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Chapter 191: Jeanne Mocks the Lawrences

"Whose fault is it?!" Kingsley's expression darkened slightly.

"Who knew Melody likes Fourth Master Swan so crazily?" Jeanne was speechless, "I had always thought that it was just a political marriage. After all, Fourth Master Swan's dislike for her is clear to see. As the third princess of Harken, for the sake of a man, she disregarded her identity and dignity. What can I do?"

"That's enough. Now that things have developed to this point, I don't want to pursue the reason behind it. Now, think about how to solve your problem." Kingsley did not seem to want to think too much.

After all, there were many times he was helpless against her although he was very fierce toward her.

Jeanne did not say anything more. She changed the topic to the case itself. "It's a fact that the dual contract exists, so there's no way to investigate it from the perspective that it was fabricated. I can only prove that I didn't do it and then catch the real culprit. Finn made two points clear to me. Firstly, look into the contractor and the chief engineer. There's no need to doubt that those two people are in cahoots, so let me understand why they framed me. If it's not due to personal grudges, then there must be someone behind it. Secondly, check the accounts again. Given that it's done in such detail in such a short period, it might look perfect at first glance, but in fact, the more flawless they are, the more likely it is that there are impractical aspects. If the accounts are found to be fraudulent, it'll be of great help to my case."

"Where will you start from?"

"Hire a lawyer first," Jeanne said.

"I'll arrange it," Kingsley agreed immediately.

"I'll go to the Lawrence Enterprise tomorrow and see if there's anything suspicious in the contract. Finn asked me to look into the contractor and the chief engineer. I think the chief engineer should be the most suspicious person, so I'll go and see him in person."

“Okay.”

“As for the accounts, I'll get George to take over the internal network of the two brands and get a copy of the accounts of the two companies to see if there are any discrepancies between their accounts and mine.”

“Okay.” Kingsley nodded.

Jeanne said, “You should rest for a while. I'll get Miles to send me back to the Lawrences' manor.”

“Are you sure you want to go back now?” Kingsley asked.

“George is over there.” Jeanne was straightforward. “Besides, do you think that people like the Lawrences can really do anything to me?!”

“I'm really regretting letting you come back,” Kingsley enunciated each word.

“I would've come back sooner or later anyway. I'll be leaving. I won't disturb your rest,” Jeanne responded

As she said that, she called out to Miles and left with him.

Kingsley watched her leave.

He remembered the time when he found Jeanne abroad...

At that time, she was on the verge of death!

If he had been a minute later, she might have gone to reunite with her deceased mother.

Kingsley's eyes moved slightly. He turned around and walked to the french window of the presidential suite, looking at the strange South Hampton City.

If it were not for Jeanne's mother...

He would not have any feelings for this city!

Jeanne returned to the Lawrences' manor.

Miles left.

Jeanne walked into the hall.

In the hall, Alexander and Jenifer were watching TV on the sofa.

Jasmine had also returned at this moment, obediently accompanying them on the sofa.

Joshua was not around. He was probably hiding in his room playing games.

Jeanne's appearance instantly attracted everyone's attention.

Alexander's expression changed. "How dare you come back?!"

Jeanne sneered.

Alexander said angrily, "The Lawrences have been completely embarrassed by you! If you're short of money, tell me! Why did you have to resort to dirty means to get money? Jeanne, I thought that your return this time would bring some difference to the Lawrences. In the end, it's you're lowlier than I thought!"

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Jeanne did not want to argue with the Lawrences.

In reality, she was too clear about what kind of people the Lawrences were. She did not want to waste her time on them.

Nonetheless, at this moment, she had to admit that when she heard Alexander's unpleasant words, her expression still turned a little ugly.

Jeanne said coldly, "Dad, I'm your daughter! Now that I'm in trouble, apart from looking down on me, what else did you do? Monica's dad isn't my biological father, but he's helping me raise money now, trying to reduce my sentence. As for you, you act like this has nothing to do with you. Don't you think that you're not qualified to be a parent?!"

"Jeanne!" Alexander's expression changed greatly when he heard Jeanne's sarcastic words.

He slammed the coffee table, causing a loud sound to be heard.

Jenifer and Jasmine, who were at the side, were both shocked.

Even so, when they saw Alexander and Jeanne being so aggressive toward each other, they were secretly happy.

"What right do you have for me to help you? You've embarrassed my family to this extent. What right do you have for me to come and help you in the face of the law?!"

"Spare the rod, spoil the child," Jeanne enunciated each word, "It can only mean that you don't deserve to be a parent."

"Jeanne!" Alexander was furious.

At this moment, Jasmine hurriedly went over and pulled Alexander. "Dad, don't be angry, don't be angry. She's the one who made a mistake, so don't put a toll on your body because of that."

