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At six o'clock in the evening, the guests arrived at the Ashton residence. Soon, the Ashton residence became extraordinarily lively. Men and women dressed in extravagant formal attire mingled with each other in the living room and the courtyard.

For three hours, the makeup artists had been applying makeup on Gwendolyn's face in the first guest room on the second floor. Gwendolyn was already exhausted, but she couldn't refuse Michael's kindness.

Having no other choice, she allowed the makeup artists to carry on with their work while she rested her eyes.

Afterward, a stylist picked a gown for Gwendolyn. It was a marine blue high-slit gown made with glittery fabric. After putting on the dress, she looked at herself in the full-length mirror.

The lady in the mirror was breathtaking. Her silhouette was graceful, and the long slit on the gown's hem accentuated her slender legs perfectly.

Nicolette had been sitting and playing video games to pass the time while she waited for Gwendolyn.

Upon hearing the crowd's astonished exclamations, Nicolette lifted her head. Then, she immediately quit the game and got up abruptly. "Gwen, y-you're beautiful!"

After walking to Gwendolyn, Nicolette reached out to caress Gwendolyn's dazzlingly fair arm in awe. "Gwen, when can I be like you?"

was as white as snow—as

think I really appear slightly more beautiful. Usually, I'd only have some lipstick on. This full-face makeup makes me

the stylist packed their belongings, all prepared to

the guest room. A glint of darkness flashed across

a dark expression on Candace's face, she uttered, "Help Felicia

After all, Patrick would attend the event later. Felicia had already told

Candace was

artist, took out her phone, then leaned in and whispered in the latter's ear, "If you can make Felicia prettier than Gwendolyn, I'll give you a big

her eyes darted around

makeup artist was a young lady who wore a mask. Hearing Candace's request,

after all, unremarkable. If she wanted to surpass Gwendolyn in terms of beauty, she might as well go back to

going to be that blunt and simply

glanced at her assistants, and they laid

transferred five thousand to the makeup artist, to which

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After Gwendolyn left the guest room, she called Justin. She was swamped that day and had no time to watch her children. Even though Justin and Julian were present, she was worried that something would happen to Juliette because of their oversight.

Soon, the call was connected. "Mommy."

"Justin, where are you guys? Is Juliette being good today?" Gwendolyn asked.

"Mommy, we're in the main hall. Juliette is dancing, and she's been behaving well today," Justin answered after glancing at Juliette, who had attracted many guests with her performance and was completely immersed in her own fairytale world.

Justin and Julian were perfectly capable of taking proper care of Juliette.

Gwendolyn let out a sigh of relief. "That's great. Many guests will be here today. Bring Juliette with you to the guest room after you guys are done playing and wait for me there. After the banquet, we'll all go home together."

"Okay, Mommy!" Justin responded.

With that, Gwendolyn hung up the phone. Meanwhile, Nicolette was photographing Gwendolyn as she found the latter to be incredibly beautiful. I must take more photos of Gwen and post them on Instagram.

are so handsome. They

time with the three children that day and took a photo of them.

agreed that the three children were drop-dead gorgeous and would undoubtedly grow into

liked the photo, which had never happened before. He must have been impressed

smile, for she was in

at Nicolette from the corner of her eye before replying, "Yeah, they look lovely

sound humble at all. Every mother thought that their children were the loveliest in the

sent someone to go get Gwendolyn, she left Nicolette and

to meet many prominent figures in Avenport,

Although it had been years since she last attended such
onto the stage and formally
microphone in his hand, he
soon as he spoke, everyone in the hall quieted down. At the same time, a group
celebration banquet. She received the best newcomer award in Willowbank's fashion week," Michael
continued, his

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Gwendolyn avoided his gaze as she didn't dare to meet his eyes.

Michael suddenly called out, "Zayden, come over here."

When she heard this, Gwendolyn's heart skipped a beat. She had initially thought that even if Michael
announced her engagement to Zayden, she could still find a way to break it off since she believed that
Patrick would not be present.

