



## **Chapter 22 Telling the Truth**

"Who are you? Shut up. Are you allowed to talk here?"

At this moment, Laura rushed in, pointing at Maximilian's nose and cursing. She looked at Victoria and Maximilian bitterly.

He was such a worthless wretch. What else was he going to say? He thought they were not ashamed enough, didn't he?

Samuel did not want to dwell on this matter ether. He said,

"All right, since you've got the contract, you siblings must work together to work it out. It is an opportunity for the Griffith group to rank into the upper class in H City. You must work hard and not be negligent. Do you understand?"













Franklin nodded and said,

"Yes, Grandpa. I'm sure I won't let you down."

Iris also nodded.

"What about you, Victoria?"

Samuel turned his head, and said in embarrassment.

"Got it, Grandpa." Victoria replied.

Only then did Samuel nod. He talked with other people for a while and was about to leave.



The entire side hall became noisy and lively because the Griffiths had entered into a contract with Graham Group.

But, suddenly, a discordant voice broke the atmosphere.

"Grandpa, I remembered that last time Victoria made a bet with Franklin. If







she took the contract, she would be vice president of the company."

Maximilian said. He sat beside Victoria and saw that Victoria was spaced out when she sat down. He looked at her with tender love.

Pow!

Franklin slapped the table and pointed at Maximilian, shouting angrily,

"You are too insolent! Maximilian, this is our the Griffiths's mid-year party. You are not our families. You have no right to speak here."

Of course Franklin remembered the bet, but he would not mention it.

He thought that Victoria would not mention it either.

After all, this contract was strange, and maybe Victoria had got it through some dirty means.







"That's right. Maximilian, you don't even take a good look at yourself. How dare you contradict Franklin three times? You disrespect our family, didn't you?"

Iris also shouted at Maximilian with sharp words.

Laura was even more furious. She rushed over toward Maximilian and would like to slap him. She shouted,

"Maximilian, get your ass out of here. It's none of your business!"

But she failed to slap him.

Because Victoria, who had been silent, stood up at this moment and stared at Laura coldly. Victoria said,

"Mom, that's enough. Maximilian is my husband!"

Laura was also stunned. She did not expect that her daughter would actually







defend Maximilian, who was such a wimp.

"Victoria, you...you are crazy. Why are you speaking for the worthless loser?"

Laura's face was red and her eyes were wide open.

Victoria stared at Franklin coldly and said,

"Maximilian is right. If I hadn't got the contract of Graham Group today, maybe you would drive me out of the company.

Now, since I've got this contract, I should be the vice president."

After saying that, Victoria turned to look at Samuel and said,

"Grandpa, you promised."

Samuel tightly gripped the cane. He frowned and snorted,

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"Let's take a long look at this matter!"

After saying that, Samuel immediately turned around and left the side hall.

"Grandpa!" Victoria became anxious.

However, Samuel did not stop at all.

Franklin sneered madly and said,

"Ah, Victoria, look. Are you sad

"Remember. Even if you win the contract with the Graham Group, the vice president position won't be yours! I'm the eldest grandson of the Griffiths, so I'm the future successor in Grandpa's mind! I'll also became the head of the Griffiths!"

After saying that, Franklin left with other relatives of the Griffiths.

"How could grandpa do this?"

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Victoria was aggravated.

Grandfather had promised her before, but he eventually went back on his words.

Seeing that, Maximilian sitting aside looked at them coldly.

People of the Griffiths were shortsighted.

This little strife of interests and hook-ups were too contemptible.

"Victoria, you will be vice president sooner or later."

Maximilian looked at Victoria with a serious expression.

Victoria turned around. Her face was full of tears. She said, "Really?"

Maximilian nodded and said, "Of course."

At present, he was the young master







of the Dragon Sect.

He could destroy the Griffiths in H
City as easy as blowing off dust. He
was able to help Victoria to be the head
of the Griffiths, let alone the position of
vice president!

"Forget it. You can do nothing. Grandpa has gone back on his words in front of so many people."

Victoria wiped the tears from the corners of her eyes and gave a wry smile.