"Jeanne, if you were half as good as Jasmine, we wouldn't have ended up in this state!"

"What's so good about Jasmine?" Jeanne's eyes turned cold.

"Everything!"

"Other than pleasing men, what else can she do for you?!" Jeanne enunciated each word clearly, "Will she help you negotiate business in the business world? Will she let you hold your head up high in front of the board of directors? Will she bring the Lawrence Enterprise hundreds of millions of dollars of profits?!"

"You...!" Alexander was so annoyed by Jeanne that he could not say a single word.

Jeanne's performance in the business world during this period was indeed astonishing.

Jasmine could not hold it in anymore after being ridiculed by Jeanne. "I admit that I can't help Dad too much in the business world, but I can help the Lawrences from many other places. My marriage to the Swans is the greatest contribution to the Lawrences. The Swans' assets are worth over a hundred billion dollars, and they're the top of the twelve families in South Hampton City—"

"Jasmine, you'd better understand that you're married to Eden, not the Swans! The Swans don't belong to Eden!"

"Sooner or later, the Swans will belong to Eden. Eden is the eldest young master of the Swans. Who else can it belong to if not him in the future?!"

"Henry is still the eldest son of the Swan. Has he taken over the Swans?!"

"But Fourth Master Swan has no children!" Jasmine was furious.

“Ha!” Jeanne laughed sarcastically.

“What are you laughing at? Do you really think Fourth Master Swan has taken a liking to you?!”

Jeanne had a rare chance to argue with Jasmine. She said, “Jasmine, Fourth Master Swan is only four years older than Eden. So, are you hoping that Fourth Master Swan will pass his inheritance to Eden when he dies? At that time, Eden wouldn't be able to move anymore even if he's still alive!”

Jasmine was rendered speechless by Jeanne's words. At that moment, she wished she could tear Jeanne's mouth apart!

“Jasmine, since you think that your greatest ability is to please men, take good care of Eden.”

“What do you mean?!” Jasmine's expression became even fiercer. “Jeanne, what do you mean?!”

“Why are you having such a big reaction? It seems that you already know a lot of things.”

“Jeanne, what are you talking about?!” Jasmine broke down.

“Back then, Eden was able to be seduced by you. Have you ever thought about whether he'd be seduced by other women...?”

“Jeanne, shut up!”

“I'm just reminding you.” Jeanne sneered and turned around to leave.

When she left, she said, “Oh right, I was bailed out by Fourth Master Swan.”

Chapter 192: Teach Joshua a Lesson

Jeanne left the living room.

Jasmine was furious.

It was not just Jasmine.

Alexander's expression was also ugly at this moment.

“Forget it.” Jenifer suppressed the emotions in her heart and comforted Alexander, “She's just a stubborn duck. At the end of the day, she's just throwing a tantrum at us. If you argue with her, wouldn't that just make you feel worse?”

Alexander said coldly, “She doesn't know what's good for her!”

With that, he waved his hand and left the living room.

Jasmine watched Alexander leave, and the emotions that she had been holding in exploded instantly. “Mom, I really want to kill Jeanne!”

“Calm down.” Jenifer looked around and pulled Jasmine toward the back garden.

In the pavilion in the back garden.

Jenifer asked very seriously, “How have you and Eden been doing recently?”

Jasmine's expression changed immediately.

Jenifer frowned. “What's wrong? Is there a conflict?”

She had just heard Jeanne's explanation and felt nervous. Seeing Jasmine's reaction at this moment made her even more nervous.

"I don't know what I've done wrong during this time. Eden just ignores me." Jasmine's eyes turned red immediately.

"How could it be? Didn't you say that he has always been good to you?" Jenifer asked nervously.

"I really don't know. I still treat him like I used to. I listen to him and take care of his daily life. I don't know if it's because he's under too much pressure from work. He gets home from work a little late these days, and he's always not in a good mood. I don't dare to provoke him. In fact..." Jasmine wanted to say something but stopped.

"What is it?" Jenifer asked hurriedly.

"It's been a long time since we've slept together," Jasmine said, her eyes reddening.

Jenifer's face changed.

The thing she was most worried about had happened.

She was silent, then suddenly she looked very serious.

Jasmine was also frightened by her look. She quickly held Jenifer's hand. "Mom, what's wrong? What's wrong?"

"Men are all the same. What you can't have is the best!" Jenifer gritted her teeth.

"What do you mean, Mom?" Jasmine looked at Jenifer nervously.

"Eden didn't get Jeanne. Now that Jeanne is back and is capable, he naturally becomes interested in her."

"No!" Jasmine shouted, "I'll never let Jeanne seduce Eden. Never!"

"Calm down!" Jenifer berated, "It's just a possibility. I didn't say that it would definitely happen."

