

# Falling For My Mysterious Wife by Cassidy Alfaro

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The next evening.

At Harborview Hotel, the charity banquet was held by the BQ magazine at Harborview Hotel.

When Jalen arrived, the entrance of the hotel was full of paparazzi and reporters. As soon as he got out of the car, the cameras were aimed at him.

“BQ Magazine is generous. They can even invite Jalen here!” someone exclaimed. After all, everyone knew that Jalen never liked to participate in these banquets.

“Yeah. It’s a pity that we can’t go in and take a look. I think tonight’s charity banquet will definitely be very exciting,” someone said with regret.

“Who is the companion beside him? Is she Jalen’s girlfriend?” Some people noticed that Jalen did *not* come alone. He brought a female companion, which surprised many people.

Hearing this, everyone looked at Marie who was beside Jalen. It was not that they deliberately ignored her, but Marie was too ordinary to be noticed at a glance.

Unfortunately, Marie did not know this. She stood beside Jalen and enjoyed everyone’s envious eyes with satisfaction.

“You should not have come tonight. You haven’t recovered yet. You should rest more,” Jalen said as he walked into the banquet hall.

“I’m fine, Jalen. It’s boring to stay at home every day. I can get some fresh air from the banquet,” Marie smiled at Jalen, but she didn’t feel happy.

If she didn’t come to such an occasion with Jalen, many women in New York would try to seduce Jalen. Marie had to keep an eye on them and not give those women a chance to stay close to Jalen.

As soon as they reached the entrance of the hall, Ross, who had received the news, rushed out. “Mr. Halton, I didn’t expect you to come. We’re honored to have you join us.”

When he sent the invitation to Jalen, Ross didn’t expect Jalen to come. But Jalen came.

In an instant, the banquet became top-end. As the organizer, Ross was happy.

“Ross, you flatter me. BQ magazine and the Halton Group have always maintained a good cooperative relationship. I should have come.” Jalen nodded and smiled. Although he was polite, Jalen was aloof.

“Nice to meet you, Mr. Sanchez.” Seeing that Ross didn’t greet her, Marie was unhappy and took the initiative to greet him.

Ross was stunned. Only then did he notice Marie, who was too humble to be noticed.

“This is...”

“My sister,” Jalen replied. Ever since he had promised Kian to take care of Marie, Jalen had treated Marie as his sister, and that was how he introduced her to the public.

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Marie’s eyes flashed with bitterness. She did not want to be Jalen’s sister!

Ross nodded and then said, “Mr. Halton, please come in. The banquet is about to begin.”

After saying that, Ross took Jalen to the first row of the banquet. It was the best seat to see all the things on the stage clearly.

At this moment, there was a commotion at the door.

“It’s Theodore!”

“Theodore? That new millionaire?” someone asked.

“It’s him.” The other party nodded and said, “Who else but Theodore can rise from scratch in just a few years and become the richest person in the world?”

Many people were younger than Theodore on the rich list, but they were backed by their families. Even Jalen

was no exception.

“I haven’t seen the female companion beside him. Is she a new star?” someone could not help but ask when

he saw the woman standing beside Theodore.

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The woman standing next to Theodore was wearing a white dress. With long hair, red lips, and white teeth,

she looked gentle and elegant.

She didn’t wear any other accessories except an expensive bracelet on her wrist. But even so, nobody could

move their eyes away from her.

Jalen was no exception.

Every time this woman appeared, he would be stunned by her beauty. He had made up his mind not to inquire about anything related to her, but at present, he could not help knowing more about her.

“Mr. Murphy.”

Ross was the first to greet Theodore. He beamed, feeling surprised to invite such a big shot here today.

“Mr. Sanchez, I won’t disturb you by coming here without telling you, will I?” Theodore nodded in response.

“Of course not.” Ross shook his head and couldn’t help but look at Elaina, who was beside Theodore.

