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Serenity chuckled along. "Nana, Zachary is very good to me."

Grandma May said the same thing her sister always nagged her about.

The old woman laughed on the other side of the phone.

Zachary asked, "When are you coming back?"

"I'm still lying in the hospital now. I won't be back soon."

Zachary and Serenity both asked with concern at the same time, "What happened?"

Even after chatting for so long, Grandma May did not mention that she was in the hospital. She acted like everything was fine and talked with a smile, so the couple did not expect her to be hospitalized.

"I went out alone and fell when I was startled by Mr. Queen's car. I just bumped my hip bone a little. Mr. Queen sent me to the hospital and helped me to notify my family. The only family I have in Jensburg is Kevin."

Zachary was speechless. "Nana, can't you use a different method?"

His nana was not young anymore. If she was not careful enough, she might actually hurt herself from the fall.

Grandma May appeared aggrieved and said, "I really was startled by Mr. Queen's car."

There was no way Zachary would believe his nana.

Hearing this, Serenity understood that Grandma May might have also been acting when she saved the old woman back then. Grandma May wanted to make Serenity her savior, then she could make Zachary marry Serenity as a way of repaying her.

Now, she was using the same trick for Kevin.

The old lady could not care less about reusing the same trick since it was still applicable. She wanted Hayden to feel apologetic to her. That way, it would be easier for her to act.

"Nana, is Mr. Queen handsome?"

"Yes, she's much more handsome in person."

Serenity asked nosily, "Is Kevin satisfied?"

"Not even he's as handsome as Hayden. It doesn't matter if he's satisfied or not. I like Hayden. She's as stoic as Zack, but she brings her bodyguards around not to keep other women away, but to prevent people from finding out that she's a woman disguised as a man.

"People like Hayden who don't talk much should have a husband like Kevin. Kevin has a mouth on him that can talk to anyone."

Although Kevin did not like his nana leading him by the nose and was firmly against his nana setting him up with Hayden, his chatty nature came into full play when he met her. For someone who had always been quiet, Hayden chatted with him for a long time.

Serenity felt curiosity gnawing at her. She really wanted to clone herself and go over to watch the fun.

"Seren, help me watch Callum and Camryn. They also look like fun. You only have one pair of eyes, so you can't see everything. Don't feel bad about it."

Serenity was speechless.

"Someone's coming, I'll talk to you later."

Grandma May heard footsteps from outside and immediately hung up the phone, lay back on the hospital bed, and pretended to be asleep.

Soon, someone knocked on the door and entered.

The sound of steady footfalls reached the old lady's ears, and she recognized her visitor as none other than Hayden.

She opened her eyes.

"Granny, you're awake. Did I wake you?"

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Hayden was dressed in a suit. Her features were handsome, and her figure was tall and straight. She dressed as a man for many years and had deliberately gotten a fake Adam's apple, so no one except her closest relatives knew that she was a woman.

The Queen family was also very protective of their children and would not let the outside world get information about them.

Therefore, when Hayden appeared in public in men's clothes, others thought that Mrs. Queen had two boys and called Hayden "Mr. Queen".

Hayden entered with a bunch of supplements for the elderly in her hands. She placed them on the bedside table and saw that the old woman was the only one in the ward. She asked soberly," Granny, where is your grandson?"

"I just woke up, so I don't know where Kevin went. Maybe he saw me asleep and went out to buy something. Have a seat, Mr. Queen."

Grandma May was about to sit up.

Hayden quickly pressed her down. "You can't sit up right now. The doctor said you have to lie down for a speedy recovery."

In fact, there was nothing wrong with Grandma May.

Hayden was worried that something might happen to the old lady, so she insisted on sending Grandma May to the hospital for a checkup. Although the doctor said that there were no problems found, Granma May kept saying that she was in pain, so the doctor suggested that she stay in the hospital for a few days of observation.

If it were anyone else, Hayden would have thought it was an insurance scam.

However, she did not suspect the old woman.

She knew who Kevin was.

This old woman was Kevin's grandmother. She was Old Mrs. York of the richest family in Wiltspoon. Her reputation spread far and wide in the community.

Grandma May did not insist on sitting up.

"How are you feeling today? Does it still hurt?"

Hayden sat down in front of Grandma May's hospital bed.

