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Chapter 1756 Make Use Of My Connections

The threat between best friends was the least lethal, especially since I knew how soft-hearted Emery was. I burst out laughing. "No, I'm just kidding."

"It's not funny. I was planning to work hard today. If you're trying to fool around, come again another time," uttered Emery resignedly yet dotingly. I was sure that even if I pestered her and said a lot of nonsense, she would not get mad at me.

Empathy should be mutual, so I did not take it too far. "Okay. Time to get serious. The Jade will be very lively tonight. Since you're the owner, I'm here to make use of my connections."

"That's more like it. Get straight to the point. What's going on?" Instantaneously, Emery became good-tempered again. Her employees would probably be wondering which one was her true nature.

I explained the entire situation to her and finally concluded, "So, this is really important. Someone like Nathaniel will definitely make a reservation. I need to know whether he'll be there or not. Only then can I think of a countermeasure."

"I see. But this is a matter between Ashton and John. Nathaniel might not turn up," Emery analyzed.

"No," I immediately refuted her. "You're wrong. Nathaniel won't miss any opportunity to trample on Ashton."

Destroying Ashton's happiness was Nathaniel's greatest joy. It was a morbid obsession. What he could not get, he would not allow Ashton to have it as well. In fact, he would even go to extremes to ruin everyone's happiness. Therefore, he would definitely show up.

"Wait a minute. I'll have someone check the guestlist for tonight."

"Okay."

After two minutes, Emery's voice sounded again. "You seem to have guessed wrongly this time."

"What do you mean? There's no reservation from Nathaniel?"

"Mm-hmm," she affirmed. "However, it's also possible that he might show up without a reservation. VIPs always have the priority no matter what time they turn up."

I had seen too many unusual behaviors of Nathaniel, so it was not so surprising. Now that I was not sure whether he would appear or not, it was difficult to determine how far I should take the act.

At that moment, I seemed to understand why Ashton had been so indifferent toward me because Nathaniel was like a ghost. It was impossible to know when he would appear and deal a heavy blow. Therefore, it was important to be vigilant at all times.

In that case, I could only give it a shot. "All right. Send me Ashton's room number later so that I don't run around like a headless chicken."

"Don't worry. Look for the manager on duty when you arrive, and he'll lead you there," responded Emery matter-of-factly.

"Things are different now, and rumors are spreading like wildfire. Ashton announced publicly in the company that day that he has taken all my shares. And every entertainment headline these few days is about Rebecca and me. Not to mention that John has moved out of the Fuller residence. The whole world knows that I'm being detested by my own family. Who else will treat me with respect?"

"That's their problem. If any of my subordinates dare to add insult to injury, I'll make sure they can no longer survive in K City." Emery felt indignant on my behalf. Shortly afterward, she smiled. "Why do I sound so serious? It's not like you've really suffered a downfall. All of these are just an act. Anyway, I'll inform all my employees that they'll have to give you special treatment no matter when you come over. Don't worry and go ahead."

"Thank you, then, Ms. Moore," I quipped.

"Yeah, right. Is that all? I'm busy with the accounting reports, so I have to go now. See you tonight."

"Okay, bye."

The car stopped at the intersection of the commercial district when I hung up the phone. I inadvertently glanced out the window and happened to see a giant poster of Rebecca on the exterior of a supermarket building.

She was wearing bold and bright-colored clothes with exaggerated makeup. That kind of fashion style might be acceptable to foreigners, but the natives might think that it was too much. I bet everyone who saw the poster would wonder if she had offended the makeup artist.

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Chapter 1757 Obsessive Stalkers

However, Rebecca did not seem to care about that. Half of the advertising spots in the commercial district were full of her posters, and every single one of them looked horrible.

Everyone in K City knew that Ashton was her sponsor, but he had become an embarrassment because of her. It was as if she wanted the whole world to know that Ashton had abandoned his wife and children to be with a woman with such awful aesthetic judgment.

They were like a young couple who was madly in love, wanting the whole world to know that they were quarreling so that everyone could be entertained by the drama.

While the car slowly made its way down the street, I fell into deep thoughts. If it were me, would I still have trust in this world after knowing that everything that went wrong in my life was closely related to the person I loved?