However, she was at a loss on what to do now.

With Suzanne's support, Zayden walked up to the stage and stood beside Gwendolyn.

Michael then pointed at him. "Everyone probably knows who this is. He's Zayden Surrington, and my
granddaughter is getting engaged to him soon. This is also something to rejoice about today. Let's get
started on the banquet! I hope everyone has a good time and enjoys the food here!"

With that, the housekeeper took his microphone.

Michael glanced at Zayden and said, "I have publicly left Gwen to you. Please treat her well, Zay."

He placed Gwendolyn's hands in Zayden's, resulting in a smile spreading across the latter's face.

will, Old Mr. Ashton. I'll love and protect her for the

for the ability

only wanted to marry him in

eye-catching, standing in the crowd. His gaze was so

shiver. How did Ms. Ashton get engaged to Mr.

enraged boss, who seemed to be

bullet in his head because of Ms. Ashton. How could Ms. Ashton abandon him like

that the bullet is still in Mr. Lowen's

seemed to be turning out well for them, Gwendolyn found a new

moment, Felicia walked over to them. She was donning a red gown with a long train, which

over to Hector first. "Old

glanced at her with

to your family banquet, Fel. However, I didn't know you have an older sister, and I certainly didn't expect it to be

birth. Now that the children's father is back, my grandfather wanted to clear the air

state it, Hector knew that Gwendolyn's children were

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Gwendolyn supported Zayden as they stood by Michael's side, greeting the guests and reporters.

Gwendolyn's mood was down in the dumps at this moment.

Her eyes were dull, and her mind had gone blank. She was unsure of what she was doing.

She didn't expect Michael to cause such a commotion and even invited the press because she knew he disliked them for writing whatever they wanted without any actual significance.

Lucy was also attending the banquet with Lucas, for Michael had invited the entire upper-class society of the city.

Kevin was also here. He swirled his glass of wine, standing among the crowd.

Lucas asked, "Kev, what is happening?"

Isn't Gwendolyn the woman Pat loves? How could he allow someone to lay his hands on Gwendolyn?

Kevin didn't bring a female companion to this banquet. He took a sip of his wine, and his expression darkened.

"Let's go and see Pat. He's probably not doing well."

of the cameras for an interview, so

what it looks like. Gwendolyn owed Zayden one. Since he's blind now, Gwen is probably repaying him by taking care

knew about Gwendolyn's feelings and knew who

misunderstanding, and the person who was most affected by this predicament was

about her friend. Therefore, she followed Lucas as the latter

toward

took a step back and whispered, "Mr. Surrington is so scary! H-He doesn't hit women, does

that Gwendolyn might

enveloped the anxious woman in an embrace. "He

even has the guts to wrap his arm around

Felicia didn't dare to approach Patrick, she wouldn't miss the opportunity to make

him a faint

anything at this point. He brushed her arm off, causing Felicia to stumble back

and said gently, "Be careful, Ms.

about Gwendolyn's identity, they knew

Has this girl been pretending

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Felicia added, "Patrick, you're just a back-up partner to Gwendolyn. She'd have surely clung on to you if it wasn't for Zayden admitting to Grandpa about what he did before."

Hearing that, Patrick slowly moved his gaze toward her with a smirk on his face.

"You don't have the right to say all that to me. Now, leave."

Even Lucy couldn't take it anymore as she walked toward them.

"What are you bullsh*tting about, Felicia? Gwen is nothing like the woman you said she was. She just had her own reasons. Plus, Zayden is her benefactor, so she's just returning the favor."

After saying that, Lucy turned to Patrick and said, "Mr. Lowen, you need to believe in Gwen. She really does love you. You have to trust her."

Lucas then pulled the agitated Lucy to his side and warned her in a serious tone, "Lucy! Stop causing trouble!"

