

# My Dreamy Old Husband Chapter 826

While storming off, Faye turned back and glared at Director Wall. At the same time, she cursed, "Director Wall, your movie will definitely fail!"

Weren't they submitting the movie for a review?

She would definitely make it impossible for it to be screened!

"Miss Faye, Miss Faye!"

Burning with anxiety, Director Wall ran after her.

Outside the museum, there were only a handful of tourists and a few cars in the car park since the museum was closed today for maintenance. When Michael ran out, Cooper was lifting Carmen into the car. Hastily, Michael went up to them and asked, "Baby, what's wrong? Are you upset? Tell me."

Carmen raised her head to look at him and pouted her lips. "Faye is a bad person. She said nasty things about you so I got mad!"

So that was what happened.

Michael honestly didn't anticipate that so many issues would arise from a movie. Hugging Carmen, he kissed her forehead and said, "It's alright, Baby. You don't have to be angry. Everyone has a mouth so you can't control what they say."

After that, Sophia got into the car and the whole family drove off.

Behind them, Faye spotted Michael and Sophia getting into the same car one after another. Witnessing that, she suddenly understood what had happened. "No wonder he's so arrogant. It turns out that he has a thing with Scarlett!"

She had heard about Cooper and Scarlett's background from Sandra. Although Scarlett was shrewd, she and Cooper were just nonentities that couldn't even be registered in the genealogy record book of their family.

Poor Taylor. He thought that he had managed to ride on Young Lady Mitchell's coattails and became the father of someone else's son. Little did he know that she was just a fake Young Lady that had appeared out of nowhere!

She would definitely make him regret for rejecting her, the true princess, and going after a fake princess!

When they got home, Michael was still worried so he followed Carmen back to Villa No. 2.

Carmen was always fond of the young actors, fathers and older sisters in 'Where Are We Going, Dad?' and 'Where Are We Going, Sis?'. Unexpectedly, the older sister in the show whom she loved had said nasty things about her father behind his back. That upset her so much that she didn't even speak ever since she reached home.

The whole family was burning with anxiety, especially Michael, who hugged Carmen and tried to cheer her up for a long time. Yet, his efforts were fruitless. Judging from the situation, it seemed like she wouldn't cheer up even if Judge performed a sexy dance.

With teary eyes, Carmen clenched her little fist tightly around Michael's shirt.

"Baby, what's wrong? Can you tell me?" Michael asked softly.

Cooper's panic rose to the peak as well. He even tried to cheer her up with her favorite panda plushie. "My sweet baby, were you shocked today? It's actually acting and that's how acting is."

After humming and hawing for ages, Carmen finally replied in a low voice, "Grandpa, I want to be on the television."

It turned out that she wasn't shocked by Faye, but she was upset because she heard that Cooper wouldn't allow her to be on the television again.

That made Cooper hesitate. After all, the entertainment industry wasn't a safe place, so how would he feel at ease to let his darling appear in a place that was a hodgepodge of good and bad people?

Besides, what Faye said had triggered him.

She said that only poor \*sses would send such a young kid to act in movies.

Acting was a profession that had a bad reputation since ancient times. As his granddaughter, Carmen had boundless prospects so she didn't need to step foot in such a nasty industry and work with those disgusting people.

However, when Carmen's soft, adorable eyes gazed at him, he started to waver.

He just couldn't help it!

Taking Carmen from Michael's arms, Sophia gently said, "Baby, you must've misheard Grandpa. He didn't say that, and we'll go shooting tomorrow. Why don't you ask your father if you don't believe me?"

Carmen looked at Michael and he immediately replied, "Yes, we'll go shooting tomorrow!"

In such a situation, Cooper had no choice but to give in. Softly, he said, "Alright, alright. You can be on the television."

Finally, Carmen cheered up and showed a faint smile. After that, Sophia brought her to the room to sleep because she was exhausted from such a tiring day.

In the living room, Michael took the initiative to admit his mistake to Cooper.

"It's my fault for what happened today. I was too careless."

He didn't expect that a small movie would cause so many problems.

Pulling a long face, Cooper didn't reply to him. Nevertheless, Michael continued, "Carmen will have to continue acting in the movie. Since we've promised her, we must fulfil it."

After that, he stopped talking and waited for Cooper's comment.

After staying silent for a long time, Cooper finally responded. "I'll choose the actress she will be acting with."

Michael was relieved that Cooper gave in. At the same time, he took the opportunity to ask, "May I check on Carmen upstairs before I leave?"

Cooper didn't agree nor oppose that request, so Michael stood up and dashed up the stairs like a speeding bullet. Then, he went into Sophia's room.

