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Charles was truly shocked.

Isla and Keira had always had a strained relationship at the university; it was something everyone vaguely sensed.

They just didn't know why.

Later at the graduation ceremony, when Jake proposed to Isla, it led everyone to speculate that the two women had tensions because of a man.

So, why had Dr. South taken on Isla as her research student?

Without thinking, he blurted out the question.

And with those words, everyone at the dinner table turned to look at him, their eyes wide with shock.

Someone couldn't help but ask hesitantly, "Charles, what did you just say?"

Charles was speechless.

He immediately looked apologetically at Keira.

Keira actually didn't care.

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She didn't want to reveal her identity because she didn't want to be approached by too many people, but at this point, even if it was revealed, it didn't matter

anymore.

Just as she was about to say something, Erin's voice chimed in. "Charles, what are you implying? Are you actually suggesting that Keira is Dr. South? What kind of joke is that?"

The others laughed.

“Charles, you really can say anything!”

“Don’t stir up trouble here and make a big deal out of nothing.”

“Dr. South is so prominent in the new energy industry How could he be a young woman in her twenties? Three years ago, he published a paper when we were just sophomores and still not very clear about the co technology of new energy!”

“Charles, you really are a joker...”

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Seeing that nobody believed him, Charles’s stubborn nature kicked in. “Why would I lie to you guys? I work at Dr. South’s company. How could I not know who Dr.

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Everyone turned to look at Keira in unison.

Erin said, “Keira, say something! He’s claiming you’re Dr. South. Surely you wouldn’t dare admit it?”

“Charles, just shut it. The person herself hasn’t spoken, and you know you can’t impersonate that identity, so what are you even saying?”

“Better shut up fast!”

“Such an international joke isn’t funny at all.”

Charles looked at everyone with a wronged expression. “Why won’t you guys believe me?”

He looked toward Keira.

He wanted her to say something, but then he suddenly remembered that Keira always kept her identity private. He had just blurted it out in a moment o urgency.

He now regretted it.

It was wrong to reveal her identity without Dr. Sout consent.

He didn't dare to ask Keira to cover for him, so he could only silently sigh and hang his head.

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But to his surprise, the next moment he heard her quiet voice beside him. "He's right."

Charles was dumbfounded.

He couldn't believe it and looked at Keira incredulously, "You, you're admitting it?"

"Yes," Keira replied, holding her teacup and taking a sip. "There was really no need for secrecy to begin

with."

Charles laughed. "That's right, absolutely right!"

The way the two conversed made many people frown, yet they still found it hard to believe.

Erin's gaze swept over Charles and Keira, finally seeming to understand something. "Charles, you've suddenly become so polite and protective of her today. Is that it? I remember you two didn't really interact

before!"

Charles nodded. "We're all classmates. There's no enmity. It's just that today, by chance, I found out she's Dr. South..."

Erin laughed. "You've been duped, right? Keira, you've got quite the tactics! You're picking out anyone at

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random and spinning them around with lies. You're pretending to be Dr. South just so Charles would

protect you at the banquet, aren't you? So hypocritical!"

After that, she turned to Charles. “And you, you’re pretty foolish. Is anything she says the truth? How old is she? Could Dr. South be someone so young? Use your brain, will you?!”

Dr. South’s presence in the field of new energy was incredibly strong.

He was the sole authoritative figure in recent years!

His papers published over these years had driven the research in new energy forward by a great leap. He alone had propelled the development of new energy,

Thus, people in this field had a deep fascination with

Dr. South.

Dr. South was low-profile. A thousand people had a thousand different perceptions of Dr. South, but one thing presumably remained the same-Dr. South’s age.

He was most likely in his prime, with enough experience and scholarship. How could he be a student who just graduated from college?

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This was simply ludicrous!

The classmates simply didn’t believe it and began to speak one after another.

“Keira is probably just joking with Charles, right?”

“There must be some misunderstanding... But Charles, you’re already a working professional. How can you

still be so naive?”

“Dr. South joined our school as a special advisor, and Professor Miller is now the dean of the Energy School. He must have met Dr. South. Such a lie is easy to see

through...”

Charles was caught between laughter and tears. “Why don’t you believe it? Keira hasn’t lied to me. She didn’t even intend to reveal her identity. It was after I asked to add her on WhatsApp that I found out...”