I did not have an answer to the question. No one could really empathize with another person. Even a trivial matter would cause a series of chain reactions. My life is still a mess, so I don't have the leisure to worry about others.

In just a few seconds, Rebecca's face was out of my sight.

Shaking my head, I shrugged off those thoughts and took a deep breath. This isn't the time to think about them.

Later that day, I sent the children to Zachary and Cameron's so that they could look after the children for me. It was already six in the evening when I left the Moore Residence.

Setting off for The Jade, I took out my phone and texted Millie: Millie, are you there?

She replied almost instantaneously: I only work for you. Ms. Stovall, you can give the orders directly.

Seeing that, I continued typing on the phone and went straight to the point: Can you contact the mercenaries hired by John?

Millie: I've lost contact with several of them. The remaining mercenaries can reach your location in twenty minutes.

Startled, I wrote: My location? But I'm still on the move.

Millie: Our people are scattered all over the city to ensure that they can reach the target location within half an hour.

After reading her message, I replied: Okay then. I didn't know that John was such a thorough person. Please deploy all the people you can contact to the vicinity of The Jade. It's always better to be prepared.

Millie: Noted.

Staring at the phone, I mused to myself. As expected of Millie... What a concise reply. She's always calm and proactive, giving me a sense of security.

At that thought, I sent her another text: Since you're working for me, I hope you'll remember this. In the crisis of life and death, please save my family first. Thank you.

The car stopped in front of The Jade after I sent the text. Putting the phone into my bag, I alighted from the car and walked inside.

Thanks to Emery, a waiter was already waiting at the entrance. Once he saw me, he greeted me warmly and showed me in.

Emery had arrived and was explaining something to the manager in the lobby. When she saw me, she hurriedly ended the conversation and approached me. "How is it? Are you satisfied with the special treatment?"

She was being so considerate. How could I have any complaints? Hence, I hurriedly responded with a smile, "Thank you."

"Stop it." Emery could not stand such a cringeworthy situation. She quickly dismissed the waiter and brought me inside. "Follow me. This way."

Since it was peak hours, many customers were going up and down. Consequently, we spent a lot of time in the elevator. Just as we got off the elevator, we ran into Nathaniel and Nora, who came out of the next elevator.

As expected, he would not miss out on any opportunity to be entertained by Ashton's drama.

In fact, other than Rebecca, Nathaniel could also be considered as one of Ashton's obsessive stalkers.

"You're here as well." Nora held Nathaniel's arm, looking noble and elegant. Obviously, my appearance was out of her expectation.

On the contrary, Nathaniel kept an indifferent expression. He was probably immune to my sudden appearance.

He probably did not want to see me. I bet he was afraid to witness my scorching love for Ashton, which would hurt his self-esteem and remind him that despite sharing the same gene, Ashton was cherished by others while he was alone in this world. Even if he died, no one would shed a single tear for him.

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Chapter 1758 Create Opportunity

"I'm here to look for my husband. What are you doing here?" I feigned ignorance and sounded impatient. On the surface, I was set up by Nathaniel and had no choice but to take his side, but it was him who had ruined my perfect husband after all, so of course, I would resent him.

I was not a kind woman. Nathaniel would soon discover that I could compromise, but I would always look down on him for what he had done.

"Who gave you the courage to be so impudent? There's not even one person backing you up now," Nora sneered.

"I'm a lot better than someone who can't even draw lines between the good and bad."

Although the Oberick family had not been doing well over the years, they still had a good reputation. Every heir of the Oberick family was upright and dignified. It was most likely that Nora had forgotten how admirable she used to be.

Rebecca grew up without a family, so it was understandable if she could not distinguish right from wrong. On the contrary, Nora was born into a wealthy family and had a fine education. But because of Armond, a man who had done all kinds of evil deeds, she stooped to join forces with Nathaniel.

She had the chance to live a meaningful life, but she had chosen the opposite. Such people were not worthy of sympathy.

