



WHAT ARE YOU DOING IN A PLACE LIKE THIS?

THIS IS HATSUSEGAWA KAREN, YOUNG LADY OF THE HATSUSEGAWA GROUP...



IF YOU'RE SEEN LOOKING AT UNKNOWN GUYS, YOUR FANS WILL START ASKING QUESTIONS...

EVEN IF WE'VE KNOWN EACH OTHER SINCE LONG AGO.

...OH?

IF YOU INSIST, I MIGHT AGREE TO REALLY GO OUT.

THIS CHILDHOOD FRIEND IS JUST TOO MUCH FOR ME TO HANDLE.

DON'T COME HERE

RUMOURS FOLLOW YOU, AND IT'S CAUSING PROBLEMS FOR ME, TOO.

PROBLEMS...?



IDIOT.

...WHA-
!?



...WITH
WHOM?

WITH YOU.



SO
AN-
NOY-
ING
...



HE WHO
CALLS
SOMEONE
ELSE
AN IDIOT
IS AN IDIOT
HIMSELF!!



YOU ARE
AS SHY
AS EVER...



GEEZ,
KAITO...



CHILDHOOD PRINCESS





YOU'D REALLY LIKE SOMETHING LIKE THAT?

YOU DAYDREAM TOO MUCH.

A CHILDHOOD FRIEND MIGHT WAKE YOU UP IN THE MORNING...

COOK FOR YOU...



HUH...?

BUT IT MUST BE NICE... HAVING A YOUNG LADY LIKE HER AS A CHILDHOOD FRIEND.

SHE'S A BEAUTY, TOO.



IF YOU LIKE, I COULD OFFER YOU A LIFT.

ISN'T IT FINE TO EAT SWEETS?

FIRST OF ALL, SHE NEVER COOKS.

AND SHE COMES TO SCHOOL IN A LUXURY CAR.

IT'S PRETTY DREAM-LIKE, EH?



SERIOUSLY, WHO'S BEEN RUNNING THEIR MOUTH...

...YOU SEEM TO STAND OUT PLENTY ALREADY, THOUGH.

SHADDUP!

HE'S KAREN-SAMA'S ...

OOH...!

I HATE STANDING OUT!

AH! IT'S THAT GUY!

YOU GET A LIFT TO SCHOOL WITH HER?

YOU'RE ALWAYS BARELY ON TIME.



I AM SEEING
KIRIYAMA-KUN
FROM
MY CLASS.

I AM
HAPPY
ABOUT
YOUR
FEELINGS,
BUT...

SO IT
WAS
YOU!!

I...

SO
THAT
RUMOUR
IS
REALLY
...

THAT IS
HOW IT
IS. I BEG
YOUR
PARDON.

SURNAME:
KIRIYAMA



WHAT WAS
THAT
ABOUT?

...IT IS
BECAUSE
THIS WAY I
CAN EASILY
GET
EVERYONE
TO GIVE UP.

KA-
KAITO!?

YOU SAW
THAT?

I'D LIKE AN
EXPLANATION,
BUT...

REJECTING
CONFESSIONS
HAS
BECOME
A HUGE
PROBLEM
FOR ME...

I'M

NOT HERE
TO LISTEN
TO YOUR
SOB STORY.

SEE YA!

THIS
IS...
ERRR...





...EH?

THE
ALWAYS
CONFIDENT
AND
PRIDEFUL
KAREN IS



FOR ALL THE
TROUBLE
I'VE CAUSED
YOU...

HURT BY
MY
WORDS...?

IT CAN'T
BE...
RIGHT?

I
SINCERELY
APOLOGISE
...



OOH!♡
THE GIRLS ARE IN
THE GYMNASIUM,
TOO. LUCKY!

AS I
THOUGHT...
SHE'S
BACK TO
NORMAL...

ON
THE
NEXT
DAY
...



IT LOOKS LIKE ANEMIA.

HEALTH REP, TAKE HER TO THE INFIRMARY TO REST.

OKAY.



HATSU-SEGAWA-SAN!!

I JUST CAN'T ABANDON HER...



