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Chapter 1671: Jeanne Helps Nox

“By the way.” Finn changed the topic slightly. “You said you owe Shelly a favor.

When did you two meet?”

Speaking of that... Monica got a little angry again, but Finn had no idea what he had said wrong.

Monica gritted her teeth and said, “Weren't you drugged back then? And you and Sarah got a hotel room together?”

Finn pursed his lips. That incident happened hundreds of years ago.

“If Shelly hadn't informed me, Sarah would've been the one who slept with you!” The more Monica spoke, the angrier she got.

“No, I would never do it with her,” Finn immediately retorted.

He would never do it with Sarah even if he had to go crazy from the effects of the drug.

“Who knows? You were so desperate back, so how could you not have done it with her?” Monica did not believe him. “Didn't you hate me to the core back then? Yet, you still did it with me.”

That was right. He did hate her to the core. However, because it was her, he still did it.

“Finn, do you know what was the first thing you did to me after we did it?” Monica asked.

At the thought of what happened back then, she was furious. She had waited happily for his love and given her first time to him, only for him to abuse her that way.

Her heart still ached when she thought about it. It was probably the most heartbreaking thing that had happened in her life. Back then, Finn had truly broken her heart, and she might have subconsciously told herself that Finn no longer loved her.

"I'm sorry," Finn apologized.

At that time, he truly did not want to be with Monica anymore because Monica had hurt him too deeply. Hence, when he found out that he had slept with Monica, he was crushed. He was afraid that he would lose control of himself and decide to be with Monica again, even though she had hurt him.

That was why he vented all his anger on Monica. At the end of the day, it was because he loved her too much but also had to stop himself from acting out of impulse that he said those cruel words.

"After I saw you leave in despair, I went after you," Finn explained guiltily.

Monica frowned slightly. She was hurt so badly back then that she never thought Finn would come looking for her. In fact, she thought that Finn did not love her anymore.

Finn continued, "But when I went after you, I saw you hugging Michael."

Monica bit her lips. She had chosen Michael because Finn had broken her heart and her feelings for him were dead.

"Monica." Finn hesitated before saying, "After that, I regretted what I did to you. Although I wasn't conscious that night, I subconsciously knew that I could do it with you. I'm a principled person, and I won't do it with just anyone. If it's not someone I want to do it with, I won't do it no matter what."

Monica bit her lip and looked at Finn, feeling a little emotional. If they had not brought it up, she would have forgotten everything that had happened in the past.

"I won't fuss over it with you," Monica said, as if she was telling herself to let go of it.

After all, it was all in the past. Moreover, Sarah was indeed there at that time, and Finn still chose to be with her in the end. She believed she could forgive Finn for that, but...

She said very seriously, "The experience you gave me that time was really bad."

"Huh?" Finn was caught off guard.

"The experience of that night," Monica explained clearly.

Finn could answer any other question, but that question made him choke.

"So, Finn, you must learn to pleasure me." Monica said with a straight face, "Otherwise, I won't forgive you."

"Alright." Finn agreed.

Just like that, the conflict between them was resolved. It was because they truly loved each other that they could not bear to let the past affect their relationship. Now, they wanted to cherish each other even more.

Suddenly, in the quiet car, Monica's phone rang.

She glanced at the caller ID and answered the call. "Jeannie." "Didn't you say you have a prenatal checkup today? How are the two babies?"

"The doctor said everything is normal," Monica quickly replied..

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"Could you see their genders?" Jeanne asked curiously.

Monica's mood instantly worsened, and Jeanne could read Monica's emotions immediately.

"Are they boys?"

"One is," Monica replied.

"That's good. A daughter and a boy, what a good match."

"No." Monica said, "One is a boy, and the other hasn't been confirmed yet." Jeanne remained silent.

"Actually, it's not bad to have two boys. I like George." Monica started to comfort herself.

Jeanne could not help but laugh. "That's true."

"No, it's not! I must have a daughter!" Monica suddenly lost her temper.

It seemed she could not accept that she was having two sons. She loved Finn so much that she really wanted to give him a mini version of her.

"Calm down. Pregnant women should try not to get angry. It's not good for the babies."

"Are you sure that's true?"

"Yes. Otherwise, why would the doctors advise you to stay calm?" Jeanne said seriously.

Monica was convinced.

"By the way, are you heading back now?" Jeanne asked.

"Yeah." Monica nodded. "I really can't stand how slow Finn is driving. Anyone with a heart attack will have a relapse!"

"You have to understand that he's a new father."

If not, what else could he do?

"Take good care of yourself. I'll hang up now." Jeanne just wanted to ask about how Monica was doing and nothing else.

However, Monica quickly stopped her. "Wait, I have something to tell you."

"That sc*m, Nox." Monica planned to tell Jeanne about Nox.