"It doesn't hurt, but I was quite startled back then, so I didn't sleep well these nights. I get jolted awake easily"

Hayden fell silent

After a long time, she said apologetically. "My driver drove too fast and almost hit you that day. Fortunately, you were fine. I bought some supplements for you that have a calming effect. Feel free to take them"

"I don't blame you, Mr. Queen. I was also at fault for not paying attention when crossing the road I'm fine. When Kevin comes back, I'll tell him to help me get discharged from the hospital. It's boring lying here all day."

Grandma May asked, "Mr. Queen, what are the interesting places in Jensburg?"

"There are quite a lot of tourist attractions in Jensburg. If you want to go around, you can ask Mr. York to accompany you."

Grandma May's expression immediately fell. "Kevin came here on a business trip and has a lot of work to handle. He's busy every day and doesn't have time to stroll around with me. It has also been a long time since I last came to Jensburg. I came here with my late husband several times. when I was young.

"Now that I'm old, I want to revisit the places we traveled together as a couple. I want to do it while I'm still alive and can walk around."

Hayden was still silent.

Seeing the fruits on the bedside table, she quietly picked up a large apple and got up to go to the bathroom to clean it. She then sat in front of the bed to peel it for the old lady.

When Hayden did not say anything, Grandma May took the initiative and asked, "Mr. Queen, could you arrange a tour guide for me?"

Hayden said in a low voice, "Mr. York can arrange it."

"Kevin won't agree to me sightseeing unless I have someone he trusts to accompany me. Sigh, I'm old and useless, and now I don't even have my freedom. I have to consult my children and grandchildren and get their permission before I can go anywhere. If they don't agree, I can't move an inch."

Hayden sliced the peeled apple and handed one piece to the old woman. Her voice remained low as she said, "Granny, you're being unfair by saying that about your children and grandchildren."

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Hayden continued, "As far as I know, you're free to do whatever you want in Wiltspoon. No one will dare say a word against you if you want to go anywhere."

Grandma May was speechless.

This trick worked very well with Serenity, but not against Hayden.

Hayden would not offer to accompany the old woman.

At that moment, Kevin came back.

He indeed took advantage of the fact that his nana had not woken up yet to take care of business.

It was close to noon now, and he packed lunch from his hotel and sent it over for his nana to eat. From a distance, he saw a few black–clad bodyguards walking around at the entrance of his nana's ward. He knew that it was Hayden who came to visit.

Kevin felt helpless.

He knew that his grandmother was looking forward to her grandchildren starting families of their own, but that was no excuse for shoving a tomboy at him.

He really did not feel any sparks for Mr. Queen.

Seeing Hayden was like looking at a handsome man. Kevin felt that he would be gay if his heart skipped a beat for a good–looking guy.

The Queen family's bodyguards saw Kevin bringing a meal over and nodded at him. "Mr. York." Kevin was responsible for all the hotels under York Corporation. When Zachary and he were not in the same room, everyone called him Mr. York.

If Zachary was present, everyone would call him Mr. Kevin instead.

Kevin responded to the bodyguards before pushing the door and entering the ward. He saw Hayden sitting in front of the bed, silently watching his nana without a word. Meanwhile, his nana ate an apple while speaking, but Hayden did not respond.

Grandma May seemed relieved to see him come in.

Kevin suddenly had the urge to turn tail and run.

"Kevin."

The old lady did not give her grandson a chance to sneak out and immediately called out to him.

Kevin walked over to greet his nana and Hayden.

"Mr. York."

Hayden stood up and stopped talking after she greeted Kevin. After standing for a moment, she found an excuse to leave.

Grandma May told her grandson to see Hayden out.

Two minutes later, Kevin returned to the ward.

"Back so soon?"

Kevin said in amusement, "How long did you want me to take? Mr. Queen is very busy and has plans for lunch with a big client. She only came to see you because she was passing by the hospital."

If not for the fact that Grandma May fell down and was hospitalized because she was startled b Hayden's car, causing Hayden to feel a sense of responsibility, she would not have taken the tim to visit the old woman.

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"Kevin, find a reason to invite her to a meal at one of our hotels."

Kevin paused. "Nana... What excuse am I going to use to invite her? Thank you for scaring my nana until she was hospitalized"?"

Grandma May was speechless.