"Eden won't like Jeanne. He's such a chauvinistic person. How could he like Jeanne, who thinks so highly of herself?!" Jasmine could not accept it!

"I know men too well!" Jenifer said coldly, "Your dad was the same back then."

"What?"

"Back then, your dad also liked Jeanne's mom more. Initially, Jeanne's mom didn't accept your father's advances, but later, for some reason, she agreed. Back then, when your dad was pursuing Jeanne's mother, I was also pursuing your dad. Your dad didn't even look at me. It was only after your dad finally got Jeanne's mother that he looked at me. Of course, I was able to get together with your dad because Jeanne's mother was too overbearing back then. Jeanne is just like her mother. They never know what a man wants!" Jenifer thought about what happened in the past, her face was filled with malice.

"That's why Jeanne deserved to not have ended up together with Eden. It's impossible for her to end up with Eden now," Jasmine said fiercely.

"You and I are different. Back then, it was your dad who got Jeanne's mom first, so he didn't have any lingering feelings for her. On the other hand, Eden has never gotten Jeanne."

"You mean that Eden is thinking of ways to get Jeanne now!" Jasmine was very agitated.

Jenifer nodded.

"Jeanne, that b*tch! I knew she came back to deliberately get involved with Fourth Master Swan. In fact, she wants to use this to attract Eden's attention and seduce him!"

“Whether Jeanne is trying to seduce Eden and get involved with Fourth Master Swan or not, I still don't know. However, I have to say that it won't be good for us if Jeanne gets involved with either of them!”

“That b*tch!” Jasmine cursed fiercely.

“Fortunately, Jeanne is being accused now!” Jenifer's expression turned fierce. “I've inquired about it. Jeanne sought personal gain. There are witnesses and evidence. She'll be sentenced to about ten years for sure. Once she's in prison, she'll never be able to rise again!”

Jasmine sneered. “Serves her right!”

“So, while Jeanne goes to court, don't cause any conflict with her. Since she's between life and death and doesn't have any good days left, I'm worried that she'll drag us down with her.”

“Okay.” Jasmine nodded obediently.

In any case, once Jeanne was in prison, she would not be able to show off anymore!

At this moment, Jeanne returned to her room.

George sat in front of the computer and turned his head to look at Jeanne. There was a trace of happiness in his eyes, but he was afraid of being noticed, so he suppressed it.

“Did you miss me?” Jeanne smiled.

She could speak ill of the Lawrences just now, but toward George, she could recover her image of a loving mother in a second.

George did not answer but calmly asked, “I heard that Kingsley is back. Did he bail you out?”

Jeanne pursed her lips.

She did not want to lie to George.

Even so, she also did not want George to know too much.

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She directly changed the topic and said, "I'm in some trouble, and I need you to do something for me now."

"Okay." George nodded obediently.

Jeanne told George about the two companies that she needed him to target and asked him to get their accounts.

George was engrossed in it.

After Jeanne finished explaining to George, there was nothing else for her to do.

She just lay on the bed and thought about her case.

The things that Finn had given her were already very comprehensive. She just needed to follow the clues...

Her eyes flickered.

Was this what Fourth Master Swan had told her?!

Fourth Master Swan had mortgaged the Swan Enterprise's real estate to the city hall to get her bail pending trial...

Jeanne's heart was pounding.

At this moment, Kingsley's cold voice suddenly rang in her ears. "The two of you... Have different standpoints."

Jeanne flipped over.

She flipped over and covered herself in the blanket.

Although she was not clear about her standpoint and Fourth Master Swan's, she believed in Kingsley.

The next day.

Jeanne went to the Lawrence Enterprise.

Her appearance instantly attracted the attention of countless people.

Everyone looked at her as if she was a monster. They all felt that she was dead for sure. She was just asking for humiliation for showing up at the company at this time.

Jeanne appeared very calm.

She walked into her office.

Once she pushed the door open...

Her eyes narrowed.

Inside were all sorts of messy junk from the marketing department, including some unwanted office furniture.

Jeanne was silent for a few seconds before she turned around and walked out.

She walked to the large office of the marketing department and asked a random employee, "Where's Amy?"

"Amy..." The employee was a little scared by Jeanne's aura. "I-I don't know."

Jeanne pursed her lips. She did not make things difficult for the employee. She turned around and walked to the office of the project team that she had specially set up.

Despite that, there was no one in the office.

It had only been two days since her arrest, but it was clear that all of her people had since been chased away.

Joshua's way of doing things was dirty indeed.

Jeanne walked straight to Joshua's office. Without knocking on the door, she pushed it open and entered.

At this moment, Joshua was playing a game in his office.

Fighting sounds from the game could be heard.

The moment Joshua heard the commotion at the door, he hurriedly stood up from his office chair. With an extremely ugly look, he shouted at the door, "Do you want to die? How dare you come in without knocking on the door?!"