"Did he offend you?"

"Have you seen the news about him?" Monica asked.

"I have." Jeanne, on the other hand, was calm. "I had a feeling this day would come."

"...How did you know?"

"Isn't it karma?"

"That's true." Monica was instantly calm.

"What do you want to say about him?"

"He's now pursuing Shelly, and it also seems to us that's what he's doing, right? And we think there's nothing wrong with it, even though it might be a little difficult for him to woo her over. But do you know

the truth? Shelly has a boyfriend now, and Nox is deliberately ruining her relationship. He doesn't like Shelly at all." Monica said through gritted her teeth.

Jeanne frowned and immediately denied it. "That's not possible. Shelly and Nox have no grudges against each other, so Nox would never take revenge on Shelly like this."

"That's why I said he's a sc*mbag!"

"I think there might be a misunderstanding. No matter how bad Nox is as a person, he can't be that bad."

"I think you're biased toward Nox," Monica said angrily

"I'm just stating the facts. How about this?" Jeanne did not want to anger the pregnant woman, so she said, "I'll ask Nox what's going on."

"Make sure you get him to tell you what's going on, or don't blame me for being rude to him."

"Why do you care so much?" Jeanne was a little amused.

"Shelly helped me once, and I can't just stand by and watch her get bullied by

Nox."

"I see." She knew Monica would not be so nosy to meddle in other people's business, so she nodded. "Alright, I'll clarify the situation first." "Okay, remember to reply to me once you've clarified it with him."

"Alright."

As soon as Jeanne hung up, she did not hesitate to call Nox. Nox had once saved her life, so her impression of Nox had also changed, and he was not just Edward's friend anymore.

When Nox saw Jeanne's phone call, he knew that Jeanne wanted to ask about his relationship, just like Monica.

He picked up the call and said in despair, "Yes, I'm pursuing Shelly. I've fallen in love with her. If you want to take a jab at me, go ahead! After that, I have something important to do."

Jeanne was speechless. She could not believe that Nox was still so stupid after so many years.

"I'm not taking a jab at you. I just want to ask you, do you really like Shelly?"

"Nonsense, if I don't like her, why would I do all that to woo her over? I still have an image to keep! I'm a big shot in Harken!"

"I heard Shelly has a boyfriend?"

...Yes." Nox paused before he admitted, "She does have a boyfriend, but I can't accept it. I can't stand seeing her with any other man, so I want to snatch her back for myself, and I will do anything to get her back to my side! If you want to look down on me, go ahead. Anyway, that's who I am.. I'm just that bad of a person!"

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Jeanne felt that Nox was crazy over Shelly.

She said, "Tell me about your situation with Shelly. I'll help you see if there's still hope between the two of you."

"I don't want to tell you." Nox refused. "If I tell you, you'll definitely look down on me"

It meant he knew how bad he really was.

"Just say it. I won't look down on you." Jeanne tried to persuade him nicely. "You're my savior. How would I dare to look down on you? I just want to help you and repay your kindness."

Just like that, Nox was persuaded.

In fact, he had been very depressed recently. He could not tell anyone about the feelings that he had bottled up within him because he knew that if he said it, everyone would think he was evil. Hence, he would rather lie to himself.

However, Jeanne's sudden kindness made him let down his guard and tell her everything. He also told her about his extremely vile methods, which he did not feel comfortable with doing, and found himself despicable. Now that he had poured his heart out, he felt much better.

Jeanne, on the other hand, just listened to Nox explain his situation with frustration. The more she listened, the uglier her expression became.

Nox was really making a fool of himself. She had no idea how the dignified young master of the Winters, the most popular person in Harken, would embarrass himself like that! Other than Nox, no one else in this world could do that to himself.

"Now that you've heard everything, give me your advice," Nox said anxiously.

"I don't know what advice to give you." Jeanne chuckled.

If it were anyone else, she would call him a sc*mbag. However, because Nox had saved her life, she could not be disrespectful to her savior. "As a bystander, I would advise you to let go," Jeanne said bluntly.

"Jeanne!" Nox flew off the handle.

"After all, you're just courting death by doing this. Have you ever thought that even if you destroy Shelly and Benjamin's relationship, Shelly might not accept you? Not only will she not accept you, but she will also hate you even more," Jeanne said.

"I'm not afraid of her hating me. I just want to be with her. I can't bear seeing her with any man." Nox was exasperated and crushed.

"As long as she comes back to me, it doesn't matter whether she likes me or not. I just don't want her to be with another man."

"After you've done everything to get her back to your side, you will want her to love you. Humans are insatiable. Once you get what you want, you'll want more. You'll never be satisfied," Jeanne said bluntly.

"Not me. I'm a simple person; if I like it, I'll take it for myself. As long as she belongs to me, I won't ask much of her," Nox said with certainty.