Lately, Carmen had been staying here.

Sophia's room was all pink like a princess's room as always, and it looked extremely girly. After traveling, Carmen was worn out so she had fallen asleep. Meanwhile, Sophia had changed her clothes and was lying on the bed to accompany Carmen while she slept. When Michael came in, Sophia got up from the bed.

"Why did you come?" she asked softly, afraid that she would wake Carmen up.

Tip-toeing, Michael came in while gazing affectionately at his daughter. Then, he asked in a low voice, "How is she? Has she cheered up?"

Sophia chuckled softly. "She's overjoyed that her grandpa agreed to let her act."

Michael knew that Cooper would come up and chase him out if he stayed here any longer so he quickly said, "I've discussed this with our dad just now and he agreed to let her act in the movie tomorrow with a condition of changing the actor. This time, no more unexpected incidents will happen."

Shamelessly, he had grabbed the opportunity to use the phrase 'our dad', but Sophia couldn't be bothered to make a fuss now.

Upon hearing that, Sophia was relieved so she said, "Thank you."

After that, Michael left. The next morning, Carmen wouldn't stop pestering them to go to the set. So, the whole family went there and when they arrived at the set, they realized that the actress, who was Carmen's acting partner, had already arrived before them. She had even completed her makeup and was waiting for her call.

"Mr. Mitchell."

As soon as Nicole spotted Cooper, she went up to them gleefully. It was like a dream when she suddenly received Cooper's call last night where he invited her to be Carmen's acting partner.

Although this was a job and Cooper paid for her appearance fee, she was still overjoyed.

Cooper nodded at Nicole and replied, "Thank you for coming, Ms. Walker."

That was the only thing he said to her before giving all his attention to his granddaughter. However, Nicole was still over the moon. To her, being able to talk to him was the biggest honor she could have.

After coming back from overseas, Nicole had never met Cooper. Every time she went to Sophia's house, he would stay in his office and seldom came out.

Therefore, she couldn't be happier to meet him today.

When Michael knew that Cooper would be choosing the actor on his own, he had guessed that it would be Nicole because she was the only one he knew.

To be honest, he sympathised with Nicole too because whenever he saw her, he would think of his mother, Elizabeth. She, too, once went astray but fortunately, she got back on the right path and changed her own fate. Yet, finding true love was extremely difficult.

With the help of Nicole, the shooting went smoothly and it was completed at noon. Carmen loved Nicole so she insisted that Nicole have a meal in their house. Therefore, all of them went back happily.

Within a short time, the news reached Faye.

"What? They asked Nicole, that b\*tch, to be the replacement?"

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Speaking of Nicole, Faye couldn't stop grinding her teeth in anger. To her, Nicole was a third-rate p\*rnstar that didn't have any fame nor any endorsement deals. Did she think she was someone just because she won the Oscar's Award for Best Actress, which she only got after having sex with one of the judges?

To be honest, Faye knew that Nicole was a famous actress that could easily make billions of box office sales for a movie. On the contrary, she could only appear in television shows or reality shows, and she would be considered lucky if her movie exceeded a box office of 1 billion. Everyone in the industry knew which types of jobs were better. Yet, she always believed that she wasn't inferior to Nicole. In fact, she started off better than Nicole, but Nicole was more prestigious than her now and she couldn't get past that fact. Therefore, she must compete against Nicole for everything.

Since Nicole made a cameo in this movie, she definitely wouldn't allow it to be aired!

Even if she was just a cameo in this movie, she wouldn't let her enjoy the limelight!

Besides, this was Taylor's movie and she wanted to prove to him that she owned the world now.

In the past when she was just a rookie, she ingratiated herself with those famous celebrities. Now, she wanted those famous celebrities who looked down upon her to have a taste of their own medicine.

Just when Faye was hatching a plan to destroy this movie, Nicole was having a meal in Sophia's house.

Carmen had completed her shooting for her first movie and it was a huge event to celebrate. Therefore, Michael contacted the farm to bring some live salamander and finless porpoise over to cook it on the spot. This was the first time Sophia tasted a salamander and it was finger-licking good.

This was also the first time Nicole had a meal with Sophia and her family. Although she sat far away from Cooper, she was bursting with joy.

Quite a number of guests attended Carmen's wrap party, including Harry and his family that lived next door. They even invited Daniel and when Sam received the news, he shamelessly came uninvited too.

Previously, Cooper killed Joe silently but since Joe was registered in the Edwards' genealogy record book, even though he disappeared without a trace or a clue, and rumors had it that he fled overseas in order to escape from his creditor's murder pursuit, Sam knew that he was actually dealt with by Cooper.