Erin sneered. "You must be bewitched! Forget Professor Miller. let's ask Isla. Isla, weren't you about to be recruited as Dr. South's graduate student? You must have met Dr. South, right? Tell us, is she Dr.

South?"

Isla clenched her fists, feeling a surge of humiliation.

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How could she possibly stand up for Keira?

She laughed dismissively, changing the subject. "I've given up on grad school. I thought it over, and I don't see the use in it... It's better to take over the family

business sooner."

Erin was startled. "So you haven't met Dr. South

either?"

Isla didn't respond, while Jake frowned. "Alright, let's drop this topic. Today is Professor Miller's birthday. Let's focus on discussing how to celebrate."

With Jake speaking, everyone conveniently shifted the topic, though some whispered.

"Mr. Horton is still holding onto past feelings, and tries to protect Keira's dignity!"

"Definitely. After all, he courted his goddess for four years but ended up with nothing... That must be eating him up inside for a lifetime!" novelbin

"But Keira is so absurd, coming up with such lies..."

As the crowd buzzed with discussion, Professor Miller

arrived, looking travel-worn. He apologized as soon as he stepped in. "I had a class this morning, so I'm late.

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Sorry to have kept you waiting, guys!"

Everyone immediately stood up to welcome him, exchanging polite words.

Just then, Erin suddenly said in a high-pitched voice, “Professor Miller, you missed quite the drama while you weren’t here! Did you know? Keira claimed she was Dr. South. Hilarious, right?!”

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The moment these words were spoken, the entire private room fell silent.

Everyone turned their eyes to Erin.

Someone whispered, "Didn't Mr. Horton just say this matter is over? Why bring it up again?"

that

Others commented. "Well, when someone's lies are too outrageous, should they not be called out? Mr. Horton and Isla spared her feelings by not exposing her, out of consideration for past relationships, but we shouldn't cater to her behavior."

Jake and Isla, who had been in high spirits, both

stiffened at these words.

Jake immediately glanced at Isla.

Isla coughed and tried to shift the topic. "Today is Professor Miller's birthday. Let's raise our glasses and wish Professor Miller a happy birthday first!"

At her words, everyone started raising their glasses.

Keira stood among the crowd, also picking up her glass with an indifferent expression. Only Charles

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seemed indignant and displeased.

Professor Miller was ushered to the seat of honor, and he too picked up his glass upon seeing this.

"Sir, happy birthday to you. We wish you good health! Many happy returns!"

After the students congratulated him in unison, Professor Miller beamed and raised his glass. Just when everyone was about to sit down, he suddenly addressed Keira. "Keira, come here. Sit next to me!"

He pointed to the empty seat beside him. "I finally caught you. I have some questions to discuss with

you!"

These words left everyone in shock.

All eyes turned to Keira in disbelief.

Keira hesitated for a moment and then, with a hint of resignation, moved to Professor Miller's side. "Professor, happy birthday."

"Yes, happy! I'm happy just because you came!" Professor Miller said, "I called you so many times to come meet me at the college, and you always found excuses not to come... Today, I've finally caught you."

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You can't rush off this afternoon! You must have a long chat with me."

Keira couldn't help but laugh, "Professor, I've genuinely been busy..."

She had been preoccupied with taking care of old Mrs. Horton and matching wits with Isla. Professor Miller's WhatsApp messages and calls had to be declined for the time being.

Their conversation was intimate, and Erin sneered softly. "This Keira really knows how to play her cards right. It seems pretty people can impress just about anyone. Professor Miller is so strict with us, but he's always smiling at her..."

The rest of the students also found it strange and started discussing in private

Hearing these increasingly absurd comments, Charle spoke up. "Professor Miller, please tell everyone that Keira is Dr. South! They didn't believe me just now when I told them..."

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Professor Miller looked at everyone with a smile. "Alright, today I'll formally introduce her to you all. Here's my colleague seated beside me. Your fellow

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student, Keira, is none other than Dr. South, the distinguished professor in energy studies at Oceanion University! She's your classmate, and in the future, if you have technical questions, you can ask her for

assistance!"

After that, he looked at Keira. “Keira, if your classmates come to you, don’t be haughty!”

Instant silence fell upon the entire room.

Everyone’s eyes widened in disbelief as they turned to

Keira.

