

Timeless Love 91

CHAPTER 91 PREPARING FOR THE WEDDING

Ashley couldn't imagine what Nick could want from her, but she also felt that Nick wouldn't be dangerous to her, and besides, her life was saved by Nick, so she had nothing to fear from Nick.

Kenny and Paul also knew Nick. As the heir of Hende Private Hospital, Nick had always had a good reputation so they had nothing to worry about, and they couldn't invest too much energy on other people now in their current mood.

Because it was already exhausted enough for them just to be themselves.

When Ashley left with Nick, Kenny and Paul got into the car and left, Hathaway had also walked up to Leon.

It's been a week since they saw each other last time. Hathaway just stared at the handsome man in front of her, and actually felt a hint of something called missing in her chest. When they didn't meet, she didn't feel anything, but now that he was actually standing in front of her, Hathaway found herself wanting to jump into his arms for comfort and support.

In fact, after experiencing these twists and turns of Kenny's prison sentence, she was now feeling very complicated and needed to be soothed.

She had always been an action-oriented person. Thinking like this, she just naturally stretched out her arms to go and embrace the man's sturdy waist at the same time, contentedly snuggled him and then said, "You finally came back. Thought you didn't dare to come back."

When hugging Leon like this, she took a glance at the side. It's a good thing for her that Paul had left, otherwise, he would be angry enough to see her take the initiative to hug Leon.

Leon, "..."

What did she mean by that he was afraid to come back?

Was he that much of a wimp?

But after all, he didn't say anything, and the girl's soft body and her kittenish proximity to him made him lose his temper at all.

She had always had the ability to make him jump in anger but at the same time silently aroused by her.

Inexplicably, he reached out his hand to rub the top of her head and then embraced her into his car.

Leon drove himself, buckled his seat belt, and then started the car to drive Hathaway away.

After he got off the plane, the driver picked him up and dropped him off, he let the driver leave. Warren hadn't returned yet, and there were still some finishing touches to be done.

He himself, on the other hand, finished all the important things he needed to deal with overnight, and then caught an early morning flight back.

Hathaway leaned back in his seat and asked him in boredom, "Where are we going now?"

She liked his touch just now. And now she felt that her entire person was soft and delicate.

Maybe because of her change, Leon's tone was also very peaceful, "Go home, sleep."

Hearing his words, Hathaway brought up a very dissatisfied protest, "Why are you looking for me if you take me home and sleep? I still want to go home to accompany my brother and my father."

She thought he had come to her to give her a straightforward answer, but it turned out that he wanted to go back to sleep.

Leon's tone was also dissatisfying, "Am I not as important as them in your heart?"

Hathaway was about to say that of course, he wasn't as important as them, they had been her family for over twenty years since she was a kid, and he had only been with her for a few days.

However, she smartly and promptly stopped it and instead said with a smile on her face, "I just thought I should go home and reunite with them since my brother just came out..."

Leon sounded like a matter of course, "Shouldn't you be reunited with me first when I'm away for a week?"

Hathaway, "..."

So was he now competing with her family for favors?

Also, did his attitude of taking it for granted that she should accompany him mean that he's decided to move on with her?

Just tilting her head like that, Hathaway continued to ask again, "Are you... going to marry me?"

Leon replied to her as he drove, "I finished work overnight last night, and I'm flying back early this morning. We'll have a rest and go to your dad's for dinner at night. You'll come to my parents' house tomorrow."

Hathaway was shocked with the entire mouth opened into an O shape. She really did want an answer

from him, but he directly planned to meet both parents. Would it be too fast?

However, yet somehow, she found his direct action like this very manly and charming.

Leon glanced at her silly expression and took the initiative to explain, "You're already pregnant. So we should meet both parents as soon as possible to prepare for the wedding."

Hathaway's chest trembled a bit when she heard the word wedding.

Then she muttered in a low voice, "Thank you..."

She thanked him for giving her a decent step-down. She had never expected a wedding actually. The marriage certificate would be fairly enough for her.

Originally, she was still angry with him for leaving her out for a week, but now she was no longer angry at all.

How else could she get angry?

The two people went back to Leon's place. As soon as came into the door, Leon was pounced on a full embrace. It was the warm soft girl who took the initiative to embrace him and kissed his lips. He originally got a few provoking, now she just sent herself into his arms and there was no reason to refuse. So he used one hand to hug her waist, while the other hand clasped the back of her head to take the initiative to deepen the kiss. Two people were kissing in the porch as if nothing could apart them.

"I'm taking a shower..." said Leon in such a hoarse voice when they finally separated, then quickly turned around and went to the bedroom.

Hathaway leaned softly against the wall beside her, panting slightly to calm herself.

It's said that a small parting was better than a new marriage. It really was.

It was just because she was pregnant and the passion was discounted a lot, and the feeling of not being able to do anything was not only unpleasant for the man, but also for the woman.

After all, both her body and spirit were well mobilized by that kiss just now.

After taking a deep breath again, Hathaway stepped into the house. She could only endure it. They could blame nothing else but themselves for forgetting to do the precautions.

While Leon was taking a shower, Hathaway gave Kenny a call and learned that they had arrived home. Kenny said that Paul had a good talk with him after they got home. As for what they talked about, Kenny didn't tell her, only saying that after the talk, Paul went to rest.

Now it was inconvenient for Hathaway to ask any more questions over the phone, and it wasn't too late to wait until she went back and talk to Kenny's face to face. So she told Kenny about Leon's visit to their house in the evening, "Leon said he's going to visit my family in the evening, do you think dad's body can still handle it?"

Hathaway was a little worried that Leon's appearance would make Paul angry again, for she could sense that Paul didn't like Leon.

Kenny smiled, "Since he's decided to come to visit, he's naturally planning to have a good outcome with you. So dad wouldn't be angry."

Kenny was also a very shrewd and transparent person and someone who had practiced in the business world. Hathaway didn't need to say anything more. Just a sentence expressing Leon going to visit was enough for Kenny to sort out Leon's attitude.

CHAPTER 92 RULES FOR BEING MRS. DAVIS

After ending the call with Kenny, Leon just happened to come out of the shower, and Hathaway took the initiative to ask him, "Do you want something to eat?"

"No need. I ate on the plane." Leon said as he walked over to her, took out a piece of paper from his briefcase and handed it to her. Hathaway took a look at it and then almost fainted.

A line of words was written on the piece of paper: Rules for being Mrs. Davis.

1. No laughing with any man other than Leon Davis.

Hathaway rudely rolled her eyes. She was the CEO of the Taylor Group, okay? She needed to socialize with all kinds of people, okay? And she was a newcomer to the business world, was it Okay to go out and talk business with a cold face to others?

She wasn't in the same position as Leon, who could just make a stinky face to anyone. She was at the position where anyone could make a stinky face to her, okay?

2. Everything should be informed to Leon Davis, no matter how big it was.

This was acceptable to Hathaway, as long as he didn't find her annoying.

3. Quit smoking!

She would quit without him telling her. Pregnant women certainly couldn't smoke.

4. No staying out at night.

That was not a problem. She was now a pregnant woman, and there was no nightlife for her at all.

5. No revealing clothes.

Hathaway was very angry about this. When has she ever been dressed in revealing clothes? Her dressing was already conservative enough, okay? When she went to work, her clothes were all about normal professional attire.

As for the party dress, the last time she wore a very relatively revealing dress, which was the one she was wearing when falling into his arms for the first time, was only intending to provoke him, okay?

6. No shielding Leon.

Hathaway grumbled in her heart. She would not shield him only if he didn't try to teach her lectures all the time.