However, Lucy was still extremely agitated. "Why are you pulling on me? I just don't want him to misunderstand Gwen! Gwen is an amazing woman. You all just don't understand what's going on!"

Gwendolyn's family situation was a complicated one. Michael used to shun her from the family, and Gwendolyn herself had never once claimed that she was from the Ashton family.

Now that Michael wanted to disclose her identity and accept her into the family, Gwendolyn had no right to refuse.

leave Zayden to fend for himself, and no one knew how they even got

was going

this himself, so it doesn't matter what you

never believe in what others say to him, so stop explaining. The more she explains, the

that Patrick would go off on Lucy. Patrick had a knack for scolding, so Lucas was worried that Lucy would cry if Patrick were

as well. The same type of woman Gwendolyn is. Both of them are just looking for a back-up partner so that their children could have someone to

just

them, and he

both fighting? When will you

Felicia's hand and placed both Felicia's and Patrick's

follow me. We'll

brought Gwendolyn

called out, "Old Mr. Ashton, we'll

and Zayden. She showed

a

wary of what people would say about her, so she wanted to be a good mother and a good wife for

her eyes lit up. Why is he

visited him in the hospital. At that time, he was wearing an oxygen mask, so

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Candace, who was about to take off, was dragged by Zachary to where Hector was.

"Hello, Mr. Lowen. We're Fel's parents."

This was their first time formally introducing themselves to Hector. Previously when they met, Hector was in a wheelchair and couldn't speak. He was also wearing a mask at that time.

This time, Hector looked healthy and energetic. He didn't even need to wear a mask anymore.

Candace's eyes went wide with fear. She knew she couldn't escape now. Oh no! What now? Will he ask about the children's whereabouts? Maybe I should say that Fel was the girl from back then.

Hector nodded slightly and said, "Fel is such an outstanding child. You parents must have done well."

On the heels of that, Michael and Hector looked at each other briefly before smiling and giving each other a friendly hug.

"Michael, I promised you a marriage, and now here we are. I didn't break my promise, right?"

Hearing that, Michael smiled. "Yeah!"

Michael actually wanted Gwendolyn to be the one marrying into the Lowen family, but since "that" happened in the past, he couldn't embarrass himself by asking the Lowen family to accept Gwendolyn into their family.

To Michael, everything was settled since Zayden came forward and admitted what he had done. Michael thought that Gwendolyn's innocence was now proven, and she could finally live a dignified life.

waved their hands. "Patrick, Fel, come

Both of you

Gwendolyn, Zayden, Patrick,

linking their arms together as she

and even publicized your identity! I'm truly happy

Gwendolyn, as if she was trying to make everyone present feel that both she and Gwendolyn

now looking at Patrick with anxiousness in her eyes. She didn't know what to

Felicia was holding onto his arm, Gwendolyn only felt hurt, and

the urge to forcefully separate them, but she noticed that Patrick

was looking at Gwendolyn's arm that was linked with Zayden's. However,

what Gwendolyn was feeling.

them were the ones that were in love with each other, but they now stood opposite each other as they linked their arms with someone

with what he saw. His gaze was like a

when he heard what Felicia just said

Zayden's remarks made everyone feel like they were all family,

at the same time, and all four of them can get married on the same

clapped their hands and agreed when they heard

"That's a great idea!"

double happiness for

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Felicia was distracted and lacked the energy to concern herself with Gwendolyn and Zayden at this point. With Grandpa's presence, I highly doubt that Gwendolyn would have the audacity to cause any commotion.

Ultimately, Michael was the one who meant the most to Gwendolyn. In the past, whenever Michael was angry with her, he would give her the silent treatment, ignoring her completely.

Now that Michael had finally accepted Gwendolyn as a member of the Ashton family, it signified his forgiveness. Felicia believed that Gwendolyn would be cautious not to jeopardize the old man's pardon.

Therefore, Felicia was confident that despite Gwendolyn's affection for Patrick and her desire to be with him, she wouldn't dare to make any moves at that moment, considering the current circumstances.