Once Cooper came back, Joe would definitely be the first one he took care of.

As an elder of the Edwards Family, who was also known as 9th Old Master Edwards, he should have interfered in this matter and managed it, but he had turned a blind eye to it and let it slide. Therefore, Joe disappeared just like that and no one knew where he went.

Today, it was Carmen's wrap party, so Cooper gave her his respect and didn't pull a long face during the party. Even though he saw Michael and Sam as well as Stanley's huge stupid dog that came to eat for free, he tried his best to maintain his smile.

After the meal, everyone gathered in their own small groups and chatted about their topic of interest. Even Sophia, Nicole and Sarah had their own group so they hid in Sophia's room to chat.

"Did Faye come from a powerful background? Everyone seems to be afraid of her." Sophia asked about Faye.

Nicole snorted. "She's just a buffoon. You don't have to waste your time on her."

In the past few years, Faye rose to fame quickly with the help of the Edwards Family. She acted in a few popular television series and gained high popularity, and after being hired several times to be the international ambassador of some products, she became arrogant. She even left her previous agency and established her own studio to work alone. On top of that, the Edwards Family had good prospects of her.

Nicole wasn't in the same circle as these high-traffic celebrities. She didn't accept endorsement deals from companies and rejected offers to participate in reality shows, preferring to keep a lower profile. She would produce a movie every year, and she trained hard on her acting skills in order to wow her audience. Other than that, she had taken over a managing role at Imperial Management Studio, so she had started to train the rookies and always gave them the priority when it came to allocating resources.

Even though she kept a low-profile, she was still the imaginary enemy of those famous television shows' actresses, including Faye. Even if Nicole didn't compete against them to be the ambassadors or for fame, the box office sales for her movies would drive the others crazy in jealousy. Therefore, all these years, Faye would frequently hire someone to spread rumors of Nicole's dark past and it was as annoying and timely as the menstruation cycle.

As for Nicole, she had been keeping a low profile but apart from the good reputation, she had her fair share of bad reputations too. No matter how successful she was, she couldn't escape from her disgraceful past.

However, she had gotten used to it.

The few of them took a sip of the peach blossom wine that was made from the peach blossom which Sophia picked from the farm a few days ago. Nicole's face blushed slightly while she suddenly recalled something and said, "I heard from the people inside the circle that Faye is dating one of the young masters of the Mitchell Family."

*Faye and one of the Mitchells are engaged?*

Nicole might just be gossiping casually but Sophia paid attention to it and put it in her mind. It so happened that Sean came and joined them for a meal today so she specifically yet discreetly asked him about it.

Sean replied, "Faye is now in the limelight and she's the nation's goddess. Besides, the Edwards Family plans to establish a closer relationship with the Mitchell Family too so Faye and one of Sandra's cousins got very close to each other."

News travelled at lightning's speed to Sean's ears and not a single information about the Mitchell Family could escape him.

So Faye would be Sandra's cousin-in-law in the future?

At night, Sophia was checking something on her computer. Her laptop stored many interesting things, including information about Faye.

When she searched for 'Faye' in the data that she copied from her private laptop which she used in the past, she indeed found many interesting things.

The next day, Sophia went to Pouri's designing studio to check on the new product's progress. The product launching ceremony was just around the corner and the invitation cards were already sent out. In addition, Ivan's new product was almost completed, so it was time for them to advertise heavily.

Other than publishing the necessary advertisement in the early-stage, they also printed many limited magazines that introduced the new product. Then, they strategically sent it to every customer's doorstep.

In these few days, they consecutively received orders for high-end custom made products and the company was slowly getting on the right track.

After an exhausting day, Sophia went home before evening. When she reached home, Linus had gone to work in Michel Group while Cooper was working in his office with his golden hair tied up into two stalks of hair, pointing upward. Meanwhile, Carmen was putting little shoes on Judge's feet.

After changing her clothes, Sophia decided to cook a delicious meal so she went to Villa No. 8 with a basket to get some of their loofah and tomatoes. Villa No. 8 had a huge garden and they had removed all the flowers a few years ago, then planted some vegetables. Hence, it was now a vegetable garden.

Michael said that Sophia was the one who planted the vegetables so since she was back now, she could harvest it as she pleased.

After she swiped her card, she entered the vegetable garden to pick some greens while thinking of what dishes to make tonight. When the basket was full of vegetables, she noticed that someone was standing in the yard of Villa No. 8. It was a man and he nodded at her politely, then proceeded to stare at her for quite some time. It seemed like he wanted to say something, but he couldn't bring himself to do so.

