

Timeless Love 191

CHAPTER 191 I'M IN HONG KONG.

"I haven't seen you for a month. Are you mute now?" Without hearing Hathaway's reply, Leon couldn't help but say this to her.

On the other end of the line, Hathaway coughed lightly to show that she wasn't mute and then asked in a cold tone, "Why are you calling me?"

Leon made a direct invitation, "I'm in Hong Kong now. Let's go out for dinner tonight."

Hathaway, "..."

First of all, she didn't expect that Leon would come to Hong Kong. Was it because the Davis Group had business here?

Secondly, would a man and a woman meet for dinner after their breakup?

Maybe some men and women could remain their friendship after breaking up, but at least it took them a long time to get over it. Now that her relationship with Leon had just ended for a month, Hathaway was repulsed by the idea of meeting him.

She had feelings for Leon and had forced herself to forget him within the past month. Leon had never hurt her. Although he gave her a cold face many times when she first approached him, that was not a harm to her. On the contrary, he gave her a lot of help. Therefore, all that come to her mind was his goodness, which made it difficult for her to forget him.

To be honest, she was tormented and suffering inside.

It was hard to love someone, and it was also hard to forget someone.

However, he was now suddenly calling her for dinner, wasn't he afraid that they would rekindle their past feelings?

With that in mind, she politely refused, "I'm sorry. My mom has asked Aunt Zoe and her family to have dinner tonight, so I may not be able to make it."

Hathaway didn't tell a lie. Because she was found to be fully recovered today, Cynthia invited Zoe and her family to have dinner at home to celebrate. Besides, Zoe's son was back from abroad, and Cynthia said she would introduce them to each other, so Hathaway couldn't keep the appointment tonight.

Instead of being upset by Hathaway's rejection, Leon continued to say calmly, "I'll be here tomorrow. Let's meet tomorrow evening."

Anyway, the purpose of his visit to Hong Kong was to see her.

He wanted to come over some time ago, but he had been resisting the impulse, considering that she didn't recover well. By today, with a month's recuperation, she should recover physically, so he couldn't wait to fly here.

Hathaway, "..."

What exactly did Leon want?

Was she so charming that he kept thinking of her?

If it were any other man, Hathaway might have such confidence, but it was Leon, who was famous for his coldness in South City. And she let him lose face for breaking a pledge of marriage, so why did he come to her?

Hathaway fell into silence again, and Leon said with dissatisfaction, "Hathaway, we used to be lovers, can't we even be friends now? I just came to Hong Kong on a business trip and asked you to have dinner with me. You'll come, won't you?"

After saying that, Leon suddenly asked her in a deep voice, "Or are you afraid to see me because you haven't forgotten me?"

Hathaway had to admit that Leon's words had successfully made her compromise. Then she chuckled and responded, "Okay, let's meet tomorrow night."

"Okay." Leon finally got the result he wanted and then told her where to eat before hanging up the phone.

Hathaway held the phone speechlessly and thought, 'It's just a meeting, isn't it?'

After that, Hathaway told Cynthia and Carl about Leon's meeting with her, and Carl instantly roared, "What does he want? Why did he ask you out for dinner after you broke up? He's just as annoying as his father!"

Cynthia, "..."

Hathaway, "..."

Was it necessary for him to take the opportunity to scold Merlin by ostensibly complaining about Leon?

He was scheming and sinister.

"Don't meet him!" Carl said, "And don't go to dinner with him."

Hathaway whispered, "But I've promised him..."

Carl waved his hand and said pugnaciously, "Ignore him and let him wait there."

Hathaway cast a look at Cynthia for help. At this time, Cynthia was much calmer than Carl. She thought that Leon was an excellent young man, and his ability could be seen from the rapid development of the Davis Group led by him in the past few years. If Adeline didn't repel and dislike Hathaway, Cynthia would not have objected to Hathaway being with him.

To Cynthia's surprise, Leon would suddenly ask Hathaway out to dinner after a month. She frowned slightly, pondered for a moment, and said, "Since you have promised him, you'll go."

Carl was about to protest, but he heard Cynthia say, "We have to understand what he wants to do before we can think of a strategy to deal with him, right?".

They didn't know whether Leon asked Hathaway out this time to be an ordinary friend or to further his relationship with Hathaway, and it wasn't a good idea to keep avoiding him.

Hathaway thought the same way and wanted to see what Leon wanted to do.

When Carl saw that Cynthia's attitude was in favor of Hathaway going to meet Leon, he snorted and didn't say anything, even though he was reluctant.

But the next second, he stepped forward and said, "You can go to see him, but you have to wear the diamond ring I gave you. If he asks you who gave it to you, just tell him that it's from your new lover."

Hathaway burst into a laugh, "Why should I be ambiguous with him? I don't want to have a further relationship with him, so what's the point of me teasing him like this?"

It was a gift from her father. If she had to say it was from her new lover, was she trying to make Leon jealous on purpose? She didn't want to have anything to do with Leon, so it was unnecessary to tease him.

Hearing what Hathaway said, Carl thought it made sense. She couldn't tease Leon anymore. It wasn't easy for her to get rid of him before. If she got him interested again, it would be very troublesome.

"Well, don't talk too much to him. Just leave after dinner." Carl was uneasy and instructed her again, and Hathaway laughingly agreed.

She had no intention of reminiscing with Leon and agreed to have dinner with him only when she was provoked by him. Since he said that she didn't see him because she hadn't forgotten him, then she would go to meet him. That meant she didn't care about him at all.

And he should also quickly dispel his unnecessary thoughts.

After Leon hung up on Hathaway, he called Warren, "Don't buy me a return ticket for tomorrow. I've asked her out to dinner tomorrow night.

Leon had just arrived in Hong Kong when he called Hathaway. He was not a laid-back person and knew she would not talk too much to him today, so he planned to meet her tonight and then fly back to South City tomorrow. As he didn't expect that he would be unable to meet her, he had to ask Warren to reschedule for him.

CHAPTER 192 LONG TIME NO SEE.

Cynthia asked Zoe and her family to dinner at home tonight. She and Zoe had been girlfriends and partners for half a lifetime, so they didn't mind the face-saving notion that the haute cuisine represented sincerity. On the contrary, they felt most comfortable to eat in their own home.

As a saying went, you should cherish a friend who was willing to cook for you now, because that represented her sincerity towards you.

With the fast pace of modern life, few people were willing to entertain friends at home. As it was time-consuming and laborious, most people chose to go out to restaurants for meals.

Cynthia cooked in person, and Carl in an apron gave her a hand in the kitchen. He stayed close to Cynthia and didn't give Hathaway a chance to help, even though Hathaway was a good cook.

Hathaway leisurely leaned against the kitchen door and teased Carl, "Mr. Feyrer, I didn't think you knew how to cook.

While Carl skillfully helped Cynthia to wash and prepare food materials, he said triumphantly, "You should ask if there is anything I can't do in this world."