7. No irritating Leon.

Hathaway couldn't help but laugh when she saw the last one. It seemed like he was always irritated by her since he had deliberately listed it out.

After reading all the rules, she raised the paper in her hand at Leon and said with a despised face, "This kind of thing still needs to be discussed? You're too uninteresting."

For this point of being complained as uninteresting, Leon made himself hold back from getting angry and instead glared at her and said, "If you are conscientious enough, do I need to list these for you?"

Hathaway huffed very unconvinced and then raised her pretty little face to question him, "Then you and Bella were having dinners together and playing together. Why don't you make a list for yourself?"

"Before this, Bella was the one I was considering to marry." Leon looked away, giving an explanation to her.

Because his parents' relationship was not very harmonious and warm, so Leon had no feeling of marriage and love since he was young. However, he also knew that as the heir of the Davis Group, he would have to get married one day, or rather he needed a child so that he could take over the Davis Group in the future. As a result, he started to consider this matter after he passed the age of thirty.

Undoubtedly, Bella complied with his requirement for his future wife in every aspect, so he naturally had a few meals and phone calls with Bella.

During the more than half a year that Bella had gone abroad to study, there wasn't much contact between them. He hadn't called Bella, and Bella had only called him a few times.

Before that, he thought that Bella was quite sensible, at least not clingy, and wouldn't pester him with phone calls day after day. He didn't like her much, but he didn't hate her much either.

But then Hathaway appeared.

Everything changed.

Hathaway was thoughtful. She certainly understood the interpretation of Leon's words. She also knew that Bella was once the best candidate for Mrs. Davis, so she didn't care about the past between Leon and Bella. What she cared about was the future. She just tilted her head, stared at him, and asked Leon like that, "What if there are other women pester you again and again in the future? Am I allowed to ask you not to laugh to them as well?"

Leon directly replied back to her, "Do you think every woman is as cheeky as you and jump into my arms directly?"

Hathaway was furious, glaring at the man in front of her with arms akimbo.

Was he picking on her for her cheekiness or praising her for her charm that provoked him?

"I'm very good at self-control. In the future, as long as you don't cause trouble for me outside, you don't have to worry about me." Leon stepped towards the bedroom after saying this and motioned with his eyes for Hathaway to follow him. Hathaway pouted her mouth behind him with great dissatisfaction.

If he really had good self-control, how could he be seduced by her?

Leon got on the bed first, and Hathaway stood by the bed struggling, "But I don't want to sleep at all..."

Leon gave her a cool look, and Hathaway had to resign herself to climbing onto the bed.

The bedroom had thick curtains drawn and was very dimly lit, making it convenient for Leon to catch up on his sleep in broad daylight.

Hathaway took the initiative in this dimness to go over and hold Leon's neck, softly pleading with a tender voice, "I really can't fall asleep. You see, I'm a pregnant woman now. I better keep a good mood..."

As soon as she leaned over, Leon knew what she was up to and promptly interrupted her, "You can go down when I'm asleep."

What he wanted, in fact, was just a kind of psychological comfort of holding her in his arms to sleep with her accompanying.

Hathaway was very happy to lean in and kiss him hard on the cheek, "That's so nice!"

The scent of the girl's body was sweet, and Leon could not resist turning over and pressing the girl underneath him to kiss her deeply once again.

After the kiss, both of their breaths were messed up, and Leon's eyes turned dark and lustful. He said to Hathaway, "You can go down now."

If she didn't leave, he was afraid that he wouldn't be able to resist doing something to her.

Hathaway was not a young girl who had never been through this. With just a glance, she could see through the longing in his eyes. So she just quickly got up and fled.

Hathaway was finally relieved when she returned to the sofa, but she was really bored to death sitting there, so she went to Leon's study to find a pen and paper and started sketching on the paper.

Leon had said that they would meet both parents, and also said that he would hold a wedding, which naturally meant that he would marry her, so the wedding dress, wedding rings, and other things could be designed from now on. Hathaway was designing the prototype of rings. The reason why she didn't design the wedding dress in the first place was that she had already had the design in her heart.

Every girl had a white and holy wedding dress dream in her heart. Hathaway's major was design, so early in the days when she was able to design a suit of clothes completely on her own, the first thing she did was to design a wedding dress for herself. According to her thoughts, there would be a long white tail as well as a dreamlike white veil.

At that time she thought, one day in the future, she would definitely wear this wedding dress to marry the man she loved.

Now, the dream was coming true.

Although Hathaway specialized in fashion design, she was also proficient in designing rings. In the past, she used to design a few fashion accessories to go with her clothes, so when Leon woke up, Hathaway had basically finished the design of rings, both for him and for herself.

However, she did not want Leon to know that she had done this, but secretly hid the design in her bag, thinking that she would make it a surprise for Leon.

CHAPTER 93 TO REFRESH YOUR MEMORY

Nick drove Ashley to a five-star hotel near a street of bars. When he had parked in the parking lot, Ashley didn't want to get out of the car at all, because things happened between her and that man was just in this hotel. She originally swore that she would never come back to this hotel for the rest of her life.

Trying to calm herself down, she turned her head and asked Nick in puzzlement, "Doctor Jackson, may I

ask why you brought me here...?"

Nick didn't even look at her and said, "Get out of the car and you'll see."

Then he took the lead and got out of the car, leaving her alone.

Ashley bit her lip and hesitated for a moment, finally, she took a deep breath, opened the door, and went out of the car. She had nothing left to lose anyway, so there was nothing to be afraid of.

When she raised her eyes to Nick, she saw that Nick was looking at her with deep eyes. Ashley's heart trembled for no reason and immediately looked away.

Nick didn't say anything and just stepped away.

Ashley followed behind with heavy footsteps. Nick seemed to have booked a room in advance, so the two entered the elevator through the lobby. Ashley's face was written full of embarrassment. Why did Nick take her to the hotel and directly to the room in broad daylight?

Ashley really didn't know why Nick was looking for her and why he chose the meeting place in the hotel.

When the elevator finally stopped, Ashley's entire person was startled. Although she was drunk that night and didn't know anything, she still took a look at the room number when she left in a hurry the next day, 1808.

Standing at the door of room 1808 again, Ashley turned to look at Nick next to her, incomparably shocked to speak, "You-"

Before she could finish her word, she was dragged into the room by Nick holding her wrist.

The man pressed her slim body against the back of the door and a few words spilled out between his lips, "You have a birthmark on the back of your waist."

Ashley was so shocked that her heart almost stopped beating.

It would have been fine if he had said she had a birthmark elsewhere, but the back of her waist was such a private area that it would have been impossible for anyone who hadn't had an intimate relationship with her to know about it.

But then she calmed down a bit. Nick was her attending doctor, and probably saw it when he examined her body while she was unconscious.

Nick seemed to have known what she was thinking with a single glance, staring at her closely as he continued, "You injured your brain, and as a doctor, I've only seen your head."

Ashley was shocked again.

How could she still not know what it meant when Nick had said it to that point?

Before the engagement, she had gone to a bar to get drunk once because she wasn't willing to commit her marriage like that, then... she had a ridiculous night with a man. The next day because she was too guilty, she escaped while the man was in the shower, then meekly and calmly announced her engagement to Charles Robinson, yet now...

So, the man that night, was it Nick?

Ashley couldn't believe that the world was so small that she had fallen into Nick's hands after going through so many things.

She raised her hand to struggle, trying to pull her wrist out of the man's hand. Knowing the fact that Nick was the man that night was enough to make her anxious, and now that they were so close and he was holding her hand skin-to-skin, Ashley felt her whole body heat up.