HEALTH REP



I KNOW HOW IT WILL LOOK TO THE OTHERS

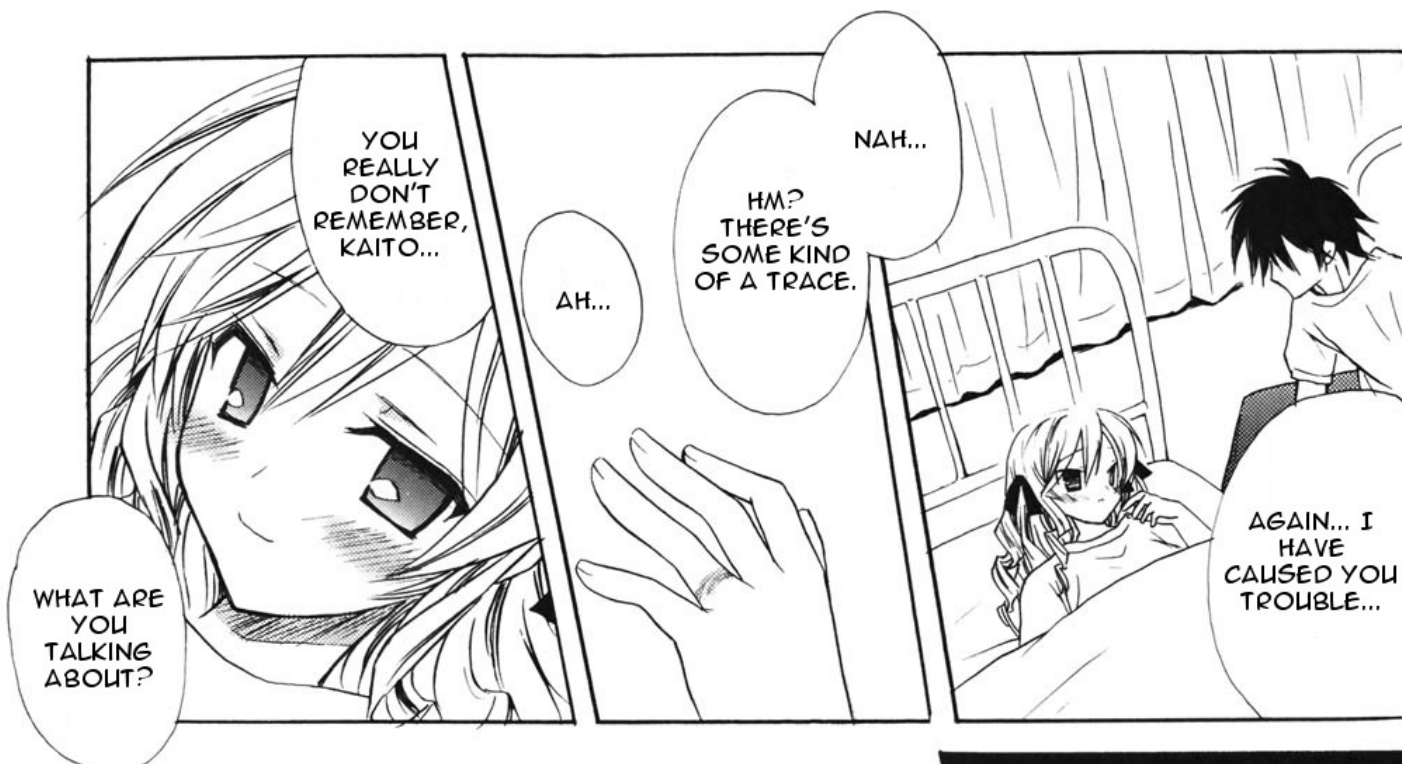
SO WHY AM I DOING THIS...?

OH, ARE YOU GOING?

SHADDUP

INFIRMARY

健



YOU
REALLY
DON'T
REMEMBER,
KAITO...

AH...

HM?
THERE'S
SOME KIND
OF A TRACE.

NAH...

WHAT ARE
YOU
TALKING
ABOUT?

AGAIN... I
HAVE
CAUSED YOU
TROUBLE...



THAT IS
UP TO MY
FEELINGS.

MOREOVER,
IF I GO OUT
WITH
SOMEONE
ELSE, THE
RUMOURS
ABOUT YOU
WILL
DISAPPEAR.

WHAT...
IS THIS?
SHE'S
NOTHING

LIKE HER
USUAL...