If they could still argue that Charles might have been deceived by her, Professor Miller was the dean authority within the college! His words couldn’t possibly be false!!

The crowd quickly came to their senses.

The rest of the students were quite direct and immediately apologized to Keira.

“Keira, I’m really sorry. We truly didn’t realize...”

“Yes, yes, please forgive us for our rudeness just now. It’s just that it was really beyond our wildest thoughts!”

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“Keira, I just followed others blindly. Please don’t tak

it to heart...”

Everyone immediately gathered around Keira to apologize. They all worked in new energy, so who would dare to offend Dr. South, the big shot?

Keira was quick to let it go and raised her wine glass.

“No worries.”

Then she drank half a glass, exuding an air of magnanimity that seemed to dissolve all past grievances with a smile.

Everyone put their apologies into their drinks, and with a toast to Keira, that matter was put behind them

Only Erin stood there, dazed, watching Keira and Charles in disbelief. She had been blinded by jealousy just moments before but now finally realized what was happening.

It turned out that Charles was so polite to Keira

because she was his boss.

But Erin knew that her sour and sharp attitude had been witnessed by Charles, and he would never pay her any attention again. Like just now, he couldn't

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even

bother to glance at her

She was secretly in love with him for four years. Things

had just started getting hopeful, but that hope now suddenly vanished...

Isla also lowered her eyes in resentment.

She knew that once Keira's status as Dr. South was

revealed, the focus of everyone would shift to her! And indeed, it had!

Isla bit her lip and glanced at Jake before suddenly standing up with a smile. "Professor, I have some good news to report. Jake and I are married!"

With those words, everyone's attention did indeed

turn back to her.

"Congratulations!"

"That was fast, have you had the wedding feast? Remember to invite us when the time comes. We're all

classmates after all!"

"Yes, yes, let us also witness an upper-class wedding! Marrying into wealth really is different. The two of you getting married must be a match made in heaven!"

"My goodness, you guys are so early, so fast. You must

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be the first among our classmates to get married, right?"

Erin's gaze shifted between Keira and Isla, and suddenly she said, "Isla, you really are lucky, marrying Mr. Horton and becoming a wealthy wife. No matter how capable some people are, what of it? In the

end, they still have to fight on their own, and who knows which man will benefit from that in the future! So, you see, no matter how successful your career is, it's not as good as marrying well!"

Upon hearing this, Isla felt much more satisfied.

Marrying Jake was indeed the matter she was most proud of!

She said with a smile, "You can't really say that though Not only is Keira successful in her career, but she also got married the earliest among our classmates because she registered even earlier than me, right after graduation!"

"What?"

The crowd was even more astonished and turned to Keira all at once. "Dr. South, you're married too? It must be to some big industry leader, right?"

"Yeah, yeah, who is your husband? Why not bring him along sometime and let us meet him?"

Keira looked down and said something polite. "Next time, I'll introduce him to everyone."

"There's no need for next time." Isla suddenly smirked and raised her phone. "He's already here, about to

enter. Keira, I was the one who called him over. You wouldn't blame me, would you?"

Keira was perplexed.

Meanwhile, Lewis was at the door of the private room

and heard this sentence.

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Keira looked at Isla's cellphone, only to find her chatting with someone she didn't know.

The other party had sent a message. "I'm already at the entrance. Which private room is it?"

Isla had sent the name of the room.

The other party wrote, "I'll be there in a moment."

This puzzling chat history left Keira full of bewilderment. At that moment, there was a commotion at the entrance, and everyone looked over.

Outside, Lewis's steps halted slightly as he suddenly turned his head.

Following behind him, Tom couldn't help but ask, "Boss, aren't you going in?"

But when he noticed the direction of his gaze, Tom then turned his head and saw a man in work clothes, with traces of mud on him, stride in.

Scott had specially washed his face today, but he hadn't had time to change clothes.

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Moreover, in his own country, dress codes weren't that important. Events like a high school reunion were just about everyone getting together to have fun. Someone of his background wouldn't be looked down upon, as no matter what he wore, he'd be praised anyway.

So he didn't think much of it and, after arriving beside

the two, he smiled politely and asked, "Excuse me, is this the Purple Bamboo Garden Room?"

Lewis clenched his jaw tightly, while Tom looked up at the name of the room, nodded, and asked, "Are you also here for the high school reunion?"