Cynthia gave him a dirty look in disgust, but Carl was very happy. He liked the way she treated him, instead of her indifferent expression.

Hathaway couldn't help but laugh, "I know one thing you can't do."

Carl was unconvinced and asked her, "What is it?"

Hathaway said briskly, "Give birth to a baby."

Carl, "..."

He wanted to argue that he couldn't give birth to a baby, but he could let his woman accomplish it. Even at his current age, it wasn't a problem to get Cynthia pregnant.

On second thought, he'd better stop saying such unseemly things in front of his daughter, or he would be kicked out by Cynthia to sleep on the sofa tonight. Then he pretended to be serious and said, "I can't do it".

Having children was a matter that was determined by the gender of men and women and was not within his ability.

Hathaway smiled and praised Carl, "But you're very excellent. You can be graceful in the drawing-room and skillful in the kitchen."

Hearing his daughter's words of praise, Carl rejoiced and looked proudly at Cynthia next to him. She was cutting vegetables with her head down. The woman's quiet side face was beautiful and gentle as if there was no sign of aging on her face after so many years. She was still his favorite, and he still loved to see her like this.

Carl involuntarily leaned in and kissed her on the cheek.

Hathaway, "..."

She knew she shouldn't be here, rubbed the goosebumps on her arm with her hands, and turned to leave. She felt that she needed to tell Albert that they would probably have more than one brother or sister in their twenties and thirties

After Hathaway left, Cynthia, who was suddenly kissed, glared at Carl in annoyance, "If you don't focus on helping, go out."

"Can't I give you a kiss yet?" With a smile on his face, Carl didn't mind it at all and continued, "I can't help it. You look so beautiful—"

Cynthia blushed and quickly interrupted him, "Stop it. Hurry up and wash the vegetables."

If Carl went on, she didn't know what else he could say and felt helpless towards him. They were both old people, why did he have to sweet-talk her all the time and make her blush a lot?

Carl continued to wash vegetables there, but he could not help leaning over to Cynthia and then kissed her, while Cynthia angrily raised her kitchen knife at him.

No wonder she was annoyed, if he continued to be like this, she wouldn't be able to prepare dinner when Zoe and the others came tonight.

At 6:30 p.m., Zoe and her family showed up at the door of Cynthia's house on time. Because Cynthia was still busy cooking, Hathaway went to open the door for them."

Zoe and her British husband standing outside the door with a young man behind. The young man was a head taller than his father, so Hathaway saw him at once. When their eyes met, they were startled.

Because it was the first time they met, Zoe took the initiative to introduce them to each other, "Hathaway, this is my son, Henry Hall. He is 24 years old. He has been studying in England before and is your mother's godson.

Then she turned her head and introduced her son, "Henry, this is your godmother's daughter, Hathaway. She is also 24 years old. You are the same age."

After the introduction, Zoe found the two young people standing there motionless and looking at each other with strange expressions, which made her confused.

A while later, Hathaway giggled first and extended her hand to Henry in a familiar manner, "Alex, it's been a long time. I've known you for so many years, but I didn't know your Chinese name is Henry Hall.

Hathaway never dreamed that she and Alex, her partner when she was studying in England, would be reunited in this way. Moreover, he was Zoe's son and Cynthia's godson!

The world was big and sometimes small!

Hathaway had known Alex since she went to England to study, but because everyone called each other by their English names abroad, she never knew that Alex's Chinese name was Henry Hall. Moreover, Alex was of mixed race, with deep-set eyes and a protruding nose, looked nothing like Zoe. That was why Hathaway had met Zoe several times before but didn't find any similarity between Alex and her.

Hearing Hathaway's words, Zoe was shocked, "Do you two know each other?"

Then she suddenly remembered that Hathaway also studied in England. Were they schoolmates?

Instead of looking as relaxed as she did, Henry put on a stern countenance and angrily slapped away Hathaway's hand, "Are you my godmother's daughter who was pushed down the stairs and lost her child? Are you the woman who almost got married but was badly disliked by her future mother-in-law?"

Seeing this, Zoe angrily scolded his son, "Henry! How do you say that? Hurry up and apologize to Hathaway!"

Zoe didn't know why his son, who has always been polite, suddenly became so mean. What he said about Hathaway just now was unpleasant.

What kind of grudge did he have against Hathaway to talk about her like that?

Henry completely ignored his mother's scolding and glared at Hathaway with a pout.

On the contrary, Hathaway didn't get angry and smilingly responded, "It's me. I'm the one you're talking about."

Henry was annoyed at her attitude, turned tail, and walked away, leaving Zoe behind anxiously wondering what to do.

CHAPTER 193 I'LL NEVER LET YOU GO.

Hathaway stepped forward to comfort Zoe, "Aunt Zoe, go in with Uncle. I'll go see him."

With that, she changed her shoes and ran after him.

When Zoe entered the house in shock and anger, Cynthia came out of the kitchen to greet her, "What's wrong? Where are Henry and Hathaway?"

Cynthia and Carl had just been in the kitchen, so they had no idea what was going on. Zoe didn't know how to explain, "Hathaway and Henry seem to know each other..."

"Henry, he—" Zoe sighed heavily at this point, not knowing how to describe her son.

Why did he say that to Hathaway just now? He was such a gentle and polite man.

In the end, Zoe said helplessly, "I don't know what to say. Let's wait for them to come back later and listen to them."

Cynthia blurted out in shock, "Do they even know each other?"

Then she rejoiced, "It's fate. Since they know each other, we won't have to introduce them."

Zoe sighed and suddenly understood why her son had just said those words to Hathaway. Because Hathaway was the girl he had a secret crush on, he was so angry and mean. Now that he still loved her, he felt aggrieved at what happened to her and was even angrier about why she didn't choose him.

If Hathaway had chosen him, she would not have been rejected by her future mother-in-law.

With all sorts of emotions mingled, he had just become a sarcastic and mean person.

As for Hathaway, she chased Henry out of her door and pulled him by the elevator, "Hey, what are you doing?"

Henry stared at her fiercely and said with discontent, "I don't want to see you."

She scolded him last time for his confession to her, and then he found that she was going to marry another man, which made him feel lost for quite some time. He had been trying to persuade himself to

forget her slowly these days, but she suddenly appeared in front of him as his godmother's daughter. Even so, it didn't matter. It would be fine if she was doing well, but she was miserable.

He vaguely heard from his mother that Cynthia's daughter had lost her child and was now recuperating in Hong Kong. Besides, her mother-in-law didn't like her and also had some old grudge against Cynthia. At that time, he just thought it was like a soap opera, but after meeting his so-called godmother's daughter, he felt even more ridiculous.

How could she be Cynthia's daughter? The world was still too small after all.

When he saw Hathaway, he flew into a fury. If she had been with him, she wouldn't have had to go through all this.

Because he cared about her, he felt distressed for her experience and spoke those unpleasant words without thinking.