It's just that she didn't struggle out at all, but was instead held tighter by the man.

Nick then leaned closer to her, stared at her, and pressed, "Sleeping with me and then announcing your engagement to another man, Miss Taylor, is this your way of dealing with your feelings?"

Ashley had a headache and also found it hard to breathe, "Or else, or else what do you want?"

The man squinted, "Don't you owe it to me to sleep with me?"

Ashley was about to cry.

For this kind of thing, wasn't it normally the case that it was the woman who asked for being taken care of? She didn't even say anything about it now, and he actually asked her to take responsibility?

Ashley already had a shadow on the marriage thing after the engagement and then lost it. Plus, she just recovered from a serious illness at this time and was also in a state of mental exhaustion, simply did not want to have anything to do with any man, otherwise, she would not have revealed her secret that night in an attempt to completely make a clean break with Charles.

She just wanted a clean slate now. She wanted to focus on doing what she liked, and that was enough.

But now Nick came running to her, claiming that she should be responsible for him...

"Dr. Jackson-" Ashley still used to call Nick as Dr. Jackson. After all, in her heart, the identity of him being her attending doctor occupied her main consciousness.

However, as soon as she opened her mouth to say such a word, her lips were kissed.

There was a solid doorway behind her and a man's strong body in front of her, and she was impossible to break free. His strength was fierce and strong, so she could only passively bear the kiss that made everything chaotic.

Not knowing how long it took, but the man's low and mesmerizing voice sounded in her ear, "Did you forget all the memories of that night?"

Ashley was already dizzy and completely unaware of what he meant by that, and the next thing she heard him say again was, "I'll take you down memory lane..."

After that night, this was Nick once again tasted the taste of making love, plus for so long he held a pile of anger in his heart against Ashley, so afterward Ashley was made completely unable to get up by him. But Kenny's call came at this time. Ashley got the phone and planned to sit up to answer the phone, but she was again pressed into the bed. The phone was also taken away by Nick, and the man once again did whatever he wanted.

Ashley listened to the non-stop ringing of the phone, just feel like crying, could do nothing but only beg, "Nick! Please don't do this!"

"Don't do what?" The man didn't let her go at all, instead, he was very evil and deliberately making things difficult for her.

Ashley bit her lip to suppress the sound in her lips, but the man pressed even tighter, "It's too late to beg me now unless you promise to stay with me."

Ashley was really going to cry out this time, and there was already the sound of crying in her voice, "Will you please give me some time?"

She hadn't regained her presence of mind from everything today, including the fact that she was once again physically entangled with Nick, but he had to force her at this moment.

Nick watched her face which was about to cry, and eventually, he couldn't be cruel enough to brutally force her to agree, so he lowered his eyes and got up to release her.

Ashley, who got free, hurriedly picked up Kenny's phone and Kenny asked her on the other end, "Where are you?"

How could Ashley tell Kenny about her current situation? She only had to answer him perfunctorily, "I'll be back soon, what's up?"

Kenny simply said, "Hathee just called and said that Leon is coming to visit us in the evening."

"Really?" Ashley also instantly understood what Leon meant. She was happy for Hathaway and at the same time, her sense of responsibility as a sister was aroused, "I'll go back immediately to help with the arrangements."

After all, Leon was a distinguished guest, and his visit to their house was definitely for the purpose of marriage with Hathaway. They should take it seriously.

CHAPTER 94 NOT MINDFUL AT ALL

After hanging up the phone, Ashley hurriedly got up to get dressed. She was only thinking about entertaining Leon, so she couldn't care about her discomfort anymore.

Nick half leaned on the edge of the bed and watched the woman who was dressing with her back to him, and warned her calmly, "My patience is limited, I can't wait for you for too long."

Ashley bit her teeth and turned her head to look at him.

She actually wanted to ask what he liked her about? Ashley knew that Nick was the heir to the Hende Private Hospital, and also knew the power of the Jackson family in South City. Although she herself had been comparable among those debutantes in South City for the past twenty-seven years, now she was ultimately a woman who had been engaged to someone else, and his family definitely wouldn't accept her.

Once Charles's mother had been tart and mean enough to give her trouble, and she didn't want to encounter this harsh experience of being embarrassed by her mother-in-law again. She was not the type of person who would fight back and tear her mother-in-law apart, so even if Nick was interested in her, that made no sense. When his parents came to make trouble for her, she simply couldn't stand it.

However, she didn't have much time to discuss this with him right now. So she would have to wait until she's finished with Leon's visit before she could think about what to do with him.

After dressing herself again, Ashley fled out of the room. She never wanted to come to this room again in her life!

When Leon woke up, it was just at dusk. In fact, Leon did not wake up by himself but was woken up by Hathaway.

After Hathaway finished drawing the draft of the ring, she watched the time and felt that it wasn't early and Leon hadn't gotten up yet, so she gently pushed open the door and went into the bedroom.

The man's sleeping face looked a lot gentler than usual. He looked as cold and sullen in normal days. A slightly impatient frowning would appear frightening on his face. Hathaway felt it was really fortunate that her heart was strong enough to allow her to stay at his side.

Hathaway squatted by the bedside and stared at Leon's handsome eyebrows for a long time, then

became a little jealous.

If she had such a pair of long, thick eyelashes, she wouldn't even need to brush mascara.

She was so jealous that she purposely flicked a bit of her own hair and swept it back and forth on Leon's face, and in a little while, Leon woke up.

And after being tickled awake, he stared at the mischievous and brilliantly smiling little woman in front of him, very speechless.

The girl's face was delicate and fresh, vivid, and interesting, making him feel that if he could see such a face every day when he opened his eyes in the future, it would be a pleasant thing as well.

Compared to the previous thirty-two years of uninteresting life, he wouldn't mind having such an interesting girl by his side in the future.

Hathaway smiled and took the initiative to explain, "I want to help. If you don't get up then it will be too late. It's the first time you visit my family, you have to behave properly, right?"

Leon smiled again. She was really cheeky, taking it upon herself to say that her position in his heart was so important. Even if it was the first time to go to her house, did he have to behave properly? He was good enough to behave himself, how could her family still look down on him?

However, after checking the time, he still got up and went to the bathroom to wash up.

He couldn't be late. It's a matter of manners and upbringing.

After Leon came out fully dressed, Hathaway couldn't control but was shocked, "Wow, so hot..."

In fact, Leon just wore a simple white shirt and black trousers, which was the most common outfit in his daily life. As a businessman over thirty years old, his wardrobe was almost filled with black, white, grey, and navy blue, which was calm and mature colors that could establish his authority and vigor.

And he had known Hathaway for so long, but which time hadn't he dressed like this?

So hearing Hathaway's praise at the moment, Leon walked out without even looking at Hathaway, "Be serious when praising others."

Hathaway snorted, "How can you say I'm not serious? Can't I even praise you for being handsome? Why are you so high maintenance?"

While talking, the two of them had already walked to the porch place. At this moment, Leon's cell phone rang. With a glimpse, Hathaway saw Bella's name displayed on it. So she just stood there with her arms folded and looking at Leon in a lazy gesture as if she was watching a good show, waiting to see how he

would deal with Bella.

He had given her a list of rules for being Mrs. Davis, so of course, he had to set an example.

How could Leon not know Hathaway's thoughts of watching the show? But he still picked up the phone without changing his expression, and Bella asked in a gentle tone, "Leon, I heard you're back from your business trip today..."

Leon responded briefly, "Mm."