It was with that thought in mind that he could go against his conscience and use all those despicable methods to get Shelly.

Jeanne had a feeling that Nox would not listen to anything she said now.

Hence, she took a deep breath and asked, "Do you really have to have Shelly?"

"I have to have her no matter what. No one can stop me, not even Edward! Unless you kill me!" Nox enunciated each word firmly.

Jeanne thought about it for a moment. Considering Nox was so determined, she could only go against her conscience and help him. After all, the final result would be the same, and it would be better if... she could help soften the blow.

Jeanne said, "I'll help you to woo Shelly. Stop using those suicidal methods." "Did I hear correctly?" Nox raised his eyebrows.

He could not believe that Jeanne would help him. On the contrary, he thought she would curse and lecture him.

"I must return your kindness," Jeanne said bluntly.

"I suddenly realize that you do have a conscience. No wonder Edward likes you so much," Nox, who was grouchy just a moment ago, said smugly.

"How do you plan to help me? Shelly doesn't like me. She even hates me to the core! "

The man's self-awareness rendered Jeanne speechless.

"Aren't you pursuing Shelly now? You can go ahead but don't use such a stupid method. Instead, write a short essay where you sincerely admit your mistakes, repent, and then write out your feelings for her. Show it to me after you're done."

"Damn, I've never been good at writing." Nox broke down. "I'll find someone to write it for me."

"Do you think Shelly can't tell that someone else wrote it? How dare you say you like Shelly when you're so insincere? To think you have to get someone else to write your confession."

"But I really can't write."

"Then, forget it." Jeanne said, "I don't think I need to help someone who only says that he likes me."

"...I'll write it!" Nox gritted his teeth.

"Write it out today."

"Alright."

"I'll be waiting for your masterpiece." Jeanne smiled.

For some reason, Nox felt that Jeanne was tricking him.. However, since he had done so much, he did not care about his image anymore!

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It took all of Nox's brain cells to work for him to finally come up with an affectionate confession essay.

For someone like him who did not know how to write and found writing torturing, he wrote quite a bit in the end. Although the sentences did not make sense sometimes, he still expressed what needed to be expressed.

Jeanne read it for a while, and Nox waited for Jeanne's reaction on the phone. For some reason, he was very nervous, just like when he was young and waiting for his teacher to mark his homework. He could not believe courting a woman could make him feel that way!

“So?” Nox was getting so anxious that he could not calm down. After reading it, Jeanne said, “Sure.”

“Really?” Nox was shocked. He did not expect it to pass in one draft.

He thought that according to Jeanne's strict standards, he would have to make at least 10 drafts, so he found it hard to believe that it was passed in one draft.

“Really.” Jeanne said bluntly, “It's not bad. It's much better than I expected.”

Nox instantly smiled. That man was very easy to satisfy, and he even said smugly, “I can't help it. I'm just that talented.”

Jeanne could not be bothered to burst his bubble and tell him that it was not talent but rather, true feelings. His words may be simple, but because he wrote with his true feelings, it was touching. That was also the reason why Jeanne was reading it for a long time.

In reality, Jeanne had told Nox to write it not only because she wanted to use it, but also because she wanted to know if Nox truly liked Shelly. After all, Nox had too many records. If it were just for fun, there was no need for her to help Nox break up a couple. She, too, would feel guilty. However, if he truly liked her, even if it was a little immoral, she could convince herself to understand it because it was true love.

"Should we post it now?" Nox asked enthusiastically. After getting Jeanne's approval, Nox was on cloud nice.

"No." Jeanne rejected him directly.

"No? If I don't post it, how am I going to let Shelly know that I like her?" Nox did not understand what Jeanne wanted to do.

"No matter what you write now, you'll never convince Shelly that you like her. Instead, she'll think that you're deliberately making things difficult for her and be more disgusted by your actions." Jeanne explained it clearly. "I didn't tell you to write the essay for Shelly."

"That was not what you said to me just now!" Nox threw a fit again.

He had used up everything in him to write that essay, but it turned out that Jeanne was toying with him!

"If I didn't say it was for Shelly, would you have written it?"

"In that case, who are you showing it to? Damn it, don't tell me it's just to satisfy your evil interests!" Nox questioned.

Jeanne rolled her eyes and said, "You don't have to worry about it. I'll try my best to help you." "What exactly are you trying to do?"

"I won't tell you yet."

"Why?"

"It's too despicable. I don't want a single soul to know."

Nox was speechless.

"Anyway, just wait for my news." Jeanne immediately hung up the phone, not wasting any more time.

After hanging up, she quickly gave Edward a call. "Ed."

"Jeannie, it's rare for you to think of me."

She pursed her lips and said, "I'm going out tonight, so I won't be eating at home. I'll leave the two children to you."