The elevator stopped on the 10th floor. After the elevator door opened, Henry looked at Hathaway and then looked away, but he did not go into the elevator and wanted to leave.

Hathaway laughed, "Well, don't be angry. I know you're feeling sorry for me, so you just said that."

After all, Hathaway had known Henry for so long, how could she not know what kind of person he was?

Only after being coaxed by Hathaway did Henry's sullenness dissipate a little. He looked back at and said in a low voice, "I'm sorry. I shouldn't have said that to you just now..."

If possible, he wanted her to live a happy and bright life, just like her smile.

But she...

He pursed his lips, looked at her, and said solemnly, "Don't be so silly in the future."

Hathaway didn't want to talk about the past, so she said perfunctorily, "We shouldn't be talking about those things now, but catching up on old times."

"Let's go home and talk about it, or Aunt Zoe and the others will be worried." Hathaway invited him, while Henry took a look at her and followed her towards Cynthia's house without saying anything.

Seeing them return, Zoe got up to greet them and gave a serious order to his son, "Henry, apologize to Hathaway at once."

Hathaway said to Zoe with a smile, "Aunt Zoe, Alex has already apologized to me. Don't be so harsh to him. I know him well."

Henry took a look at his mother and looked away with a guilty conscience because he knew that his behavior was biased.

Hathaway took the initiative to explain to the elders, "While studying in England, Alex and I were classmates. He was also my partner, just like Teacher Nelson and Aunt Zoe. I was in charge of design and he was in charge of marketing. Our two families and our two generations have been handed down the same way."

After learning that Henry was Alex, Zoe's son, Hathaway was amazed at their destiny and the fact that she and Cynthia shared the same business model.

How destined they were!.

Cynthia knew that Hathaway had a partner when she was studying in England, but she never thought it would be Henry.

At this time, the two young people, who had repeated the work of their older generation, stood in front of her, Cynthia was emotional and moved. Then she beckoned them to sit down, "Let's talk and eat."

Given that Hathaway and Henry were good friends and partners, Cynthia became more optimistic about them.

With such a fate, it would be a pity if they couldn't get together.

Carl was not as happy as Cynthia. He frowned at Henry who looked mild-mannered and well-dressed and compared him with Leon. The final result was that no one was good enough for his daughter. However, with Cynthia here, he had no right to say anything and had to keep his opinions to himself

After eating, Hathaway and Henry left the table first and went to chat on the sofa in the living room, because there were a lot of things they couldn't say in front of their elders.

While eating the fruit, Hathaway asked Henry, "What have you been busy with lately?"

Henry looked at her and responded gloomily, "I'm busy forgetting you."

Hathaway, "..."

Henry continued coldly, "You disappeared after you returned home and scolded me because of my last confession to you, so what else can I do but forget you?"

Henry had the intention to go to the South City to look for Hathaway, but then he thought that Hathaway had said before leaving that her family had encountered a big event and needed her to go back to deal with it. He wasn't sure if his rash visit would affect her plans as it mattered to her family, so he dropped the idea of going to the South City.

However, he didn't expect them to have such a destiny.

The moment he saw her just now, he said to himself that since God had brought them together again, he would never let her go this time.

CHAPTER 194 HENRY, I SUPPORT YOUR DECISION.



To be honest, Hathaway was not used to Henry's affectionate appearance at all.

During the years she had known Henry in the UK, they had been getting along like buddies. She didn't sense any ambiguity and thought that he was a casual and uninhibited dude. But now, in face of Henry with an affectionate look, she felt awkward.

Of course, although Hathaway thought of Henry as a dude, she did not deny his social skills.

Now that she learned that Henry was Zoe's son and his father's family had been in the diplomatic service for generations, she understood why Henry was so good at socializing.

"Er, Alex—" Hathaway used to call Henry by his English name, "Don't do that..."

With his hands in his trouser pockets, Henry turned his back to Hathaway and looked out of the living room window. After hearing this, he turned around and asked her, "What?"

"Don't be so affectionate." Hathaway smiled brightly at him as always, "I still like the way we used to get along."

Henry suddenly looked at him with a laugh and asked back, "Are you sure?"

Hathaway nodded, "Yes. I think we're fit to be friends and partners like before rather than lovers."

"Okay." Henry laughed even harder, came over to put his arm around her neck, and said, "As you wish, we'll get along like before."

However, Hathaway was repulsed and hurried to take Henry's arm off her. Then she took a step back to distance herself from him and glared at him in annoyance, "What are you doing?"

Henry spread out his hands and gave a self-mocking smile, "Didn't you say we should get along as before? We used to do this all the time."

Hathaway stared at him and couldn't even say a word for a while.

Henry was right. He used to bend his arm around her shoulder and even stayed up all night playing games with her. Sometimes she stayed up late for the design, they even spent the night in the studio together, because Henry was uneasy about leaving her there alone. But now why couldn't she accept his arm around her shoulder?

Henry mercilessly stated a conclusion, "Hathaway, admit it. We can never return to the past."

After he confessed his feelings to her, and after she fell in love with another man and knew about love, they couldn't return to the past.

As Hathaway bit her lip in frustration, Henry said half-jokingly and half-seriously, "So why don't we start a new relationship, like lovers?"

Hearing this, Hathaway was going crazy.

After a long time, she sighed with profound resignation and said, "Alex, please leave me in peace. Otherwise, why do you think I came from South City to Hong Kong?"

Because she was trapped by love, she didn't hesitate and came to Hong Kong with Cynthia, both to recuperate and to calm the mind. And now Henry popped up.

Henry asked her, "Do you still love Leon?"

Hathaway shook her head, "No."

Henry pursed his lips and stared at her, while Hathaway coughed and looked away with a guilty conscience.

It wasn't easy to forget someone.

Henry was not a fool, how could he not see what was hidden in her dodging eyes? However, he didn't press her further. Since there was no possibility of her being with Leon anymore, he was not anxious to force her to be with him. There would be ample time, right?

Then he went up to sit on the sofa opposite her and said casually, as before when they were together, "Let's not talk about that. Since you're feeling better, how about I take you out tomorrow?"

"Of course." Hathaway agreed readily. She was a lively girl, and Hong Kong was such a bustling city, so she naturally wanted to take a stroll.

In the previous month, she was forced to stay at home to recuperate by Cynthia and hardly left the house, which bored her to death. Now with Henry as her free tour guide, she had to seize this opportunity

Seeing this, Henry's eyes lit up, "And tomorrow night I'll show you the nightlife of Hong Kong, okay?"

When it came to this topic, Hathaway remembered her dinner date with Leon tomorrow night, so she shook her head, "I'd like to go, but I have an appointment tomorrow night..."

"An appointment?" He was surprised who she was dating when she first came to Hong Kong. On second thought, he frowned and stared at her through clenched teeth, "Don't tell me you're dating Leon!"

Hathaway awkwardly responded, "Yes, it's him. He said he was in Hong Kong on business and asked me to have dinner with him..."