NO...
NEVERMIND
THAT.

MORE
IMPORTANTLY,
KAITO...

AT MY
FATHER'S
RECOMMEND-
ATION, I HAVE
AGREED TO
CONSIDER A
MARRIAGE
PROPOSAL.

HUH?

WHY SO
SUDDENLY...?
WE'RE STILL
IN HIGH
SCHOOL...



I'M SURE
I'VE SEEN
KAREN
LIKE THIS
BEFORE...

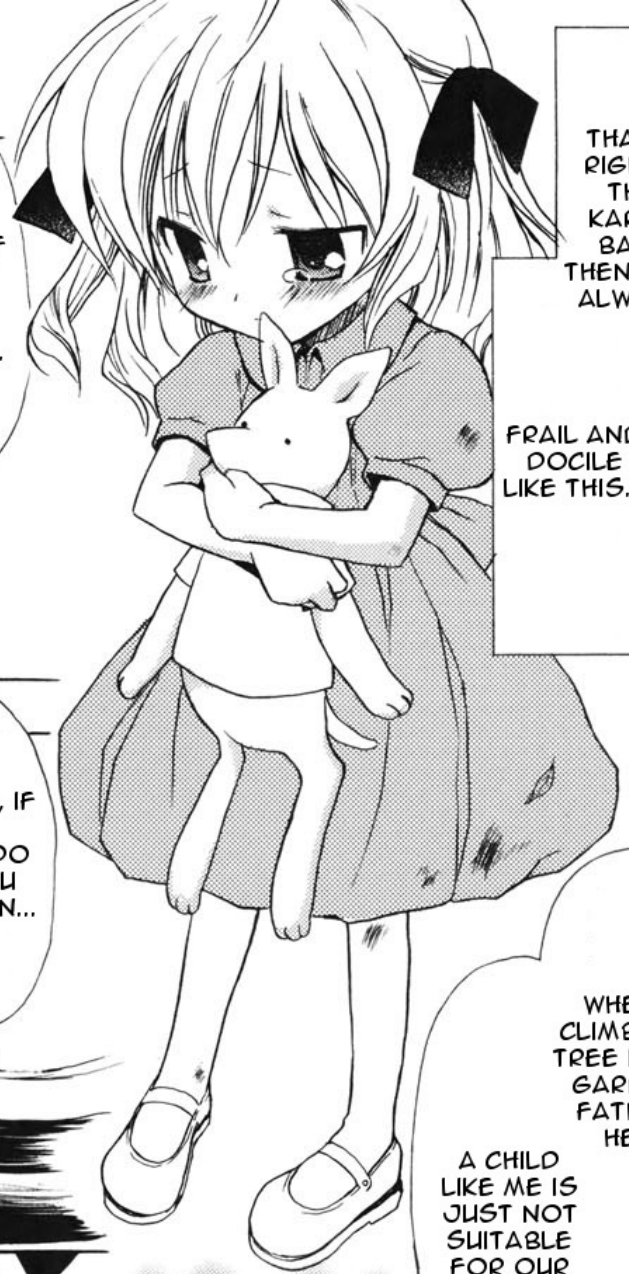
...NO.

ARE YOU...
RELIEVED?



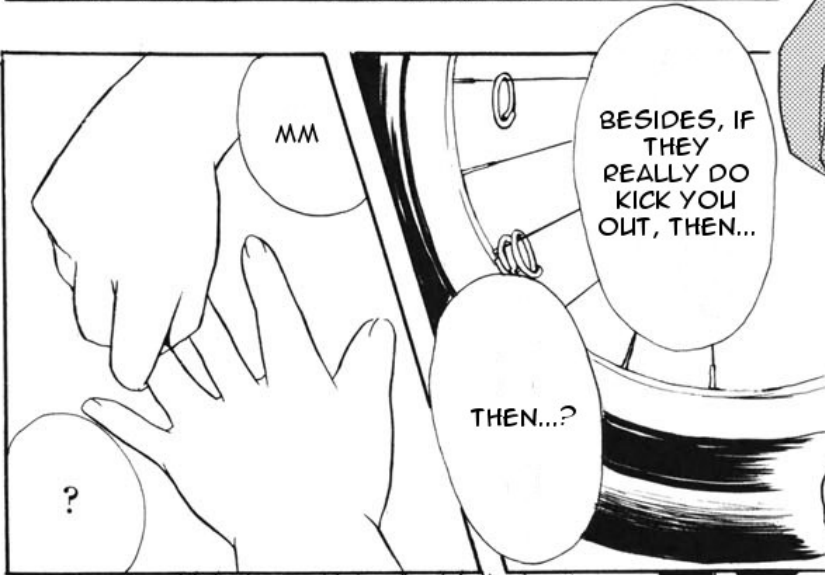
THEY WON'T
KICK YOU
OUT FOR
SOMETHING
LIKE THAT.