After he finished shouting, he saw that it was Jeanne.

Jeanne's aura during this period was indeed a little scary.

When Joshua saw Jeanne's cold expression, he was shocked.

The next second, he thought that Jeanne was going to die anyway, so he instantly straightened his body and shouted, "You're looking for me!"

"What happened to my office?!"

"How would I know?!" Joshua looked like he did not care.

"Are you sure you don't know?!" Jeanne's face darkened.

Joshua felt his hair stand on end when Jeanne looked at him.

He suddenly said in a somewhat irritable manner, "It was me who did it! You're going to jail and your office is empty, so I let them put trash from the marketing department inside. Who knew you'd appear again so shamelessly? If it was me—"

Jeanne suddenly walked toward Joshua.

Joshua was shocked.

Jeanne took the phone from Joshua's hand and threw it on the ground.

The phone was smashed to pieces.

Joshua was furious. "Jeanne, are you crazy?!"

"I'll be crazy if you're crazy!" Jeanne enunciated each word. "I'll give you one hour. Get someone to clear out my office immediately and get Amy and everyone in my project team back. Otherwise...!"

Otherwise.

Jeanne's eyes narrowed as she clenched her fists. "I'll beat you to death!"

Chapter 193: Jeanne Backs Her Team and Finds the Key to Her Case

Joshua was threatened by Jeanne.

He was displeased, but seeing how furious Jeanne was, he still got someone to tidy up her office. He also got someone to call the people on her project team and Amy back.

After Jeanne's office was tidied up and everyone had returned, she said to Joshua word by word, "Before I really go to jail, I advise you not to touch any of my things!"

Joshua gritted his teeth.

He glared fiercely at Jeanne, feeling very sullen but unable to resist.

Jeanne left.

Joshua could not help but want to call Eden. Only then did he know that Jeanne had smashed his phone into pieces.

He gritted his teeth.

He wanted to see how long Jeanne could act like this!

Jeanne returned to her clean office and sat on the chair.

Amy appeared in front of her.

“Call the project team for a short meeting.”

“Understood,” Amy quickly responded. She could not help but feel a little worried. “Director Lawrence, your case...”

“We'll talk about it after the meeting.”

“Understood.”

Amy left respectfully.

After a while, Jeanne appeared in the meeting room.

Everyone on the project team looked at her.

These people were the only people she trusted in the Lawrence Enterprise.

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She said bluntly, “Today, I won't talk about work matters. I'll mainly talk about my current situation.

“Director Lawrence, were you wronged?” Mandy could not help but feel a little agitated.

“Yes, so I'm now looking for evidence to clear my name. I originally just wanted to come to the company to take a look at the contracts. I didn't expect Joshua to go to this extent.”

“He did more than these!” Forrest gritted his teeth. “After you were taken away by the prosecutors, he made your office a warehouse. Amy stepped forward to stop him, but Joshua scolded her in front of everyone in the marketing department.”

Jeanne glanced at Amy.

Amy lowered her head in embarrassment.

“Amy cried when she was scolded, but he even made her work as a warehouse clerk. No matter what, Amy graduated from a famous university and studied to be a senior administrative secretary. How could she be sent to such a place?!” Forrest became angrier as he spoke.

Jeanne's eyes were cold, and her face was dark.

Forrest continued, “Amy was only Joshua's first target. After that, it was our project team. When we were working with you, Joshua came to each of us and asked us to be his informants. He even said that he'd give us a raise and a promotion, but we all refused. He took revenge on us when he saw that you were in trouble. First, he disbanded the project team and told the public that it was a place for idlers. Then, he transferred us to the worst department of the Lawrence Enterprise one by one. For example, Mandy was transferred to the front desk to serve tea and water. Hans was transferred to drive for the sales department...”

Forrest was filled with righteous indignation. At this moment, he wanted to give Joshua a good beating.

“I almost resigned,” Hans said, “When it happened, I felt that I didn't have any dignity in the Lawrence Enterprise. Fortunately, Forrest persuaded me to wait for you. If you can't come back, we wouldn't have any lingering feelings for the Lawrence Enterprise, so we wanted to resign and leave. However, Forrest said that you'd definitely come back.”

“I'll come back!” Jeanne looked at everyone on her project team and was very sure. “I'll clear my name and come back.”

“We believe in you!” Everyone on the project team expressed their stance.

Jeanne nodded and was not too emotional, but she was straightforward. "I've threatened Joshua just now. At least before I'm sentenced, he won't dare to do anything to you! Don't worry and just do what you're doing. While I'm away, keep a close eye on the current project for the logistics warehouse."

This was also why she had such a big reaction after Joshua moved her office and her people.