"Who has the right to determine who's right or wrong? I'm bad, but I was willing to take risks with my children for you and your husband's sake. On the contrary, you pretended to be righteous but separated me from my children. Is this the so-called justice?" uttered Nora emotionally. Moments later, she gradually calmed down and lowered her head. "I truly despise people like you. Now that you've met your karma, it's sufficient to prove that I'm right."

"Not necessarily so." Unwilling to admit defeat, I held my chin up.

Just then, the elevator door opened. Ashton, John, and Emma were inside.

Emery winked at me. Everyone had arrived.

Ashton was impassive as usual. His gaze landed upon me for just a second before he turned his head away. Upon coming out of the elevator and seeing Nathaniel and Nora, he stopped dead in his tracks. He looked around and asked in a muffled voice, "Why is everyone standing here?"

"We just happened to run into each other," answered Emery.

"Since everyone is here, we should just have dinner together," said Nathaniel decisively. No one at the scene dared to refute him.

Lowering his head, Ashton pondered for a short while and agreed, "Whatever."

With that said, he walked past Emery and me and headed toward the private room. Nathaniel and Nora followed behind him.

When John moved ahead of me while holding Emma's hand, he tapped on the back of my hand while no one was watching as if he was filming a spy movie, and that minor action was the secret code between us.

However, Emery was observant and noticed it right away. Folding her arms across her chest, she shook her head and quipped, "Jeez, it's almost time to go on stage, but both of you are still acting like a child."

"This is John's ability. By butting in on the matter, he's helped to create an opportunity for us."

In actuality, I hoped that Ashton could be less serious sometimes, but he was not the languid and carefree type. Moreover, he received far more attention than John. If he had really done something, Nathaniel would have wiped the floor with us.

"That's true," agreed Emery. "Maybe we can take advantage of the messy situation."

I kept quiet, reached out, and patted her arm lightly. "Let's go. Or else we might miss the good show."

When we entered the private room, everyone was already seated. John and Emma were sitting by the door, and Ashton was sitting opposite them. Nathaniel and Nora were sitting on Ashton's left, and the seat on the right was empty, so I took that seat naturally.

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Chapter 1759 One Million

Until the food was served, the atmosphere in the private room was heavy, and no one broke the silence.

Emery kept making tiny moves under the table, expressing that the atmosphere was too depressing. Meanwhile, I thought that it was quite normal, as there was always the calm before the storm.

Finally, the table was full of exquisite dishes, and the waiters exited the room.

Although the food on the table looked delicious, no one paid any attention to it. On such occasions, the food was not the main point.

Casting a brief look at Nathaniel, I tried to figure out his intentions. Nevertheless, he was eating gracefully and only showed a hint of impatience when Nora placed some food on his plate.

It seemed that Nathaniel was also a germaphobe, just like Ashton.

Even though Nora had a strong sense of pride, she chose to suppress her irritation. Instead of eating the food that Nathaniel had rejected, she threw it on another plate.

In my eyes, the relationship between them was pretty weird. Despite being together all the time, Nathaniel was not even willing to eat the food placed on his plate by Nora.

"Since you're here, name your price." Ashton cut straight to the point and broke the awkward silence.

On the surface, we were supposed to decide the ownership of the shares that originally belonged to me through the meeting. Besides, there was already a conflict between John and Ashton when the former rejected the latter's decision in the company, so there was indeed no need for customary pleasantries.

Both of them were raring to fight as if they had really turned against each other.

Of course, they were just acting in front of Nathaniel.

"Are you sure?" John smirked. "In that case, I'll be frank with you, then. Since you were a part of our family before this, I'll give you a discount. One million."

One million for the shares of a global listed company? Since when was John so kind to Ashton? I thought to myself.

"Stop fooling around," responded Ashton impatiently with a hint of suspicion in his voice. His reaction was the same as the rest of us.

As expected, John always acted indecently on solemn occasions and acted even more improperly on casual occasions.

"I'm not fooling around. One million. If you don't agree, I'll leave with my wife right now. Do you think I'm here to have dinner with you?" In an instant, John's face turned grim. He looked as though he was serious about what he said.

In the past, Ashton could have given John a taste of his own medicine and teased him back, but obviously, he could not do that in front of Nathaniel now.