I WONDER IF
MY FAMILY
WISHES I
WOULD
DISAPPEAR...



THAT'S
RIGHT...
THE
KAREN
BACK
THEN WAS
ALWAYS

FRAIL AND
DOCILE
LIKE THIS...



MM

BESIDES, IF
THEY
REALLY DO
KICK YOU
OUT, THEN...

THEN...?

?

WHEN I
CLIMBED A
TREE IN THE
GARDEN,
FATHER,
HE...

A CHILD
LIKE ME IS
JUST NOT
SUITABLE
FOR OUR
FAMILY.



...OKAY!

THEN LET'S
GET MARRIED.



SHE
WAS
WEAR-
ING IT
FOR
ALL
THIS
TIME
...?

THIS...
FROM THAT
TIME...?

KYA
...!?

KA-
KAITO...?

...EH?



IT...
EXPIRED
A LONG
TIME AGO...

SHE...
ALWAYS
SHOWS
THIS KIND
OF A FACE
FOR ME,
SO...

I...
PROPOSED
TO YOU,
DIDN'T I...?

AH...

TH- THAT
WAS JUST A
CHILDREN'S
PROMISE...



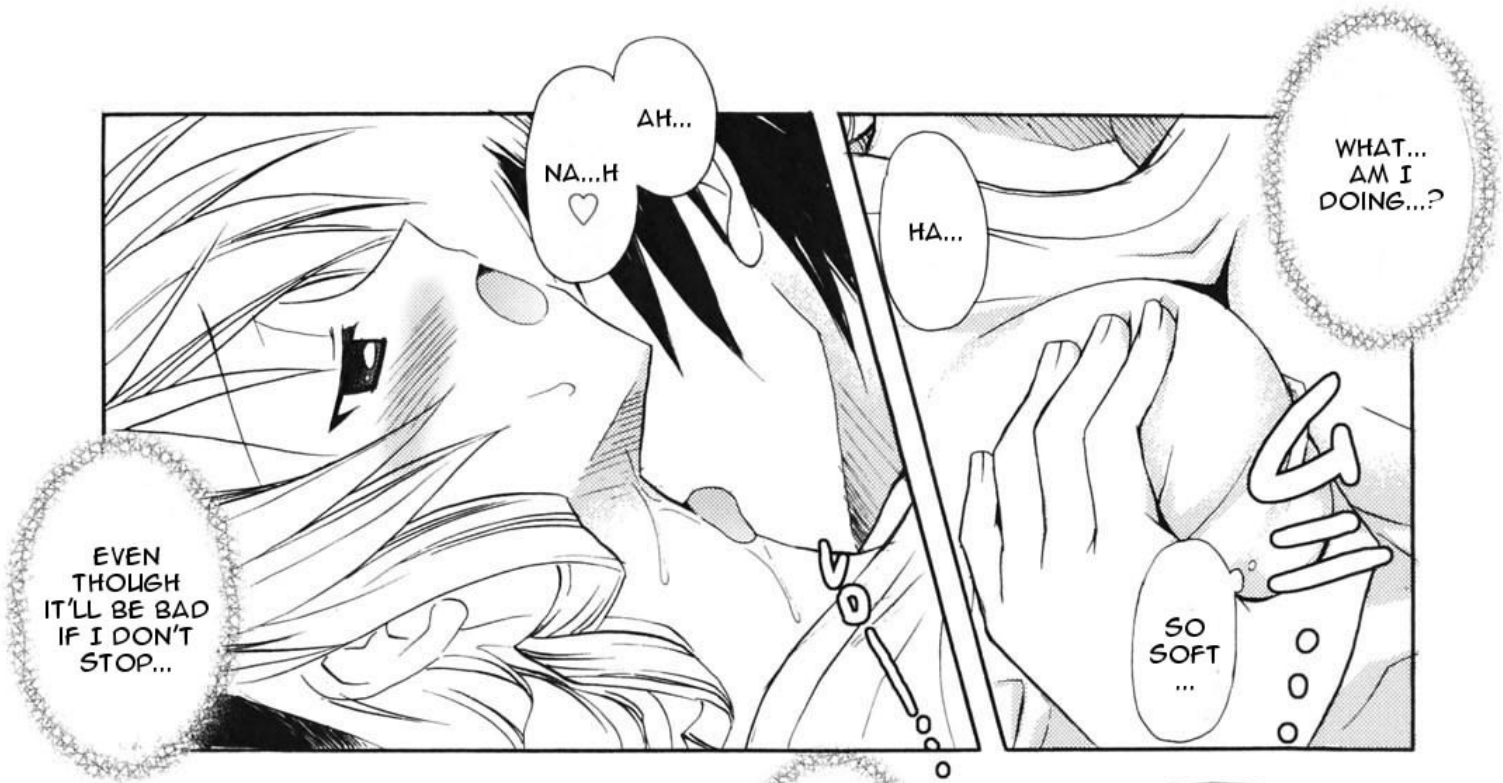
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IS
A PROMISE.