Henry didn't know what to say and listened to Hathaway defend herself, "I don't mean to rekindle the past romance with him and just want to see what he wants."

Hathaway felt that Leon would not want to rekindle his love for her. He was proud and was born with noble status, so he wouldn't pester her after being dumped by her.

Henry stared at her for a while and suddenly laughed, "All right. You can go to your appointment tomorrow night. Anyway, you won't eat late, and I'll pick you up when you finish it. Then it's not too late for us to start nightlife."

Hathaway looked at Henry and thought that his proposal was not bad.

She went to dinner with Leon just for perfunctory, so she could leave after finishing her meal.

As soon as Zoe and her family just left Cynthia's residence after dinner, she asked her son hastily, "What's going on with you today?"

Henry didn't hide anything from his mother and replied, "Hathaway is the girl I liked before. Now that she has reappeared in front of me, I've decided to pursue her."

Although Zoe had guessed what was going on, she felt a little inconceivable when she heard her son's confession at this time. What a coincidence! No one could have imagined that her son was acquainted with the daughter of her best friend, Cynthia.

Looking at her son's serious face, Zoe nodded and encouraged, "Since you are so destined to meet and Hathaway is a good girl, I support your decision."

As a mother, Zoe would not interfere with her son's marriage like Adeline, nor would she force her son to marry the girl she liked.

It was their freedom to choose their life partner, and whether they would be happy or miserable in the future was also their own business.

She thought Hathaway was nice and wanted to introduce them to each other, but she wouldn't force her son to have a relationship with Hathaway. Now her son also liked Hathaway. That was exactly what she wanted.

CHAPTER 195 OTHERWISE YOU MIGHT HAVE FAILED ALTHOUGH YOU TRAVELED A THOUSAND LI.

The next day, Hathaway woke up at noon, ate something leisurely, and went out with Henry.

Cynthia was glad that Hathaway and Henry got along well with each other. Previously, she was afraid that Hathaway would exclude her from introducing Henry to her, but she didn't expect that they had known each other and had a good relationship in England. She felt that they were destined and even thought that it would be a shame if they didn't get together.

However, Carl didn't think so. After Hathaway left with Henry, he said to Cynthia with dissatisfaction, "I don't think they are good enough for our daughter."

Whether it was Henry, Leon, or Andrew, who he hated, none of them were agreeable to him.

Cynthia was speechless, "Do you want Hathaway to be single forever?"

Carl snorted, "Then what? It's not like I can't afford her."

Upon hearing this, Cynthia turned away angrily and didn't want to talk to him.

Carl chased after her and compromised in a gentle voice, "Even if she has to get married, I think she can wait a little longer. She is only 24 years old and will meet the best man after a few more years. Look, you met me after Merlin."

Cynthia laughed at his impudence, "Do you think you're the best man?"

Carl asked her back with a smile, "Aren't I?"

"No." Cynthia answered him simply, and Carl gritted his teeth, "Cynthia!"

Cynthia went straight to her business, but soon she was picked up and thrown on the bed. Then she angrily threw a pillow at him and shouted, "It's daytime now. What are you doing?"

Carl threw the pillow aside and came forward to press her underneath him, "If you say I'm the best, I'll release you."

Cynthia grumbled, "Would anyone force someone to say that? Does it make sense for you to get what you want to hear in this way?"

Carl nodded, "I like to push you. Even if you are reluctant, but I love hearing you say it."

Cynthia didn't want to do what he wanted, but he leaned over and kissed her. She was afraid that he would do more, so she quickly corrected herself, "You're the best."

She didn't want to do anything intimate with him during the day because she had limited physical strength.

Carl smiled and seemed to be satisfied with her performance. Cynthia thought he could release her, but she did not expect him to get closer and immediately pushed him away, "Didn't you say to let me go?"

"I was going to do that, but you just complimented me to my comfort. I want to do something..." Carl whispered in her ear and then kissed her deeply.

Cynthia felt that this person was really...

She did not escape from his trap in the end.

She confided her troubles with Zoe in private that Carl had been staying close to her and did something intimate with her very often at their age. After hearing this, Zoe confessed that she and her husband didn't do it often anymore and then analyzed that she and Carl might have been apart for too long so that now they were in an infatuation period.

Cynthia was depressed and helpless. If possible, she would rather have been in love with Carl when she was young. At least she had better physical strength then. However, time never went back, and she had to deal with Carl who was full of energy at this age.

Hathaway strolled outside with Henry until it was time to dinner with Leon. Then Henry drove her to the restaurant.

However, she didn't expect Leon to be waiting for her outside the restaurant, so he saw her getting out of Henry's car and laughing at him.

To her surprise, Henry also got down from the car and stood beside her, smiling at Leon.

As Hathaway stood there awkwardly and hesitated to introduce them, she saw Henry come forward and extend his hand to Leon, "Hello, Mr. Davis. I'm Alex."

Leon shook hands with him out of politeness. But when he heard his name, he couldn't help but narrow his eyes and said, "Alex?"

It sounded familiar. Leon thought about it, and his face turned gloomy.

If he remembered right, Alex was Hathaway's partner in her UK company and had confessed his feelings to her...

Now that they were so close, what was the relationship between them?

While Leon was speculating, Henry chuckled and said, "Mr. Davis, don't you think I have a special fate with Hathaway? She is the daughter of my godmother, Cynthia. I thought I would never see her again in my life, but we were destined to meet in this way."

Despite his young age, Henry was a veteran socialite and didn't say these words for no reason. It showed his familiarity with Hathaway, and his description of his relationship with Hathaway highlighted the special destiny between them.

In short, the reason why he took the initiative to send Hathaway to dinner and got down from the car to talk with Leon was for one purpose that he wanted to make Leon uncomfortable.

Henry achieved his goal. At this time, Leon itched to go forward and drag Hathaway into his arms.

However, he was not a young man without experience, nor was he an impulsive person. He quickly adjusted his attitude and smiled distantly at Henry, "It is a special fate."

After affirming Henry's words, he changed his tone and gave a false smile, "There is an old saying that separated as we are thousands of miles apart we come together as if by predestination, otherwise you might fail although you traveled a thousand li." He mocked Henry indirectly. Even though he and Hathaway spend all day, they might not be able to get together.

Or rather, Leon declared to Henry that no matter what predestined relationship was between him and Hathaway, she ... would never belong to him.

Henry smiled and understood Leon's thoughts on Hathaway through these words. Leon didn't want to give up on her.

Henry remembered what he heard from his mother about Leon's mother and couldn't help but laugh in mockery. With such a mother, no matter how hard Leon tried, it was just a useless effort, wasn't it?

Hathaway couldn't stand the open strife and veiled struggle between them, so she turned to Henry and said, "Thank you for bringing me here. You go first."

Henry took another look at Leon and smiled proudly, "Okay, I'll pick you up later."

CHAPTER 196 SHE FEELS DISTRESSED FOR HIM.

When Hathaway watched Henry drive away, she felt Leon's cold look behind her and was helpless about it.