Edward was unhappy.

"I'll try my best to come back early." Jeanne could also sense Edward's emotions.

That man could be really petty sometimes. "What are you doing out at night?" Edward asked.

"To do something big."

"Huh?" Edward raised his eyebrows.

"For Nox." Jeanne was also speechless.

"What are you going to do for him?"

"Is Nox your friend? Didn't you see the news about him?"

"Oh, I did," Edward replied.

It was clear that he had seen it but did not take it to heart. She felt sorry for Nox for how indifferent Edward was to him.

After all, Nox would do anything for Edward, but Edward, on the other hand... If she were Nox, she would be so angry at him.

"You can tell that Nox is having a hard time." Jeanne said, "That's why I'm helping him.."

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"He'll be fine in a few days," Edward said lightly.

Jeanne shook her head. At the thought of that essay, she did not think Nox would recover so quickly. It had become a thorn in his heart that he would never be able to get rid of for the rest of his life.

"Let's just leave it at that." Jeanne could not be bothered to explain herself. Besides, Edward might not believe her anyway.

"Say you love me," Edward suddenly requested.

Jeanne's heart skipped a beat. Edward was really...

Nevertheless, she gritted her teeth and said, "Hubby, I love you."

Edward was stunned for a few seconds before he reacted. "What did you call me again?"

"Didn't you hear it just now?" Jeanne blushed.

She was clearly very embarrassed, yet that man had the nerve to tell her to say it again.

"I want to hear it again."

"No," Jeanne refused. "I'm hanging up."

Then, before Edward could say anything, she hung up abruptly. Even after hanging up, her face was a little flushed. She had been with Edward for so many years, yet the man could still make her heart race. Edward was a man who could easily make women lose control.

Jeanne took a deep breath to distract herself and thought for a moment before giving Monica a call.
"Monica."

"Have you asked about the situation?" Monica asked somewhat excitedly.

"Yes, Nox does like Shelly a lot, but he's a sc*mbag," Jeanne explained.

"F*ck, I knew I couldn't have any hope for that idiot, Nox. Does he even know what love is?" Monica cursed.

At that moment, Finn reminded her, "Calm down." Jeanne laughed with the phone next to her ear.

She said, "Don't get angry. I'll handle Nox's matter."

"Handle? Just drag Nox out and beat him up. I'd like to see how smug he can be to bully Shelly."

"As a pregnant woman, you shouldn't care so much about it." Jeanne did not reveal her plan. "Give me Sarah's number. I have something to ask her."

"Alright." Monica did not suspect anything and quickly passed Sarah's number to Jeanne.

Jeanne called Sarah as soon as she got the latter's number.

"Hello."

"Hi, Sarah, I'm... Candice," Jeanne said after a pause.

In the eyes of the public, she was still Candice.

"Candice..." Sarah did not seem to know who it was at first, so she mumbled to herself before shouting, "You're the Leader's wife!"

The moment she came to her senses, she was shocked. To the commoners like her, they would still treat their leaders with respect.

"Yes, I found you through Monica."

"Why are you looking for me?" Sarah was very excited. It was as if she would agree to anything Jeanne told her to do.

"I'd like to ask, do you have Benjamin's phone number?"

There was an obvious pause on the other end. After a long while, Sarah asked, "Are you looking for him for Nox's sake?"

With just a little bit of effort, she could figure out the relationship.

"Yes." Jeanne did not hide anything. "There are some things I'd like to discuss with Benjamin alone."

"Benjamin and Shelly are in love." Sarah had her own principles to uphold.

"I don't disapprove of their relationship, and I'm not saying I have to break them up. I just want to have a better idea of their relationship. No matter what the outcome is, I want to give Nox an explanation," Jeanne said bluntly.

The other party hesitated for a moment before giving Benjamin's phone number to Jeanne.

Sarah also did not forget to add, "Nox is a jerk. If possible, I hope you can persuade or even force him to stop hurting Shelly."

Jeanne did not agree because she and Nox had the same goal. However, at that moment, she could not help but sigh. For the sake of helping Nox, she was no longer a good person!

Jeanne stared at Benjamin's phone number for a long time until she finally decided to call him.

When the call went through, she heard a voice from the other end. "Hello." "Hello." Jeanne's voice was calm. "I'm Candice Swan."

The person on the other end was stunned.

"The wife of Edward, the Leader of Harken." Jeanne introduced herself using her full name.

Benjamin was shocked. "Madam, to what do I owe the pleasure of your call?" He also sounded a little nervous.

"Don't be nervous." Jeanne comforted him. "I do have something to talk to you about. Is it convenient for you to meet me?"

"Why are you looking for me?" Benjamin did not seem to believe her.

After all, why would such a big shot meet him alone?