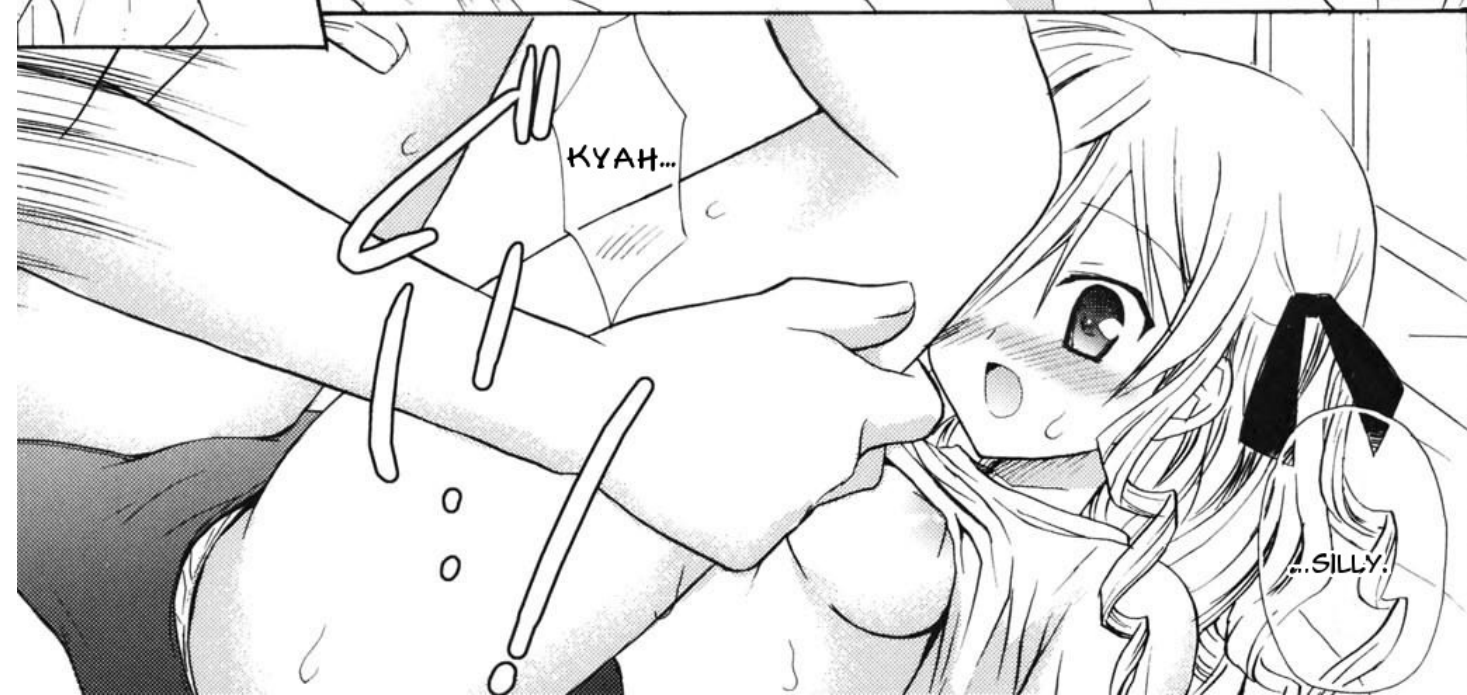
NO MATTER
HOW
TROUBLE-
SOME, I'LL
TAKE
RESPONSI-
BILITY...!