Beside that man stood Nathan, so Sophia immediately called out to him. "Nathan, you're home. Come over to my house and have a meal!"

Looking at her, Nathan seemed hesitant to speak as well. In the end, he introduced the man beside him. "This is my father, Justin."

Once he mentioned Justin, Sophia immediately realized that he was Michael's brother-in-law.

"So, you're Justin. My father always talks about you. Do come over because he's at home right now."

Justin didn't reply to her and remained expressionless. With an aloof attitude, he followed Sophia to Villa No. 2.

Sophia had forgotten everything, but Justin hadn't.

He couldn't forget the day when he rushed to the top floor only to see Sophia being brought into the airplane in despair by Phantom Wolf.

Sadly, all he could do was look at her while she was brought away. At that time, her eyes were filled with tears of despair and helplessness, and she didn't know if she should go on living.

In the Mitchell Family, her rank was higher than his, but she had always seen him as her older brother. However, as an older brother, he couldn't save her at that time.

From that day onward, he lived with double the amount of guilt and pain as well as the remorse for Celine and today, when he saw Sophia again, those negative emotions magnified instantly.

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Justin didn't even know how he got to Villa No. 2. It was only when Cooper stood in front of him that he finally came back to his senses.

“Cooper, it’s really you!”

Overwhelmed with emotions, Justin took a step forward and hugged Cooper.

He knew that Cooper was back long ago, but he didn’t know how to face him and only managed to muster up his courage to meet him today.

Seeing that both of them were finally reunited after so many years, Sophia didn’t want to interrupt them so she carried the vegetables that she harvested from Villa No. 8 into the kitchen. At the same time, she said, “Justin, please stay for dinner!”

In the living room, Nathan was playing with Carmen whereas Cooper and Justin sat down.

“I’ve heard about Celie’s issue and I’ll try my best to help you in every possible way.”

Celine had dissociative identity disorder after being hypnotised by Phantom Wolf. All these years, she had been locked up in the Fletcher Family’s research center while they tried to find a method to suppress her evil personality. However, Celine’s condition had gotten worse. In the past, they could use a certain method to get her to change from her first personality to the second, but now, both personalities were starting to blend into one another.

She was like a beast that was locked up in a cage. Once they let their guards down, she would break free from the cage and kill someone.

Every day, she would alternate between Celine the King of soldiers and Katrina the cold-blooded killer without warning. One second ago, she might be thinking of killing someone but the next second, she might break down because of the thought she had earlier.

Justin didn’t say anything and his eyes were indifferent. When one was suffering too much, they would become as numb as he was now.

Before this, Cooper, too, thought of catching Phantom Wolf and forcing her to tell them the method to recover Sophia’s memory. However, after weighing up the consequences, he gave that idea up.

His daughter had suffered too much and experienced too much darkness and despair. She even suffered from severe depression, but now, she had forgotten all that pain. The only memory left in her was Quinton and his kindness toward her, and that was all she needed to remember.

Losing her memory might actually be a great thing for her.

Besides, it would be difficult to catch Phantom Wolf now unless he showed up himself.

In the kitchen, Sophia hummed a song while cooking vegetables. Seemingly sensing that Cooper was thinking about her, she popped her head out from the kitchen. "Dad, I made your favourite minced meat eggplant."

Cooper was speechless.

Unable to reject Sophia's warm hospitality, Justin stayed for dinner. Sophia made simple yet pleasant home cooking dishes, such as shrimp loofah soup, minced meat eggplant, tomato fried egg and a few other dishes, and they were delicious. Even Michael rushed back just in time to drop by for dinner.

After dinner, Sophia sat beside Justin and stared at him mysteriously, to the point that Justin started to become embarrassed.

"Why are you staring at me?"

With her eyes shining brightly, Sophia requested, "Can I touch your face?"

Justin was lost for words.

Sophia touched every part of Justin's face and she honestly couldn't find a single scar. Not only that, but his skin was also tender. They had gone to the same hospital so she believed that her face would recover as well as his face!

Justin stayed at her house until it was late night. To be previous, he was forced to stay so that Sophia could touch his face. After she was done with touching his face, she even touched his chest and asked Cooper and Linus to touch it as well.

Cooper had seen Justin's name in the list of successful cases of that plastic surgery hospital. He knew that Justin's case was even more severe than Sophia, but both his face and the scars on his body had recovered completely.

Not only did his scar vanish completely, but his skin was also tender. *Not bad. It seems like I chose the right hospital.*

Even Sophia gained more confidence for her face.

Late at night, Justin finally left with mixed emotions.