Chapter 1676: Jeanne Makes Her Move

Everything that had happened in the past few days was bizarre to him. Out of the blue, he had gotten a chance to study abroad, and now, he was having a personal audience with the Leader's wife.

"I want to talk to you alone about Nox and Shelly. Don't worry, I won't threaten you. I just want to talk to you on behalf of Nox."

There was obvious hesitation on the other end, but Jeanne did not give Benjamin a chance to refuse. "I've sent the address to your phone. I'll go over and wait for you now. See you there."

The moment she was about to hang up the phone, Jeanne thought of something. "It's best not to tell Shelly about this. Telling her won't change anything. It will only add to her burden."

After saying that, Jeanne hung up. She knew very well that if Benjamin was given a choice, he would not agree to meet her.

At that moment, Benjamin was standing on the balcony of Shelly's house, and Shelly was with Bella inside.

He had picked up the call on the balcony because he saw an unknown number, thinking it must be about studying abroad again, and did not want to talk about it in front of Shelly. However, he did not expect the Leader's wife to call him personally.

In fact, he knew very well why she was looking for him. Nox had such a good relationship with the Leader, so he was naturally here to help Nox.

He turned to look at Shelly and Bella, who were both smiling happily in the living room. It was a heartwarming scene, but he felt a little bitter because his abilities were limited. In the current social environment, he was not even equivalent to an ant, and it gave him an inferiority complex about his status.

Benjamin took a deep breath and walked into the living room. He said to Shelly, "I have something to do."

Shelly was stunned that he was going to go out tonight when he would be leaving tomorrow.

Benjamin could also see the sadness in Shelly's eyes, so he said, "There's really something."

"Will you be back tonight?" Shelly smiled faintly.

She would never make things difficult for Benjamin.

"I'll try my best." He did not say that he would be back, only that he would try his best.

Shelly nodded silently, even though she was a little upset, and seeing her upset also made Benjamin's heart ache. However, he held himself back from saying the words he was about to say.

He said, "You don't have to wait for me for dinner tonight. I'll only be back after dinner. "

After all, it was already dinner time.

"Alright." Shelly nodded.

Benjamin looked at Shelly, wanting to say something, but he chose to remain silent. Then, he got up and left Shelly's house, heading straight to the address on his phone.

When Benjamin arrived at the high-class restaurant, the restaurant had been cleared. After all, that was the only way for important figures to be in public spaces, and as a commoner, it made him feel inferior.

Led by the staff, Benjamin walked into a private room, and inside sat a distinguished woman, who he thought he would never be able to meet in his life. Now that he had seen her in person, he could not help but feel a little excited.

He greeted her politely, "Madam."

Jeanne turned to look at Benjamin with a gentle smile. "Have a seat. Let's have dinner together."

Benjamin was nervous as he sat opposite Jeanne.

Jeanne appeared very easygoing. "I didn't know what you would eat, so I just ordered some food. Please help yourself."

"I'm not a picky eater."

"Great." Jeanne nodded. "In that case, please help yourself to more food."

Seeing that she was friendly, Benjamin gradually felt more relaxed. As the two of them ate dinner together, Jeanne did not bring up the talk, and neither did Benjamin, not until dinner was over.

When the waiter served the dessert, Jeanne said casually, "Benjamin, I'm here to talk about Nox and Shelly."

"Shelly and I are in love," Benjamin told Jeanne seriously.

He had probably thought it through about how to answer her.

Jeanne nodded. "I know, and I approve of your relationship."

"If that's the case, as the Leader's wife, you shouldn't force me to break up with Shelly." Benjamin mustered his courage and said.

It seemed he was prepared to defy her. No matter what, Harken was a country governed by law. Even if she had a high status, she could not suppress him for no reason!

"You're mistaken. I'm not forcing you to break up. I just want to understand your relationship with Shelly. I don't deny that I'm on Nox's side. After all, Nox saved my life, and to repay his kindness, I can't turn my back on him.."

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"I heard that you're going abroad." Jeanne ate the dessert as she said. She did not put on any airs, not wanting Benjamin to feel pressured.

"Yes, I'm going abroad, but that doesn't mean I'm breaking up with Shelly.

We've agreed that I'll go abroad to study, and she'll wait for me in the country."

Benjamin said firmly, "A year of separation will not affect our relationship."

Jeanne chuckled. She was not mocking Benjamin but Nox, who was really stupid when it came to relationships. She had no idea what he was thinking when he decided to use such despicable methods.

"It's true. A year isn't long," she said. "People who are truly in love can overcome the distance."

"I believe that my relationship with Shelly will withstand the distance."

"I believe so too." Jeanne nodded. "Actually, my husband and I were separated for many years before we got together. I've never felt that the distance was too much of a trouble."

Benjamin was surprised. According to the rumors about the relationship between the Leader and his wife, they had never been separated.