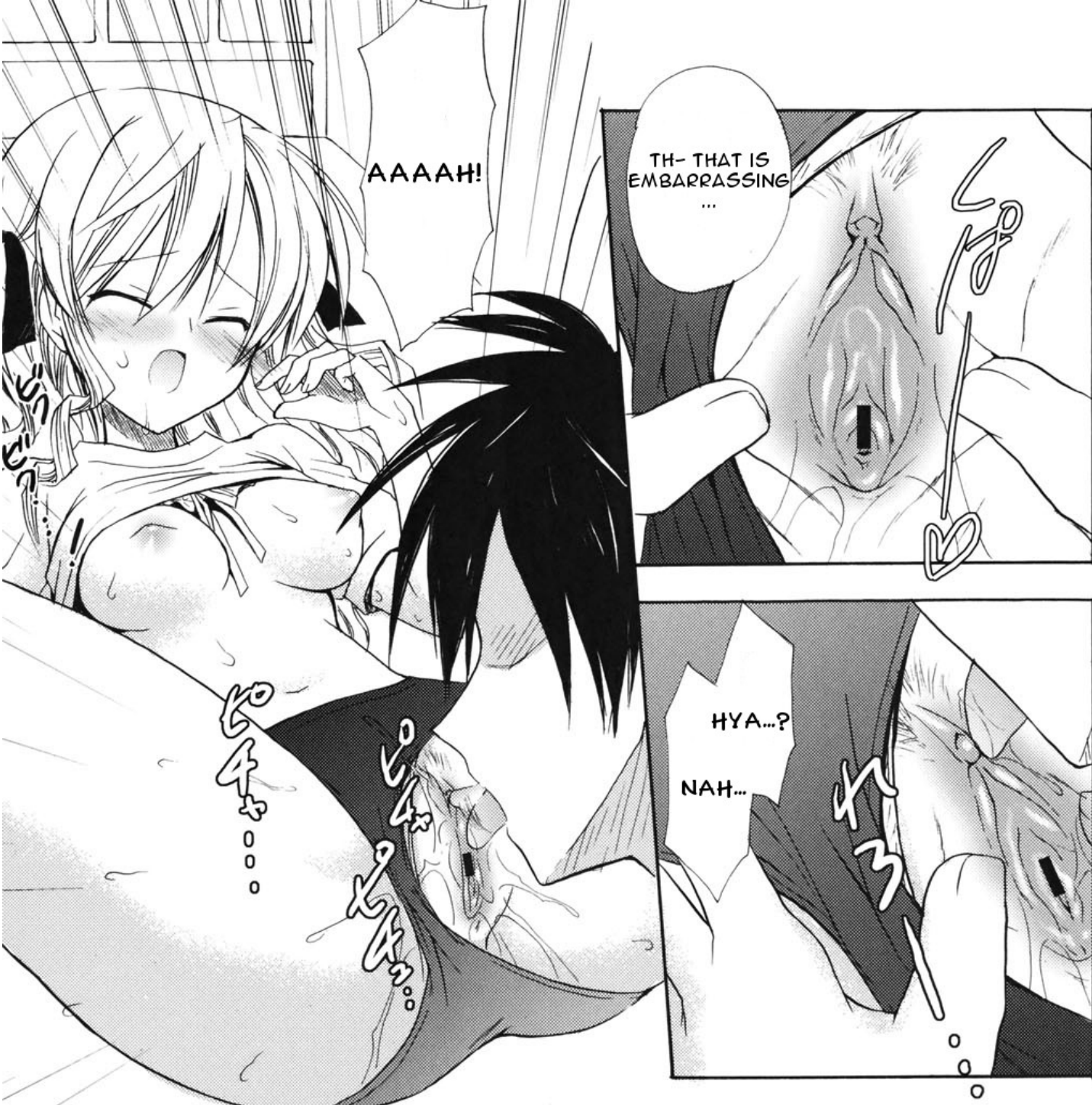


EVEN
THOUGH
YOU HAD
FORGOTTEN
ALL ABOUT
IT UNTIL
JUST NOW...