Then she looked at Maximilian's cheek and bowed her head apologetically. She said,

"I'm sorry for slapping you before. I'll pay you back later."

Maximilian was speechless. Why did she want to pay back for the slap?

After saying that, Victoria stood up







and left the side hall as well.

Maximilian immediately followed her.

When they returned home, Laura was not angry anymore. She looked excited and thrilled, and she said.

"Wow. My daughter is indeed awesome. She has got the cooperation contract of Graham Group. How profitable it will be! We'll have a hope then."

Marcus sat on the sofa and held a cup of warm tea. Hearing that, he smiled but said nothing.

"Hey, Marcus. Look. What does your father mean? He said last time that he would offer Victoria vice president position when she took the contract. He went back on his words, didn't he?"

Suddenly, Laura thought of what had







happened at the party and was still a little discontent.

Marcus sighed and said, "Didn't you realized anything?

Father has long intended to appoint Franklin as vice president, so our daughter has no chance.

After all, Yunsheng Pharmaceuticals will be handed over to Franklin in the future."

"How can that be! How could he go back on what he promised in front of so many people?"

Laura said anxiously.

"Then you can ask father in person."

Marcus said. "Well..."

Laura lost her temper all of a sudden. She did not dare to argue with their father.

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More than an hour later, Victoria and Maximilian returned home one after the other. They had just returned from the hospital, and Maximilian had to go and stay there tonight.

When Laura saw her daughter return, she excitedly walked to her and pushed Maximilian away. She said happily,

"Victoria, my good girl, you're really a blessing to our family. You could really get the contract of Graham Group. I'm so proud of you."

Victoria was thinking about this matter on her way back. She hadn't met Mr. Ralphy before. She still did not understand why she got the contract.

"Mom, I'm not the person who made it happen."

Victoria decided to tell them.

"What? Not you? Then who?" Laura







was also confused, and Marcus also would like to know the truth.

Maximilian shook his head because he thought Victoria was still too serious and too kind.

When Laura saw Maximilian shake his head, she became upset and said coldly,

"Why are you shaking your head? Could it be you who got this contract?

At the party, you were talking nonsense, and I'm not blame you yet."

Hearing that, Victoria suddenly recalled something, so she turned to Maximilian and asked seriously,

"Maximilian, last time you told me that I'll get the contract, and today Mr. Ralphy took the contract in person. What's going on?"

"What? He is such a loser. He even







## said that?"

Laura could not believe it and overreacted.

As they three looked at himself suspiciously, Maximilian wondered if he should tell them the truth.







Then she bent over the desk aggressively and cried for a moment before she recovered and continued to work.

If she cared too much about these things, they would believe that it was true.

Just at this moment, Iris suddenly barged into her office with a stack of documents in her hands.

"Sign these documents."

Iris said coldly. She did not have a high status in the company. She was just a team leader in the marketing department, and she still needed to ask Victoria for permission on everything, which made her very unhappy!

"By the way, your daughter's birthday is on the 23rd. The loser Maximilian won't be able to accompany his poor daughter to celebrate again this year."







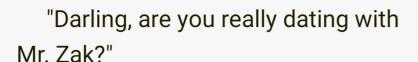
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Not yet. It was not the right time.

Maximilian smiled and said,

"I encouraged you in the first place, and the reason why you got the contract maybe have something to do with Mr. Zak."

Mr. Zak? Hearing the name, Laura raised her eyebrows and then asked in excitement.



Victoria immediately glanced at Laura angrily and said coldly,

"No. You are kidding me. I have nothing to do with him."

After saying that, she glared at Maximilian with a little anger and dragged him into the bedroom. She

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crashed the door shut behind her and asked him coldly,

"What did you mean? Do you also suspect me?"

Victoria was angry, and her face was slightly red, crystal teardrops were swirling in her eyes.

She had never suspected Maximilian, but what he said just now indicated that he was doubting her!

He was satirizing her in a different way, didn't he?

"Maximilian, you are not a man. I'm your wife!"