She was a smart woman. From Leon's verbal battle with Henry just now, she could tell what Leon was thinking. She was afraid that he had no intention of making a clean break with her. It wasn't that she

was narcissistic. When a man was hostile to another man, it was obvious what that meant.

She came to have dinner with Leon tonight just to see what he wanted to do. Now that she understood what he was thinking, she wanted to leave. However, she was standing in front of him, and it would be a bit unseemly if she left now. So she had no choice but to turn around and pretend to greet him calmly, "Hello..."

According to what Hathaway knew about Leon, he would make a sarcastic remark about her and Henry's intimacy, but he just glanced at her and said flatly, "Let's go inside."

With that, he took the lead and walked towards the restaurant.

Hathaway couldn't accept his calm attitude for a moment, as she still remembered that he called her a fool for treating a man as her best friend.

Leon booked a private room in advance, and after they sat down, Hathaway was quite uncomfortable. On the other hand, Leon calmly sat there with a teapot, poured a cup of tea for her. Then he poured it for himself and asked, "Are you feeling better?"

Hathaway raised her hand to touch her face and replied, "I'm fine. Teacher Nelson has fattened me up."

As soon as Hathaway stopped, she saw Leon put down the teapot in his hand and fixed his eyes on her. The man's eyes seemed calm, but she blushed inexplicably and couldn't help asking, "What are you doing?"

Leon said coolly, "I'm watching if you're fat."

Hathaway, "..."

The man was good at making excuses for his unscrupulous behavior. The way he looked at her just now was...

She couldn't find the right words to describe it, but she felt the restraint and longing for her hidden in his calm eyes.

Did he miss her a lot?

Hathaway didn't understand why Leon had a crush on her. She wasn't the traditional fit for his wife. If he agreed to marry her because she was pregnant, then why was he doing it now?

He had always been surrounded by different women, including beautiful women, and even noble ladies who could give birth to his children. In that case, why did he come to pester her?

However, Hathaway didn't say anything and just drank tea with her head down. After all, Leon didn't

explicitly say that he had feelings for her, so she could not directly tell him to stop pestering her and could only pretend that she didn't see or feel anything.

Soon the food was served and they began to eat.

Leon was not a talkative person, and now Hathaway couldn't talk actively to him, so they ate their food quietly.

Hathaway felt so awkward that she never wanted to dinner with Leon again because she would suffer from indigestion.

Hathaway put down her knife and fork and picked up the juice beside her. Just as she hesitated to tell Leon that she was leaving, she heard Leon say, "My parents are divorced."

Hathaway looked at him and responded coldly, "Oh..."

She already knew about it. Albert told Carl the first time.

Hathaway didn't feel much about it, or rather she had no feeling for Merlin and Adeline. Therefore, she didn't care whether they were divorced or happy.

Leon abruptly said in a rueful tone, "I don't have a home."

Hathaway's heart was suddenly struck by his words, and it hurt her as if all her limbs were broken. She bit her lip and looked at Leon.

To be honest, Hathaway had never thought that Leon would say such fragile words. All the time Leon had portrayed himself as a well-rounded man, but today when he said that, she suddenly realized that even the strongest people had moments of weakness.

She knew for the first time that Adeline's divorce from Merlin had such a serious negative impact on Leon that he said he had no home.

Hathaway didn't want to grieve for a man who had broken with her, but at this time Leon's look made her heartache.

Leon picked up the cigarette on the table and lit one. After a puff, he gave a self-mocking smile, "You're all heartless. First, you dumped me and I lost my own home. Then they got divorced and I lost my other home."

Hathaway suddenly hated Leon, who made her feel bad by abusing himself.

He deliberately portrayed him as a pathetic person. He said that he lost his own home and then lost his other home, did he intentionally make her feel bad?

In a fit of pique, she deliberately smiled happily and pretended to comfort him kindly, "You'll have your own family in the future. With sons and daughters, you'll live in a happy family. Now the bitterness is nothing."

After she finished her words, Leno didn't look up at her but smoked a cigarette with disappointed eyes, "If it's not the one I want, what's the point of starting a family? Just like my parents, they have tortured each other for half of their lives and haven't felt any happiness."

Hathaway was smart enough not to answer the question because she didn't know what else Leon would say next.

Coincidentally, Henry called at this time and asked her when to finish her meal. She rapidly, "I'm finished. Come over."

As a result, Henry said on the other end of the line, "I'm outside now. You can get out of there."

Hathaway didn't expect Henry to be here so early. After hanging up the phone, she chuckled and spoke to Leon, "That's all for today. I must go now."

Leon smoked a cigarette languidly, "Do you have any other plans? If not, would you like to stay a little longer?"

Hathaway put it baldly, "No, thanks. We'll go to a bar later. I just got my freedom back."

Leon looked at her through the smoke and didn't say anything. He also knew that she had just recuperated for a month, so he came to see her for the first time.

Was she going to a bar as soon as she got well?

He pressed out the cigarette butt in his hand and continued to stop her nonchalantly, "As a girl, what are you going to do in a bar? The bar is a mess."

"I'm not alone, and there's Alex."

Leon raised his eyebrows at her, "Don't you know that he doesn't have good intentions towards you?"

Hathaway looked carelessly, "We used to go to the bar for a drink, and he didn't do anything to me."

Before Leon could say more, she got up and left with her bag, "All right. Let's stop talking about it, goodbye."

It was better for them to never see each other again.

CHAPTER 197 SHE WAS IN NO MOOD TO DRINK IN THE BAR.

Hathaway ran away swiftly, avoiding him as much as possible.

Leon finally couldn't maintain his cool face. At the thought that she was going to a bar with Henry, he was very angry and pressed out his cigarette butt in the ashtray.

He came to Hong Kong for no purpose other than to see if she had recovered and didn't want to reveal his feelings so as not to let her shrink back again. To his surprise, she was so heartless and had no feeling after seeing him. She must have made up her mind to forget him.

Leon also didn't expect her to have such a fate with Henry.

Compared to his year-round residence in South City, Henry was now in Hong Kong with Hathaway and their parents were so close. It could be said that he enjoyed the advantage of being in a favorable position. Thinking of this, Leon felt less calm than when he arrived.

Hathaway came out of the restaurant and got into Henry's car. Henry narrowed his eyes at her, "What is it like to have dinner with your ex-boyfriend?"

Hathaway was speechless and rolled her eyes at him.

Henry chuckled and stopped talking. Then he started the car and drove away with her, but Hathaway was suddenly not in the mood to go to the bar anymore.

With her fun-loving nature, she was very excited to go to the bar. Since she had returned home and taken over the Taylor Group, she hadn't had any fun at will, so she wanted to have fun and relax tonight. Otherwise, she wouldn't have readily agreed when Henry proposed it.

But after having dinner with Leon, she was not in the mood at all.

She didn't know why she lost her good mood.