"No, I'm here to find Keira."

Scott smiled and then pushed the door open and entered.

Tom was stunned. He turned to look at Lewis. "Boss, what's his relationship with Miss Olsen?"

Lewis almost gnashed his teeth and said, "How should I know!"

Inside the private room.

After the door was opened, Scott walked in.

Keira wasn't sure if it was her imagination. but it

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seemed that in the instant the door opened, she caught a glimpse of Lewis.

But wasn't he supposed to be catching up on sleep?

How could he be here...

Keira felt she must have been mistaken. As she was

pondering, Erin's annoyingly sharp voice suddenly rang out. "Keira, is this your husband?"

Husband?

Keira looked at Scott, puzzled, feeling he seemed vaguely familiar but couldn't recall where from. After all, when she gave him an umbrella yesterday, his face was all covered in mud. With his clean face today, people could see his striking features.

His foreign features made him exceptionally handsome. He was even better looking than the

celebrities on television.

He was such a ruggedly handsome man that just by standing there, he could make everyone else in the room seem lackluster by comparison.

He was almost as handsome as Lewis.

Keira was about to shake her head when Erin sneered.

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"Keira, he isn't a bricklayer from the construction site, is he? Why did you find someone like him? Is it

because he looks good?"

Hearing this, Isla hastily spoke up, "Erin, don't say that; every profession should be respected."

After these words, Isla pointed to the seat beside Keira. "Excuse me, give up your seat for Keira's

husband. Don't make him stand." novelbin

The male classmate originally sitting next to Keira stood up, vacating the spot.

Scott walked up to Keira, smiling slightly, "Miss Olsen."

Keira frowned, "Who are you?"

Scott was just about to introduce himself when Erin laughed. "Keira, what are you up to again? Don't tell me you're pretending not to recognize your own husband."

Keira frowned. "I don't know him."

Hearing this, Scott was also confused, "I, I'm not her husband."

Although his accent was strange, he did understand the special meaning of the word "husband."

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The last time he went to the Olsen residence, nobody had mentioned that word in front of him, so he hadn't

understood what they meant, but this time, he was ready to object.

Their back and forth left everyone present momentarily stunned.

Jake's gaze fell on Scott, and with a sneer, he said, "Not her husband, yet you were visiting the Olsen residence yesterday. Keira, could it be that you disdain him, so you're denying him in front of everyone?"

This remark made everyone turn their eyes toward her.

Keira scowled, "Visit what Olsen residence?"

She looked at Scott, "You went to the Olsen home

yesterday?"

Scott nodded. "I did, to bring you an umbrella."

Isla smiled. "Yesterday, there was a light rain, but Keira had cars to pick her up and drop her off. She wouldn't need an umbrella. You're way too anxious about her... Keira, although your husband's job isn't great, he really does care about you. It's not very nice of you to treat

him like this"

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Her tone of reproach was as though Keira had let
down Scott.

Keira was utterly baffled. "I honestly don't know him."

Scott immediately waved his hands in apology/ "I'm sorry. I didn't realize this was the situation. Perhaps I shouldn't have come looking for you. I am truly not Miss Keira's husband; please, everyone, don't misunderstand her, my apologies!"

However, the more he said this, the more the people around them were convinced.

Who hadn't seen one or two TV dramas before?

Children were ashamed of their parents picking up trash or collecting bottles at school and would pretend not to recognize them. The audience knew this plot all

too well!

At this moment, Scott looked just as pitiable as those parents who didn't dare
acknowledge their own

children.

Everyone began to speak.

"Keira, every profession deserves respect. Without people like your husband, there would be no high- rise

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buildings for us to live in. You shouldn't look down on him."

"Dr. South, it's really okay for you to admit it. After all, you have your own status here, you don't need to marry someone so amazing anymore. You're a tycoon on your own! You have a gigolo, but we won't say anything..."

"Dr. South's husband indeed looks very handsome, and he doesn't rely on marrying Dr. South or living off a woman. He continues to work outside, making a living with his own hands, so he can't be bad..."

Charles was also baffled.

The company was recently preparing to go public. He was aware of that, and not long ago, when he went to report to Mr. Morgan, he had overheard a conversation.

It was about how Dr. South would marry someone- anyone-just to help with the company's IPO.