Victoria became furious and pounded her small fists on Maximilian's chest.

Maximilian hurriedly hugged Victoria and said,

"Victoria, you misunderstood. I mean







last time Mr. Graham might be afraid that you will call the police because the Graham Group is also a big listed company. What they did was to show the white feather to you. If I remembered correctly, Zak will soon come back to apologize to you."

Upon hearing this, Victoria eyes blinked with tears in them. She stared at Maximilian and asked in a low voice,"Really?"

Maximilian nodded and said, "Little fool. I'll never doubt you. I love you more than I can say."

Suddenly, Victoria's cheeks were scarlet. She immediately realized something and violently pushed Maximilian away. She wiped the tears from the corners of her eyes, and said,

"You are talking nonsense. I don't want to talk to you."







Then she turned around, left the bedroom and went into the bathroom.

Maximilian watched Victoria turn around and walk away elegantly. He smiled and took out his phone to send a text message to Ralphy.

Meanwhile, in the living room, Laura was extremely excited.

"Hey, honey. It's a good thing that Victoria really dates with the young master of Graham Group, isn't it?"

Laura now believed that her daughter would marry into a wealthy family, and she would gain some advantage and become a rich lady.

Marcus shook his head helplessly and said,

"Do you want us to be laughed at by the Griffiths and the whole city?"

Laura became unhappy when she

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heard that and pushed Marcus for several times. She asked him,

"What do you mean? Am I willing to be humiliated? I don't want our daughter to live with the loser Maximilian for the rest of her life. What can he bring to our family? Whatever. She must divorce that loser!"

Marcus was about to say something else, but he could only shake his head and walk away with the newspaper. She was crazy and unbelievable.

Outside the room, Maximilian had taken something and was about to go out to take care of Sissi in hospital.

He heard all of his mother-in-law's words just now, and he had long since got used to these words.

"Mom, I'm going to the hospital."

Maximilian said politely.

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When Laura saw him go out, she scolded him with hatred.

"Get out of here. I hope you never come back."

Every time when she saw the loser Maximilian, she would get angry.

On the following day,In Yunshen Pharmaceuticals,

After the event of yesterday's party, the whole company now was unusually busy. Everyone was talking about that incident last night in secret.

"Hey. Do you know how exactly did our Director Victoria got the cooperation contract with the Graham Group?"

"Oh. What else could she do? Didn't you hear Manager Griffith say that Director Victoria met with Mr. Zak in private. You know."

"Wow, she slept with him, didn't she?







I did not expect Director Victoria to be this kind of woman. It's too dirty."

Ahem! Suddenly, they heard a violent cough, so everyone returned to normal.

Franklin walked over and shouted angrily,

"What's going on? You are even chatting early in the morning. You don't have to work, do you?"

Because of what happened last night, Franklin was in a bad mood until now. He went into his office after shouting at staff.

As soon as he entered the office, he began to process the video that he had asked someone to shoot. In the video, Zak and Victoria entered the Bella Club one after the other. He then post the video to the Wechat group of the whole company.

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It brought a intense discussion in the Wechat group immediately.

There are all sorts of speculation and trolling of Victoria.

Franklin was happy to see that. He crossed his legs on the desk. His female secretary stood behind him and massaged his shoulders. He said,"Cool!

Victoria, even if you get the contract with Graham Group, so what?

"In the end, you'll gain nothing. I'm sure you cannot continue this cooperation when you are notorious."

At the same time, Victoria was in her office. When she saw the messages in the wechat group, she became furious and clenched her fist.

She typed with her phone angrily, trying to explain, but she deleted the words she had typed out helplessly.

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Iris suddenly sneered unfriendly, "I also heard that a tycoon has chartered the biggest and most luxurious hotel in H City, Caesar Palace Hotel for a whole day to celebrate his daughter's birthday as well. Coincidentally, it's also the 23rd.

Both of them are fathers, but there is a huge gap."

Seeing Iris sneer with contempt, Victoria became agitated.

"It's the 23rd. So what? It's the same date, but it means nothing." Victoria said.