When Hathaway looked at the bright neon lights outside, she involuntarily made complaints about Leon in secret that he was such a spoilsport. If she had known earlier, she wouldn't have met him.

Since she was not in the mood, she was downhearted in the bar. After a few drinks, Henry couldn't help but ask her, "What's wrong?"

Hathaway laughed to herself, "It feels like I'm not fit for nightlife anymore, maybe I'm getting old."

Henry fixed his eyes on her and said, "You're not old but distracted by someone."

She was so excited to go to the bar, but she lost interest after having dinner with Leon. So what else could it be if Leon hadn't spoiled it?

He was curious about what Leon had said to her throughout a meal.

Hathaway looked at Henry and was quite at a loss to reply.

Then she simply grabbed her bag and said, "Let's go back."

If she stayed too late, Cynthia would be worried, and Carl was not happy that she had dinner with Leon and went to a bar with Henry. Once she went back too late, Carl would come to Henry and give him a scolding.

Speaking of Carl, Hathaway was helpless. She felt that Carl was hostile to any man around her, and if it went on like this, she was afraid that no man would dare to approach her.

Since Hathaway didn't want to stay here anymore, Henry naturally found it boring and then drove her home.

As soon as Hathaway arrived at home, Carl went up to her and asked nervously, "Did Leon do anything to you?"

Hathaway burst out laughing, "We just had a meal together, what can he do to me?"

They didn't talk much.

On the side, Cynthia rarely disliked Carl in front of Hathaway, "Do you think everyone is as cheeky as you are?"

When she first reunited with him at the café, he went up and pressed her into the sofa for a kiss. After what happened between them later, she couldn't describe his shamelessness in words. He was such a person, so he was afraid that Leon would also be so shameless to his daughter.

It was not embarrassing for Carl to be guessed right at by Cynthia, because he thought so and knew exactly how it felt.

If a man liked a woman, he would want to do something if he hadn't seen her for a month, so he was worried that Leon would do something to Hathaway.

Now that Hathaway said that Leon was well behaved, he was not satisfied with this. Did Leon not show his missing for Hathaway? Did he have no feelings for her?

Leon was a bastard. His daughter was so perfect and beautiful, but didn't he even miss her?

He deserved to be dumped by his daughter.

Anyway, now in Carl's eyes, it was all Leon's fault no matter what he did.

When Hathaway was about to say goodnight to her parents and took a bath for sleep, her phone rang. She looked at the caller ID number and didn't want to answer it with a frown.

Carl hugged Cynthia and planned to go back to his room to sleep. Seeing that Hathaway didn't answer the phone for a long time, he couldn't help turning back and asking, "Who is it?"

Carl didn't want to get too involved in his daughter's affairs. But when he saw that Hathaway didn't pick up the phone, he was afraid that it was a bad call for Hathaway. So he came over to ask about it, and Hathaway confessed to him, "It's from Leon..."

Upon hearing this, Carl got angry and said, "Don't answer it and hang up now."

Hathaway didn't want to answer, so she nodded and pressed the "off" button, "Okay..."

However, as soon as she hung up, the phone rang again, and Carl's face turned gloomy.

When Hathaway wanted to hang up again, Cynthia sighed, "Does he want to talk to you about something? You should pick up first and listen to what he says."

Leon was now in Hong Kong instead of South City, what if something happened to him?

Hearing Cynthia's words, Carl had no choice but to stifle his opinions. Hathaway took a look at Cynthia, hesitated for a moment, and then picked up the phone in front of her parents in a flat and distant tone, "Mr. Davis, what's the matter at this late hour?"

No voice came from the other end of the line, and Hathaway shouted again, "Leon?"

It was only then that his voice came, "I have a stomachache, can you please buy me some stomach medicine and send it over..."

The man's voice sounded a little weak and feeble, but Hathaway wasn't softhearted and chuckled calmly, "You should go to the hospital to see a doctor if your stomach aches, or ask Assistant Warren to buy some stomach medicine for you."

Leon replied, "I came alone this time, and Warren is not here..."

Hathaway, "..."

"I'm sorry. It's too late, and I'm going to sleep. If you feel bad, just call the emergency number." After that, she wanted to hang up the phone. She couldn't tell if Leon had a stomachache or not, but no matter what his condition was, she should leave him alone.

"Hathaway..." Leon whispered her name, and with a thud, there was no more sound on the other end of

the line.

CHAPTER 198 SHE WASN'T SO HARD-HEARTED.

"Leon?" Hathaway shouted Leon's name several times, but there was no response on the other end of the line, which made Hathaway anxious.

After she hung up the phone, she told Carl and Cynthia about the contents of Leon's phone call, and Carl immediately grumbled, "Leave him alone. He is shamelessly playing the ruse of self-injury to win your sympathy."

Carl was well versed in such cheap tricks and simply advised Hathaway to ignore Leon and take a bath for sleep.

Hathaway also didn't want to pay attention to Leon, but the loud thud echoed in her mind as if Leon had just fallen...

Warren wasn't here. If he had a terrible stomachache and no one looked after him, what would happen to him?

After taking an uneasy bath, Hathaway failed to control herself in the end and dialed Leon's number. A while later, he answered the phone in a painful voice, but he didn't insist on asking her to send him the stomach medicine and just said flatly, "What's up?"

Hathaway bit her lip and asked, "Are you okay?"

Leon replied curtly, "No."

Hathaway couldn't control her anger and roared, "Are you nuts? Why don't go to the hospital if you have a stomachache?"

When he heard her roar, he fell into silence. In this way, the two people confronted each other in silence on the phone for a long time.

Leon broke the ice first, "Hang up if there's nothing else."

Hathaway gritted her teeth in anger, "Leon!"

He didn't seem to care if he lived or died, and his attitude was negative and infuriating. So far, he didn't say he would go to the hospital or take some medicine. It was clear that he was torturing others by abusing himself, or rather, torturing her.

Hathaway didn't understand what Leon was thinking. When in a bad mood, most people liked to abuse others to make themselves happy, but he abused himself without mercy.

He was a madman.

Hathaway wanted to hang up the phone regardless of whether Leon was alive or dead, but her senses prevailed. After taking a deep breath, she asked him, "Where do you live? I'll be there later."

Leon truthfully told her his hotel and room number, and Hathaway hung up the phone sulkily.

After getting changed, she knocked on her parents' door and told them about her plan to go see Leon, which annoyed Carl, "I bet he's pretending to be ill. Even if he has a stomachache, he deliberately made it to let you go to see him and make you feel bad for him. Why else would it be such a coincidence that he has a stomachache tonight?"

Compared to Carl, who angrily speculated about Leon's plot, Cynthia was a particularly soft-hearted person. From a moment ago, she wanted Hathaway to take a look at Leon. One's health and life were the most important. Regardless of whether Leon had a stomachache or was just pretending, they could feel relieved after seeing him.

Otherwise, all of them wouldn't sleep well tonight, would they? Especially Hathaway.

Cynthia looked at her daughter and said softly, "Go see him."