He thought, *she’s so beautiful. Who is she to Theodore? Is she willing to work for BQ magazine as a model?*

Feeling Ross’s gaze, Elaina wasn’t timid. Instead, she looked at him with a smile. “Nice to meet you, Mr.

Sanchez.”

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"Nice to meet you too." Ross nodded and looked at Theodore, asking. "Mr. Murphy, this is your..."

Theodore looked down at Elaina beside him with a trace of affection flashing across his eyes and quickly said, "She's my sister."

"Oh, she turns out to be your sister." Ross was surprised and recalled Jalen's sister he had met just now, thinking that by comparison, Elaina was much more beautiful.

He praised, "She is pretty and deserves to be your sister."

Theodore smiled and did not speak, but his eyes fell on Jalen and Marie beside Ross with displeasure.

He thought, *how could Jalen bring this woman here?*

*Fortunately, Ella has divorced him. This kind of man doesn't deserve to be her husband at all!*

"This is Mr. Halton. I think you should know him, Mr. Murphy," Ross introduced cautiously and dare not to offend the two big shots.

Theodore nodded, curled his lips, and said with a half-smile, "Almost everyone in the whole city knows Mr. Halton."

"Well, I have also heard so much about you," Jalen replied with cold eyes.

The two men stood face to face. Ross wasn't sure if it was his illusion, but he felt that they seemed to be hostile to each other.

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Just as Theodore and Jalen looked at each other with enmity, Elaina tugged at Theodore's sleeve. "Let's go take a seat. The charity auction should be starting soon."

She knew that Theodore was defending her, but she thought it was unnecessary. Since she had divorced Jalen, she did not want to have anything to do with him and did not even want her brother to offend him

because of her.

"Yes, it will start soon." Ross nodded quickly, feeling under great pressure with the two big shots around.

He led the four people to the first row. After arranging seats for the three of them, he found an excuse to leave for fear that Theodore and Jalen would vent their anger on him.

But coincidentally, the four people sat next to each other. Elaina and Theodore sat down first. Marie saw this and wanted to sit beside Elaina, but unexpectedly, Jalen sat down first.

Marie bit her lips and looked at Elaina and Jalen sitting together unhappily.

Elaina also did not expect Jalen to sit next to her. She subconsciously moved closer to Theodore to distance

herself from him.

She did not want to have anything to do with Jalen. Coupled with what happened to the Gansburg family this

time, she hated him a lot and wished to stay away from him.

Jalen was enraged by her act, wondering if she was against him deliberately.

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Marie grew worried when noticing the change in Jalen.

Elaina ignored Jalen and Marie and whispered to Theodore, "I wonder when the item I sponsored will be

auctioned."

She was quite curious about the final price.

"It's still early. Mr. Dorthea's new works haven't been available in the market for so many years. Your painting must be the final auction item," Theodore replied.

But he immediately shook his head and asked, "Are you sure it's okay to donate his painting just like this?"

"He is my master and won't say anything about it." Elaina curled her lips with no worry and added, "Besides, he gave me that painting, so I have the right to decide what it'll be used for."

“That’s true. You are his last student. I don’t think he will blame you.”

“Of course, he’s very kind to me.”

They spoke in a low voice, so Jalen, who was sitting at the side, could not hear what they said. He could only see them talking and laughing, feeling enraged for no reason.

He thought, *you just want to be her brother?*

*I don’t believe it!*

As a man, he could see the affection in Theodore’s eyes and didn’t believe that Theodore only considered Elaina his sister.

Soon, the auction began, and everyone became quiet.

The first item was a diamond necklace sponsored by a rich man. When the host on stage mentioned his name, he even stood up and waved at everyone.

Theodore asked Elaina if she was interested. Elaina shook her head. She was never interested in a diamond.

She didn’t like it, but Marie was very excited. Her eyes lit up when she saw such a big diamond.

Jalen asked, “Do you like it?”

“Yes.” Marie nodded and quickly added, “But I can just take a look.”

She was being hypocritical. If she just wanted to take a look, she didn’t have to tell Jalen that she liked it.