Then, she said, "You're a smart boy, you can think of something. Don't think that I don't know what you're thinking. Mr. Queen is a great person and is a perfect match for you. Your mouth never stops chattering, but Mr. Queen doesn't talk much. You two won't be bored together."

"Nana, you're also calling her Mr. Queen. When I look at her, it's really as if I'm looking at a man. She won't admit that she's a woman either. You keep trying to push us together, but I feel like I'm looking for a brother instead of a wife. It feels like I'm gay."

Grandma May laughed. "She's very convincing at playing the role of a man, but experienced people will be able to tell by hearing her voice. Her deliberate deep voice is different from your natural baritone. Her voice is still crisp and bright, unlike yours which is magnetic.

"She portrays herself as a man, but she knows very well that she's a woman. She just doesn't admit it. It'll be clear when she takes her clothes off."

Kevin could not help but ask, "Nana, am I really your grandson? If you're upset with me, you can just beat me up with your cane. If that doesn't work, you can beat me up two, three more times. You don't need to do this to me.

"I'd get beaten to death by Mr. Queen if I dared remove her clothes. This is Jensburg, not Wiltspoon. Jensburg is the Queens' territory!"

Kevin complained that his nana was setting him up but his hands continued to move as he washed the cutlery. He brought over the meal he packed, served it in a bowl, and wanted to feed her, but she refused.

It was not like the old woman was really injured. She could eat by herself and did not need her grandson to feed her.

"I didn't tell you to forcibly strip her to confirm her gender. After you get acquainted with her, you can ask her to go to the hot springs with you. Can't you think of something that simple?"

Kevin was speechless.

"Nana loves you the most. Didn't you see that I'm not interfering with Callum and letting him dig his own grave? Instead, I'm personally stepping in when it comes to you. How could you say I'm not treating you like my grandson?"

Kevin muttered, "I'd rather you give that kind of love to Callum."

Although Callurn's wife candidate was blind, at least she did not dress up like a man like Hayden.

Ms. Newman must be smart if she could be chosen by his nana.

"I've left Callum in the care of Zack and Seren, so I don't have to worry about him. I only need to Kevin could not help but ask, "Can't you let us fall in love at our own pace?"

"I am. I'm just giving you a target and a time limit of one year. If you really can't become husband and wife within one year, I'll give up."

Kevin muttered, "We're said to be favored and giants among men, but in your eyes, we're

unmarketable products that can't be sold. We're not that old. We're all still under thirty–five. Look, Duncan is thirty–six but still unmarried."

Kevin planned to solve his marriage when he was thirty to thirty–five years old.

Men like him who had busy jobs and successful careers married later rather than sooner. Case in point–Zachary was only forced to marry all of a sudden by Grandma May when he hit thirty.

Back then, Kevin was thankful that Zachary was the eldest because only the eldest would suffer something like that while the younger ones would not have to experience it. However, he forgot the fact that once Zachary was no longer around to act like a shield, none of the other brothers could escape anymore.

Only the youngest two or three could get away with it. It would be another decade or so before the youngest one could get married. By then, their nana would no longer have the energy to torture them.

Grandma May said, "Duncan already has a target, and his grandmother has passed away. If she were still alive, I guarantee she would've thrown a tantrum and used every possible means to force Duncan to get married and have children."

Kevin still remembered the late Old Mrs. Lewis. The woman was even more difficult to handle than his own nana.

Compared to Old Mrs. Lewis... Yep, his nana was considered much better.

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"Just be happy with what you have. Although I worry about your marriage, I'm not like that old friend of mine. I'll help you find the right girl according to your character so that you're free to develop feelings for yourself. I'm showing you more than enough respect.

"Your parents are also irresponsible. They only know how to nag you a little but never take any action. That's why a pack of old bones like me had to get her hands dirty.

"I know you guys scold me every day for being overbearing."

Kevin immediately defended, "Nana, we've never scolded you, much less for being overbearing. Our nana is the smartest. We all love you very much."

Their parents only nagged them about getting married but never took any action. They simply let the old woman do the heavy lifting instead because they knew the boys respected her the most and would not be angry no matter what she did.

Even Zachary and his temper gave in to his nana in the end.

Besides, Zachary and Serenity were very happy now, making their nana feel excited. She thought that all her grandsons would be happy if she made a move.

"Don't be a kiss*ss. I don't need you to flatter me. What I need is a daughter–in–law and a great- granddaughter. I'll reward whoever gives me a great–granddaughter!"