WHO...A...







AAAAH!

TH- THAT IS EMBARRASSING ...

HYA...?

NAH...



Y- YES...

DO... AS YOU WISH...

KAREN...

CAN I PUT IT IN...?



I- IT
HURTS
A LITTLE,
BUT...

TO GIVE
MYSELF TO
KAITO...



AH...

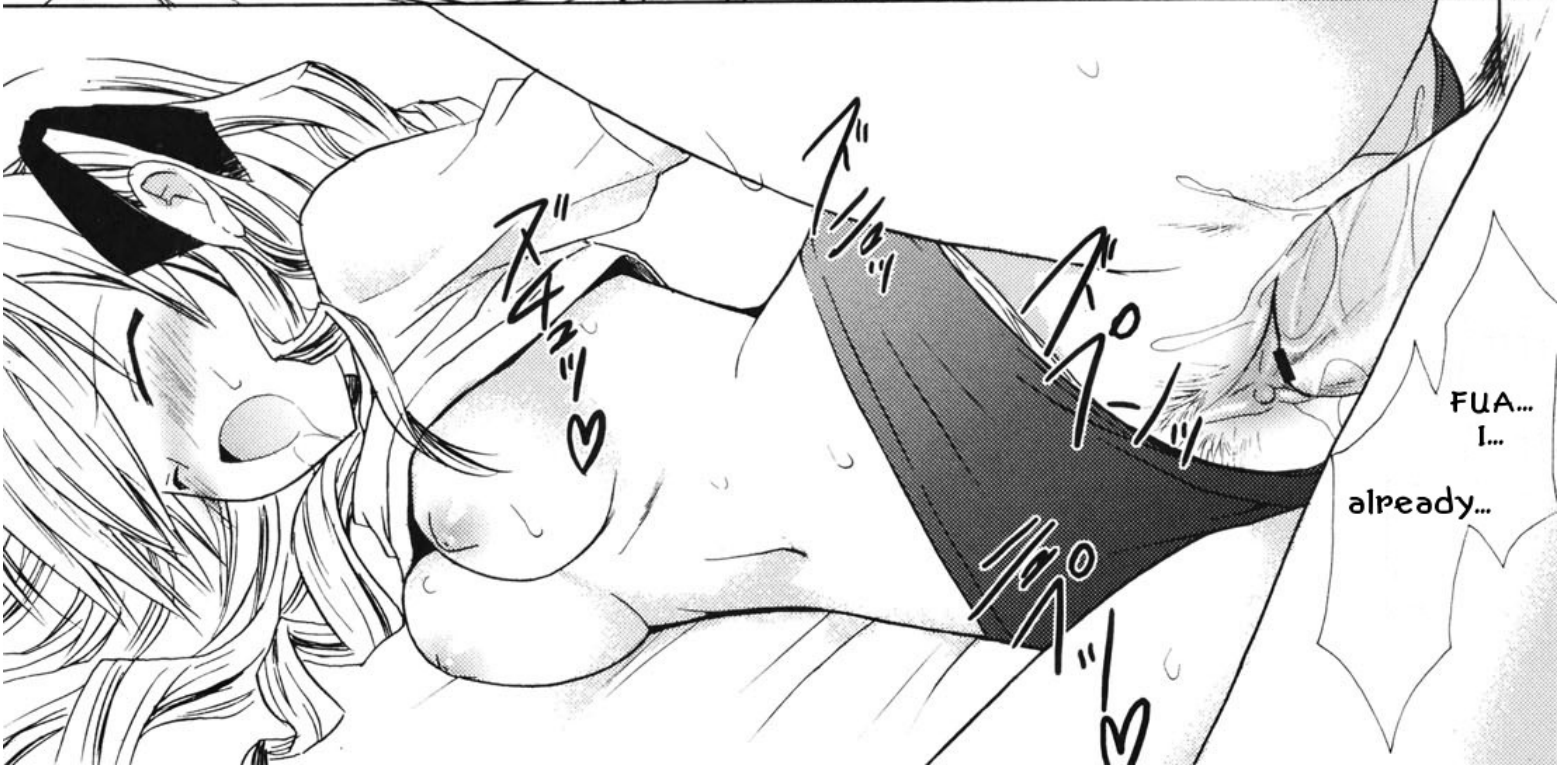
FU...AAH...

