used to being so gently treated all of a sudden!

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“Come over here!”

Mu Yazhe summoned him again. Little Yichen then walked over awkwardly. Mu Yazhe held his hand and pulled the boy in front of him. Then, he brushed away his hair and planted a kiss on his forehead.

“Daddy will compensate you, okay?”

Little Yichen’s face suddenly turned red!

He thought to himself, what’s wrong with Daddy?

He was being so gentle to him for no apparent reason!

He could not get used to it.

However, the child was naturally delighted when he heard that he was going to get a longevity lock. He quickly nodded and said, “Oh goody! Okay! In that case, my sister, Youyou, and I will all have a longevity lock!”

Yun Shishi was puzzled when she heard this. She rebuked Mu Yazhe, “Did you not put a longevity lock on Little Yichen when he turned one?”

Yun Shishi had planned to get Yueyao a longevity lock on her first birthday. It was too early to do it during the 100-day banquet, so there was no hurry.

However, she didn’t expect this man to have bought the girl one even though he personally did not appear to believe in such things. She was a little surprised at his thoughtfulness.

However, when she heard that Little Yichen did not have one, she was a little surprised. She had assumed that Little Yichen did have one, but like Youyou, he just didn’t wear it.

Mu Yazhe said, “I didn’t know about longevity locks back then.”

“You’re a father now, after all. You can’t just take care of the little one and not the older one, otherwise, you’ll be suspected of being biased!” She snorted, clearly taking sides with Little Yichen.

Mu Yazhe humbly accepted her advice. “Madam is right!”

Yun Shishi was amused to hear that and exchanged a smile with Little Yichen.

When night came, the family showered and went to bed. Yun Shishi lifted the blanket and moved toward Mu Yazhe. She hugged him and said, “Hubby?”

“Hmmm?”

“Don’t you think that you cared too little for Little Yichen when he was young?”

Mu Yazhe nodded and she continued, “Today, I noticed the look of disappointment on Little Yichen’s face when he saw that little Yueyao also had a longevity lock! It’s rather heartbreaking to see that expression!”

She sounded like she was blaming him.

He patted her back lightly but did not deny it!

“Indeed, I rarely took care of Mu Yichen when he was young. At that time, there were no capable assistants in the financial group. Lu Jinyu and Jiang Shen were still young and inexperienced. I had a lot of work to do, so I rarely had time to spend with him.”

Yun Shishi expressed her understanding.

After all, no matter how capable a man was, he was still only human!

From a certain perspective, Mu Yazhe had indeed educated children before, and it was also laudable!

At least, Little Yichen was not like those spoiled rich second-generation heirs. This proved that Mu Yazhe had put in a lot of effort into educating his children!

However, he was a father after all, and fatherly love was not as gentle as motherly love.

She was absent from Little Yichen’s childhood and to that extent, also felt that she owed him motherly love.

Mu Yazhe continued, “Perhaps, circumstances have changed! At that time, Little Yichen’s perspective was that I had this child because of grandpa’s orders to continue the family line, but now that I think about it, I feel guilty.”

“Little Yichen and Youyou are both very sensible, but at least Youyou is often coquettish towards me! Little Yichen, on the other hand, rarely acts that way because he is conscious of being the older brother.”

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Mu Yazhe said, “It’s my fault for not fulfilling my duty as a father! However, I’ll be more careful in the future lest the little fellow feels neglected again!”

He then covered her with a thin blanket.

The weather had turned cold and he was worried that she would catch a cold.

He was silently considerate, and she took note of this. She put her arms around his shoulders and planted a kiss on his lips.

“Goodnight!”

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The next day, when Mu Yazhe got off work, he went to the jewelry store and chose another longevity lock.

When he reached home, he did not pick Yueyao up immediately like he usually did. Instead, he mysteriously carried the gift box and walked into the room.

Little Yichen was playing a game on his phone. He walked over to the boy and saw him operating an exquisite-looking animated figure pushing a tower.

Mu Yazhe had no idea what game this was, but he did not interrupt the boy. When the word “victory” appeared on the screen, Little Yichen turned around and was startled by the man who had suddenly appeared behind him.

“Daddy!?”