After Sophia washed herself up and tucked Carmen into the bed, she lay on the bed and called Michael.

"Nathan talked to me today and even addressed me as his aunt! Did you hear that? Did you?"

Today, Nathan had talked to Sophia on his own initiative and that made her wild with happiness.

Michael was working out at home and he was jogging while chatting with her through the phone. "Nathan's character is indifferent and it's my fault. However, he's extremely cordial to those he likes. In the past when you're upset, he would even dance for you."

"Really? I want to see it! Do you have any videos of it?" Sophia's eyes lit up while she asked impatiently.

While she was happily chatting, Cooper's voice rang again. "Alright. The call has reached ten minutes and it's enough. I'm hanging up now."

*Beep, beep...*

The call was cut off again.

Sophia was speechless. Why did Cooper hate Michael so much?

After applying the medicine, she went to sleep. On the other side, Michael was still working out at home.

He was training to build his chest muscle, abdominal muscle and Apollo's belt.

After he finished working out, he looked at the mirror in satisfaction. The more he looked at himself, the more he felt that he was a juicy delicacy which Sophia would definitely love.

After that, he went to take a shower and took some vitamins as well as some beauty soup. Then, he massaged his skin with a beauty tool before applying body lotion. At last, he applied a sleeping mask for men and dozed off.

He clearly knew that Sophia was no longer attracted by wealth and power. Even worse, he was not young anymore so his only bonus point was his looks. If he lost his beauty, he would truly lose all his competitive strength.

The next day, Michael carried a bag of mask and makeup products to Sophia's house and cordially exchanged his beauty tips with her.

"This face mask is effective. Justin uses it often, which is why his face could recover so well. This face massager is also great. I've been using it every day and it's suitable for women too. Oh, don't forget this face cream. I've been using this brand for many years and I strongly recommend it. Besides, this brand has always wanted me to be their ambassador!"

At the side, Cooper looked at him coldly.

With that character, Michael could become a sissy if he showed his orchid finger.

There was a small bottle of BB Cream in Michael's huge pile of makeup products. Carmen had taken it and was applying BB Cream on herself, so Michael took some from Carmen and casually smudged it on the back of Sophia's hand. "The BB Cream that Carmen is using has a marvellous moisturizing effect. Besides, it's gentle on the skin and it's developed specifically for babies. I've been using it secretly too. Look at how fast the skin absorbs it."

While Sophia bowed her head to apply the BB Cream, she suddenly heard Carmen's grumble. "No wonder the BB Cream is used up so fast."

She thought that her face had grown larger.

Sophia couldn't help but laugh while extending her hand to apply the BB Cream evenly on Carmen's face.

As long as Michael was at home, he would find excuses to come over. He would invite Sophia to see the loofah that had borne fruit, and he would pick a few ripe tomatoes for her to eat. Once, he even came to recommend Sophia a new set of makeup products which had just arrived.

He was using every single opportunity to be with her.

In order to repay Michael for his face mask, Sophia gave a dozen of her handmade dog's fur pillows to him. Lately, her cats and dogs had been shedding vigorously so she would gather them whenever she was free and clean it before making it into a pillow.

Because she accidentally mentioned that her pets were shedding, Michael immediately recommended a brand of dog food to Sophia, saying that dogs would shed less if they ate that.

After exchanging their thoughts on skin care, it was already lunch. Naturally, Michael stayed for lunch and while they were eating, Sophia turned on her phone to read the financial news. Unexpectedly, she stumbled upon a shocking piece of entertainment news that had blown up with the title of 'He Was Once an Oscar Winner, but He Failed to Regain the Public's Interest so He Is Now a Sugar Baby.'

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Upon seeing the title of the news, Sophia sank into deep thought. There were only two Oscar winners of Cethos, which were Michael and Harry.

Harry was now planning to have a second child with Sarah, and Michael didn't seem to be someone who would be a sugar baby.

Therefore, this news must be about the Oscar winner overseas.

However, after she read the news, she grimaced.

The news was basically reporting that Taylor was a kept man of Scarlett, and the source of the news was from an online post.

The post said that an actor who had faked his death failed to regain his popularity after he made a comeback, and in order to find a sponsorship, he was even willing to be a kept man. On top of that, the wealthy woman had a child out of wedlock and the father of the child was unknown. Therefore, that actor had become the father of another man's child as soon as he carried on with that wealthy woman.

Once they mentioned 'the actor who faked his death', everyone knew who it was.

The post also said that the actor's fans had cried their eyes out for him three years ago, but he didn't care. Now, he casually made a comeback without giving his fans a single explanation, so his haters gave him a title of 'the actor who faked his death'.

