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Dear Kan-

What a bad timing the
autumn wind did bring down this
way - but what a hurricane or tornado
or earthquake did you cause.

Our congratulations to you and I
think Sally is a nice a girl as any you
find anywhere. But why did you
cause her to have a such a hard break
at one of her most happiest moments
of her life. Although you may be able
to patch up with her folks, and as I
write this I hope it is already on the way
there always will be this scar. Yes you
and Sally maybe happy - Thought so by doing
what you did - simply flying all the

endless details of wedding preparation that ends in
few seconds. but as you realize now there are
endless preparation that goes with it that has to be
worked out. If you & Sally were two strangers
in a town ^{met} and found that one was meant
for another - Two homeless workers - all is well
what you did - You have family obligations
& so has Sally. The folks here have some respect in
their social community; you have done something
according to Mrs. Feiji standard that has caused
her a broken heart & loss of her self respect & esteem
in her social standing of her friends & her community
as large. I do not blame Mrs. Feiji for being so
angry & stubborn. She has protected & given Sally
endless care & devotion - many sleepless nights
many sacrifices, preparing her here & there to
make her a better womanhood. Now at the
end of twenty odd years she has bloomed forth
as one of the finest specimen and already for the
grand prize. At this time you have come & just
snatch it out of her hands with no regards for her
thoughts & feelings. Do you think its fair? you
will understand better in a couple decades when ^{from now}
~~we~~ ^{you} have become proud father & mother of
a family how both your parents here felt at
this news you did bring them.

Now that the deed is done let us
can do is to make it most agreeable
for all around ^{for} most concerned.
Just loving one another is not enough.
you plan to ~~be~~ ^{be} ~~in~~ ⁱⁿ ~~charge~~ ^{charge} Hayward
and do gardening work. What about
Sally? What was the reason for the
rush as you stated - It was necessary
for Sally.

As I read your letter did any
of the parents object to your marriage
for any other reasons.

Provided both parents agree
that the method taken was not
right & Mrs. Fujie & Pa are willing
to help by announcing how are
you going to do this. Just by sending

not printed announcement of your marriage in Pers on 4th 20 day.

I suppose you were married by Justice of Peace. That is legally done.

Now the following is my suggestion and I think it will clear up the matter.

If you were married by Justice of Peace why not go thru a religious wedding ceremony as Mrs. Feeje wants. ^{if this is her desire.} It can be a small wedding of immediate family & close friends & a party afterwards

Now by a regular Jap. ceremony do you mean a bishakumen and emon gashi - This is a simple matter now as you two already know each other & the preliminary steps of getting

acquainted is done & over - all you have to do according to my knowledge will be

1. Pick out respectable businessmen for each party
2. Set the date ^{as early date as possible} as it is urgent as you said for some reason not known to me.
3. This can be done as in short as a time as 5 days - no less in Calif.

I suggest you & Sally go to Mrs. Fujii & apologize for what you have done and tell her you will be willing to go thru the ceremony according to her desire. If it is too elaborate you may be able to cut some out of it after preliminary plans are sketched up. - In this way you are upholding her respect & face among her friends & social group & you both have one another anyhow and better understanding of both your folks and in longer run show respect among your friends and community.

Kan as a dutiful son-in-law ^{husband} it is your duty to make Mrs. Fujii happy and for Sally's sake - you are tearing her away from the close family relation and that feeling of loneliness of being worse than dead. She maybe happy & tell you so but I doubt it. I don't think she's that type of girl.

I know Kan when you were wandering

different places couple years ago you
were homeless wanderers. The happiest
thing during those days was that you
could always get a willing brotherly
& sisterly letters from home and in
case of emergency you knew you could
depend on them. But how would it
be if you didn't have all the lovingly
security & thrown out in icy cold water
with no ties to those you long to cling
with all your heart.

Think it over & talk it over with
Sally & father and make up speedy
plans to reconcile with her folks -
an ill wind blows in all directions
in no time & its secret will soon leak
out as your marriage certificate will
be coming in & Mrs. Freije has a too
close a neighborhood to be safe.

I have a hunch you haven't said anything to Mich as Alice is an outsider - By all means confide in him & have him talk it over with Mrs. Fujie as you & pa really haven't the patience to talk it over calmly with a woman.

Have you said anything to Kaech as a sister & as woman perhaps she could take time out & come as go letters for you. If you think I could be of any assistance I could make plans to come up with Susan Kayo is in school and Masayoshi can play around in the fields where his daddy work. He is too old to go up as he can understand to certain extent. Masayoshi don't start that way.

I take it you are still living with the folks and Sally where is she? I guess Mary, her sister, is in Chicago and the reason for her going there for a spell.

Don't for a moment think you are all right and Mrs. Frazier is an old stubborn fool she has many points in her favor.

Now that my sisterly lecture is out and I guess you have heard many in the last few days. Don't fluss up & listen to them calmly & think & do for the best for the most concerned.

I hope I will have a return letter soon telling me all is well & come up & join the wedding jigg on 20 and 21 day.

Now you have started out with a wrong foot on your happiest moment of your life - you are out of step according to other marchers & you are being kicked and stepped around although you yourself think you are in step & all others are out.

I hope some suggestions will help you out. Please let me know how the wind is turning as I'm very anxious.

George has been very busy trying
to get his winter cropⁱⁿ with very little
trained workers, lack of implement
& mostly limited finances. We are
just about ready to hurdle the last
obstacle and hoping to find ourselves
on a somewhat easier path. Tomatoes
will be coming in this week - Pick
few today - Have about 10 acres of
bell pepper - 5-6 acres of Italian Squash
some summer & plans to plant back
peas soon. I think good ^{farm} men^{labor}
will be scarce as the army camp has
started in Lumpoc - between Santa
maria & Lumpoc. common labor 8 7/2
cents @ hr. Girls are rather scarce too
as they work in walnut house, bean
house & lemon house. Everything looks
quite favorable here this way. Love, Sam.

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