He patted his chest in fright. Still sounding nervous, he said, “Daddy, why did you just stand behind me silently? When did you get home?”

“Not long ago! I saw that you were playing, so I didn’t want to interrupt you!”

The man stroked his head and asked, “What game was that you were playing?”

“Okay!” Mu Yichen added, “You won’t know even if I told you! Have you heard of Honor of Kings?”

Mu Yazhe raised an eyebrow. He did not play these games; how would he have heard of it?

The boy put his phone away in the drawer.

Although he usually had a lot of fun playing games, he knew when to stop. When everyone at home was around, he would certainly not be paying on his phone. After all, the only opportunity for the whole family to gather was during night time. Little Yichen only played games when he was bored.

This was the same for Youyou. No matter how busy he was, once Mu Yazhe returned home, he would put down whatever work he was doing.

Mu Yazhe took out a little box from his pocket and opened it to show the boy. Little Yichen stared at his father curiously. Then he saw the man take out a longevity lock from the box and string it with a red cord.

“This is...”

Little Yichen was pleasantly surprised. “Isn’t this the... longevity lock like the one that you brought home for Little Sister yesterday?”

“Uh huh!”

Mu Yazhe continued, "Daddy was careless in the past and forgot to get one for you!"

Little Yichen cast a sidelong glance at him, as though blaming him. Suddenly, his lips curled into a smile, and his eyes were filled with warmth. "Well, at least you've made it up to me now!"

He got onto his feet and obediently stood in front of Mu Yazhe. He was now about the height of a man's waist, but for the sake of convenience, Mu Yazhe had no choice but to get down on one knee before him and tie the longevity lock around his neck.

Once the lock was put on, Little Yichen pinched it between his fingers with a satisfied smile!

"Thank you, Daddy!"

He put his arms around the man's shoulders and gently kissed the man's cheek!

Mu Yazhe suddenly had a thought and said, "Little Yichen, I have something to discuss with you."

"Hmmm?"

"I'm accompanying Mommy for her gown fitting tomorrow! You and Youyou stay at home and take good care of your sister, okay?"

When Little Yichen heard this, he naturally patted his chest, guaranteeing that it was not a problem.. However, when he heard that Mu Yazhe was going to take Yun Shishi for a gown fitting, he was puzzled. "What sort of gown?"

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Mu Yazhe flicked his forehead. "Idiot! What else could it be? Of course, it's Mommy's wedding dress!"

Little Yichen covered his forehead in pain, but when he heard that they were fitting for a wedding gown, his eyes lit up. "Wow! Has the wedding plan been confirmed?"

"Uh huh! Your Mommy and I have reached an agreement that a Chinese style wedding is more meaningful!"

Little Yichen was surprised. "Chinese style? Does Daddy have to wear a wide Han Chinese costume like on TV?"

"The wedding planner suggested that I wear a western suit while she wears a Han suit!"

Mu Yazhe continued, "Little Sister can't be alone at home, so I won't bring you guys along. When we come home, I'll show you guys pictures of the fitting!"

Little Yichen clapped his hands gleefully.

During dinner, Mu Yazhe told Youyou about this. When Youyou heard that he going to be babysitting his sister at home, he was naturally overjoyed and promised to take good care of her.

With the two little fellows standing guard over Yueyao, Mu Yazhe was naturally assured. Hence, he left the house early the next day with Yun Shishi.

Little Yichen woke up very early, but Youyou was even earlier than him. He was already in the living room, carrying little Yueyao in his arms.

Little Yichen felt somewhat indignant when he saw this!

“Why are you up so early?”

“I slept earlier than you, so I woke up earlier than you.”

As Youyou said this, he thought to himself, *if I didn't wake up earlier, would I even stand a chance when Little Yichen gets to little Yueyao first?*

Since he could not win by snatching, he could only try to get in first!

Little Yichen pursed his lips and sat beside his brother. He looked at the sleeping Yueyao cradled in his arms.

Watching the little girl nestled in his arms, he could not help teasing her. Hence, he reached for the disinfected teat and rubbed it against her lips.

In her sleep, little Yueyao vaguely sensed a familiar shape and subconsciously opened her tiny mouth to lick it. Then, she sucked on it with her eyes shut and appeared to be enjoying it.