Kevin said, "You should urge Zachary and Serenity instead. At least they're married."

Hayden and he were not together yet.

"I mentioned it to Serenity a few times, so I can't bring it up again. If I do, it'll be like I'm pressuring her to have a baby. Sigh, those two are living so sweetly now. How could there be no change?"

Although Grandma May no longer urged them to have a child, she was still anxious for a great- grandchild.

"It hasn't been that long yet, and they haven't even had their wedding. There's no hurry, Nana. You don't have to rush Zachary and Serenity. Maybe Callum would overtake them from behind."

Grandma May only complained in front of her grandson. She would not say anything in front of Serenity.

Meanwhile, after Grandma May hung up the phone, Zachary and Serenity walked a few laps around the neighborhood before going home to prepare lunch.

Thinking of how he threw an unreasonable tantrum earlier, Zachary told Mrs. Lane not to help as he personally prepared lunch.

Mrs. Lane was not at ease and went in and out of the kitchen multiple times, wanting to help. In the end, she finally left the kitchen despondently when Zachary's expression darkened.

Serenity, who was tending to the flowers on the balcony, gave her a smile. "Mrs. Lane, let him cook if he wants to cook. It's not like he can't handle it."

"Missus, I'm just... not used to it. I feel guilty for some reason."

She did not feel right accepting her salary.

"It's fine, you'll get used to it after a few times."

Mrs. Lane was speechless.

Zachary doted on Serenity. He would do anything as long as he could make her happy.

In the meantime, at the Lewis residence, Duncan returned home under Lily's repeated persuasions after he left for All You Can Eat early in the morning.

She told him to have lunch with his parents.

Mrs. Lewis had already received news from Lily and returned to Duncan's house in advance. She also called her three other sons to come back.

The whole family gathered for a meal together.

"It's quite windy today. Lily, do you want to go on a stroll to help with digestion?" Mrs. Lewis asked with a smile just as Lily sat down.

Mrs. Lewis was overjoyed that Lily was able to convince Duncan to come home. She grew increasingly confident in matchmaking Lily and Duncan.

"I do plan on going out on a walk and enjoying the breeze."

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Lily had a habit of going on a stroll after eating.

Mrs. Lewis looked at Duncan.

Duncan and his three brothers were talking about the recent trends in the stock market.

He did not notice the conversation between Lily and his mother, much less his mother staring at him.

It was his second brother who noticed first. He nudged Duncan and whispered, "Mom is looking at you. I think she wants you to do something."

Duncan turned to look at his mother and smiled. "What's up, Mom?"

Why was she looking at him like that?

"Lily wants to go on a stroll. Go with her."

Mrs. Lewis did not expect this son of hers to appreciate the pains she was taking, so she spoke bluntly and told him to accompany Lily on a walk.

Duncan looked at Lily and said, "Ms. Harmon, you've lived in my home for a while now, so you should be familiar with the environment here. You can't go very far, so you can just walk by yourself. You won't get lost."

Mrs. Lewis's expression darkened. She almost wanted to throw something at Duncan.

Lily smiled. "Yes, I won't get lost, but it's boring to walk alone. I want a companion to chat with me as I walk.

"Can you come with me?"

As all eyes were on Duncan, the words of refusal climbed up his throat before he swallowed them down again.

He said, "The sun is right above us now. It's too hot."

It was not evening.

The weather in Wiltspoon started warming up around March to April, and many would change to short—sleeved shirts by May. They would start longing for their electric fans.

"It's windy today and not hot at all," Mrs. Lewis said. "Lily is our guest, so you have to walk with her."

Duncan looked at his three brothers, hoping that they would speak up for him. However, they glanced away and refused to meet his eyes.

With no other choice, Duncan stood up and said to Lily, "Let's go, Ms. Harmon. I'll accompany you for a stroll outside."

Lily smiled. "Thank you for sparing the time, Duncan."

Looking at the backs of the two people going out together, Mrs. Lewis said to her husband happily, "Those two are such a great match. Duncan just doesn't understand. Lily is a great girl. If he doesn't grab her, she'll be taken away by someone else.

"He only has this advantage because I'm good friends with Lily's mother."

Derek smiled. "Don't push him too hard. Duncan was so scared of you that he ran off to live at Zachary's place."