So Dr. South and Scott really were husband and wife, right?

They must be a contractual couple...

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But seeing Scott's expression, it was clear that he was deeply in love with Keira, while she was very cold to

him.

Even though he understood the marriage was for show, Charles still felt Keira was being too harsh. Not yet sure of the truth, he kept silent.

Erin then said sarcastically, “Keira, you say he’s not your husband, but do you have any proof? Unless you call your actual husband over here and show us your marriage certificate, otherwise, stop putting on this

act here!”

Just as she finished speaking, the door to the Purple Bamboo Garden Room was pushed open, and Lewis

strode in!

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Everyone turned their heads to see Lewis and were stunned.

Someone who didn't know who that was asked, "Who is this?"

The person next to them immediately replied, "That's Jake's uncle, the current man in charge of the Horton family! I saw him on the financial news channel just a few days ago..."

No sooner had they finished explaining than Professor Miller stood up, exclaiming in surprise. "Mr. Horton?"

The Horton Group gave a substantial amount of support to Oceanion University's labs every year, and now that Professor Miller had become the dean of the Energy College, of course, he had dealt with Lewis before.

As he stood up, the others immediately followed suit.

Jake and Isla exchanged glances and both smiled.

What a large-scale adultery bust!

Jake looked down and politely called out, "Uncle, what

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brings you here?"

Lewis glanced at Keira and Scott before looking away and said in a deep voice, "I heard it's Professor Miller's birthday, and I happened to be in the area, so I came to have a look. Why? Am I not welcome?"

"How could that be!"

Jake gestured toward Keira's seat. "Uncle, please take a seat."

The seat of honor belonged to Professor Miller, who as today's birthday star and elder, couldn't possibly give up his seat. Given Lewis's status, Keira immediately moved down one spot.

Lewis walked over without ceremony and sat between her and Professor Miller.

Upon seeing this, Isla cheerfully said, "Mr. Martin, what are you waiting for? Please, take a seat."

Scott, hearing this, gave Keira a look, thought for a moment, and sat next to her. The classmate who had been sitting next to Keira immediately stood up and vacated his seat, allowing Scott to sit down without

hesitation.

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And so...

Keira found herself sandwiched between Scott and

Lewis.

Keira, suddenly feeling a chill coming from Lewis, was puzzled.

She looked at Lewis, bemused.

Just as she was about to ask why he came over, Professor Miller spoke first. "Keira, didn't you have some misunderstanding with Mr. Horton before? Has it been resolved now?"

Keira smiled. "Yes."

"That's good to hear." Professor Miller sighed in relief.

Even though Keira was Dr. South, she was merely a research staff, and for the Hortons, the wealthiest family in Oceanion, snuffing her out was as simple as lifting a finger.

Professor Miller then turned to Lewis. "Mr. Horton, it's good that you're here. I have some experimental data that I was just about to report to the Horton Group..."

He began to talk to Lewis.

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This left Keira with no chance to inquire further. She sighed in resignation and suddenly felt a tug at her

sleeve.

Keira turned her head to see Scott looking at her.

The man's expression was warm and smiling. "Miss Olsen, do you remember who I am now? Could we add each other on WhatsApp?"

Keira had already figured out what was going on.

This man had no ill intent. He was called over for no reason, and considering he had taken time off from his construction site to come here, Keira found it difficult to refuse outright, so she merely nodded and took out her phone.

Scott scanned her QR code and sent a WhatsApp request.

Not far from them, Charles saw what happened and immediately said, "Did you see that? Dr. South and this gentleman just added each other on WhatsApp. They really didn't know each other!"

Erin couldn't stand him speaking up for Keira and immediately scoffed. "Brown-noser, you're so eager to

clear things up for your hood What? Is she going to

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give you a promotion and raise?"

Charles said, "You....!"

Erin instantly turned her gaze to Keira. "Who can't act? It's just a scan of a code."

However, Charles had already believed Keira, and at the same time, he had realized something. Even if she really wanted a temporary, there was no need for her to marry a construction worker from a job site.

He hadn't spoken yet when a male student beside them spoke up. "Erin, that's enough. Targeting Keira over and over today is indeed too much! I also think that Keira wouldn't marry a migrant worker. In college,

she didn't even give Mr. Horton...."