Jeanne saw Benjamin's confusion but did not explain. Instead, she said bluntly, "I do approve of your relationship with Shelly, but I don't approve of your family's acceptance of Shelly."

Benjamin suddenly became speechless. He was full of confidence just a moment ago, but now, he was getting a little emotional.

Seeing that, Jeanne said calmly, "Do you think your parents will accept Shelly?"

"I will try my best to make them accept her."

"Actually, you know very well that'll be difficult," Jeanne said directly. "No family can accept their child marrying a woman with a child and a bad reputation, especially an ordinary family like yours. They definitely won't accept a girl like Shelly."

Benjamin gritted his teeth. "I will change my parents' mindset, and they will accept her. Even if they don't accept it, I'll still be with Shelly."

"So, are you saying that if your parents don't accept her, you'll cut ties with them?"

Benjamin's body tensed up. It was obvious that Benjamin was a very filial person, and there was no way he would do that to his parents.

"Benjamin, you know your parents' views. Shelly can't get your family's approval unless you cut ties with them, but can you really do that? You can't, and Shelly won't let you do that for her. You should know what kind of person Shelly is."

"These are all uncertain. Without doing it, no one will know the outcome," Benjamin retorted.

"Yes, we're talking about what might happen in the future." Jeanne said bluntly, "Is it because you know it might happen that you refuse to think about it? Why are you choosing to be so stubborn?"

"I'm not stubborn. I'm just pursuing my love life!" Benjamin was irritated by what Jeanne said. "People like you, who can get married for money and power, will never know what true love is!"

Jeanne pursed her lips. She could understand why Benjamin lost his temper, so she did not mind.

She said bluntly, "Benjamin, I'm telling you about a problem between you and Shelly. It has nothing to do with true love."

"Because it's true love, we can overcome it!" Benjamin was very sure. "No." Jeanne denied it directly. "You can't give Shelly happiness."

Benjamin's expression was ugly.

"Shelly has been through so much recently. She has been cyberbullied, forced by Nox, and even insulted by your parents. Did you help her?" She did not react to Benjamin's expression and simply stated a fact.

"Even if you don't want to admit it, you have to admit that you can't do anything for Shelly. It's not just now. No matter how impressive you are when you come back from studying overseas or how big you are in the future, you are nothing before Nox. If he really wants to do something to you, he can make it so that you can't live in Harken."

Benjamin clenched his fists. He knew he could not compare to Nox no matter how hard he tried, and that was why he felt he was useless.

"But if Shelly is with Nox, Shelly can enjoy all the glory and wealth in this world, including the love that Nox's family has for her. You should know that Shelly grew up in the Winters to be Nox's wife, right?" Jeanne asked.

Benjamin did not answer.

"It's better to just get it over with. I know you don't want to, but the best outcome for you and Shelly is to break up." Jeanne said very sincerely, "Two people are together because they want a better life, not to drag each other down. By breaking up with Shelly, you'll be giving each other the happiness and freedom you both deserve."

"I admit that what you said is true. When I'm with Shelly, I can't give her anything other than feelings. I can't deny that my parents are fixed on their perception of Shelly, but even if we break up, it doesn't mean that Shelly will be with Nox. You don't know how much Shelly hates Nox!"

Chapter 1678: The Breakup

Jeanne watched indifferently as Benjamin lost control of his emotions. In fact, she could understand Benjamin's point of view, and she did not think that she was doing the right thing. However, Benjamin and Shelly would both have a better life if they were separated.

Of course, love could not be measured by material things sometimes, and she was just looking for an excuse to deceive herself.

Jeanne took out Nox's affectionate confession to Shelly and placed it in front of Benjamin, who looked at her in surprise. He did not understand what she meant.

"This is Nox's love letter. You can take a look at it. The writing may be sh*t, but you can tell that he's sincere," Jeanne explained.

Benjamin held himself back and did not take it.

"Your biggest worry is whether Shelly will fall in love with Nox. In fact, it's not difficult to love someone. I think you know very well why Shelly liked you back then. It was because you treated her well enough and allowed her to experience what it was like to be pampered and valued that she gradually developed feelings for you. Nox could do the same." Jeanne looked at Benjamin, who looked sad but was still holding back his emotions.

She lowered her head and ate her dessert before saying slowly, "You can think it through. Do you want to break up and let it go, or do you want to fight for your relationship together? No one knows which of the two choices is better. I'm just a bystander, and I can only tell you what I think. In the end, I won't force you to choose. However, I can guarantee that as long as you choose to be Shelly, I will try to persuade Nox to let go."

Benjamin did not seem to believe that the person in front of him would suddenly say that.

Jeanne could also sense his doubts, but she did not explain herself further. She only reminded him in a very cautious tone, "But I hope you can consider everything before you make a decision."