A-
ARE
YOU
ALRIGHT?



IT GIVES
ME...
A VERY
HAPPY
AND...

FULFILLED
FEELING...





A...AAAH...

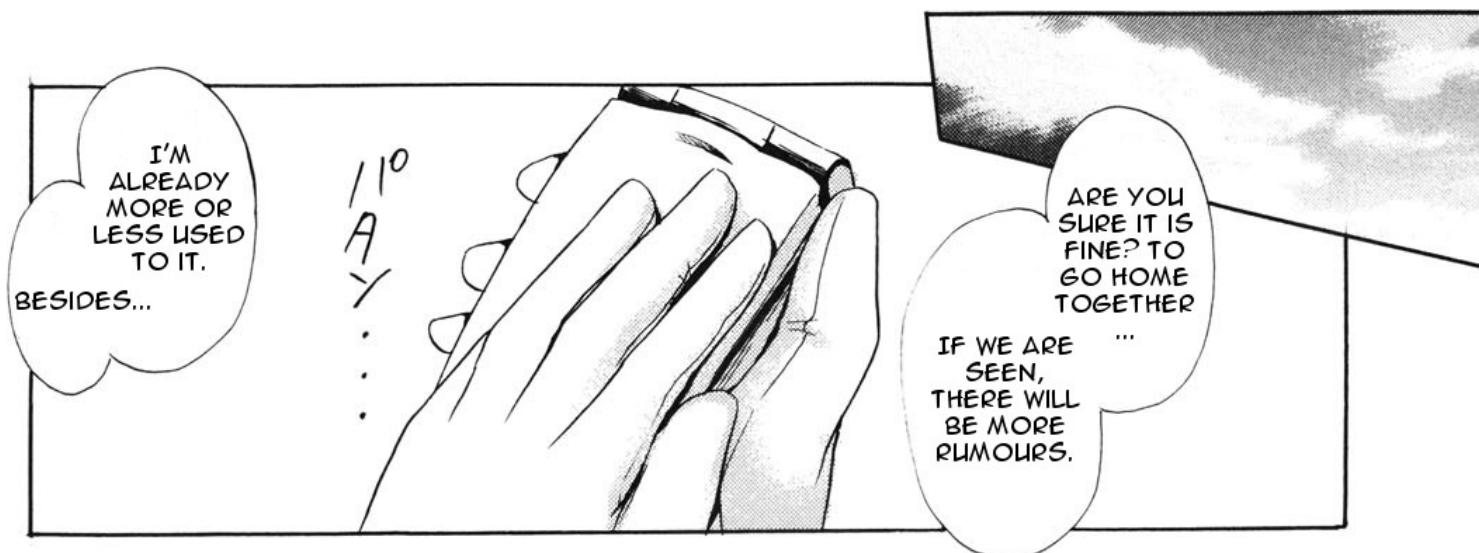


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UA...
KAREN...

MM...
NOW IT'S
ALL CLEAN...





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HELLO AGAIN, IT'S BEEN A WHILE SINCE MY LAST RELEASE. THIS TIME I'VE BROUGHT YOU A SAMPLE FROM THE WORKS OF KOMIYA YUUTA, WHO IS SO TERRIBLY UNDER-APPRECIATED INTERNATIONALLY THAT I COULDN'T FIND A SINGLE ENGLISH TRANSLATION OF HER WORKS! I KNEW I HAD TO DO SOMETHING TO RECTIFY THE SITUATION, AND I ENDED UP CHOOSING "CHILDHOOD PRINCESS" MAINLY BECAUSE I HAVE A WEAKNESS FOR BLONDE OJOU-SAMAS. THERE IS A SEQUEL, AND I'LL BE WORKING ON IT NEXT.

A BIG THANK YOU TO MY FRIEND, KARNIVALLO, FOR HIS EXPERT REDRAWS.