Jalen bid and got it as expected. He did not look at the necklace and directly gave it to Marie. This made many people at the scene suspicious of the true relationship between them.

Those people wondered, *is she really just his sister? I don’t believe it.*

The auction continued. Elaina was not interested in the next few items, feeling bored and sleepy.

“The next item is a pair of emerald earrings. The starting price is 800 thousand dollars.”

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As soon as the host finished speaking, someone immediately bid. It could be seen that many people liked

this pair of earrings.

When Elaina saw the earrings, her eyes instantly lit up. She also liked the earrings and was suddenly in high

spirits.

Theodore noticed this change and raised the sign without hesitation. "1.5 million dollars!"

"Theodore..." Elaina looked at him.

"If you like, then let's buy them. I have enough money, don't worry." Theodore was determined to buy the

earrings for Elaina because there was finally an item she liked.

Hearing this, Elaina smiled and did not say anything else. She didn't have to stand on ceremony in front of

him. "Thank you, Theodore."

Hearing Theodore's price, many people stopped bidding. The earrings were good, but they thought they were

not worth more than 1.5 million dollars.

"1.5 million dollars, going once!"

"Going twice!"

"Going..."

"3 million dollars!"

Jalen bid. Everyone was surprised to find that he would bid against Theodore.

Elaina looked at Jalen beside her and frowned slightly, wondering if he was against her deliberately or if

Marie also liked this pair of earrings.

“Mr. Halton, you’re trying to get what I want.” Theodore had a faint smile on his face, knowing that Jalen was

deliberately going against him.

“The person who offers a higher price gets it. I think you should be clear about this.” Jalen meant that if

Theodore didn’t have enough money, he’d better give up as soon as possible.

Theodore sneered and raised his bidding sign again. “5 million dollars!”

“6 million dollars,” Jalen said calmly.

“8 million dollars!”

“10 million dollars.”

Theodore still wanted to bid, but Elaina stopped him. “Forget it. Although the earrings are good, it is not

worth that price.”

The final price was 10 million dollars...

Everyone thought Jalen was being stupid.

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Elaina did not want Theodore to be a fool. As for Jalen, he was rich and willful, so she could say nothing.

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“But...”

“It’s fine, Theodore. I don’t like it that much either,” she smiled and said. This thing was dispensable to her.

Theodore no longer bade. It went to Jalen, and everyone could not help but sigh at *how* willful the rich were!

Marie was also excited. She did not expect Jalen to buy such a valuable thing for her. She was nervous and a little excited at the same time.

However, the earrings did not go to her.



She looked at Jalen who paid without blinking and whispered in the waiter's ear. Then she saw the waiter walk to Elaina and said in a moderate voice, "Hello, miss. Mr. Halton said that this pair of earrings is a gift for you."

Gift?

Everyone was shocked when they heard this. A 10-million-dollar gift was given away just like that! What was the relationship between Jalen and this woman?

Wait, wasn't this woman Theodore's younger sister? How could she be related to Jalen?

Jalen did not send the earrings to his younger sister, but to Theodore's!

Everyone was confused and could only think that their relationship was really messy.

Elaina did not reach out to take it. There was not even a trace of joy on her face. She frowned and looked at

Jalen as if asking him what he meant..

"It's just a worthless little thing. You saved Marie, and her life is more valuable than this gift." His meaning was obvious. Because Elaina saved Marie, he bought this gift for her as a token of gratitude.

As he said this, he did not look at Marie at all. Naturally, he did not see her pale face.

Marie wondered, *Jalen gave her such a precious gift because she saved me!*

*Is that really the case?*

She suddenly felt that she could not understand the man in front of her, but a sense of crisis rose in her

heart.

"No need. I have already taken the reward I deserve." Elaina refused without any hesitation.

Jalen looked unhappy. This was not the first time he had been rejected by Elaina. "Do you have to anger me

to be satisfied?"