Meanwhile, the wealthy woman was someone who came back from overseas and was the person in charge of a luxury brand for pets. She had a child, whose father was unknown, and the child was doted on by the actor who faked his death as if the child was his own. The family of three lived happily and lovingly.

The names of that actor and wealthy woman were dug out by the public, and even the name of the luxury brand for pets was exposed.

Since that actor got into such a scandal right after he made a comeback, the haters got excited like a fly that found a pile of trash. They hurled malicious remarks at him like a hyena that had found its prey, dying to rip his flesh out.

It was terrifying.

Looking at the post, Sophia averted her gaze to look at Carmen and Michael, who were having their meals. Suddenly, a bright smile bloomed on her face.

People in the entertainment industry were indeed talented in creating stories.

This news was also seen by Michael and Cooper later, which created an indescribable expression on their faces.

Cooper flew into a rage. "I'll delete it right away and chop up the person behind this into minced meat eggplant!"

What kind of outrageous news was that!

Chewing on the chopsticks, Sophia said, "Forget it and let it be. Anyway, Michael needs some popularity for his comeback. Look, this news even brought Pouri to fame."

Michael said too, "Negative popularity is still popularity. I'm fine with it. In fact, this news can actually bring me back into the public's eyes."

*Being kept by Sophia? That's great news!* Michael thought.

Since Sophia requested to leave it, Cooper couldn't do anything.

After the meal, Michael went to the bathroom and deliberately left his phone in the living room for Sophia to look after it.

Michael had two phones—one for his work and one for his personal use. Their usage was separated clearly.

Sophia was in the living room collecting dog's fur while Carmen took a nap in her room.

Suddenly, Michael's business phone rang and it was from an unknown number. Glancing in the direction of the bathroom, she didn't see Michael come out so she decided to answer the call.

Before she made a sound, the caller spoke.

"Mr. Murray, nice to meet you. I'm Miss Faye's assistant. I believe that you've read the news and Miss Faye wants me to tell you that this is just the first step. Soon, you'll receive the news that 'The National Treasury Action' has been banned. Miss Faye is willing to support you so if you change your mind, please don't hesitate to contact us anytime."

After saying those words, the assistant arrogantly and coldly hung up the phone, not wanting to waste even a second of his time.

*Really? Is 'The National Treasury Action' going to be stopped from airing? I'm so scared! It seems like Faye is powerful indeed. She can even ban the movie that is supported by the*

*Winston and Fletcher Family. With that intelligence, I wonder how she got to where she was today.*

After the call, she glanced at Michael's phone screen. The wallpaper was a naked couple embracing and kissing each other. Most importantly, the man in the bold photo was Michael while the woman was Sophia.

No wonder Michael had asked her to watch his phone.

*What an old b\*stard!*

Blushing, Sophia put the phone down and pretended that she didn't see it. However, her heart was fluttering.

Judging from his prestige, looks and emotional intelligence, Michael was undeniably the cream of the crop. However, Sophie felt that she should remain reserved for a longer time and only make a decision after examining the situation.

After Michael came back from the bathroom, Sophia told him about the incident earlier.

Michael didn't take it as a big deal. "Faye wants me to be her kept man but I rejected her. Just forget about her and let her be. Anyway, my popularity can be increased with her help."

Since Michael had something to attend to that afternoon, he left. As expected, he didn't receive the news that 'The National Treasury Action' would be banned. Truth was, he had received the screening license many days ago so no matter what Faye did, nothing would happen.

Faye didn't expect that an actor that was no longer famous had such powerful tricks. He even successfully got the screening license, but so what if he did?

She continued to spread rumors that 'The National Treasury Action' had been banned. She related the rumors confidently and with a vivid description as if it was true. According to her, the state administration was going around banning actors and actresses who had a notorious attitude. Since the widespread news about the actor who faked his death was a kept man of a wealthy woman had brought negative impact, the state administration banned him and the movie together.

Even the fans thought that 'The National Treasury Action' was banned.

Faye worked hard on her plan and wouldn't give up until she destroyed Taylor and the movie's reputation. At the moment, the internet was flooded with their negative news, which actually caused their fame to sky-rocket. Even Sophia's Pouri became famous.

Michael and Sophia didn't care about the fake news which Faye spread.

Because of Faye, Pouri was under public scrutiny. While its fame rose, criticism came with it. However, Sophia wasn't bothered by that. After all, Pouri had positioned themselves in a niche market so obviously, those people who cursed them weren't their target customers.

Along with the flooding criticism on the internet, Pouri's name became widely known, causing many people to place orders with them.