Bella said again, "Do you have time tonight? Let's have dinner together."

"Miss Wilson, I'm sorry," Leon called her Miss Wilson, causing Bella's entire person on the other end to freeze there, feeling a penetrating coldness from head to toe.

Before this, although Leon did not act very close to her, most of the time he addressed her as Bella. But now he called her Miss Wilson. How could such a sensitive person like Bella not perceive the meaning of this?

Leon, on the other hand, continued, "It's not suitable for us to have any more contacts in the future."

The meaning that Leon was trying to express with these words was actually very clear: Bella was out of the game.

However, Bella asked in an unrelenting trembling voice, "Leon, what do you mean by this? Are you really going to marry that Hathaway?"

This time Leon hadn't said anything yet, it was Hathaway beside him who suddenly spoke out with a sweet sound, "Leon, are you done yet? When are we leaving for my house?"

Bella on the other end was shocked.

Hathaway said that they were heading for her house, so Leon was really going to marry Hathaway. Otherwise, what would he be doing at Hathaway's?

Bella found it unbelievable. Leon was not such an impulsive and reckless person, and he has always been very filial to Adeline. Before she called Leon, she had just called Adeline, and Adeline still strongly disapproved of Leon's attitude towards Hathaway.

She was still in shock and unable to recover, when the soft, pampered voice of the girl on the other end sounded again, "Kiss me, kiss me, kiss me..."

"Hathaway-" Leon seemed to be trying to stop her, but in the next second his voice was completely swallowed up, and then what entered Bella's ears was the sound of a man and woman's lips and teeth

tangling.

It was charming and lustful. Bella cried and hung up the phone.

In fact, Leon was about to hang up the phone after he made his attitude clear to Bella, but Hathaway came over and stopped him, and then there was a series of her actions behind.

Only after confirming that the phone was unilaterally hung up by Bella, did Hathaway withdrew from Leon's embrace in satisfaction.

Hmph. If anyone wanted to fight with Hathaway, that person had to weigh how much she weighed, or else she wouldn't care if that one ended up being driven mad.

CHAPTER 95 SHE SAID SHE LOVED ME

Leon pinched his forehead with a bit of a headache, hanging his eyes and asking the girl who's pretty face was full of smug, "Satisfied?"

Hathaway frankly nodded her head in acknowledgment, "Of course."

Defeating the woman who coveted her future husband, of course, she was satisfied.

But Hathaway then said to Leon, "Don't take me as the one being fierce. You've made it clear enough but she's still pestering. So I'm also defending my legitimate rights, don't you think so?"

"As long as you think you have a point," Leon said while bowing his head to put on his shoes, and then took the lead to go out, lines shallowly blossoming underneath his eyes which barely smiled all year round.

But Hathaway who was following behind him did not see it, so she continued to ask, "Then do you think I am fierce or not?"

She didn't want to give Leon the impression that she was a shrew. Her persona should be that of the incredibly beautiful flower at the top of the mountain.

The man paused to reach over and hold her hand, whispering as he walked towards the elevator, "It's quite good for a girl to be fierce sometimes. In this way, she won't be bullied."

Especially after she became a real Mrs. Davis, there was definitely still a lot of pressure to face.

If she was weak and powerless, she was bound to be bullied, and even if he had the heart to protect her, he couldn't always do everything. So on many occasions, she still had to deal with it on her own.

That's why he would travel for a week and leave her alone in South City regardless because he wanted to see how she would deal with his mother and his grandfather.

Obviously, it was they who were pissed off, not her.

So, her fierceness was actually a virtue in his case.

Also, he was quite willing to see those vivid looks in her eyes after she was regardless of driving someone else mad, and that made him think that life was fun.

Hathaway protested with great discontent, "Hey, you're indirectly saying that I'm fierce."

But Hathaway then continued, "Since you know that I am fierce, then you must be obedient in the future."

Leon now really lifted the corner of his lips and laughed. She was really able to push it.

Hathaway wasn't angry at all, because she herself admitted that among all kinds of girls, she did belong to the fiercer category. She had never been bullied since she was a child. And even if it was a boy, if she was provoked, she would still fight with him with all her might.

A person like Abby was no match for her at all.

She also didn't understand Abby. Every time she came to mess with her, she would be pissed off to cry with anger. Yet for so many years, Abby had to mess with her without any sober self-cognition. She didn't know if Abby was intellectually indebted or psychologically abused.

On the way to Taylor's house, Hathaway suddenly exclaimed as if remembering something and turned around to ask Leon, who was driving, "You're thirty-two, right?"

In the meantime, Leon slightly furrowed his brows, "Yes..."

Leon was very much not fond of mentioning his age in front of her. He never felt bad about his age before he met her, but after being mentioned by her several times that he was much older than her, he felt a psychological shadow in his heart.

And when he thought about the fact that she was 24, eight years younger than him, he was even less inclined to bring up the age thing.

Hathaway held back a smile and said, "My brother and my sister are both younger than you. So you'll have to call them big brother and sister with me if we get married..."

Leon's chest was clogged when he heard Hathaway screaming again, "If Dr. Jackson and my sister are together, at last, you still have to call Dr. Jackson's brother-in-law..."

Leon didn't come up with breath and almost choked to death by her words.

Originally, he was still very supportive of his dude Nick pursuing Ashley, but now he suddenly didn't want Nick to be with Ashley at all.

He said back to her without any patience, "Shut up."

Was she trying to piss him off?

Hathaway shut up honestly, but she couldn't stop smiling. She couldn't help it either if he was dissatisfied. That's how seniority was ranked.

When they arrived at Taylor's, the dinner party had been prepared by Ashley and Kenny. The food, which was cooked by Ashley together with their nanny, was sumptuous and exquisite.

Kenny and Ashley's attitude towards Leon was quite kind, while Paul's feelings towards Leon were inexplicable and contradictory.

Paul knew clearly that in this situation, Hathaway was pregnant and it would be the best outcome for her if Leon married her successfully, but Paul was also worried that Leon's family would not treat Kenny well. He could tell it from the phone call Leon's mother made to him that day.

There wasn't a father who didn't want his daughter to be liked by her in-laws, but now it was clear that Leon's family didn't like Hathaway.

This was Paul's contradiction. But after looking at the attitude of his son and eldest daughter towards Leon, and then thinking about it, he couldn't embarrass his little daughter Hathaway too much, so he convinced himself to calm down.

His attitude towards Leon was not very warm, but not very cold either, maintaining the apparent harmony.

After the dinner began, talking about the marriage, Leon calmly spoke to Paul, Kenny, and Ashley, "She said she loved me, and I felt good about her, so we decided to take the step of marriage."

"Pfft-" a mouthful of soup rudely spewed out by Hathaway who was sitting next to him. Ashley promptly handed her a tissue over, and Hathaway glared at Leon as she wiped her mouth.

Just about to open her mouth to defend herself, Leon looked at her again and said, "Didn't you tell my mother that you love me? And said you wanted to be with me even if we weren't on the same page."

Hathaway, "..."

Was this called having to pay back for whatever you did sooner or later?

She said it to Adeline was just to pretend to be pitiful at that time, but now he was actually using it to find her trouble.

Kenny indifferently looked at his little sister who was dumbfounded, while Ashley wanted to laugh and turned away her eyes. In fact, they knew their sister very well. Words such as "she loved Leon" was definitely something she said casually. But now the words were used by Leon to make trouble for her.

Paul, on the other hand, glared at Hathaway speechlessly, hating Hathaway for being so spineless and taking the initiative to say that she loved Leon.