"I don't understand what you mean, Mr. Halton." Elaina looked at him with a cold gaze. "I'm not very familiar

with you either. Please don't do such a misleading thing, Mr. Halton."

The people behind Jalen were all gossiping. They even wanted to rush up and ask her what was the relationship between her and Jalen.

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The words "not very familiar" completely infuriated Jalen. He stood up immediately in a rage, and his eyes seemed to spit fire. "Good! Very good!"

It had been a long time since he had been so enraged.

Jalen left the auction house. The people behind him did not know what had happened. They only felt a chill around Jalen, making them tremble.

It seemed that the woman had angered Jalen.

For a moment, everyone looked at Elaina with strange expressions. They were curious, impressed, and even more sympathetic.

If one angered Jalen, he needed to pray for himself.

However, Elaina did not care. She looked at the stage and waited for the next item.

On the second floor of the banquet, Jalen was sitting in the private room. His face was livid. He spun the goblet in his hand, raised his head, and drank the wine in one gulp.

"You lost control." The man sitting opposite Jalen was also holding a goblet. His deep voice made people shudder.

"Yes." Jalen did not deny that he was indeed out of control.

It should be said that every time he faced Elaina, he would lose control.

Quincy raised his head and looked at the auction downstairs. "Who is that woman? Your attitude towards

her..."

Quincy did not continue his words. There was a hint of playfulness in his eyes. After knowing Jalen for so many years, he rarely saw him lose control like this.

It was because of a woman.

Interesting.

“She is the doctor who performed the surgery on Marie. I don’t know why, but I always feel that she is full of hostility toward me,” Jalen answered, ruthlessness flickering past his dark eyes.

“Oh?” Quincy was interested. “Women who are hostile to you are rare.”

It was probably because of this that Jalen was so concerned.

“Help me check her identity. I keep feeling that it’s not that simple,” after drinking another glass of wine, he

spoke.

Quincy nodded. “Indeed, we should investigate carefully. Maybe this woman was deliberately sent by

someone to get close to you.”

As the two were talking, something seemed to have happened at the auction venue downstairs as it became

a bit noisy.

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“Mr. Dorthea’s painting?”

“Impossible!”

Someone snapped, “Everyone knows that Mr. Dorthea no longer auctions his paintings. It can’t be his painting.”

“Yes, they dared to auction a fake painting. Do they really think we are all fools?”

Today, the people who came to participate in the auction were all famous people in New York. Their anger was not something that BQ magazine could bear.

Ross broke out in a cold sweat and hurriedly said, “This painting of Mr. Dorthea’s was sponsored by an anonymous person. The person promised that it was genuine.”

“Who would believe it?” Someone immediately retorted and continued, “Who is this anonymous person? Come out and prove that this is a genuine painting.”

The auctioned items tonight were sponsored by the people who came to participate in the banquet, so the so-called anonymous person was definitely present.

Since he dared to auction a fake painting in the name of Damon, they wanted to see who was so shameless!

Theodore frowned, his face full of displeasure. They actually dared to say that the painting his younger sister sponsored was fake!

Just as he was about to stand up, Elaina, who was beside him, was one step ahead of him. "I sponsored the painting."

A slightly cold voice entered everyone's ears, and they all looked at her.

It was her!

Theodore's younger sister and the woman who angered Jalen.

"This painting was indeed drawn by Mr. Dorthea. It is not a fake painting," she spoke indifferently, not a trace of panic in her eyes.

"What evidence do you have? Every painting that Mr. Dorthea auctioned has a clear destination. Yours..."

The man pondered for a moment and then said, "This painting of yours has never appeared before. Is it Mr. Dorthea's new work?"

"Indeed." Elaina nodded, thinking that this man knew quite a bit about her master's painting. He recognized at a glance that it was a new work that had never appeared before.

Not only did she not refute it, but she also admitted it directly. Everyone looked at her as if they were looking at a fool.

"Mr. Dorthea has already said that he would not auction any new paintings. Before you took advantage of his reputation, you should at least inquire around, lest you make a show of yourself like this."