A day before Pouri's product launching ceremony, Sophia saw a group photo of the crew from 'The National Treasury Action' online. In that photo, Michael had a beer belly and a face covered with stubbles. Apart from that, his face seemed bloated and he was bald. This image of him made her shudder in fear.

W-Was that Michael?

No matter how much negative news the actor had, his loyal fans remained loyal to him but when this crew photo was posted, their hearts instantly broke into pieces.

What had happened to their Lord in these three years?!

Time was indeed pig feed. Look at what it did to their Lord! It had turned him into a fat pig!

Holding her tablet, Sophia went to Villa No. 8. In the cloakroom, Michael was trying on his clothes for tomorrow's runway during the launching ceremony.

He had called his styling team a day before and asked them to stay overnight at Villa No. 8 so that they wouldn't be in a flurry the next morning.

In front of her, Michael was dazzling, looking extraordinarily elegant and gorgeous. He was completely different from the man in the photo!

When Michael saw that crew photo, he was styling his hair.

He had to be in his best state to attend his goddess's launching ceremony, so he had to spend a longer time choosing his outfit.

When he saw that photo, he took it lightly and said, "Oh, this photo. When I shot this movie, I stuffed myself with food and gained more than 25kg. The fats on my belly are all real."

"Really?!"

Sophia was shocked. "You deliberately stuffed yourself to gain weight for a movie?"

Michael replied, "Yeah, I did. Hold on—"

He stood up, went to the study to retrieve a photo album, and took out a photo from it. In that photo, he had fat rolls on his body and his face was even distorted from being obese. In his hand was a fried chicken while a woman, who was as fat as him, sat beside him and devoured a pork trotter.

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"That's me!" Sophia exclaimed.

With one look, Sophia could tell that she was the woman in the photo. She didn't think that she would ever be this fat.

"This was when I was shooting 'The National Treasury Action'," Michael explained to her.

"The character was a fat middle-aged man, so I made myself fat. Look, you accompanied me, and we grew fat together! However, you weren't as fat as I was and lost weight in just a few days."

Sophia felt this was very unusual. "You really worked hard for the sake of filming a movie!" she exclaimed. "Weren't you worried you wouldn't be able to lose weight after that?"

Generally, actors cherished their body shape very much. Other actors would not dare to do what Michael did. If they couldn't lose weight and regain their figures, their acting careers would be ruined.

However, Michael didn't think it was something to worry about. "I wanted to try being fat. If one couldn't even control their eating habits, how would they control their own life?"

Sophia didn't say anything, but respect for Michael grew from the bottom of her heart.

*What a bold man he is.*

This was why Michael could become an Oscar-winning actor, while other actors could only be movie stars.

When she just returned to Bayside City and saw Michael for the first time, he looked so old and worn out that she thought he was Carmen's grandfather...

True beauty lied on the inside and not on the outside. If one was beautiful and elegant on the inside, they would become radiant by just fixing up their appearance.

After looking over the photos, Michael suddenly asked, "Tomorrow is your big day. Have you prepared your outfit?"

Sofia scratched her head. "I'll be dressing casually."

Michael immediately said, "I have prepared some clothes for you. Would you like to try them?"

After speaking, he opened the cloakroom Sophia used in the past which still contained all her things.

There was actually a secret door inside the cloakroom. The outside stored only items of daily use, but there was also another cloakroom behind the secret door.

When she walked through the secret door, Sophia's eyes lit up. There was a wedding dress, a suit and a set of traditional Cethos wedding clothes inside.

The wedding dress had an affluent and elegant design, and every detail was very exquisite. Even if it was only worn on a plastic mannequin, it was still radiant and extraordinary. If it was worn on a real person, it would be even more glamorous.

As soon as she stepped inside the room, Sophia's gaze was locked onto the wedding dress.

"This was a wedding dress we had commissioned," Matthew explained to her. "You personally chose the design!"

Sophia approached the wedding dress and took a look. She really had a good eye for taste.

"It's beautiful," she murmured.

Michael gave a bitter smile. After they had placed the order for the wedding dress, it took a year for them to receive it. By that time, Sophia was already pregnant and couldn't wear it.

Sophia had thought that after she gave birth, she would quickly lose weight and recover her figure, then immediately take wedding photos of her in her wedding dress and hold a grand wedding ceremony.

*Such a pity...*

While Sophia was still admiring the wedding dress, Michael had already gone to find the custom-made clothes he had ordered for her.

The clothes Michael chose were naturally unique, and Sophia liked them very much. After choosing what she wanted to wear, Sophia made an appointment to come over to do the styling tomorrow morning, and then she went home.