Other than to threaten Joshua not to touch her team again, it was also to show everyone in the marketing department and even the company that even he could not touch her people, let alone the others who wanted to see the joke.

It was so that the people on the project team would not be wronged!

"Okay." The people on the project team were all obedient.

"Even if I really can't come back, I'll compensate you so that you can leave the Lawrence Enterprise without any worries."

"Director Lawrence, we didn't stay here to ask you for benefits. We also want to fight for ourselves. We believe that you'll never do anything illegal!" Mandy was a little agitated.

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Jeanne smiled. She was also a little touched.

She and her team members did not spend much time together. She thought that their relationship was built on business and money, but she did not expect that they would become so close.

Jeanne said, "I won't let you down."

"Okay." Mandy nodded firmly.

"Now, there's something I need to ask you." Jeanne brought up the main topic. "Are you familiar with Adrian Zimmer, the chief engineer of the Lawrence Enterprise's construction department?"

Everyone on the project team looked at each other and shook their heads.

Forrest said, "Chief Engineer Zimmer is a high-level leader. It's difficult for us to get in touch with him."

"Have you heard about him and who he's familiar with?"

"I'm really not sure," Forrest replied, "Besides, the construction department is not in our main office building. Sometimes we only see people from that department during meetings. I'm not familiar with them."

"But..." Amy suddenly said.

Jeanne's eyes moved. "You know him?"

Amy responded, "Well, when I first joined the company, there was a dinner party for a few employees who liked to drink at the nightclub. They would usually ask the female employees who have just joined the company to join..."

Her face was a little red as she said this.

Amy was the kind of girl who could be considered pure and pretty.

It was normal for her to be called out to drink in the workplace.

"Chief Engineer Zimmer often spent time with those people. When I was there, he was there. He seemed to be the leader of those people. I also saw him with another senior leader of the company..." Amy paused again. She seemed to have mustered up her courage as she continued, "They even flirted with the female employee who joined the company with me."

Jeanne's eyes narrowed.

Amy continued, "I was also frightened at the time, so I sneaked away. Later, when someone asked me to go again, I didn't go. After all, I have a boyfriend. However, I occasionally heard gossip in the secretarial department that Deputy Director Lawrence has been hanging out with those people ever since he joined the company."

It turned out that Adrian and Joshua really had some connections.

Amy sighed again. "I don't know if that's the reason I haven't had any development in the general affairs department's secretarial department since then. On the contrary, the female employee who joined the company with me has now become the secretary-general."

"You mean Luna." Jeanne's eyes narrowed.

Amy nodded. "Yes. It's an unspoken rule in the workplace. I shouldn't bring it up, but I'm afraid that it'll affect your case, Director Lawrence."

"What's Luna's business ability like?" Jeanne asked.

"Although she rose to her position through unspoken rules, she still has her abilities. Hence, even though many people know some things about her, no one really says anything."

Jeanne nodded and was deep in thought.

'The secretarial room of the general affairs department. The secretary-general...'

Normally, contracts came from the contract records room under the secretarial room.

Could the dual contract have been done by Luna?

"Director Lawrence?" Amy called out to Jeanne.

Jeanne came back to her senses.

“Okay, I got it. There's nothing else. You can go back to your work. If you run into anything, you can call me—” Jeanne suddenly remembered.

Her phone was still in the detention center.

She had been busy and had to go get it.

It was not convenient without a phone.

Thinking of this, she dismissed the meeting and went straight to the general affairs department.

Just as she walked into the department, she met Bryce, the senior president of the general affairs department.

Bryce saw her and was extremely sarcastic.

He asked, “Oh, if it isn't Ms. Lawrence. Aren't you being detained? You were bailed out so quickly? Being rich makes one willful indeed!”

Jeanne glanced at him and turned around to leave.

Bryce's face darkened.

'She's still so arrogant. She really doesn't know what is good for her!'

Jeanne walked into the contract archive room under the secretarial office and said to the staff member, “I need the contract archive for the Lawrence Enterprise's tender for the logistics warehouse. I also need the electronic process list.”

The staff member glanced at Jeanne and answered in a businesslike manner, "I need a signature from a leader."

"Who?"

"I need the secretary-general's signature in order to register and receive the relevant contract document."

Jeanne immediately turned around and walked toward the secretary-general's office. She knocked on the door.

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"Please come in."

Jeanne pushed the door open and entered.

Luna looked at Jeanne and was a little surprised.

The next second, she hurriedly smiled and greeted her, "Director Lawrence, please take a seat."

As expected, she was the secretary-general. She was especially tactful.

"There's no need for that. I'm here to ask for a contract for the construction of the logistics warehouse."

"Sure. Wait a moment. I'll get the staff to bring it over for you right away." Luna was very attentive.

"Thank you."

Luna left.