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"Yes, do you think we are all fools?"

As the crowd spoke, they were already convinced that this was a fake painting, and even the way they looked at Theodore had changed.

Elaina was brought with him, and it was possible that they were in cahoots.

“Dr. Gainsford, although it is good that you want to be charitable, it is somewhat inappropriate for you to do this.”

“Mr. Dorthea is a famous master in painting. Everyone likes his paintings very much. But you used a fake one to deceive everyone. It will cause public anger. Hurry up and apologize,” Marie said earnestly.

Her words were all for Elaina’s good, but she believed that this was a fake painting.

Elaina glanced at her and sneered, “You haven’t even confirmed the authenticity of the painting and want me to admit my mistake!”

“It’s useless to deny it. Many people here are Mr. Dorthea’s fans. They know Mr. Dorthea’s paintings best. What’s the use of denying it?”

Although Marie still looked worried for Elaina, she was gloating secretly.

Marie had just been anxious about how to make Elaina make a fool of herself, but she didn’t expect Elaina to

make a show of herself.

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Elaina ignored Marie and swept her eyes across the crowd. A moment later, she looked at Ross and said

lightly, “Since everyone suspects the authenticity of the painting, then let’s ask for an appraiser for help.

What do you think?”

“Alright. I’ll contact an appraiser right away.” Ross hurriedly nodded, feeling extremely uneasy. If this was true,

then BQ magazine would become a joke tonight.

He could only pray that Theodore, the upstart of New York, was reliable. After all, he was the one who

vouched for the painting at that time. But he was afraid that Theodore was kept in the dark too.

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On the second floor, Jalen and Quincy watched the farce downstairs.

“The woman who made you lose control seems to be in trouble. Aren’t you going to help?” The corners of Quincy’s mouth curled up as he looked at the man beside him.

“Help? Why should I help her? I don’t know her well.” Jalen sneered.

“You gave her a pair of earrings worth 10 million dollars?” Quincy chuckled.

Jalen’s expression changed. He then said, “I already said that it was to thank her for saving Marie.”

Quincy did not argue with him. Jalen was probably the only one who knew why.

The appraiser that Ross contacted quickly arrived at the scene. While waiting for the result, many people were whispering. Marie also looked like she was waiting for a good show.

In their eyes, this was just a fake painting. Elaina was just stubborn.

Not long after, the result came out.

“Let’s see how you are going to argue now!” Someone shouted angrily and looked at the appraiser. “Mr. Swift,

this painting is fake, right?”

Brandon Swift did not say anything. He looked at Elaina. He was curious about the identity of this girl.

“Dr. Gainsford, what else do you want to say? The result has come out.” Marie could not help but ask. She really did not understand why Elaina was so calm.

Elaina glanced at her and said lightly, “Noisy.”

“You!” Marie was angry and was about to continue speaking when she saw Elaina stand up and walk to

Brandon.

“Hello, Mr. Swift.” Elaina greeted him with a smile, her every movement elegant.

Brandon nodded, then looked at the crowd and said, “After authentication, the painting is genuine.”

In an instant, exclamations came from the banquet, and everyone was in disbelief.

"This is impossible!"

"Is this gentleman doubting my ability?" Brandon's face instantly sank. Although he was not as famous as

Mr. Dorthea, he still had some fame in the circle.

"I didn't... I just feel that it is impossible. How could Mr. Dorthea's new work be in her hands?"

More importantly, Elaina even took it out and donated it. Did she know the value of this painting?

"Why not?"

The door was suddenly pushed open, and a tall figure walked in. He was dressed in casual clothes and was obviously incompatible with the people inside, but no one dared to say anything.

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"Bruce Lopez!" Someone exclaimed, "Mr. Dorthea's eldest student, why would he come?"

Bruce walked straight to Elaina and said with a tinge of blame, "Why don't you call me when you get into trouble? Do you still not take me, your senior fellow apprentice, seriously?"