After that, Jeanne stood up and was about to leave. That was all she could do for Nox — take advantage of the innocent relationship between Benjamin and Shelly.

If Benjamin really wanted Shelly to live a better life, he would choose to let go; if he did not let go, she would not question him. It could only mean that

Benjamin was braver than she thought and was confident that he could give Shelly a better life. Those were all Benjamin's choices.

Just as Jeanne had walked out of the door, Benjamin suddenly stopped her.

“Madam. ”

Jeanne turned to look at him.

“In your eyes, are poor people not worthy of love?” Benjamin questioned her.

Jeanne felt a sharp pain in her heart. She could feel Benjamin's sadness. It was the sorrow of giving up. As expected, Nox had made her do something cruel.

“No.” Jeanne said bluntly, “Two people are suited to be together when they are of equal social status.”

“Do you think I'm not good enough for Shelly?”

“The so-called equal social status is not about birth rights or family background. In terms of birth rights and family background, you and Shelly are naturally more compatible, but what I'm referring to is your social status in the future. You and Shelly have better options that you can look forward to in the future, but if you stay together, you'll become a burden to each other. I won't say how far you two will go together in a few decades, but I can see that in the next few years, you both will have a hard time. You will be doing each other a favor by letting each other go.”

Benjamin sneered. In the end, he was not capable enough. If he were, he would not be threatened by anyone. However, he could not guarantee right now that he would be able to give Shelly a better life in the future, so he did not dare to take the risk.

When Jeanne left the private room, Benjamin sat alone in the private room and finally picked up the letter Nox wrote. He opened it and read the words inside.

“Shelly, I'm Nox. I'm writing this letter to tell you how much I like you. No, I

don't like you; I love you.

“I don't know if I'm suffering from some strange illness. There are so many women out there, but why do I insist on pursuing you? It's obvious that I used to hate you. The sight of you annoyed me and reminded me of my friends mocking me, commenting that I had an ugly companion. You probably knew back then that I wanted to chase you away all the time!

“In fact, I did get what I wanted. When you were 18 years old, I had an accident and my legs were crippled. During that time, I lived with you for a year to shut my grandfather up. That year, I treated you really badly. Now that I think about it, I was worse than a beast. How could I turn my back on you after I slept with you? I even deliberately defamed you in front of my parents and said you had an affair with another man..”

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“Damn it. Now that I think about how I told Benjamin to pursue you, I realize how f*cking crazy I was and wish I could kill myself for it. If you didn't leave that year, you wouldn't be with Benjamin now, and you wouldn't like him. If only you didn't like him.

“Even in my dreams, I wish I could go back to that year we spent together. I would've definitely treated you right and agree to marry you and have children with you. However, it's too late now because the person you like is Benjamin, not me.

“After you stopped liking me, I realized I regret it all. Seeing you with Benjamin made me angry, and seeing you smile at Benjamin made me jealous. Even I couldn't believe that I could cry.

“But what could I do? Should I watch you be together with another man? No. It's torturing as hell, and that was why I chose to use such a despicable method to get you.

“Do you know why I forced you to admit that you drugged me in front of the media? It was because I wanted you to admit defeat and return to my side. If you said you didn't want to do it, I wouldn't have forced you to do it. However, your attitude was too cold. You even told me that you didn't want me to come looking for you again if you helped me that time! If I weren't so angry, I wouldn't have agreed so quickly.

“I regretted it immediately after agreeing to your condition. However, seeing how determined and cruel you were, I released the video. If I had known that you would be so badly attacked on the internet, I might not have done it. I didn't expect the netizens to be worse than me and attack you in real life. When I found out, I almost died of anger! But don't worry, no one will bully you again. I've taken care of it.

“With so much being said, all I want to say is that I really love you. I don't know why I love you, but I think I know why you repulsed me so much all those

years ago. I've thought about it carefully, reflected on it, and roughly figured out why. It was because of... my pride. I was embarrassed that you were my companion who would marry me in the future, and that was why you repulsed me and I subconsciously hated you.

“And the reason why my criteria for choosing a wife was so simple was that my pride couldn't take it. I believed that a person like me should at least have a woman with a good family background and a beautiful figure. Otherwise, I'd feel embarrassed.

“Zoe met all the requirements, so I thought she was the one for me. However, I really don't know whether I loved her or not. All I know is that when she made a cuckold out of me in front of the entire country, I was only angry, not sad. I was even glad that the wedding was over. I was even glad that it would be possible for me to be with you.

“Shelly, do you know? I really thought that as long as I stretched out my hand, you would return to my side. Didn't you love me very much all those years ago? Didn't you say I couldn't chase you away no matter what I did? But why were you so far away from me when I turned around, in the arms of another man? And I, no matter how hard I tried, couldn't get you back at all!