"That brat... Tonight, I'll talk to Zachary and ask him to chase that brat out."

"Mom, I don't think Duncan is interested in Ms. Harmon," said the eldest son, Emmett.

The second son, Kyle, chimed in, "Mom, you can't force emotions. If Duncan doesn't like Ms. Harmon, don't force him to be with her. If it's not meant to be, then it's not meant to be. I don't think Ms. Harmon is the type who likes being forced into a relationship."

Lily was a woman with her own opinions. She only let her parents set her up with Duncan because she was genuinely interested in him.

However, that did not mean she liked to be forced into a relationship.

If she could not conquer Duncan, she would give up.

She would never marry a man who did not love her

"They haven't even tried it out yet, so how would they know they won't develop feelings for each other? It's because you're always speaking up for him that he still can't get a wife at thirty—six. He'll be forty in a few years. Some people would have grandchildren by then, but he doesn't even have a girlfriend."

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Duncan's three brothers did not dare say more.

They were afraid their mother would blame them for spoiling Duncan if they spoke up for him again, causing him to still remain single at the age of thirty-six.

Duncan accompanied Lily out of the house. The two strolled casually along the paved path in the courtyard.

However, Duncan's pace was fast.

Lily wore high heels, so she struggled to follow him.

"Duncan."

Lily was not the type who was willing to suffer for the sake of others. She jogged up and reached out to pull Duncan's hand.

"What is it?"

Duncan's attitude toward Lily was neither good nor bad. He did not hate Lily, but he just did not feel a spark with her.

He also did not like how his family was arranging a girlfriend for him without his consent.

"Are you running a race with me?"

Duncan's dark eyes flashed. "Didn't you say you wanted to take a stroll? Even if you wanted to race, you can't race after just eating. It'll upset your stomach."

Lily paused before stating, "Don't play dumb, Duncan. There's a bench here. Let's sit down and talk."

Duncan wanted to say that he had nothing to talk to her about.

Their companies never worked together before, so there was nothing to talk about when it came to business.

However, he followed her to the stone bench ahead. Just as he was about to sit down, Lily stopped him, took out a packet of scented tissues, and wiped the bench.

She only allowed him to sit down after she threw away the tissue.

This girl was a conscientious person.

Duncan sat down and said, "The workers here clean the stone benches and tables in the backyard every day."

"It's been windy recently, so there's a lot of dust in the air. Even if it's cleaned daily, there'll still be dust. The tissue was full of dirt when I wiped it just now."

Duncan smiled and asked, "Ms. Harmon, are you a clean freak?"

"No."

"That's good. I'm most afraid of clean freaks. An uncouth man like me can't get along with clean freaks. Zachary is a bit of a clean freak, but he falls within my tolerance.

Zachary was just fussy with cleanliness.

He was not a germaphobe.

"When are you going back, Ms. Harmon?"

Duncan did not spend much time with Lily and had nothing to talk about, so he simply asked her when she was leaving.

Lily looked at him and said with a vague smile, "Are you chasing me out? I haven't stayed that long yet. I finished what I came here to do, but I haven't finished the talks with large companies like yours. I won't be able to go back in the near future."

The elders of both families wanted to set her up with Duncan, so her parents and brothers supported her in staying at Wiltspoon to talk about business. Her eldest brother was around to manage the company, so she just had to focus on signing a contract with Lewis & Co.

Once they started working together, Lily could come and visit Duncan often.

"I didn't say I wanted to kick you out. I just felt that you've been staying here for a long time but I guess it doesn't seem that long after all. Let's talk about our partnership during workdays. It's the weekend now, so we should relax instead of talking shop."

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Lily agreed. "I'm like that too. I only talk about work while I'm at work, and no talking shop while I'm resting.

"Duncan, can I ask you some questions?"

Duncan replied, "Go ahead."

"Our parents want us to be a couple, and I'm quite pleased with you. You can say that I like you very much, but it's definitely too early to say that I love you. However, I believe I will be able to fall in love with you with time."

In Lily's eyes, Duncan was her target.

She liked him and wanted to conquer him, but when it came to love... Even she did not believe she loved him now, let alone Duncan.

There was no such thing as love at first sight when it came to them.

"However, you keep running away from me. Is it because I'm not good enough? Or do you have another person in your heart?"