Senior fellow apprentice?

Everyone was shocked.

"Bruce, don't be angry. I just don't want to disturb you. It's just a small problem that I can solve." Elaina didn't know whether to laugh or cry. She didn't expect that even Bruce would be alarmed.

Bruce was angry, but his heart ached even more. Someone actually dared to bully Elaina. It was simply

hateful!

He looked at the people at the banquet and said coldly, "I heard that someone suspected that her painting is fake, right?"

Everyone was silent.

If he had said earlier that Elaina was his junior fellow apprentice, who would have dared to doubt whether it

was real or fake?

"This painting was especially drawn by my teacher as a gift to her. Aside from its value, the significance of it

is also very important."

He glanced coldly at everyone and finally looked at Ross. "I think she really wanted to be charitable, so she

donated it to the auction. I didn't expect that it would be misunderstood like this!"

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"It's a misunderstanding. It's all a misunderstanding." Ross was depressed. He didn't know that Elaina was

Damon's student.

"Forget it, Bruce. It's understandable that everyone was suspicious. After all, it has been many years since our teacher has produced a new painting." Elaina could understand why these people were suspicious, so she

was not angry.

Seeing that she was still calm and collected, Bruce couldn't scold her even if he wanted to. After a while, he sighed helplessly and said, "I told you earlier that you don't have to rely *on* yourself to solve everything. Our teacher and I are your backers."

"I know, Bruce. If there is really a problem that I cannot solve, I will contact you." Elaina smiled and nodded.

She didn't contact him because she knew that the authenticity of the painting was undoubtful. There was no need to trouble Bruce to make a trip.

"So, she is the last student of Mr. Dorthea?" someone asked weakly.



Elaina smiled and nodded. She said to everyone, "Thank you all for your love for my teacher's painting. I will tell him this news. He should be very happy."

Everyone fell silent again. Someone who was in the know said in a small voice, "I have long heard that Mr.

Dorthea has a student. It is said that his student is very talented, and Mr. Dorthea intends to cultivate her as a successor. I didn't expect to see her in person today."

They did not expect that this student was a woman, and they did not expect that she was such a beautiful

woman.

For a moment, everyone was talking about it, and the way they looked at Elaina changed a little. They didn't treat her as eye candy like before.

Elaina didn't pay attention to the discussions of outsiders. She hurriedly introduced, "Theodore, this is Bruce Lopez, my senior fellow apprentice."

"Bruce, this is Theodore Murphy."

The two men nodded at each other and did not say anything else.

Bruce did not continue to stay. He chatted briefly with Elaina before getting up and leaving the venue.

He was really busy. If he had not heard the news that someone auctioned a fake painting of his teacher's, he

would not have rushed over.

But just as he arrived, he saw that everyone was bullying Elaina. How could he tolerate this? He immediately

stood up to support Elaina. He also understood that there was no so-called fake painting at all.

He left, but the auction continued. After confirming that the painting was authentic, everyone started bidding desperately. Everyone wanted to take it.

However, the painting still went to Jalen in the end. After all, in New York, there were very few people who

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could snatch it from him.

“Why did you buy it this time?” Quincy asked, his eyes wandering around Jalen.

“It will be my grandpa’s birthday soon. I was just worried that I wouldn’t have a suitable gift.” He smiled.

Nitzan was a fan of Damon. With this painting as a gift, he must be very happy.

Quincy drank and thought of another thing. “I am starting to be interested in that woman.”

“What?” Jalen thought he had heard wrong.

“Don’t you think she is very interesting?”

Quincy looked at him and continued, “She is a famous doctor and the last student of Mr. Dorthea. Maybe she has other identities. Who doesn’t like such a woman?”

“What do you mean?” Jalen’s face darkened.

“It’s nothing. If you really are not interested, I would like to get in touch with her. My family is urging me to find a girlfriend.” He said it seriously and did not seem to be joking.