After leaving the office, she took a look at Jeanne. She picked up her phone and immediately called Joshua, but his phone was turned off. After thinking for a moment, she called Adrian instead. "Director Zimmer, Jeanne is here to get the contract for the contractor."

"What does she want to do?" The voice from the other side was very cold.

"She probably wants to see if there are any loopholes."

"You personally handled the contract. Do you think there's a problem?" The other party asked.

"Don't worry, there's definitely no problem."

"Then show it to her and let her give up on this idea."

"Okay."

After Luna finished, she found the contract and walked into the office with a laptop in her arms. At the same time, she asked someone to make a cup of coffee. As she put down the document, she said, "I heard that you like to drink black coffee without sugar."

"Thank you." Jeanne nodded slightly.

'This woman is quite experienced in the industry.'

Jeanne took the document without batting an eyelid and looked at it carefully.

Luna opened up the approval process of the contract for her. The contract system had all electronic documents.

Jeanne looked at the contract archive while checking if it was consistent with the electronic documents.

She was only trying to confirm the contents of the list of materials provided by the successful supplier at that time. She wanted to know if those contents could be changed midway.

The contract watermark could be forged, but the electronic flow in the system could not be faked. As long as documents were uploaded to the electronic flow, they could not be deleted or changed unless the relevant flow was re-established. Obviously, Jeanne did not see any re-application to change the contract.

She looked at it for a while.

Luna was waiting with a smile on her face.

After Jeanne looked at it and confirmed that there was no tampering with the contract, she handed it to Luna.

“Director Lawrence, have you finished reading it?”

“Yes,” Jeanne answered.

“Is there anything I can help you with?” Luna asked. She seemed very polite.

Jeanne took a sip of coffee and was not in a hurry to leave. She asked, “Was this contract drawn up by you?”

“It was drawn up by me and the company's lawyer. I'll personally participate in most large contracts. Otherwise, I won't be able to rest assured.”

“The contract was drawn up very well.”

“Thank you, Director Lawrence, for your affirmation.”

“I’ll be leaving first.”

“I’ll send you off.”

“There’s no need for that.”

Jeanne left.

The moment she left, the corners of her mouth curled up into a smile.

She did not realize that there was a problem with the contract, but she suddenly realized that the method used for this contract was exactly the same as the one for the dual contract.

There was no need to guess. They must have all been done by Luna.

With this, her direction of investigation became even clearer.

Jeanne did not delay any further and directly left the Lawrence Enterprise.

As Jeanne’s car was still under repair, Miles was sent to pick her up. Moreover, at a critical moment, she needed another person to help her. She was afraid that something unexpected would happen.

Before returning to the Lawrences’ manor, Miles directly drove to the detention center, only to learn that Jeanne’s phone had been sent to Fourth Master Swan.

Jeanne hesitated again and again. Taking the risk of her legs being broken by Kingsley, she let Miles send her to the Swans’ Bamboo Garden.

Chapter 195: Kiss Me, but Not Like the Last Time

In the Swans' Bamboo Garden.

Jeanne appeared in the Hall.

Nox and Teddy were there.

Finn probably had to go to work, so he would not be accompanying Edward.

When Nox and Teddy saw Jeanne suddenly appear, their expressions were the same. They were both so shocked that their jaws dropped.

Jeanne's expression was calm. At that moment, she even smiled at them. "I'm looking for Fourth Master."

Jeanne did not ask for their permission and went straight upstairs.

Nox turned to look at Teddy. "Are my eyes playing tricks on me?"

"It's Ms. Lawrence," Teddy affirmed.

"F*ck," Nox swore and asked, "Why didn't you stop her?"

'Why didn't you stop her?' Teddy thought.

Jeanne did not know what they were thinking, but she was very clear that many of her actions were rather cold-blooded and heartless, at least to the people close to Fourth Master Swan. As such, she did not expect them to have any good impression of her.

She pursed her lips.

In front of her was Fourth Master Swan's room.

There were some emotions in her heart.

Actually, she could have just given up her phone. She could buy a new one and change her number.

Jeanne took a deep breath.

She was already here.

She pushed open the door and forgot to knock on the door.

Inside the room.

Just like that, she was caught off guard and saw... The naked man.

Indeed...

The upper half of Edward's body was wrapped in bandages, and the lower half of his body was completely naked.

There seemed to be water stains on his body.

Without even thinking, it was obvious that Fourth Master Swan had just taken a bath.

He avoided the injured areas and washed the other areas.

At that moment, Jeanne had forgotten to “not look at indecent things”. She just stared blankly at Edward.

“Do you like it that much, Ms. Lawrence?” The man who was being stared at did not feel embarrassed at all. Instead, he asked her in a very composed manner.

Jeanne came back to her senses.

'What do I like?

'Can't he tell I'm merely shocked?!