Hathaway didn't dare to meet eye contact with Paul. Leon's words made it sound as if she really loved him so much. She couldn't even explain it in front of her family, so she had to admit it to herself.

How could she have imagined that the words she said in front of Adeline would reach the ears of Leon? And how could she have imagined that Leon would be so brazen?

Besides, he wouldn't really believe her words, would he?

Thinking of this, Hathaway looked at Leon with some torment, thinking about how she should find an excuse to explain to Leon.

CHAPTER 96 WHY RUSH

Leon turned off his phone secretly before entering Taylor's because he knew that Bella would definitely go to his mother to complain about his decision in the first place, and his mother would definitely call him to question him. He did not want his visit tonight to be interrupted by anyone, so he chose to turn off his phone.

For the first time in his life, Leon didn't obey Adeline.

He didn't feel how ungrateful he was because he wanted the rest of his life to be pleasant and interesting, as he didn't want to become another depressed Merlin.

And Bella did go to Adeline complaining and crying, and Adeline was simply furious after hearing that.

After the anger, she soothed Bella, "Bella, don't be sad. I'm here. Hathaway will never be part of our family."

Adeline had the absolute experience to deal with this kind of thing. She and Merlin were in the same condition in the past, only at that time, the person who was trying to prevent Merlin to marry that girl of the ordinary background was the old Davis. And the old Mrs. Davis who had passed away now was keeping a neutral attitude in the whole thing, letting them do whatever they wanted to do.

Now when it came to Leon, Adeline felt that Merlin must have been the one who ignored everything as the Old Mrs. Davis's attitude back then, and she was the one who tried to stop it.

And according to her own personal experience, Adeline was sure that as long as she resolutely disagreed with Leon, he would eventually marry Bella into the family.

After all, he was the heir of the Davis Group, and he couldn't disregard the interests and future of the Davis Group, right?

Although Hathaway was from a good family, her reputation didn't deserve to marry into the Davis family. And besides, the Taylor family was already in such a shaky situation, and Hathaway's family background was far behind Bella's by several streets.

Jason has already reached his current position at such a young age, and would definitely have a bright future in a few years.

If the Davis family and the Wilson family were tied together, while the Davis Group was in business and the Wilson family was in politics, such a marriage of business and politics could be said to be a union of strength, and the Davis Group would definitely become the commercial overlord of South City.

But what about marrying Hathaway?

If marrying Hathaway, the Wilson family would become the enemy of the Davis family. Not to mention whether Jason would make trouble for the Davis family in the future, just Hathaway's reputation alone could ruin part of the reputation that the Davis family had accumulated over the years. As a member of the Davis family, how could she condone her son to act so recklessly? Adeline believed that the old Davis must also think the same as her.

For her father-in-law, Adeline thought she understood his mind very well. He was also someone who could do anything for the sake of profit.

After ending the phone call with Bella, Adeline called Leon. Bella said that she had to stop Leon from going to Taylor's place at night, but what she didn't expect was that her son, Leon, would use such a way as turning off his phone to refuse to answer her call.

As the CEO of the Davis family, for so many years, Leon hardly ever turned off his phone except when he was on an airplane, but recently he had turned it off twice.

This knowledge horrified Adeline as a mother. And after the horror, she panicked.

She was tempted to rush to the Taylor's and make a scene and drag her son out, but she knew that would be too bad-behaved.

Throwing the phone to the side, Adeline took several deep breaths and then paced around the house for half a day, before her anger slowly subsided.

She reassured herself that Leon was just visiting Taylor's house, and everything was not settled down yet. She didn't believe that Leon could decide on such a big event as marriage by himself if she and the old Davis both disagreed with him.

There was the sound of a man's footsteps and his intermittent cough from the corridor outside. The weather had turned cold recently, and he seemed to catch a cold.

And then the bedroom door at the end of the hallway was closed and all sound was cut off.

Yes, many years ago, she and Merlin had been sleeping separately.

She lived in the master bedroom, and Merlin moved to the other bedroom at the end of the corridor. The two of them were no different from strangers except for some necessary communication on weekdays.

Sometimes Adeline herself didn't know what was the point of her keeping such a cold marriage.

Perhaps it was for the sake of those so-called face of hers. She didn't want others to mock her, nor she could.

Wilson family.

Bella started to shed tears after ending the phone call with Adeline. She was now full of anger and didn't know who to send it at.

Jason just happened to come home, and Bella simply poured all her grievances on her brother, "You told me to wait, to keep my manners, but now what happened? Leon has decided to marry Hathaway. He's all visiting the Taylor's tonight!"

Bella cried as she accused Jason.

Jason indifferently asked her back, "So what?"

Bella was speechless when hearing her own brother's cold attitude, and then she heard Jason raise his voice and harshly questioning her, "So you thought that creating some unwarranted scandal to smear Hathaway to make Hathaway's reputation even worse would stop Leon from marrying her?"

Bella guiltily looked away.

"Don't think I don't know the stupid things you've done!" Jason reprimanded his own sister so harshly.

He hadn't been talking to Bella about the scandal between Hathaway and Barry, but tonight was the perfect opportunity to tell her.

Jason looked at his own sister crying until her face was full of tears and said coldly through clenched teeth, "Leon is just visiting the Taylor family and you're panicking like this?"

Bella raised her hand to wipe the tears from her face and looked away without a word.

"With patience like yours, you're asking for it if you lose in the end!" Such harsh words from Jason once again drove Bella's tears out.

Jason said gloomily and impatiently, "Not to mention they are still far from marriage. To put it bluntly, even if they get married, you still have a chance, don't you?"

Bella was startled by her brother's words, feeling such a glimmer of hope bubbling up in her heart again.

Yes, she would always have a chance. Modern people's marriages were full of breakups and separations, and it's not the old society anymore.

However, the flame of that cluster of hope was doused again by Jason before it could burn, "Of course, the premise is that you're willing to abandon everything you have to be a mistress who destroys other people's family and marriage!"

Jason didn't bother to pay attention to Bella after saying this and walked upstairs to his own room.

For this matter, Jason was really so annoyed that he didn't want to pay attention to it anymore.

He had been immersed in the officialdom for so many years, and he could clearly see through that Leon and Hathaway could not end up together.

Even if they could get together, it wouldn't go very well.

And in the process, as long as they found the right time to give a blow, their relationship would fall apart.

So why was his younger sister in a hurry?

CHAPTER 97 HE JUST TAKES IT SERIOUSLY

After dinner, Leon did not stay at the Taylor family for too long and left. After all, this was his first visit, and the Taylor family was each a little uncomfortable as they were originally incomparable strangers meeting for the first time, and he himself was also feeling a little uncomfortable.

Kenny and Ashley symbolically escorted Leon to the door and went back, while Hathaway escorted Leon to his car.

After they stood still, Leon faintly instructed, "Pack your luggage and move to my place tomorrow after you've been to the Davis' house."

Hathaway deliberately found fault with him, taking a step forward to stick to his bosom and smilingly asked rhetorically, "Mr. Davis, is it ok to live together before you are officially married?"

Leon dropped his eyes to look at the girl's glittering eyes of mischief and talked back to her in a serious manner, "When you dressed like that and threw yourself at me, why didn't you say it wasn't ok?"

Hathaway couldn't help but giggle, "What am I dressed as?"

Now that she thought about the skirt she wore when she first met him. It was also the one that exposed the most skin she had in years.

Leon didn't hide his comment, "It makes people want to take off that dress on you."

Hathaway continued to tease him, "I've got no idea that you still have such shameless thoughts hidden under your serious face."

