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"It's a female. A woman, and a beautiful one at that. She's very capable, and it took a lot of convincing to get her to work here."

At ten o'clock in the morning, the newly appointed **fema**le director showed up on time a nd came to the jewelry department.

"Hello, I'm

Summer Avelos , and I will assist Mr. Joe in managing the jewelry department. I hope we all get along and focus on strengthening and improving our brand."

All the colleagues applauded warmly to welcome her.

Gale's eyelashes trembled, and she looked back.

It turned out to be...

Her college classmate and roommate.

They used to be inseparable and slept in the same bed, sharing all their secrets. They w ere closer than sisters.

Today, Summer's reputation in the jewelry industry **soar**ed, and everyone knew of her excellence, while Gale **remain**ed unheard of.

The two years in the mental hospital were supposed to be her best youthful years, yet s he was trampled by Shawn.

"Director Summer is well-known in the jewelry industry.

Her being here is doing me a favor and taking the workload off me!" Joe said cheeri ly.

"Yes, Joe, well, you always had the money and vision, just be the boss and enjoy the show!"

The two of them clearly had a good relationship and could joke around casually.

"Come here, Summer. Let me introduce you to someone. Our Chief Designer, Gale," Jo e said. Summer's expression changed upon hearing Gale's name. She quickly changed her expression. "Hello, Gale."

"Hello, Summer."

Summer stared at Gale for a few seconds, then smiled. "I have some ideas, and I want t o talk to Gale privately. May I?"

Before she finished, Joe nodded enthusiastically. "Of course! You are my right-hand man. You should just go ahead!"

"I'm still learning." Summer walked up to Gale. "Come to my office." "Alright." Joe touche d his chin and said to himself, "Well, two beautiful ladies, aren't l lucky? Shawn will be so jealous!"

In the Office.

As soon as the door

closed, Summer immediately changed her expression. "Gale! I really didn't expect to **see you** here!"

"Well…"

"Don't call me that!" Summer walked in front of her angrily. "Have you ever considered me a friend? You just left after graduation and disappeared without a trace? Did you kno w how many times I cried and worried about you!

Gale lowered her gaze and said, "I'm sorry."

"What happened to you? You didn't even bother to tell me? I went to your house, and the

house was sold. I asked your neighbors, and they kept silent. You were gone without a t race!"

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'Summer…"

"I can't bear hearing you call my name!"

Gale had to keep silent.

Summer was livid. "Okay, you don't have to explain. You can go now. Just pretend we never knew each other!"

She nodded and turned around silently. "Hey! You…" Summer was almost driven to ma dness by her. "You **really don't want me a**s a friend?"

Hearing this made Gale feel uncomfortable.

Gale replied, "Summer, I have a very bad life. I am a very unfortunate person. Just stay away from me to be safe. I don't want to drag you down."

"You are now the Chief Designer of the jewelry brand under Wood Group. What can be so bad about your life? Back then, in school, you crushed everything! With your ability, y ou can create a brand by yourself and run it prosperously. You are not even achieving y our fullest potential!"

Gale could only smile bitterly. "Well, there have been many things that have happened. I t's better that you don't know."

"Okay, okay, see if you can hide it from me for the rest of your life!"

Summer stopped herself.

Gale also felt very uncomfortable, but when she thought of her destitute life, she did not want to drag Summer through the mud

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Seeing that she had left, Summer could not bring herself to look for her, so she went t o Joe.

"Ah?" Joe replied, "You want to know Gale's story?"

"Yes!"

"She...err, shh, keep it a secret."

Summer replied impatiently, "I know, I know, tell me now!"

Joe said, "She is our boss's wife."

Summer's jaw dropped.

What!?

Gale married Shawn?

Wasn't it good fortune to marry into a wealthy family? Why did Gale say her life was bad and unfortunate!

Joe warned, "Summer, I trust you with this. Keep your mouth shut."

"Are they in a good relationship?"

"This... I don't know very well. However, the relationship **betw**een the two of them is ver y confusing and secretive."

Summer asked, "How so?"

"Just observe their relationship for a few days, you will see that something is wrong."