As soon as she stopped, Carl gritted his teeth and said to Hathaway, "It's too late for you to go out alone. I'll go with you."

Carl didn't want to go to see Leon, but for Hathaway's safety, he had to go with her.

Of course, the most important reason was that if he went with Hathaway to deliver the medicine to Leon later, Leon would not dare to play tricks to keep her. If Leon dared to have ulterior motives for Hathaway in front of him, he would have to beat him up.

Hathaway didn't object to it because she was afraid to go out alone in the middle of the night. Then their father and daughter went out to Leon's hotel together.

As they passed by the pharmacy, Hathaway went in and bought several kinds of stomach medicine so that Leon could take them later according to his symptoms.

When Leon opened the door and saw Carl behind Hathaway, his expression changed dramatically...

He was scheming, yet Carl was not easy to deal with, instantly shattering all his illusions.

With his hand over his stomach, he turned sideways in discomfort and let Hathaway and Carl enter the door.

Leon did have a stomachache. After returning to the hotel from the restaurant, he drank a large bottle of cold water in one gulp, so it would be strange if he had no stomachache.

And he did it to test whether or not Hathaway still had feelings for him

He had originally planned to come here to dinner with her this time, but he didn't expect to see Henry, so he was a little anxious to make the move.

If Hathaway didn't care whether he lived or died, he would have to change his strategy and couldn't wait passively.

If Hathaway came to see him, it meant that she still cared about him and had feelings for him. In that case, he could ignore Henry and continued to gradually get closer to her step by step according to the original plan.

Fortunately, he won the bet.

He just fell on purpose, but Hathaway ignored him. From the moment she hung up until she called again, he lay on the floor and felt that he had nothing left to live for.

He was born with a lot of responsibility. Because the Davis had only one son for several generations in a row, the burden of the whole family was on his shoulders, and he couldn't afford to make the slightest mistake. He had always lived for his responsibilities, his status as the heir to the Davis and the president of the Davis Group, as well as the century-old business.

But when he met Hathaway, he realized that apart from work and responsibilities, there were many things to be happy and joyful about in this life, such as love, future, and a family life with children, all of which could be expected and worth looking forward to.

Love once began, would never end.

Leon didn't know when he could not live without Hathaway. Perhaps he had told himself that he would not let her go when she first approached him unkindly and provoked him.

After entering Leon's room, Hathaway spread out the pile of medicine in her hands on the table and asked him with a frown, "Are you sure you won't go to the hospital?"

Leon nodded, "Yes. It's too late, so I don't want to go back and forth. And I have to catch a plane back to South City tomorrow morning."

Hearing that he had a flight to catch tomorrow morning, Hathaway became even more annoyed. In that case, how could he still torment himself like this?

She sulkily pushed the pills in front of him, "I've bought almost every stomach medicine available in the pharmacy, so you can take it according to your symptoms."

CHAPTER 199 SHE CAN BE QUIET.

"Thank you..." Leon sincerely whispered his thanks to Hathaway.

Seeing this, Carl said with a cold face, "Alright, stop pretending. Take your medicine now, and we'll leave."

Carl had been silent since he came in, but he saw Leon's every move and was very disdainful. As for Leon's tricks, he used it many times before.

At that time, in order to get Cynthia's attention or mercy, he was repeatedly injured on purpose in fights with others.

With Carl standing by Hathaway's side closely, Leon had no chance to do anything even if he wanted to. Moreover, the reason why he called Hathaway to bring medicine to him was not to do anything with her but to test her affection for him. Now that he had achieved his goal, he naturally wouldn't keep Hathaway any longer.

Then he looked at Hathaway and said warmly, "It's getting late. You should go back earlier. Thank you for the medicine..."

"You'd better take your medicine now," Hathaway said through gritted teeth, turned to the bar, and poured a cup of warm water for Leon. After putting it in front of him, she said goodbye and called Carl to leave together.

Carl stopped at the door and said to Hathaway, "Wait for me in the corridor. I want to say something to Leon."

Hathaway knew Carl's temper and obediently went outside to wait.

After closing the door, Carl turned back, looked at Leon, and went straight to the point, "No matter what you're thinking, if you can't persuade your mother, I won't accept you."

Although Carl hated Adeline, he couldn't force them to part if Hathaway liked Leon. It was only when Leon couldn't persuade Adeline that he would be cruel to do so. If possible, he would like to have Adeline come to them and beg them to marry their daughter to Leon and also wanted her to hold a grand wedding for their daughter.

Of course, it was impossible for Carl to say these words to Leon now or let Adeline know about it. Otherwise, wouldn't it seem as if they wanted to marry their daughter to the Davis'.

Leon could understand Carl's feelings, so he answered him in a self-mocking voice, "I know..."

He knew that the key to the problem between him and Hathaway was his mother. He had always thought that love decided whether two people could get together, but the resistance of their families was beyond his expectation.

"Good, you know that." Carl glared at Leon and left without looking back.

Leon had better know the crux of the matter, otherwise, it would be useless for him to keep badgering until the end.

When Carl left with Hathaway, he muttered his dissatisfaction, "Why did you pour water for him just now? He has hands and feet."

Hathaway smiled and explained, "It's not a big deal to pour him a glass of water. In good conscience, he was nice to me when I was with him, and I don't want to owe him too much."

Carl sighed, "You usually act as if you don't care about anything, but you are just as kind and soft-hearted as your mother."

Tonight, if it wasn't for their mother and daughter worrying about what would happen to Leon, he wouldn't have cared about Leon's life or death.

He was not cold-blooded but knew well about Leon's tricks.

Hathaway smiled and didn't say anything. Whether she was soft-hearted or kind-hearted, she could never be cold-blooded towards Leon, because he had never hurt her.

But they couldn't be together. She didn't want to live a life where Adeline would pick on her and make trouble for her all the time.

Even if she couldn't forget Leon and would never be able to be with another man, she didn't want to live that life. Carl, Cynthia, and the other relatives around her would not allow her to live that life either.

Their father and daughter went home.

The next morning, Hathaway received a message from Leon in her sweet sleep, "I'm at the airport, goodbye."

Hathaway didn't reply to him, as she didn't think it was necessary.

Now that he was gone, she was finally at peace.

But while eating breakfast, she received another message from Leon, "I'm in South City."

Hathaway lost her appetite in an instant. What did Leon want? He was harassing her by sending messages reporting his whereabouts. But they had broken up and broken off their engagement, hadn't they?

The reason why Hathaway thought that she and Leon could part friends was that she didn't feel his deep love for her. Moreover, they hadn't been together for too long and their parents had a grudge, so he shouldn't have any hopes for their future, but he now...

Hathaway could only comfort herself with the hope that this was just a courteous report. After he returned home in the South City, she hoped that they would never contact each other.

Warren went to pick up Leon from the early flight and tried to catch up with the company's morning work time, but he saw that Leon was pale and said with concern, "Didn't you get a good night's sleep?"