The words “a second thought” were forcibly swallowed down.

He gave a sheepish smile.

Jake’s gaze, however, turned gloomy.

Erin snorted. “She was just putting on airs, right? Later, she wanted him, but Mr. Horton didn’t want her. I remember sitting behind Keira at the graduation ceremony. When I saw Lewis proposing to Isla, Keira’s

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eyes widened! Do you think she really didn’t want it? She just couldn’t have it!”

Upon hearing this, Jake was slightly startled and suddenly turned his gaze toward Keira.

Did Erin’s words mean... that if the surprise he had prepared for Keira at graduation had been given to her, she would have accepted his love?!

Jake had pursued her for four years, always feeling like he had no chance.

The final act was merely to draw a conclusion for himself.

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It never occurred to him that she would be an illegitimate daughter. Upon learning of this, he was furious, yet all the surprises had already been arranged, and his classmates were ready to play along. Out of desperation, he intentionally chose Isla.

For a moment, Jake didn’t know whether to cry or to laugh.

She had cared about him at one point!

But what of it?!

Her background doomed her to be someone he could

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never truly consider.

His mother would never allow him to marry an illegitimate daughter!

Jake steeled himself, and when he looked up again, the bewilderment in his eyes had vanished, replaced by a more forbidding air.

Erin continued. "Isla comes from a wealthy family and has a well-matched marriage with Mr. Horton. The two together make a powerful union. And what is Keira?"

Charles sneered. "Keira is my boss, Dr. South! What do you think? Certainly better than someone like you, right? But would you go for a migrant worker as a husband?"

Erin was speechless.

And just then, Isla suddenly spoke up. "Actually, I'm also puzzled, Keira. Why would you choose such a person? When he came to visit yesterday, Dad and

She deliberately emphasized this sentence, leading Erin to question in confusion. "Isla, you've been saying all along that she went to your place. Why would she

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take her husband there?"

Isla immediately showed a look of embarrassment. "That... Well, Keira, I'm sorry, I let it slip by accident..."

Keira suddenly tensed up.

Beside her, Lewis's gaze darkened. Just as he was about to speak, Keira suddenly grabbed his hand under the table.

Lewis was taken aback, then saw Keira slowly raise her head.

Her back was straight, her eyes shifting from despair to a slow determination.

Her identity had always been a pain she didn't want to talk about, but she knew she had to learn to face it

openly.

Keira began to speak, enunciating each word deliberately. "Because I am the Olsen family's illegitimate daughter."

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Although Keira knew that she wasn't Taylor's daughter, she was indeed raised as the illegitimate daughter of the Olsen family

In the past, she cared a lot about this and even felt that her blood was tainted.

Under Poppy's relentless brainwashing, she felt she had let down the Olsen family and Isla.

She recalled that when she was going to leave the Olsen family, Poppy wouldn't let her go and wanted her to slave away for the family. She knelt for ten grueling hours.

At thirteen years old, she dressed in thin clothes, kneeling in the cold winter.

After a full ten hours, she stubbornly looked at Poppy and asked, "Can I now leave the Olsen family?"

Ever since then, she never brought up her own identity again.

Jake accused her of deceiving him and keeping it from him, but in reality, she didn't intentionally hide it. She

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just didn't know how to break the news. She had already decided, back then, that if Jake confessed his love to her by graduation, she would reveal her identity.

Looking back now, she suddenly felt that her past twenty-something years were actually confined by

Poppy.

Poppy crafted a cage called "illegitimate daughter" and firmly bound her within it.

But how important was a person's background, really?

Keira had already come to terms with it. She just hadn't learned to face it openly.

Now, she was finally able to face it.

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The whole private room was silent.

Everyone looked at Keira with disbelief, then turned toward Isla and began whispering among themselves:

"Oh my God, are they actually sisters?"

"What sisters? That's an illegitimate daughter, which means Keira's mother is 'the other woman'! If I were

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Isla, I would hate her to death, right?"

"But it doesn't seem like it, right? Keira has always been working hard on work-study programs. I heard she earned her tuition by working part-time..."

While a few people were whispering among themselves, Erin suddenly realized something and burst out loudly. “Keira, so that’s what you are. Why didn’t you tell everyone?! Your background is just disgusting! Your mom is the mistress, isn’t she? She wrecked another family, and you yourself are a vixen, seducing every man. How could I have a classmate like

you?!”