Jeanne quickly averted her gaze and looked to the side.

Her face turned red.

Edward looked at Jeanne's appearance, and the corners of his mouth lifted slightly.

He casually took the towel by the side and tied it around his waist. Then, he lay on the bed.

Jeanne only turned back after a long while.

After all, she was here to ask for her phone. She could not just continue to be so awkward with Fourth Master Swan.

Besides, he was not feeling embarrassed.

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What the hell was she embarrassed about?!

Jeanne kept herself calm and walked to Fourth Master Swan's bedside.

"Are you feeling better?" Jeanne asked. She had to think of her opening line.

"Yes," Fourth Master Swan replied.

Jeanne said, "I'm here to take my phone."

Fourth Master Swan seemed to have known all along.

He took her phone out from under the pillow.

Jeanne was a little speechless.

'Does he have the habit of putting his phone under the pillow?

'Don't people say that the signal radiation from phones can easily affect the development of brain cells?'

Of course, it was a fallacy.

Scientists had confirmed that the radiation that one was exposed to in daily life had no effect on the body.

It was just that people would always be led astray by the common prejudice.

Jeanne reached out to take her phone from Fourth Master Swan's hand.

She had just reached out when Fourth Master Swan grabbed the phone tightly.

Jeanne bit her lip.

She knew that it would not be easy to take something from him.

“Give me a kiss,” Fourth Master Swan suddenly said.

“Not like the one before you left yesterday,” he added.

Jeanne frowned.

“Alright...”

'He's so flirty.'

Jeanne looked straight at the man in front of her. When he said those words, his expression did not change at all.

'Is this the rumored cold and abstinent Fourth Master Swan?!'

Jeanne was quietly adjusting her emotions.

She had also thought that if she came to take her phone, she might be in trouble with Fourth Master Swan. After all, she had just left yesterday. Even though he did not chase after her, she could feel his anger! She had thought that Fourth Master Swan would ask her who Kingsley was and what was her relationship with him.

Jeanne did not know if Fourth Master Swan was too confident that he could find out everything about Kingsley on his own. Perhaps as compared to who Kingsley was, he wanted to do something else with her instead.

In short, to her, kissing Fourth Master Swan was better than her having to explain who Kingsley was.

After all, it was not suitable for Kingsley to appear in Harken.

Jeanne silently took a deep breath.

Next, she directly approached Fourth Master Swan's lips.

Their lips pressed together.

Fourth Master Swan lowered his eyes and looked at Jeanne's face at such a close distance.

Then, he felt her soft lips on his...

He did not react.

At this moment, Jeanne only moved closer to Fourth Master Swan's lips and did not do anything else.

The room was very quiet.

Chapter 196: Kiss Me, but Not Like the Last Time

It was somehow quiet as if there was only the sound of Jeanne's heart beating.

She closed her eyes tightly and took the initiative to deepen the kiss.

There was no harm anyway.

After a long time, Jeanne and Edward let go of each other.

The room was still very quiet.

Jeanne rested her hands on the headboard of the bed and maintained some distance from Fourth Master Swan even though they had stopped kissing.

She saw that Fourth Master Swan's lips were stained with a sparkling luster.

Jeanne asked, "Fourth Master, can you return the phone to me now?"

"Yes," Fourth Master Swan replied.

It was just a simple word, but Jeanne picked up a hint of hoarseness in his voice.

It was as if he was enduring something.

Jeanne stretched out her hand again and grabbed Fourth Master Swan's hand. Then, she gently opened his slender fingers and took her phone back.

At that moment, she felt as if she had accomplished a great thing in her life and heaved a huge sigh of relief.

She left from the bedside.

Fourth Master Swan looked at her.

"Fourth Master, I'm leaving." It was as if Jeanne had no lingering feelings after achieving her wish.

Fourth Master Swan did not answer her.

Jeanne left directly.

When she left, she suddenly saw Nox and Teddy standing at the door.

She instantly looked a little irritated.

"I didn't see anything," Nox hurriedly said.

Teddy also hurriedly said, "Me neither."

They gave themselves away by concealing the truth.

Jeanne gritted her teeth and left immediately.

Nox and Teddy watched Jeanne leave before they walked into Edward's room.

Edward was lying on the bed emotionlessly.

At least, Teddy could not see through him.

Of course, Nox could tell at a glance, but he did not expose Edward. He said with a serious expression, "We have news about Kingsley."

Edward's expression obviously changed slightly.

Nox continued, "Kingsley's background is very powerful, but we don't know what exactly his background is. We only know that he's very famous in the high-class socialite circles abroad. Many people know Kingsley, but no one can tell what he does. They only know that he's very rich, and whenever he appears, he's very generous. The most famous thing was that at an auction, he spent a billion dollars to buy a long-lost royal painting of Harken. The most important thing was that he paid in cash!"