Leon didn't tell Warren about his drinking ice water and explained coldly, "I have a stomachache, but it's nothing serious."

Warren frowned slightly and wondered, 'He was fine before going to Hong Kong, but why did he have a stomachache these two days? What did Hathaway do to him?'

In the car, Warren handed a document to Leon, "You asked me to check on Jason a few days ago. To be honest, Jason is as sly as an old fox and also very cautious, so we didn't find anything to hold on to except that he had an ex-girlfriend when he was in college."

"Ex-girlfriend?" Leon raised his eyebrows in astonishment and took out the document to read.

Jason was 34 years old, so he should be the same age as his ex-girlfriend in college. The woman in the photo was dressed in a black professional suit, with short hair and firm eyes. She worked as a lawyer, and Jason was a top student in law school. Since she was his schoolmate, it was reasonable for her to be a lawyer.

While driving, Warren reported to Leon, "Jason fell in love with her for two years in college. They were both top students in law school then and could be described as a strong couple. But they broke up on the eve of their graduation, and it was her proposal. After that, Jason was admitted to a civil servant to work in government organs, and that woman went back to her hometown to be a lawyer. They haven't had any contact for so many years."

Speaking of his, Warren was helpless, "This is all we can find."

CHAPTER 200 IT'S HARD WORK TO MAINTAIN A LONG-DISTANCE RELATIONSHIP.

Leon closed the document and gave a cold smile, "It doesn't matter. That's enough."

Jason's ex-girlfriend should be his first love.

In general, if the first love didn't make any fatal mistakes, it was quite nostalgic. If Leon mentioned his ex-girlfriend in front of Jason, he would feel terrible.

Jason was a shrewd man and would understand that he was declaring war on him when he mentioned his ex-girlfriend.

After that, Leon would see whether Jason stopped helping Bella. If he continued to help her, he didn't to be polite to Jason anymore and would use all his means to deal with him.

Then he instructed Warren, "Ask Jason out to dinner with me tonight."

Warren nodded in agreement, and Leon leaned back in his seat with his eyes closed. After a while, he gave another sudden instruction, "When I have some spare time in a few days, you'll buy me a ticket to Hong Kong."

Warren, "..."

He just got back and was now thinking about his next trip.

Didn't he say he was going to pursue Hathaway unhurriedly? Was it good to visit often?

With that in mind, Warren suggested, "It will be Mr. Taylor's 60th birthday in a while, so you can wait for Hathaway to come back to meet her and don't have to go to Hong Kong."

For such an important event as Paul's 60th birthday, Hathaway must come back, so he didn't have to go to Hong Kong.

Leon opened his eyes in delight, "The 60th birthday?"

Then he nodded with certainty, "She must come back."

She was filial and had a deep affection for Paul. It would be a shame if he didn't come back.

Thinking that he would see her again soon, Leon felt better about his stomach.

Warren took a look at Leon's expression in the rearview mirror and asked, "During your meeting, didn't she say that she would go back to South City? Is she going to settle down in Hong Kong?"

Warren thought that Hathaway must not stay in Hong Kong. If so, Leon would be tired of maintaining a long-distance relationship.

Leon gave a self-deprecating smile, "I didn't ask."

Then he added, "We barely talked."

He just knew that she lived a good life and even went to a bar for fun. Thinking of this, he felt his stomach ached again.

Warren cast a glance at him and pursed his lips in silence.

What did he talk about at dinner with Hathaway last night? Why did he have a stomachache?

However, as an assistant, he couldn't delve too deeply into Leon's personal affairs, so he stopped at an appropriate time.

After Leon arrived at the office, Adeline called him and said in a calm tone, "I heard you went to Hong Kong. Is that true?"

Leon frowned and faintly responded with a trace of coldness on his face, "Yes."

Leon sneered because he knew that Bella must be playing tricks again to let Adeline know his whereabouts.

Adeline was a woman and couldn't pay attention to his whereabouts all the time. And for so many years, she had never asked him where he went, but now she suddenly asked him and also knew that he went to Hong Kong. Someone must have told her this, and the one who would tell Adeline about it was Bella.

Bella would not come to him directly after he gave her the cold shoulder several times, but she told Adeline about this and indirectly wanted her to exert pressure on him.

Leon naturally had to treat this kind of backstabbing with a sneer.

Adeline continued to ask, "Have you gone to see Hathaway?"

Leon answered briskly, "No. It's a business trip."

Adeline was choked and didn't know what to say next.

Leon deliberately said that he was on business and denied that he was there to see Hathaway so that Adeline would have nothing to say.

Moreover, Leon didn't think it was the right time for him to discuss Hathaway with Adeline. He wouldn't say a word about it until Adeline made it clear that she would accept Hathaway.

Adeline paused and could tell that he had no intention to say anything to her, so she finally had to say, "I know. Go on your business."

Soon after Adeline's call with Leon ended, Bella called her and said in a sad voice, "Aunt, how is it going?"

What did Leon say? Is he rekindle the past romance with Hathaway...?"

After Hathaway ruthlessly announced that she broke off her engagement with Leon and left South City, Bella thought that Leon must have hated Hathaway very much, not to mention that she took the opportunity to tell him that Hathaway wasn't his first choice. She believed that as long as she waited patiently, she would be able to win Leon's attention.

However, Leon had never contacted her in the past month, let alone asked her out on a date. Moreover, she was a little guilty because she deliberately stayed at his place the night when he got drunk and sparked gossip between them, so she didn't dare to contact him on her own initiative. Given these things, she had a hard time in the past month, and what made her sadder was that Leon flew to Hong Kong.

She was instructed by Jason to look for a breakthrough from Adeline.

That was why she was anxious to ask Adeline about her phone call with Leon.

"Leon told me that he went to Hong Kong on business, so I can't say anything more." This was Adeline's answer to Bella.

Bella was startled for a moment and said, "Aunt, do you believe he was on business then? He's obviously—"

At this point, Bella was too upset to say anything, and Adeline sighed, "What if I don't believe it? Do I have to force him to admit to seeing Hathaway?"

Hearing Adeline's words, Bella was extremely shocked by her casual attitude.

In the past, if anyone mentioned both Leon and Hathaway, Adeline would be furious. But now that she knew that Leon had gone to Hong Kong to meet Hathaway, she chose not to make any trouble with Leon. Even though Adeline didn't say anything, Bella could sense her compromise.

Adeline made a compromise on the matter of Leon being with Hathaway.

Could Bella not be shocked?

She had originally pinned her hopes on Adeline. As long as Adeline hated Hathaway like before, Leon would not have a comfortable life after being with Hathaway.

However, Adeline's current attitude caused Bella to despair immensely.

Adeline seemed to have sensed her consternation and dissatisfaction and said lightly, "Bella, I loathed Hathaway and drove her away. That was all I could do. If you want to win Leon's heart, you'll have to rely on yourself."

The implication was that Bella would have to rely on herself to get close to Leon and win his heart in the future.