After returning home, Sophia transferred the money for the clothes and the fee for the stylist to Michael, and Michael accepted it without any hesitation.

He didn't like to be courteous with Sophia as doing so would alienate her from him.

Sophia liked straightforward men like this. Michael would be coming to the event tomorrow, and she was looking forward to it...

Meanwhile, late at night, Justin returned to the place where he had lived for three years. It was a secret research institute outside the city under heavy guard that belonged to the military.

There were many dangerous people locked inside here, such as Celine Fletcher.

Justin entered his room, which was no different from a normal room for 1 person. Although the room was small, it had all the necessary furnishings, but one of the walls was transparent.

On the other side of the transparent wall, there was another room. The furnishings in that room were simple—there was only one bed, one wardrobe, and a set of tables and chairs. It was as simple as a cell.

Justin turned on the light, took off his clothes, and hung them on the hangers. On the other side of the wall, a female voice said, “Justin, you’re back.”

Hearing that voice, Justin’s heart became heavier, but he put on a smile on his face, walked to the wall, and looked at the person standing on the other side before saying warmly, “I’m back.”

The person opposite him was Celine Fletcher. Three years had gone by. She had lost a lot of weight, there were wrinkles on her face, and she looked much older.

The two of them sat down, separated by a sheet of glass, and quietly looked at each other.

Celine had been detained here for three years. Justin had been accompanying her all this time, taking care of her while also monitoring her.

When she was normal, she was the same as before, but when she was abnormal, she would kill people indiscriminately. She was also extremely cunning and was always thinking of ways to escape.

However, no one knew why she would be normal in one instant and suddenly become abnormal in another.

Celine wanted to ask Justin something, but she felt she didn’t have the right to ask, so Justin spoke up first. “I saw Sophia and Mikey. They are currently doing well. Sophia has forgotten about the past, but I can see that she still has Mikey in her heart.”

“They’re doing good. Tomorrow, Sophia’s pet supply store is having a product launch ceremony, and Mikey is helping her prepare.”

Justin took out his phone and scrolled to a picture. The photo was taken by Justin during dinner, which showed Michael and his family sitting together for dinner.

Celine looked at the photo through the glass, especially at Carmen.

She remembered that day. She had accompanied Sophia to look at maternity clothes, but when she saw Quinton Clark, she suddenly lost control. She didn’t know why she reacted that way either.

She could feel that there was another malicious person hiding in her body. That person could control her at any time and was hidden in her own body, and whenever she came out, Celine could only watch helplessly as she hurt her loved ones.

She could even feel her child slowly leave her body with a stream of heat.

“If our daughter was born, she would also be around this age, wouldn’t she?”

Celine murmured while looking at the picture of Carmen.

When Celine spoke of their daughter, Justin was so sad that he couldn’t say anything. That day, when he ran up to the rooftop, Celine had blocked his way. In fact, it was Katrina as she had resurrected in her body. Not allowing anything to get in his way and in order to be able to take her down quickly, he hardened his heart and attacked her abdomen.

The place he struck was where their child was growing.

As a result, Celine suffered a miscarriage because of the injury to her abdomen. She was subdued by Justin in the end, but their second child, a daughter, was gone as well...

As the night went on, the couple leaned their backs against each other with a piece of cold bulletproof glass in between, trying to seek warmth from each other in the endless cold night.

Justin leaned against the glass, tears silently dripping down his face.

“Celie, we still have Nate! He’s doing very well. He’s now studying at Bayside University, and he works in Stanley’s company after school.”

“Stanley bought a new office building. His company is growing bigger day by day.”

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The second day was the day Pouri unveiled their new products. Sarah, Stanley and Sean had all come. Maddie, representing their newspaper, had also come. Nicole had also turned down an event and made a special trip there to take a look.

Backstage, the two obsolete stars were ready to walk down the runway with their dogs.

Michael brought Judge along, while Harry brought his giant poodle. Carmen also enthusiastically wanted to do a catwalk too, and since they were the ones who organized the event, they let her have her fun. Carmen would be walking with Snowball.

Sarah, Stanley and Sean were acting as hosts at the front, whereas Sophia was busy with the stuff backstage. She would split her attention to the models, then the dogs, and then to Carmen and Michael.

Carmen, who was about to go on a catwalk for the first time in her life, was extremely excited. She had been practicing for several days and was now following behind her father backstage, learning how to strut on a catwalk.

Cooper was overseeing things on the side. He was extremely disgusted when he saw Michael, who was wearing makeup.

Ever since the media had written about Michael as a gigolo who was financially dependent on a rich woman, he seemed to have found his place in life, and was developing more and more into a gigolo.