Iris deliberately said so to satirize Victoria. Since she replied, she couldn't avoid herself to be mocked.

"It means nothing. Really? Victoria, think about your daughter. Other people's husband chartered the most expensive hotel in the city for his daughter's birthday. How about your













husband? Has he accompanied your daughter on her birthday once in the three years? Oh. He could even not even acknowledge his daughter. He's such a good-for-nothing man."

Iris tried her best to satirize Victoria.

Victoria's face turned pale and said, "You are talking so much, but what's the point?

It's none of your business."

Iris snorted coldly and said, "It has nothing to do with me. But it's your business.

You are Maximilian's wife and Sissi's mother, aren't you? And on the 23rd, the whole city will go to celebrate that tycoon's daughter's birthday. How about your daughter?

She has leukemia. She is lying in the hospital and waiting to die. Ha-ha."

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"Iris, shut up!" Victoria finally got angry.

She could bear her harsh words toward herself, but she would not allow Iris to abuse her daughter.

"Humph! I'm waiting for you to be disgraced on the 23rd!"

Iris said coldly. She turned around, and her bottom wiggled as she walked away.

After Iris left, Victoria's mouth trembled. Her eyes were red as she sat down and lost her wits.. She felt extremely wronged.

Iris was right. Maximilian had never accompanied Sissi to celebrate a birthday for three years.

Every year at this time, she had to suffer the ridicule and sarcasm of her relatives and most of the people in H







City.

Everyone knew that Sissi was Maximilian's daughter, but he could not acknowledge it.

It was indeed a great irony!

After gathering herself, Victoria continued to work.

Three years had passed. She would not be scared.

It was just a repetition of what had happened to her, and she was used to it.

However, Victoria still had a strong hope for Maximilian.

In the evening, when they returned home, Marcus and Laura looked very unhappy.

When they went out today, they knew about the incident of Caesar Palace Hotel, and people always dished out criticism to them no matter where

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they went.

They had to suffer a lot of criticism and snickering at this time every year.

So they chose to stay at home and not meet anyone around the 23rd.

Seeing Victoria and Maximilian return, Laura rushed over immediately and accused Maximilian with great dissatisfaction. She said,

"How dare you to come bake? Do you know we've been disgraced today because of you!"

"Mom, what's going on?"

Maximilian wondered and asked, and Victoria was obviously unhappy. She turned around and went into the bedroom.

Laura reprimanded Maximilian every night, and she was tired of hearing it.

"How dare you ask me? Do you know







the day after tomorrow is the 23rd!"

Laura said angrily and wanted to drive Maximilian out.

Maximilian became serious. He nodded and said,

"Yeah."

The 23rd was Sissi's birthday, and it was also the darkest moment in Victoria's life over the three years.

Laura snorted and said, "You remember it well. Then I won't talk nonsense to you. Go to the Civil Affairs Bureau with Victoria tomorrow to get a divorce. We can't stand for you anymore."

Maximilian was stunned and said, "Mom, I..."

Pow! Laura slapped him and said bitterly,







"Don't call me mom. I don't want to have a loser son-in-law like you.

The day after tomorrow, our family will be disgraced by the whole city again. A father chartered the Caesar Palace Hotel for his daughter's birthday party. How about you? You are not qualified to be Sissi's father. It's a deal. Go and divorce Victoria tomorrow!"

Maximilian lowered his head and did not know how to explain.

At the same time, the bedroom door was opened, and Victoria stood there with a tear-stained face. She cried and said stubbornly, "Mom, I'll never divorce Maximilian! He is my husband, Sissi's father. This is a fact that will never change. Even it's the 23rd the day after tomorrow, so what? I'm used to it after three years."

After saying that, Victoria looked at

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Maximilian with disappointment and longing. Then she turned around and was about to close the door again.

There were so many complex emotions in her eyes.

Maximilian clenched his fist and suddenly shouted in earnest,

"Victoria, believe me. On the 23rd, I will make you the focus in the whole city and the most dazzling mother. And Sissi will be a little princess that everyone envies on the 23rd!"