Leon raised his eyebrows, "Don't you just want me to have such thoughts about you?"

Hathaway grunted at the exposure of her thoughts and took a step back intending to leave him, but the man grabbed her hand and dragged her back into his arms. Leon pressed her in his arms and said with dissatisfaction, "You want to run away after every seduction?"

Hathaway simply didn't run either, and just leaned into his arms like that, playing with the buttons of his shirt as she said, "Well, there's something I'd like to explain..."

Hathaway raised her eyes to look at Leon and then whispered, "It's about me telling your mother that I love you. I just didn't want to start a conflict with her, so I used this method. You don't need to take it seriously."

After the explanation, Hathaway felt that she could finally breathe a sigh of relief. However, Leon replied to her right back, "I just took it seriously."

Hathaway, "..."

Raising her eyes somewhat surprised, she looked towards Leon. The man said with a cold face, "In my eyes, the affection thing is never a joke. Behave yourself."

After Leon said this, he released her and turned around to get into his car and leave.

Until his car disappeared from her sight, Hathaway didn't even return to her senses. Then after she managed to regain consciousness when she remembered Leon's words that feelings should not be joked about, she shivered and her back was sweating all over again.

What did he mean when he told her to behave herself?

Did it have to be that she's in love with him?

Hathaway turned around to go home, but when she raised her eyes, she saw Paul standing inside the house watching her through the floor-to-ceiling window, which meant that he had seen the whole process of her interaction with Leon. Hathaway felt sour in her heart. She thought she could understand Paul's kind of complicated attitude towards Leon.

Just now at the dinner table, Paul said solemnly to Leon, "If you make up your minds to get married, then I won't object it. I have only one thing to say: I'm confident that the daughter I raised up and taught will make a good wife and a good daughter-in-law. The only thing I ask of you is to protect her from being wronged by your family. If you can't protect her well, then don't get her involved."

Hearing these words, Hathaway's eyes directly went red at that time.

Everyone knew that the Davis family didn't like her as a daughter-in-law, and it wasn't just the Davis family who couldn't accept a daughter-in-law with such a reputation as hers, any other family wouldn't accept her either.

Therefore, Paul was most worried that she would be wronged, so he only asked Leon to protect her from being wronged.

This was the most sincere request of a father.

As the father who had raised her, Paul knew clearly how good his daughter was, and the messy reputation was the only way for her to protect herself at that time.

The real she was a wonderful, funny, and lovely girl.

Paul turned to go back to his room to rest before Hathaway entered the house. Kenny came down the stairs, "Your sister said you have a letter from her?"

Hathaway pursed her lips and looked at Kenny. She knew exactly who she was referring to by Kenny's words.

"Give me a glance." Kenny's voice was hoarse and incredibly distressing.

Without saying anything, Hathaway stepped towards her room, and Kenny followed behind her. After taking out the letter from Crystal and handed it to Kenny, Kenny just stood silently by the side.

After reading it, Kenny's slender fingers clutched the thin paper and said to Hathaway in a low voice, "Hathee, sorry..."

If it wasn't for him, if it wasn't for this fruitless love affair with Crystal, Hathaway wouldn't be in this state now, and the fate of the three wouldn't be the same as now.

Now that he and Ashley were both freed, but Hathaway couldn't escape.

Kenny's heart couldn't stop hurting. The little girl in front of him was also the one he had loved since childhood. There was a desire to help her share something, such as re-entering the company, but now his heart simply couldn't be in the mood for anything.

Hathaway sighed indifferently, "I've made it clear enough, haven't I? Don't say that word to me again. We're family, naturally, I'm the one to take up the slack when you're in trouble."

Kenny looked at her with a complex look, almost telling her that secret in his heart.

Actually, she had no blood relation with them. There was no need for her to bear this for them.

But Kenny also knew that even if she were to learn this secret one day, it shouldn't be heard from him, but from their father, Paul.

So instead, he said, "I talked to my dad this afternoon, and he said that he won't force me to do anything in the future, and he won't object to me being with Crystal."

Hathaway was very happy for Kenny, "That's great. I can tell that Crystal is a good girl. She did all this because she loves you too much."

Because of loving him too much, wanting his love and marriage to be blessed by everyone too much, and wanting him to live happily too much, so she used this way to try to make him forget her.

Kenny curled his lips and smiled bitterly, "But now I've lost her..."

Crystal had completely disappeared since she officially quit from the Taylor's Group, and even the letter to Hathaway came by courier. There was no address or clue about her.

Hathaway went forward and hugged Kenny gently, "Brother, go find her. Find her no matter where she is. I will be here for the company..."

She could only comfort Kenny like this now. As long as they were all safe and happy, it was enough for her.

And Hathaway also felt that since she and Leon were getting married, then there should be no big problem for the Taylor Group in the future. If there was any problem, she should just go for Leon.

CHAPTER 98 JUST TRYING TO MAKE MYSELF HAPPY

After talking to Kenny, Hathaway went to Ashley's room, where Ashley was wearing a woebegone look.

Since Hathaway had known that Nick was the man who was with Ashley that night, and now with a look at Ashley's face, she knew that Nick had exposed his identity. She just said to Ashley smilingly, "Did Dr. Jackson confess to you?"

Ashley glared at her, "Hathee!"

Then she said helplessly, "I'm going to be scared to death by him, okay?"

From the time she left the court with Nick today to the time she hurriedly came back to arrange dinner to entertain Leon, she hadn't had time to calm down and properly think about everything she had done with Nick today.

The first thing she did after everything was finished was to go back to her room to think about what had happened today.

To be honest, Ashley now thought back on it and felt that everything was unreal.

How could that man be Nick!

But yet it was really and truly Nick. Ashley was helpless as hell, especially when she thought about the fact that she and Nick had another intimate relationship today, she was even more helpless now.

She obviously wanted peace and quiet, but now she was frazzled.

"Dr. Jackson is excellent in every way, why are you resisting like this?" Hathaway was quite agreeable to Ashley being with Nick. She had been in contact with Nick for some time. Whether it was Nick as Ashley's attending doctor in the hospital or Nick as Leon's friend in life, Hathaway felt that Nick was very reliable.

As a friend of Leon, Nick's reputation in South City was also known as a noble one. And the same as Leon, he didn't have any peach scandal. If not so, he and Leon wouldn't have become friends.

If Ashley and Nick were together, it would be a severe blow to Charles' family's face. The Robinson family was a little famous in South City, but compared to the Jackson family, there was still a long way off.

Ashley was disgraced by the Robinson family's withdrawal but then got together with Nick, the heir of the Jackson family. Wasn't that a fierce slap in Charles' face?

Ashley pinched her forehead, "I don't even want to talk about love with any man right now. I just want to focus on what I want to do. It's like I finally can begin again, I don't want to live for any man anymore. And besides, do you think his family would approve of him being with a woman like me who has ever

engaged to someone else?"

If she hadn't been engaged to Charles, she would still be the best and most perfect first debutante in South City, but she used to have an engagement with Charles. Even though Nick knew that there was no physical entanglement between her and Charles, the outside world didn't think so. Nowadays, a man and woman who didn't know each other could have sex, not to mention an unmarried couple.

In addition to this, the last time she confessed to Charles, the exasperated Mrs. Robinson then smeared her in all sorts of ways, telling people everywhere that she had misbehaved and so on.

But probably because her reputation was so good before, her malicious slander didn't cause much of a stir to criticize Ashley because not many people believed Mrs. Robinson's words. After all, Charles had made too much of a fuss about that making his mistress pregnant, which caused her to have a car accident.