Duncan did not expect Lily to be so blunt about it.

She did not hide anything or beat around the bush. Instead, she asked him directly. This character of hers was quite suitable as a friend.

He looked at Lily. For the first time, he looked at her closely.

He had to admit that she was beautiful and excellent in all aspects. Even someone as picky as his mother was incredibly satisfied with Lily. That was because Lily's conditions were good.

They were both from affluent families. Although they live in different cities, transportation was well-developed now. Even if they were not in the same city, it was not a big problem for two rich families to join in marriage.

For example, the Johnson family from Annenburg and the Lafayette family from Meadspring came together in marriage. Annenburg and Meadspring were very far from each other.

"You're a great person, Ms. Harmon. You're young, pretty, and very capable. You're the ideal daughter–in–law in my mother's eyes."

Lily laughed. "What's the use of being an ideal daughter—in—law in your mom's eyes? I want to know if I'm the ideal wife in your eyes."

Duncan thought about it and said, "I'm very busy at work. If my wife is also busy with work, we'll both have to go out early and come home late every day. There won't be warmth and happiness in the relationship if we don't spend time together as husband and wife."

"So, you want your wife to stay at home and take care of you and your children?"

That was something she could not do.

Even after marrying, she still had to keep her career and be financially independent.

"I wouldn't go that far. I want a wife who has a career but doesn't have to go out early and comes home late every day. I want someone who can allocate half her time caring for the family. I don't care how much money she earns as long as she's happy. I can provide for a family—to support my wife and children."

Duncan unknowingly listed Liberty's current characteristics.

Liberty could be considered having a career now. She had to leave early every day, but she did not have to come back late. Her business was only open for half a day, so the remaining half was free. time for her.

Lily was smart and felt that the conditions Duncan put forward were a perfect match for Liberty, but she did not point it out.

Duncan went to All You Can Eat for breakfast every day and was exceptionally kind to Liberty's son, but there was nothing wrong with that. He probably would not admit it himself that he took a fancy to Liberty.

"Both you and I are busy with work, but if we're willing to find time to take care of our family, I believe we can do it. If we get together like both our parents want, I'll definitely take care of my small family with care. However, it'll be our home, so you also have to take care of it."

Duncan replied. "We're not together yet..."

"I was just making an analogy. Do you think I'm right? If you only want the woman to take care of the family while you enjoy yourself without making an effort, we'll end it here. We will only remain friends and business partners."

What Lily wanted was mutual love, not unconditional effort from just one party.

"You're right, Ms. Harmon. I'm not the kind of person who only cares about enjoying myself and not making the effort to care for my family. Both the man and woman have to work together for a marriage to last. Only then will the couple remain happy."

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Duncan did not like his mother setting him up with girls, but he had to admit that Lily's words were reasonable.

"After talking about it, I think we share similar views, and you also think I'm excellent. Why don't we give it a try? If you still can't fall in love with me, I won't continue to pester you."

It was not like Lily had no other suitors.

Duncan was silent.

"Do you have someone you like, Duncan?"

"No."

Duncan denied that he had someone he liked, but the image of that once—fat figure gradually slimming down flittered in his mind.

He adamantly denied to Zachary and the others that he had any feelings for Liberty.

Why did he suddenly think of her now?

He liked Sonny, not Sonny's mom.

Duncan snapped back to his senses and hurriedly waved Liberty's figure out of his mind, not daring to think about her again.

Lily smiled. "Since you don't have anyone you like, let's give it a try. If you have someone you like, tell me who she is and I'll see how I'm inferior to her. I'll try fighting for you. If I can't win, I'll give up."

She would try her best no matter what she did. If she lost even after trying, she would admit defeat.

There was no shame in admitting defeat since it was like letting herself go. If she refused to admit defeat and stubbornly pestered him, she would be the one getting hurt. It was the same as harming herself.

Duncan said, "I'm too busy to date."

"It won't take much of your time. We'll just go out for meals together, take walks, go on a road trip during the weekends, or watch movies when we're free."

Duncan was speechless.

"Since you don't plan on meeting me halfway, I'll run to you first."

Lily was formally telling Duncan that she wanted to pursue him.

Duncan looked at this brave girl. Her efficient and firm attitude ticked his boxes, but he could not bring himself to agree with her. He always felt that she was not the person he wanted.