“Ha!”

Youyou was amused by her cute reaction. He looked at his older brother and smiled. Suddenly, a thought struck him and he asked, “Has Little Sister's favorite toy been disinfected?”

“Not yet...”

“Hurry!” Youyou urged, “If Little Sister wishes to play with it when she wakes up, it'll be too late then!”

Little Yichen was extremely unwilling to be sent off with a task. He wanted to watch his sister sleeping!

It was such a beautiful sleeping face, yet this fellow was having her all to himself. He felt somewhat upset!

However, on second thought, the idea of serving his little sister did make him happy!

By the time he finished disinfecting the toy and came back with it, little Yueyao was awake. Youyou carried her to the crib, took a hot towel, and carefully wiped her face.

Little Yueyao had slept enough, so she was especially energetic. She kicked her tiny legs around as if she was pedaling a bicycle.

By this time, the sun had risen.

Youyou ran to the balcony to take a look outside. Seeing that the weather was exceptionally clear today and that the sun was shining brightly, he suggested, “Let's push Little Sister out to get some sunlight, shall we? I read from a book that it will help a baby of Little Sister's age grow stronger!”

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“Mmm, okay! We’ll have to wait until she’s done feeding and her diaper has been changed!”

Youyou nodded. The two of them set themselves to work. When they were done feeding and changing the diaper, they placed little Yueyao and her favorite toy in the pram and then pushed the pram out!

Although the pram was not very tall, Youyou was smaller than Little Yichen, so the latter was responsible for pushing it.

Yun Shishi had previously nurtured her pregnancy at Yunshan Shiyi. When she returned home from the confinement center, the entire family moved back to Xiangti Walk. It was mainly because Xiangti Walk was a relatively small garden bungalow. Furthermore, she missed the rose garden. After living there for so long, she was already accustomed to it. Hence she was used to the life at Xiangti Walk.

Xiangti Walk boasted a substantial garden. In the mornings when the weather was good, they would go out for a walk.

Little Yichen pushed the pram and was halfway out when a thought struck his mind. “Oh, I forgot to bring the milk bottle. I’ll go back and get it!”

Youyou nodded and pushed the pram to the side. He sat on the stone bench by himself. Inside the pram, little Yueyao hugged the toy doll with both hands as though she could not bear to let go of it. Her eyes were bright and clear, making her look like a spirited child. Her eyelashes fluttered like butterfly wings when she blinked. She was an extremely charming baby!

Youyou was fascinated just by looking at her blinking eyes!

She was so engrossed in playing, as though the toy in her hand was the only thing she ever needed!

Children are especially naive and easily satisfied!

Youyou leaned against the side of the pram and watched her play with his head lowered. Unlike other children, Yueyao was exceptionally quiet. Usually, when she had a toy in her hands, she would ignore everything else around her. With this toy, she could lie there quietly and play with it for a long time!

Feeling a little lonely, he asked her, “Yueyao, Yueyao, is this toy that fun?”

He felt a little jealous. Although, this toy was designed by him and seeing that his sister liked it so much gave him a sense of accomplishment!

But then again, little Yueyao was carrying the toy and playing with it lovingly. She did not even look at him. When he talked to her, she ignored him. She did not even pay any attention to him. He felt rather defeated!

He used his finger to gently poke her chubby little face. The baby immediately reached out and pushed his hand away. Her other hand held tightly onto the toy doll, as if she was afraid that someone would snatch it away from her!

When Youyou saw this, he reached out to snatch the toy away from her. A fierce expression immediately appeared on her face, and she immediately clung on to the toy tightly with both hands with an overbearing expression that said “leave my toy alone”!

This expression actually resembled Daddy's!

Sometimes when Daddy got angry, he would frown and glare at people fiercely, just like how she looked now!

Youyou was highly amused by her expression. The more he thought about it, the more he was tempted to tease her, so he reached out to snatch the toy from her arms!

In a moment of carelessness, the toy was snatched away by him. Yueyao was finally anxious, but she did not cry or make a fuss.. Instead, she used both hands to try and grab the toy from Youyou's hands. She made sounds of dissatisfaction and kicked her legs as if she wanted to kick him!