As Felicia contemplated the inner struggles that Gwendolyn had endured, she couldn't help but feel a sense of satisfaction. Felicia reasoned that with her previous actions, Patrick would likely lose all faith in Gwendolyn.

It's likely that Patrick wouldn't want to see Gwendolyn again after this day, and I will soon be Mrs. Lowen.

Candace stood alongside Zachary, observing as Michael and Hector engaged in conversation. Occasionally, Hector and Michael would also exchange words with Candace and Zachary.

Candace was filled with anxiety, dreading the possibility of Hector recognizing her. However, to her surprise, he showed no signs of recognition.

Nevertheless, she couldn't take her eyes off Hector, carefully observing his reactions to determine if he truly didn't recognize her.

Candace found it perplexing why Hector didn't recognize her, and she wondered if he had lost his memory or experienced some event that altered his perception.

fact, due to the secretive nature of the incident that took place years ago, Candace

plagued by

who was surrounded by numerous people nearby, all vying to establish a connection with Patrick. However,

please Felicia. They engaged in conversations with her and raised toasts in her

great joy

Felicia and gently tugged at her, catching her

with me. I need to

was reluctant to leave Patrick's side, as she had put in considerable effort to get close to him,

the people around her, Felicia excused herself and followed Candace

behind her and grabbed Felicia's shoulders, her expression filled with

same old man

was convinced that he wouldn't plot anything against

much contemplation, she deduced that Hector must be concerned about the Lowen family's bloodline coming to an end. As a result, he must have devised a plan to get Gwendolyn pregnant,

a wise and independent-minded grandson, would not be easily coerced into marrying someone against his will. Recognizing this, she concluded that Hector must have

she absorbed the

You told me that person was a sixty to

“And you're saying that the old man is Old Mr.

She connected the dots and realized that the

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After coming to an agreement, the mother and daughter were ready to leave the room and face the guests downstairs.

While walking toward the door, Felicia revealed something voluntarily, “Thankfully, I've hired someone to tamper with Old Mr. Lowen's memory for a hefty sum. Otherwise, things would have gone downhill if he recognized you.”

Candace was taken aback when she heard that.

“You tampered with his memory?”

Felicia chuckled. “Yes, I did. Do you remember Maddy, my university friend? I was nice to her for a reason. Her family is known for being traditional healers and has many ancient books at home that contain peculiar medical knowledge. She even used to hypnotize us in the dorm back then. So I thought it was an interesting skill that could be useful in the future, and I became friends with her. Not too long ago, I contacted her family to help cure Old Mr. Lowen, and they were able to successfully treat him. In addition, I asked them to manipulate his memories after he fell ill.”

Felicia took these actions because she had noticed the strange way Hector looked at Gwendolyn. It was clear that he was fond of Gwendolyn.

Felicia could see Hector's intentions, and to ensure that everything went smoothly, she made the difficult decision to tamper with Hector's memories, causing him to not recognize Gwendolyn.

Candace laughed and hugged Felicia.

“You did a good job, Fel!”

She couldn't help but notice that her daughter was taking after her as Felicia seemed to have a sense of planning and calculation, carefully considering each step she took.

At the dining area, Zayden was lounging on the couch while Gwendolyn had brought him some food and was feeding him.

moment of being personally fed by Gwendolyn. He felt

Zayden acted as if he hadn't noticed the man and continued to open his mouth for

grip on her hand, and she

not expecting Patrick to approach her. She quickly glanced around,

voice was cold as

the plate in her hand

and asked, "Who

that he had

up. Just stay seated and don't move,"

when

Gwendolyn out of the Ashton residence, practically shoving her into the car. He quickly followed suit and got

commanding voice, Patrick ordered

time, as his boss' face was terrifying, resembling a hungry lion ready

brows furrowed as she spoke, "I'm sorry, Patrick! I can't

couldn't abandon the three children and her grandfather who were still inside the Ashton residence, and that was why

Gwendolyn felt a shiver run down her

raised her voice and urgently

upon hearing Gwendolyn's plea. However, Patrick's voice turned icy as he questioned, "Who

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Gwendolyn found Patrick a little unfamiliar when she saw how disappointed he was.