Jalen did not speak, but his face was very gloomy. His expression completely made Quincy laugh. “Alright, I’m just joking. She is not the type I like.

“What’s her name? I’ll get someone to check it out,” he said.

“Dr. Gainsford,” Jalen replied.

“I asked about her full name,” Quincy said with a puzzled look.

Jalen shook his head. “I didn’t know.”

“You didn’t know? That means she is not simple.” Jalen couldn’t know her name, but that didn’t mean Quincy couldn’t either. After all, they were never the same.

“Tell me when you find out.” Jalen was also very curious about how many secrets the woman had.

Quincy nodded, drank his wine, and slowly said, “Don’t worry, I will definitely investigate her thoroughly.”

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After the auction ended, there was a boring social event. Many people were trying to woo Elaina. After all, she was not only Theodore's sister but also Damon's student.

If one could be Elaina's husband, his future would be very promising.

Elaina did not know what these people were planning. She was depressed. After knowing that the painting was bought by Jalen, Elaina was unhappy.

Although Elaina was doing charity, she felt uncomfortable that Jalen got that painting.

Elaina highly doubted whether Jalen was interested in art.

Elaina guessed that Jalen bought it for Marie.

For a moment, Elaina regretted choosing to donate this painting tonight. If Elaina had known it, she would have changed it.

Elaina held her glass and hid in a corner. Looking at Theodore, who was far away in the crowd, Elaina smiled.

Theodore was becoming more and more successful.

Just as Elaina was thinking about this, someone walked up to her. "Hi. I am Marcus Lory. Shall we make friends?"

Elaina looked up at the person and frowned slightly. Marcus was a little fat and ugly.

Especially his eyes, which were staring straight at Elaina, made her feel particularly uncomfortable.

Elaina stood up and said directly, "Sorry, I am not interested."

With that, Elaina prepared to leave, not wanting to continue talking to Marcus.

However, Marcus did not intend to give up just like that. He immediately stood in front of Elaina and said, "Ms. Murphy, New York is very big. Theodore may not be able to protect you. You should think twice before you speak."

As Marcus spoke, Elaina noticed that there were a few people surrounding her. It was obvious that Marcus was prepared for this.

Elaina put down the glass in her hand and glanced at the venue. She didn't see Theodore, who must have been distracted for some reason.

She was not worried about Theodore's safety. No one would dare to attack him now.

Elaina looked back at Marcus in front of her. She did not panic at all. Instead, she kindly reminded him, "Mr. Lory, I don't want to make a fuss today. Get your buddies away from me. Otherwise, don't blame me for being impolite."

In any case, it was a charity banquet. Elaina didn't want to ruin it, so she had to say this.

However, Marcus did not take her words seriously. Elaina's words made him even more excited. "You have a

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temper. I like it.

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"I just don't know if you will have a temper like this when you are in bed later!" Marcus said with a sinister

smile.

Elaina's face instantly darkened. She had clenched her fists, and in the next second, she could send Marcus flying with a punch.

"With so many people here, how can you do that to a woman?"

Just then, a slightly frivolous voice sounded. In the blink of an eye, the person walked in front of Elaina.

Even though Elaina had seen many handsome men before, when she saw the man in front of her, her mind was shaken.

This guy was too handsome.

The most handsome person Elaina had ever seen so far was Jalen, but this guy in front of her was not inferior to Jalen at all. However, their handsomeness was different.

Jalen was more aloof. He was an iceberg. The man in front of Elaina seemed more feminine.

"Saul Judson!" Marcus gritted his teeth. "Since when did you like to meddle in other people's business?"

"That's not true. I'm a hero who is saving a beauty." After saying this, Saul raised his eyebrows at Elaina.

Elaina was lost for words.

Elaina didn't think so.

She did not care about Marcus and his peers at all.

“What if I insist on taking her away today? Do you intend to go against my family?”  
Marcus looked at Elaina, the fire in his heart stirring.

Marcus didn't care who Elaina was. He was determined to take Elaina away tonight!