Left with no choice, he could only compromise. "Fine. Since you proposed it, I'll agree to it. I'll buy the equity that originally belonged to Scarlett with one million. After signing the equity transfer contract, we've nothing to do with each other anymore."

"Wait." John lifted his hand. Then he raised his eyebrows and smiled arrogantly. "You got the wrong idea. What I mean is that I'll give you one million, and you have to leave both Fuller Corporation and Letty. Also, you're not allowed to appear in front of us in the future."

As if that was not humiliating enough, he leaned against the chair and added, "That's how much you're worth."

Hearing that, I could not help but feel impressed at how good John was at teasing people.

Of course, I could not afford to give up on such a good opportunity. Pretending to be in a tight spot, I chimed in, "John, please don't do this. I'll never leave Ashton. Can you stop fighting with him for the sake of your nephews?"

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Chapter 1760 You Have Changed

"No!" John stared at me disappointedly. "Why do you think I'm here today? You gave me this right in the past. No matter how willful you used to be in the past, you knew that you could always rely on me and trust me. Back then, I was the only legatee in your will. But now, you don't even care about your brother and sister-in-law anymore. Letty, you've changed."

Here, he paused for a while and hammered his chest. "I'm very disappointed in you."

John's acting was so convincing that I quickly immersed myself in the mood. Out of guilt, tears sprang to my eyes. Just as the tears were about to trickle down my face, I covered my mouth and lowered my face, acting as if I was apologetic and could not face him anymore.

Anyhow, I was not the main protagonist. After I briefly attracted the attention of everyone in the room, Ashton ignored everything that I had done for him and went back to the topic. "If that's the case, then there's nothing else to discuss. Do you have to fight against me?"

Spreading his arms, John stated, "You're the one who wants to fight against me. If you're willing to divorce Letty and leave everything behind, all the problems will be resolved."

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"I don't mind leaving everything behind, but you have to know that all the important data of the company is in my brain, and I know the easiest way to destroy it. In the end, what you get is just an empty shell. Not only that, but you might also bring down Stovall Corporation along with it. Are you sure you can afford such consequences?" questioned Ashton solemnly.

Given Ashton's abilities, all of us knew that it was only a matter of time for him to turn those into reality. The atmosphere turned tense after he finished talking.

"Will you really do that? You were the one who built Fuller Corporation from scratch. Destroying it is equivalent to killing your efforts. You won't do that." John smiled and was not threatened by what Ashton said. Out of the blue, he thought of something and continued, "Worse comes to worst, we'll just go down together. If you're willing to risk Fuller Corporation, I don't mind sacrificing Stovall Corporation as well. You can never escape from me."

With that said, he held Emma's hand and kissed the back of her hand. Looking at her crystal clear eyes, he said softly, "Don't worry. As long as Fuller Corporation exists, nothing will happen to your family."

It was rare that Emma did not express her dismay as she smiled shyly. Seeing that, John was lovestruck and almost forgot that he was still acting. Fortunately, she gave him a side glance in time, and he immediately pulled himself together.

The negotiation had again reached stalemate.

Ashton's face was frighteningly grim as John was flirting with Emma in front of him. On one side was a lonely man who could not even show his love for the woman he loved. On the other side was a sweet couple who was in love with each other. After comparing their situation, I bet Ashton was seething with anger.

At that moment, Nathaniel, who had been silent for the whole time, put down the spoon in his hand, and his action attracted everyone's attention.

Subsequently, he wiped his mouth calmly. His movements were elegant, and just when everyone felt that he was not in the situation, he started slowly, "It's futile to argue any further. We should ask the owner's opinion."

Once again, it was silent in the private room. Everyone was deep in thoughts, and no one seemed to understand what he meant.

Placing the napkin on the table, Nathaniel looked in my direction and curled the corners of his lips. "If you don't want to see the people close to you speak ill of each other, why don't you make another will and decide the final owner of the shares? As a professional lawyer, it should be a piece of cake for you, right?"

Hearing that, I did not dare to utter a word. I was worried that it would expose my anxiety. After all, that was how the will that authorized the shares to John had come about.

As expected of the opponent that even Ashton is afraid of. Fortunately, I'm a step ahead of him. Otherwise, I won't have the chance to confront him today.