She didn't know how to put it into words at the moment.

Still, she was concerned about her three children, so she turned to look in the direction of the Ashton residence. "Patrick, could you stop the car, please? I want to go back."

Patrick's expression changed when he heard that. He abruptly pinned her against the car window, and Gwendolyn's head hurt from the impact.

She widened her eyes as the handsome man emanated a chilly vibe. His eyes were dark and seemingly bottomless, making Gwendolyn feel as if she was about to be sucked into his gaze.

"Gwendolyn, are you still thinking about Zayden?"

The woman shook her head. "No, I'm worried about my children."

Patrick didn't believe anything she said at the time. From his perspective, the children were just her excuse.

His large hand gripped her chin tightly as if he wanted to crush her jaw. "Tell me, Gwendolyn. Do you love me?"

A certain someone had always been very confident, and he was absolutely confident in everything he did.

confidence

everything we had been through together...

stunned for a moment after hearing that. Does he not know whether I love him or not? I've already given myself to him.

mindsets. Men could have sex without love, but

and he had to ask her

so the two just stared at each other. Since a certain someone was overly tense, his head began

furrowed, and the pain was simply

let go of her, sat back in his seat, and said

the car obediently. Gwendolyn opened the door, got out of the car, and watched as Patrick's car drive at the car as it

This night has

he calms down first! I will explain everything to him later, and I will also explain everything clearly to Grandpa as

that way, and she hitched up her skirt

Ashton residence after walking for about half

banquet had ended, and Zachary and Candace were seeing the guests off. When Zachary saw her entering the residence, he complained, "Where have you been? You are the star of the banquet.

should go and get some rest. I'll take care

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I must not, under any circumstances, allow this information to be leaked out.

The housekeeper arrived just then to look for Gwendolyn. "Ms. Ashton, Old Mr. Ashton is looking for you. He is waiting for you in your room."

Gwendolyn nodded her head in response. "All right. I'll head over there right away."

Candace decided not to follow Gwendolyn after hearing that. After all, if Michael was looking for Gwendolyn and she kept following her, he would not be pleased if he heard about it.

Nevertheless, she had to find a way to keep Gwendolyn away from the Lowen family.

Candace stood rooted to her spot and thought of the three children, so she called a housekeeper over, "Have you seen Ms. Gwendolyn's three children? Where are they?"

The housekeeper lifted her hand and pointed to a spot nearby. "They're playing over there."

The record player was still playing music, and the little girl was dancing while the two little boys sat on the couch, not paying attention to her. Their heads were hung low, and they appeared to be playing with something.

Candace rushed over. Those two boys were too smart and difficult to deal with. I had previously wanted to pull the little girl's hair, but those two would not let me get close to her.

Now that there was an opportunity, Candace dashed over to Juliette's side. "Juliette, your mommy asked me to take you to her."

hand and pulled a few strands of Juliette's hair.

cried out in

at Candace coldly, then asked Juliette in a soft voice, "What's wrong,

and her daughter. Mommy said they were evil. Hence, we

pointed at the woman. "She pulled my hair. It

kept his gaze fixated on Candace's hand, which held

walked over, grabbed her wrist, and snatched Juliette's hair back. "What are you doing

only five years old, they knew a lot, and they were well

boy to be that strong. The force with which he clasped her wrist

just like that. The two boys were a pain the neck and weren't easy to deal

and cooked up an excuse for her actions, saying, "I saw some bugs in her hair, so I caught them for her. I was just trying

still crying due

Julian comforted her while stroking her head with

little girl bobbed her

her head in

glance at the woman, a cold look glinting in his eyes. Following that,