"We all have the freedom to like the person we want to like. You can do whatever you want, Ms. Harmon, but don't go home crying to your family and get your elders to teach me a lesson if you get hurt."

Duncan felt that he would not accept Lily's feelings, so he said those unpleasant words bluntly. He wanted Lily to be mentally prepared to lose and not to think about using their parents to pressure him.

The person who could pressure him was no longer alive.

Lily smiled. "Don't worry, I'm not that kind of person."

Duncan stood up and asked, "Do you still want to stroll? Let's go one more lap before going back to the house for a rest. We have a banquet to attend tonight."

Duncan did not intend to accompany his mother to the banquet, but since he was urged to come home, he had no choice but to accompany his mother and Lily to show up together.

However, he would not admit that Lily was his girlfriend.

They were not together yet.

He wondered if Liberty–No, not Liberty. He wondered if Sonny would follow the adults to the banquet today.

Time passed quickly, and evening soon arrived.

Serenity asked her sister again and gave up when Liberty refused firmly. She finally gave up o persuading her sister to come to the banquet.

In Zachary's hilltop villa, he selected a beautiful but somewhat conservative dress from the wardrobe and handed it to Serenity.

"I told you that Liberty wouldn't want to go."

After handing her the gown, he said gently, "You don't have to be too anxious to pull Liberty in the circle. Just let nature take its course."

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Liberty said that there was no need to force herself if she could not meld into the social circle.

When it was time, she could step into the circle naturally without deliberately trying to.

Zachary appreciated that part about his sister-in-law.

She knew her place but did not put herself down.

"Am I wearing this? I don't think it looks good."

Serenity looked at the gown Zachary picked out for her and felt that there was something odd about it. However, she could not pinpoint what it was.

"It's good, it's very good. You have a good figure, good looks, and a great mien. You'll look good in anything."

Serenity held the gown and said, "I'll go pick one myself."

All the clothes in the cloakroom were prepared by Zachary. There were so many different evening gowns that she could open up a dress store.

When Serenity chose her dresses, she only cared if they looked good and did not bother picking the ones that covered the most skin. As a result, every gown she picked was rejected by Zachary.

"Honey, just wear the one I picked for you. I guarantee you'll look noble and grand."

The dress covered her shoulders and back.

Zachary did not dare mention that.

Serenity looked at him, and he smiled at her. "Trust me, honey. If you wear this dress, you'll definitely become the focus of the entire hall."

As long as he was by her side, she would be the center of attention even if she was plainly dressed.

Serenity held the dress in one hand and reached out to flick his forehead with her other hand. "You're so domineering!"

If she did not wear what he selected for her, he would nitpick any dress that she chose for herself. Serenity knew what was going on in that domineering mind of his.

She went to change her clothes while saying, "All the clothes here were given to me by you. Whether they're good or not, aren't they all from you? What difference does it make?"

The dresses she bought for herself as well as the ones given to her by her aunt were all in Brynfield.

Zachary smiled. "That's why I said that it's the same no matter which dress you wear. You're beautiful no matter what."

Serenity grumbled.

She followed his wishes.

After she changed into the gown, she stood in front of a large mirror and finally realized what was off about the dress. This gown was the most conservative of all the dresses. It covered her shoulders, her back, and basically every patch of skin.

The hemline was long and would drag along the ground unless she wore heels.

"Beautiful. My wife is so beautiful. You're really beautiful. I feel like even my face isn't worthy of you."

The man who had ulterior motives felt like he had just drunk a pot of honey. He sang her praises endlessly, but he did not know how to use his synonyms and kept calling her beautiful.

Serenity turned around in amusement and pinched his arm, saying, "Save the flattery. Don't think I don't know what you're thinking. You just don't like the other dresses because they expose my shoulders and back, right?"

"No matter how exposed they are, they don't expose my cleavage. What are you afraid of? I don't wear dresses that expose my cleavage anyway."

Zachary laughed. "My wife is really smart. She's getting smarter by the day. What do I do? I love my wife more and more. I can't leave my wife."

Serenity was speechless. "Can you at least use some synonyms?"

"These are my truest thoughts. They're the sincerest words from my heart."

The man also admitted that he did not know how to embellish his praises like other people did

He only knew how to say the most common phrases.

However, they were his heartfelt words and came from the bottom of his heart.

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