Hathaway thought of Adeline who didn't like her and suddenly didn't want to persuade Ashley to be with Nick.

Because she didn't want Ashley to be humiliated by Nick's mother after she got together with Nick. Ashley was not like her. If Adeline bullied her and made things difficult for her, she would fight against her, and there were plenty of ways to piss Adeline off, but Ashley couldn't do that. Her character would never allow her to do that kind of thing, and she was only to be bullied and suffered it herself.

In the past, Charles' mother was treating Ashley like that, and there were several times that Hathaway couldn't bear it anymore and wanted to fight against Mrs. Robinson for Ashley, but Ashley just stopped her.

So thinking about the relationship between in-laws and daughters-in-law, Hathaway thought it was better not to force Ashley to suffer anymore.

After Leon returned to his own apartment, he took out the wine from the liquor cabinet and poured himself a cup, thoughtfully drank it, and picked out his own phone to dial a call, "Dad, let's have dinner together tomorrow."

There was the warm voice of a middle-aged man on the other end, "With that girl?"

No matter how much Merlin was paying no attention to affairs of human life, he had heard the contents of Adeline's several phone calls at home.

His son was together with a girl named Hathaway, and Adeline was very dissatisfied and strongly opposed it. Merlin also knew that Adeline's preferred candidate for future daughter-in-law was Bella of the Wilson family.

Leon was not surprised that his father would know this, and responded faintly, "Hmm..."

"Ok." Merlin agreed after a half-second of silence on the other end and then asked Leon about the time and place for dinner. After that, the father and son hung up the phone each without any other communication.

For so many years, Leon and Merlin had been communicating in this way. If there was something to say, they would just say it briefly, and if nothing else, they would neither call each other nor have other communication. Every weekend Leon would go home and have a meal with his parents, but Merlin and Adeline didn't talk much the whole time. Leon didn't really want to go back to face this kind of parental relationship, but they were after all his own parents, so he couldn't really ignore them.

Leon did not expect that Merlin would agree so readily. Since if Merlin agreed to meet with Hathaway for dinner, that would be indirectly showing he was on his side.

Merlin just didn't ask about daily affairs, but that didn't mean that he didn't know anything.

Leon then called the old Davis, who was naturally furious with this stuff, "No! I won't go!"

Then he angrily questioned Leon, "Bastard, are you trying to piss me off?"

Leon faintly replied, "Grandpa, I don't have any intention of making you angry. I just want to make myself happy."

The old Davis questioned him in exasperation at that end, "Then tell me, do you love her? Do you know what marriage is? Do you know where your joy comes from?"

Compared to the old man's furious rage, Leon was very calm, "I don't know I love her or not. I only know that she has made my life interesting, and my life has become something I'm looking forward to, something more colorful. My life is no longer nothing but only work."

The old Davis was about to be enraged to death by his words. So Leon was making it clear that he was obsessed with insisting on marrying Hathaway.

"My father has already promised to go, so think about it again, will you?" Leon said so and then told the old man about the time and place of tomorrow's dinner, and then hung up the phone.

Leon admitted that he was a bit despicable for using Merlin at this time. He was using those guilt for Merlin in his grandfather's heart to add pressure on him.

Merlin had lost his chance for happiness back then by the old Davis' force, and now that Merlin had chosen to support him, could the old Davis still stand by and watch his grandson's happiness be buried again?

CHAPTER 99 TOO CHEEKY

The old Davis was angry and furious. He was angry that this grandson had managed to pinch his soft spot every time.

He had lost to Leon in two consecutive encounters, and the old Davis was just about to let it go.

He was over eighty years old and simply couldn't fight anymore.

What's more, this grandson's fighting capacity was much tougher than his son Merlin's at first. And there was also that girl Hathaway, who was so good at pissing him off.

In the beginning, for the stuff of his son and that Evelyn Nelson, his son also fought with him but eventually chose to compromise. Evelyn was even less weak. She originally was gentle and bashful, and simply couldn't hold up when she was reprimanded and humiliated by him a few times. So his son finally married his chosen daughter-in-law Adeline, and Evelyn just left the country after many years, and they haven't heard from her since then.

He always believed that love grew with time.

So he believed that his son would definitely have feelings for Adeline when he had been together with Adeline for a long time. For people in an earlier generation like himself, their own marriage all followed their parents' instruction as well. They also lived well in the marriage life, didn't they?

But he didn't expect that after Adeline gave birth to Leon, she was completely left alone by Merlin. And it was also at that time that he suddenly realized that Merlin was using such a way silently revolting his obstruction to his relation with Evelyn back then. Although Merlin married Adeline, how he treated Adeline was not something he as a father could interfere.

When Leon got rid of the old Davis, the last call was made to Adeline.

Adeline picked up the phone and was crying miserably on the other end, "Leon, do you want me to die in your hands..."

Adeline's words could be described as sharp to the extreme.

To a son, it was already a heavy hurt.

No child wished his mother to die, let alone at his own hands, especially since Leon was known as a filial son before this.

Suddenly pressed by Adeline with such a charge, Leon was heartbroken to the point of frustration, and at the same time, he did not want to say another word to Adeline, only briefly informed Adeline of the time and place of tomorrow's lunch and hung up the phone. Whether Adeline went or not was no longer important to him.

Leon didn't want to explain to Adeline that he was Hathaway's first man, nor did he want to explain to Adeline why Hathaway was notorious because Adeline wouldn't believe him even if he did.

And Adeline seemed to have realized that the words she had just said were too ugly, so she then called again.

But Leon didn't want to answer it at all and let the phone ring like that, got up and went to the bathroom to wash up.

The next day at noon, Leon went to the Taylor's to pick up Hathaway and they went to the banquet together.

After Hathaway came out, she tugged at the skirt she was wearing and asked him nervously, "Is it okay for me to dress like this?"

Leon took a look at the incomparably demure navy blue dress on the girl as well as the black flat-heeled small leather shoes and nodded faintly, "Yes."

It was really hard for her. He had never seen her wearing this color of dress for as long as he had known her.

Hathaway took the initiative to explain, "In fact, I designed this dress myself for my sister. I went through my wardrobe in the morning and felt that none of my clothes were suitable, so I asked my sister for this dress to wear."

Leon felt a bit amused, "I didn't know you would be nervous with such thick skin."

Hathaway was already accustomed to his teasing of herself and rolled her eyes at him then exclaimed, "We even coincided to wear as a couple a bit today."

Hathaway raised her finger to the navy blue tie at Leon's neck, which was exactly the same color as her dress.

Leon dropped his eyes to look at her brilliant smile and didn't say anything.

Just because of such a little thing, she was so surprised?

Still, he would have liked to see her happy face like this, because her joy was always infectious, infecting him to be happy with her.

There was a line in the song, "You're happy so I'm happy".

After getting into the car, Hathaway sighed, "It seems that the understanding between us is quite good. We will get along well in the future. You know before this, I was worried that there was a generation gap

between us."

A cold look from Leon swept over, and Hathaway immediately realized that she had said the wrong thing, and was busy laughingly coaxing, "I'm just saying that I had that kind of worry before. But I won't worry about it anymore. You see, we can even have a tacit understanding of wearing clothes and we'll definitely get along."

Hathaway eloquently explained a lot in one breath, yet she was actually not saying it from her heart at all.

In fact, she still felt that there would be a generation gap between them if she lived with Leon. After all, there was an eight-year age difference between them, and he was too boring, but she was a hilarious person by nature...

Hey...

Hathaway sighed in her heart. If there was a generation gap, she could only admit it, since now she had come this far.