"Hey, Mister. Joe." Summer looked at him with **cont**empt. "As Mr. Wood's best buddy, y ou can'**t even** find out this much? You even claim to be Wood's blood brother!"

Joe spread his hands and said, "I know everything about Shawn, but he never mentione d a single word about this marriage."

Gale returned to her workstation, feeling uncomfortable.

Summer was her best friend. They talked about everything. She also wanted to talk about her experience over the years.

However, it was not a good idea. It would only make Summer dislike her.

Ding... A notification popped from her phone.

Opening it, she saw that it was a message from Shawn.[Come to my office.)

Gale resigned herself to her fate and got up.

She stood in front of his desk and said, "Mr. Wood, you asked for me?"

Shawn threw an invitation card at her. "See for yourself."

Gale picked it up. "Charity auction?"

"Yes."

What does this have to do with her?

She would look out of place at such a high-end party.

Did he…

"Are you bringing me there?" Gale asked tentatively.

Shawn curled his lips mockingly and said, "Do you think you are worthy?"

"No."

"It's good that you know." Shawn crossed his legs and said, "I am bringing Susan."

"…Oh."

He said, "You will attend alone. Find a corner where I can see you, and wait."

Gale had no idea what his intentions were, but she knew she had no right to refuse.

Gale said, "I see. It's just... I don't have suitable clothes."

Shawn slowly leaned back on the chair and squinted at her.

"Gale, do you remember the first time we met?"

She was stunned for a while, then nodded. "Yes."

It was etched in her bones, and she will never forget it because that was the beginnin g of all her nightmares.

The first time Shawn and Gale met was at Sea City **University wh**en she was called to the principal's office.

As soon as she opened the door innocently, she saw Shawn, full of gloom.

He was wearing a black suit and gave off an oppressive aura. She was too scared to sp eak.

He was obviously handsome, but beneath it lurked the soul of a devil.

"You are Dr. Warm's daughter?"

"Yes."

"Your name is Gale?"

"Yes."

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Chapter 33 "Very good." Shawn got up and walked toward her." Follow me."

Gale was under his control.

So much so... she never had a chance to say goodbye to Summer.

Shawn snorted coldly. "I will take you to buy it tonight. Leave!"

He remembered that Gale was not that much different from the first meeting.

She never went crazy, never became desperate , but she was like a flower blooming among thorns, becoming even more beautiful.

The only difference was that she had lost her youthful, thin figure and now had a f eminine, curvy figure.

Shawn closed his eyes deeply and got rid of the messy thoughts in her mind.

After she

finished work, Gale hurriedly ran to Shawn's car, panicked and afraid of being see n.

The car was parked at a high–end clothing store.

The store only entertained VIPs, and there were private designers ready to tak e measurements. It was haute couture and made to order, so there would not be a chance of getting caught wearing the same outfit.

It all felt so... expensive.

So, Gale asked hesitantly, "Are you sure you want to buy me clothes here?"

"Yes."

"That..."

"Don't like this?"

Gale replied, "No. Do you get a discount?"

Shawn got out of the car with a cold expression. "Funny!"

As soon as she entered the store, Shawn threw her at the clerk and sat in the rest ar ea drinking coffee.

The store manager personally served Gale and spent an hour transforming her from head to toe!

As the curtain slowly opened, Gale walked out in her new dress.

"Mr. Wood, look. She's really beautiful..." the store manager said.

Shawn raised his head. His eyes flashed with surprise.

The hem of the skirt was inlaid with diamonds, shining brightly, reflecting the dazzling light as Gale walked.

The one-shoulder design perfectly showed Gale's collarbone and slender neck.

Not to mention her slender waist and slender figure...

"A natural clothes hanger, the dress hugs her better than a model." The store mana ger repeatedly praised, "Her skin is so fair, with such beautiful hair. She will be the belle of any ball!" Gale felt a little unnatural.

Her reflection in the mirror was too beautiful and ethereal.

She had not seen herself like this for a long, long time. The last time... was at her t wentieth birthday party.

At that time, she was her parents' little princess.

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Shawn looked at her long and hard, forgetting to look **away**. The first time he saw Gale, he knew that this girl was a beautiful duckling.