“Shelly, I know you hate me now, and I know you don't love me anymore, but I just can't bear to let go. I just can't bear to see you with another man. I'll die of jealousy.

“Give me a chance, okay? Just once. I'll change into whoever you want me to be. I'll learn how to be gentle, considerate, kind, cook, do the laundry, and take care of children. If I don't, you can hit me, and I won't fight back.

“So, Shelly, come back to me! I swear, I will only love you for the rest of my life, with all my heart! Woof woof woof!

“Love, Nox.”

After Benjamin read the letter, he tore it into pieces.

He did not want to know if Nox loved Shelly. He did not care if Nox was taking revenge on Shelly or if Nox could not bear to see Shelly have a good life, but he would rather it be a reason for him to persevere with the relationship than knowing how much Nox loved Shelly.

Benjamin left the restaurant and took the subway back to Shelly's house. On the subway, he watched as people come and go, wondering where his position was in the world..

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Even if he graduated and started working in the future, would he be like all those people who worked overtime, long hours, or non-stop every day to earn money?

His eyes flickered when he heard a young woman crying beside him.

As she cried, she said into the phone, "I want to quit. I don't want to live the life I have now. I'm really tired and still broke! Why must I live such a tiring life? If this continues, I will die."

It was obvious that someone was comforting her, but the woman just kept crying non-stop.

Benjamin looked on indifferently. He thought, if there was really a choice, why would he want to live such a hard life?

After the subway arrived at the station, Benjamin walked into Shelly's neighborhood and opened her door. The house was very quiet, and only a dim light was left on in the living room. Instead of watching TV, Shelly was reading a book, and Bella was probably asleep.

Benjamin just stood at the door and watched the scene in the room. His eyes were fixed on Shelly's beautiful face, which was not because of plastic surgery. The beauty that she exuded was gentle, quiet, refreshing, and charming. As Shelly looked up at the door, a hint of surprise flashed in her eyes, which were as clear as ever.

"You're back?" Shelly put down her book and stood up from the sofa.

Benjamin's throat moved, and he replied, "Yeah."

"I thought you would be back late." Shelly handed him a pair of house slippers.

There were no men's house slippers in the house before, but one day, when he came over, he found a pair of blue slippers in the shoe cabinet. He was so touched that his heart ached.

"Were you waiting for me?" Benjamin asked.

"Yes." Shelly smiled. "Aren't you leaving tomorrow? If I don't wait for you tonight, I won't be able to see you tomorrow."

"I'm sorry," Benjamin apologized.

"It's alright." Shelly held his hand. "I know you have something to do, and aren't you back now?"

"Yes." Benjamin nodded.

There were many things he wanted to say, but when he looked at Shelly, nothing came out of his mouth.

"Why aren't you watching TV?" Benjamin asked.

"I don't really like watching television."

"Don't you feel scared when you're alone? It's better to turn on the TV," Benjamin said.

He had reminded Shelly before to turn on the television when she was at home. He was afraid that she and Bella would be afraid if they were home alone, especially when the cyberbullying was still happening.

"It's fine now. I won't watch it if I turn on the TV anyway. Isn't it a waste of electricity?" Shelly said casually.

Benjamin was stunned for a few seconds, but he then nodded slowly and did not say anything else.

As he sat on the sofa with Shelly, he saw the book that Shelly had casually placed beside her. It was a senior-year exercise book.

"Do you still want to study?" Benjamin asked.

"No." Shelly shook her head. "I accidentally found some books under my cabinet today. I think I took them with me when I left the Winters. Since I didn't throw it away even though I've moved so many times in the past few years, I took it out to read when I was bored and suddenly realized that I could do many questions."

"Is that so?" Benjamin asked.

"It can't be helped. I was a top student back then. I think if I weren't met with an accident back then, I might have been able to get into South Hampton University," Shelly said as she thought about the past. However, she did regret it too much, especially adopting Bella.

"It's getting late. Do you want to sleep?" Shelly changed the topic.

She realized that Benjamin did not seem too keen on talking about that. On the contrary, he seemed a little disappointed. However, she figured it was probably because he was leaving tomorrow, and just like her, he was reluctant to part with her.

In fact, she was also a little sad at the thought that they would be year. After all, a flight ticket was so expensive. Benjamin definite] come back within a year.

Hence, she could only hide her emotions, afraid that Benjamin would be even sadder and more reluctant to leave if he saw her. Not to mention tonight, she had mentioned before he left that they should do it. She did not want him to look have a bitter look on his face when they were in the act.

She also wanted to have a good night with Benjamin. At the very least, they would be able to keep that moment as a sweet memory of each other when they were apart.

"I'll turn on the shower for you." Shelly stood up from the sofa with a trace of shyness in her eyes and was about to head to the bathroom..