She turned to Isla. “Isla, aren’t you too kind to her? Why didn’t you speak up about this earlier?”

Back in primary and middle school, Isla would stir things up so that all her classmates knew, and at that age, children knew that stepmothers and mistresses- were the scariest, which would make them detest

Keira.

But since high school, that trick no longer worked.

After all, there were few people like Erin who harbored personal prejudices against Keira, and most

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were...

“This is the 21st century already. Is there still anyone who judges others by their background? What’s the matter? You’re so arrogant! Is your family royalty or what?”

“That’s so funny. My ancestors are relatives of aristocrats, but am I arrogant? What’s wrong with someone’s background? Can a person choose their own parents?”

“Really? You’re a descendant of a noble family?”

“Can’t you tell a joke? Go away...”

A few people couldn’t stand Erin’s attack and shot back

at her.

“Heroes are not judged by their origins, and whatever Keira’s background may be, it isn’t something she chose. As long as she’s outstanding in her own right, who would bother asking about her origins?”

“Speaking of origins, if we dig three generations back, who isn’t descended from humble beginnings?!”

“Erin, how great is your background? What do your parents do? Does your family own a palace?”

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Erin was struck speechless by the questions. She then retorted angrily, “You’ve all been bewitched by that seductress, haven’t you? All the boys are speaking up for her! Unbelievable!”

Her words enraged the silent female classmates.

The girls spoke less not because they were less straightforward than the boys, nor did they rant and rave like them. But now that they were called out, they started chattering.

“Erin, you’ve gone too far! We’re all classmates, and even though Keira might have been a bit reclusive at school, she’s actually got a nice personality! There was a time when I was on duty and couldn’t reach something up high, and it was Keira who helped me!” said a petite girl.

Another voice chimed in. “I think you’re just jealous because you like Charles, but he’s always speaking up for Dr. South. Don’t make it about boys and girls. People are annoyed with you, regardless of gender because of the way you act!”

“Exactly, you think you’re so great, that your background is so superior. Can you surpass Dr. South

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in terms of research achievements?”

Everyone was denouncing Erin.

Isla watched from the side, lowered her gaze, and let out a cold laugh.

See, if she told the truth, she would end up just like

Erin...

Watching Erin about to be reduced to tears by the crowd's scolding, Isla said, "I agree with you guys. So Keira, you really shouldn't just marry someone at random because of your background... You

should ask Dad for his opinion... Dad was very upset and felt sorry for you when he saw your husband yesterday..."

At these words, Erin suddenly found a new angle attack. She stood up abruptly as if this posture would give her an advantage over everyone else!

She let out a cold laugh and then confronted the man who had just spoken. "You say you don't care about family backgrounds, but would you really be willing to marry her?"

All those men were immediately at a loss for words.

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Erin sneered. "Her mother is a notorious

homewrecker. A daughter born from such a woman is bound to be lascivious by nature. Aren't you afraid she'll make a cuckold out of you someday? Moreover, if your relatives and friends ask about your wife's family, what will you say? Marriage isn't just between two people but between two families. Can you honestly say that your parents, knowing her circumstances, would agree you to marry her?"

Her words left most of the men dumbfounded.

Everyone had just graduated. Who was thinking about marriage yet?

Erin then let out a defiant laugh. "Ha! None of you dare to guarantee that you could marry her for sure, do you? With her kind background, which decent family would accept her?"

“Whoever marries her will be a laughingstock! Mr. Horton liked her so much that he pursued her for four whole years, but isn't it for this very reason that he

didn't end up with her? Even someone like Mr. Horton couldn't settle the problem, so what makes you think you could?”

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Erin then turned to Scott. “So, she just randomly

picked a construction worker, right? Only someone of that status wouldn't mind her background! After all, an illegitimate daughter can only be matched with a

lowlife!”

The room fell silent for a moment.

Isla smiled triumphantly at this turn of events.

That was exactly the effect she wanted!

Keira was really that shameful, huh? No matter how impressive she was, she could only match up with a

construction worker!

Just as this thought crossed her mind, a deep voice from Lewis broke the silence. “Have you said enough?”

Everyone turned to look at him, only to see the man deep gaze and hear his calm voice. “Who says her

husband is a construction worker?”

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