Now, she had really grown up completely and became a swan

"Is this okay?" Gale whispered, "What do you think?" Only then did Shawn come back to his senses. He lowered his head and continued to flip through the magazin e in his hand. "It's ugly."

"Ah?!" The store manager was stunned.

Shawn said, "Change it! Be more elegant!"

How could she dress up so beautifully? When he thought of the men's eyes on her at the banquet, looking at her with admiration, Shawn wanted to hide her! No one can see it!

Finally, Gale wore a pale pink dress. Simple and low– key, it was still difficult to hide her fair complexion and beauty. Shawn pushed her to the driver. "Send her to the venue."

Then, he went to pick up Susan.

Gale felt that she was like Cinderella, wearing a beautiful dress and sitting in a pu mpkin carriage. At twelve o'clock, the magic would disappear. She would then still be that simple girl.

This charity auction was a truly high society event. All the bigwigs attended. Gale was alone and looked out of place. No one knew who she was.

When she was about to enter the venue, she was stopped

by the doorman. "Not everyone in a dress can enter. Stay here!"

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Chapter 34 Gale replied humbly, "I'm here to attend the charity auction."

"It's by invitation only! Do you have one?"

"I…".

Shawn had not given her one!

However, several people next to her sauntered by, and he had not checked their in vitation.

Gale asked, "Why don't you check them? Why do you only check me?"

"Their faces are on passports. All of them are famous, and everyone in Sea City kn ows them. What about you? Who are you? Get lost!"

The doorman seemingly tried to chase her away.

Gale wore high– heeled shoes. She had not worn them for a long time and was not used to them. She hurriedly took **two st**eps back and almost fell.

"Be careful."

At this moment, a pair of hands helped her up.

Gale only stood firm and looked behind her gratefully."

Thank you."

However, when she saw that it was Sam, her smile froze.

"Why are you alone?" Sam asked, "Where is Mr. Wood?"

"Don't worry. This is my private matter."

Sam sighed and said, "How could he leave you here... to be bullied."

Gale withdrew her hand and said, "I just left the **invitati**on card in the car. I will ju st go get it."

"No." Sam pulled her and said, "Come in with me."

When the doorman saw

Sam, he hurriedly put on a smile. "Mr. Sam, I don't know where she came from. I know you don't have a bad heart, but I've seen a lot of gold diggers **here.**"

Sam's face sank. "She is my friend. What nonsense are you talking about?"

"Ah... I'm sorry, I'm sorry, you two, this way, please!"

Sam looked at her. "Gale, let's go."

Well, that was her only way in. She could not stand **awkward**ly at the door.

Gale was about to agree when suddenly she heard a ruckus behind her.

"Mr. Wood is here!"

"Hey, this is the most distinguished guest!" "Mr. Wood seldom attends, but today he brought a **fem**ale companion!"

"That woman...could it be the newly married Mrs. Wood!"

The crowd kept rushing toward Shawn's direction. **Gal**e turned around and saw S usan holding Shawn's hand, **stan**ding side by side with bodyguards, walking towa rd **the entrance**.

Shawn also saw her, and then he looked at Sam next to her sharply!

How long had it been since she had seen her old lover!

A flirtatious woman! Susan raised her chin proudly, enjoying the feeling of being watched.

"Yeah, Mr. Wood." She said deliberately, "I saw Gale... How could she be so clos e to other men!"

Shawn had a somber expression.

Susan snorted, "She didn't bother to keep a distance from him. How shameless. I think she deliberately found a **man to piss y**ou off because you brought me to the show!"

Susan would not miss any opportunity to discredit Gale.

After speaking, she glanced at Shawn's face.

It seems... Gale and that man have a very unusual relationship Shawn withdre w his gaze, walked past Gale, and entered the venue without sparing her another glance. Sam asked, "Gale... How could Shawn show up with another woman an d leave you here alone?"

"You don't have to worry about me."

"No! I'm going to find him!"

"Sam!" Gale grabbed him. "Don't make trouble! I'm fine. Let's go."

Sam looked at her in disbelief. "Gale, how can you put up with Shawn?"

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