After all, they were juniors, so when Leon and Hathaway arrived at the private room of the hotel, no one else had arrived.

Hathaway didn't ask who would be here today. She thought to herself mockingly, it wouldn't be no one coming, would it?

The old Davis arrived later, and Hathaway took the initiative to greet him sweetly, "Grandpa, long time no see."

The old man's crutch knocked heavily on the ground and glared at Hathaway in protest, "Who gave you permission to call me grandpa!"

Hathaway was not embarrassed by the reprimand, and carefully stepped forward to help the old Davis as he took his seat, taking the opportunity to smile beside him and ask, "What should I call you then?"

He hadn't said anything yet, she asked again, "Old Davis?"

Then she shook her head incessantly to deny it, "No, no, Leon's father should be Old Davis, then I'll call you Old Old Davis."

The old Davis, "..."

He was genuinely angry and speechless. She'd better call him grandpa, otherwise, he didn't know what other strange names she could give him.

Leon at the side took a look at his grandfather's exasperated expression and held back his laughter as he turned away his eyes.

He knew that his grandfather wasn't a match for her either.

Well, her cheek was too thick, and ordinary people weren't a match.

Hathaway still had a sweet smile on her face as she gathered around the old Davis and said, "Grandpa, you must be tired from coming all this way, so have a cup of tea first."

It would be a shame to be rude to a person smiling at you. She was smiling like a flower, and how was he managed to make trouble for her anymore?

Moreover, just now she inadvertently helped him. The details could tell that she was a careful girl.

However, Hathaway was thinking to herself. The old man's temper was too much like Leon's. Both of them would behave resistance to her on the surface, but actually, in their heart, they didn't have anything to do about it.

CHAPTER 100 A DRAW

Just after they had made the old man's expression looked a little better, the door of the private room was pushed open again, and Adeline walked in with a middle-aged man.

Hathaway knew at once with a glance that it was Merlin. Almost all of Leon's deep eyebrows and handsome outline came from Merlin, and although Adeline's appearance was also good, Leon only seemed to have a little of Adeline's appearance between his eyebrows at certain moments.

Based on Leon's age, Hathaway guessed that Merlin should be around fifty-five to sixty years old. Since the living environment had always been very privileged, so Merlin's body management and appearance looked very young.

Out of courtesy, Hathaway stood up with Leon to welcome Merlin and Adeline, while keeping a proper smile on her face.

However, when Merlin saw her, he froze in place and stared at her with an unbelievable face.

Hathaway was confused, and secretly tugged on Leon's sleeve, asking him in a low voice, "Am I too ugly or too pretty? Why do your grandfather and father look so scared when they see me? Am I that scary? I'm obviously smiling right now, aren't I?"

In the meantime, Leon also frowned slightly due to Merlin's discomposure, but still reached over to hold her dishonest little hand in a calm tone and replied to her, "Aren't you always confident in your look?"

It was tantamount to indirectly admitting that she was pretty rather than ugly, and Hathaway's original

uneasy mood was also calmed down a lot as Leon took the initiative to hold her hand. She still kept a decent smile on her face, waiting for Merlin's and Adeline's reactions.

Originally, Adeline did not want to come to this meal today, but when she learned that Merlin had even agreed to come over, she bit her teeth and followed along.

For no other reason, she just wanted to see Merlin's reaction to seeing Hathaway. She wanted to see if Merlin still had that woman in his heart after more than twenty years.

Now, Merlin's reaction made her lips curl up in a cold mockery, leaning towards Merlin just slightly like that, "Does it feel like you're seeing an old friend?"

In the next second, she struck at Merlin mercilessly, "Yet she is Paul Taylor's daughter."

Adeline left this sentence and stepped away, keeping the pride on her face.

It was just a girl who looked like him and he lost his control like this. It had been more than twenty years and he still didn't stop thinking about that woman, but she didn't necessarily think about him.

Hathaway saw Adeline walking over, smiled decently, and took the initiative to greet Adeline, "Mrs. Davis, how are you doing?"

Adeline walked over as if no one was talking to her. Leon's hand gripping on Hathaway's tightened slightly. Hathaway could feel it, while she scratched Leon's palm with her own fingertips, implying in such a way that he didn't have to feel bad or anything. Anyway, she was always thick-skinned, and these cold faces were bearable.

"Mr. Davis, nice to meet you." Hathaway continued to greet Merlin with a smile. Merlin returned to his senses at Hathaway's brilliant smile, and nodded at her politely, "Nice to meet you."

Then he didn't look at her anymore, stepped over, and sat down.

At first glance, the girl in front of him and the one in his heart was similar, but after careful scrutiny, he found that they were not similar.

The temperament and charm were very much different. One was gentle and quiet like water, while the other was beautiful and delicate as a flower.

After Merlin and Adeline entered the banquet, Leon and Hathaway also took their seats. Leon's hand was still holding Hathaway's. Hathaway struggled a bit and asked him to let go of her. However, he was still holding her hand tightly so she had no choice but to let him.

She could feel Adeline's dissatisfied and disgusted gaze from the other side, but she was also very innocent. She didn't want to show off in front of them, but she had nothing to do if Leon had to hold her

hands in front of them.

Leon tightened his grip on Hathaway's fingers and calmly introduced to the three of them, "Grandpa, Dad, Mom, let me give you a formal introduction."

"This is Hathaway, I'm going to marry her." Leon's words didn't have the slightest fluctuation, nor was there the slightest hint of a plea to seek their consent.

And Adeline then gave her decision without any consideration, "I disagree."

Adeline's attitude was similarly calm, but such calmness hid their respective indifference.

Merlin, on the other hand, took a sip of tea and faintly looked towards Leon, "If you feel happy and joyful, I have no problem with it."

This way, Merlin and Adeline each had their own opinions, which was equal to a one-to-one tie.

The last person to give a reply was the old Davis who looked at the two and said, "Since you decided to get married because you were pregnant, it's not too late to wait until the child is born to talk about the marriage. If you have a boy, I'll agree to let you in, but if you have a girl, no way."

The old man's words were, on the one hand, an emphasis on their Davis family's preference for sons over daughters, and on the other hand, an indirect manifestation of his many shenanigans, as he neither strongly opposed but also did not directly agree, instead of handing over the decision to the unborn child. So the opinions of the three elders were now equal to still a draw, and there was still no division between opposing or agreeing to win or lose.

Hathaway laughed in her heart. This family was really scheming enough.

Were they tired or not?

However, Hathaway smartly continued to remain silent and not make any comments on this ending, still maintaining her decent smile. Anyway, the opinion of Leon's family was his own matter. Whether he would stand up to the pressure and insist on marrying her or not was also his own matter.

Leon didn't have any unnecessary expression other than calm on his face, but raised his hand and beckoned the waiter over, "Waiter, order, please."

Anyway, he asked them to have a meal together, but it was just a formality. His mind was already made up, and no one could sway him.

He wasn't Merlin. His fate and happiness had to be in his own hands.

The meal was very bland and tasteless. Merlin and Adeline did not have any communication the entire

time. This was the first time Hathaway knew that Leon's parents' relationship was so lackluster.

There were only rumors that Merlin had no interest in running the company, but there weren't any rumors that he and his wife were not in good terms. After all, when Merlin was in charge of the Davis Group and attended some social occasions, the husband and wife looked harmonious and satisfied whenever they were together.

Seeing the way Merlin and Adeline got along with each other, Hathaway suddenly felt sorry for Leon.

Wasn't it said that the best education for a child was parents loving each other?

How could a child be warmed up if there was no love between the parents?