Edward's eyes moved slightly.

At this moment, Nox could not help but exclaim, “F*ck, a billion dollars in cash. Was there a truckload of notes? It sounds so f*cking pretentious!”

“Is there anything else?” Edward did not seem to be very interested in that.

“There's nothing else.” Nox was straightforward. “So far, that's all I can find out. As for the relationship between Kingsley and Jeanne... I can't find any relationship at all. Among international celebrities, many people know Kingsley, but nobody knows Jeanne. Jeanne had never been seen together with Kingsley. Didn't she use to be the marketing director of MUK? In fact, she rarely appeared in public abroad. It's unknown whether it was because she deliberately didn't want to be exposed. In any case, other than the people from MUK, no one from the business world or even international celebrities know about Jeanne. This was also why no one in Harken knew that she was the marketing director of MUK.”

“Mm,” Edward replied.

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“Oh right, there's another discovery.” Nox suddenly thought of something. “Kingsley has a fixed female companion by his side. I heard that he has many women. Every time he attends a celebrity banquet, he would bring a different female companion. All of them are beautiful and are top-notch—”

Nox was a little excited.

He had never lost in picking up girls before. Now, he suddenly felt that he was inferior to Kingsley.

“Get to the point.” Edward's face darkened.

“The point is, no matter who Kingsley brings, there'll always be another woman by his side.”

“Who?” Edward asked.

"Lucy Harmon," Nox answered.

Edward's eyes narrowed.

"Yes, it's Lucy Harmon, the professional female assassin who used to be very famous internationally," Nox said straightforwardly, "I've looked in her thoroughly. She was born in Harken. At the age of 20, she became a professional assassin and enjoyed an international reputation. She had carried out many missions and never failed. She suddenly disappeared when she was 28 years old. Many people in the assassin circle said that something happened to her, where she failed a mission and died. If I didn't investigate Kingsley this time, I wouldn't know that she's still alive and is now 35 years old."

"Continue to investigate," Edward instructed.

"Okay." Nox nodded. At this moment, he could not help but say, "Kingsley might really have a strong background. You should be mentally prepared."

Edward raised his eyebrow.

"What I mean is that Kingsley and Jeanne are obviously very close. I even feel that he has protected her very well. I thought that it'd be very difficult for you to successfully snatch Jeanne away from Kingsley..." Nox felt Edward's gaze and shrugged. "Forget I said anything. You should rest well. Please take care of your body. Something bad can easily happen to a man who holds it in for too long!"

Edward had closed his eyes. It was as if he did not want to be disturbed anymore.

Nox was speechless. He left after that.

'Well, who exactly is Kingsley!

'He can't be someone from that side, can he?!

'If he is...'

Nox's heart trembled.

'Wouldn't Fourth Master Swan's relationship be ruined halfway?!'

Jeanne returned to the Lawrences' manor.

George was seriously helping her hack the internal networks of the two companies.

At this moment, he had successfully hacked into one of them and was looking for their accounting data.

Jeanne did not disturb George. She sat on the chair at the side and called Kingsley. "I've found the key person in my case."

"Who?"

"Luna Walker, also known as Lunetta Walker. She's the secretary-general of the Lawrence Enterprise's secretarial office and has an affair with Adrian Zimmer, the chief engineer of the construction department. She was the one who drew up the contract for the tender of the Lawrence Enterprise's logistics warehouse. From what I saw, it was almost the same style as that of the dual contract. In other words, that dual contract was drawn up by Luna. Therefore, we can now confirm that Luna is one of the participants in this case."

"Mm," Kingsley responded. He was more or less satisfied with Jeanne's result today.

"Now that we've confirmed that Luna is involved, it'll be easy to investigate further. First, since she was the one who made the contract, she must have a draft of the contract. Of course, from my contact with Luna, I can tell that she's quite experienced, so it's unlikely that she left any evidence behind. However, Luna is only a secretary, after all, so she can't evaluate the legal effect of the contract. Logically speaking, Luna would definitely find a lawyer to help her check if there's a problem with this kind of contract, which would obviously be used as evidence in court. Hence, I feel that the lawyer that Luna found is a valid witness that can prove that she was the one who drew up the contract! I feel that she won't specifically ask the other party to delete anything from the draft of the contract. This will cause other people to overthink, which will only bring trouble instead."

"I'll arrange for people to investigate," Kingsley said.

"Secondly, Adrian reported me while Luna drafted the contract. If it can be proven that the two of them have been secretly colluding, it'll show that they're the ones behind this. In other words, Adrian is the one who's involved, while I may be the victim or the collaborator. Harken's law is reverse authentication. In other words, if something isn't established, one can't be sentenced. In this way, at least in four days, I won't be sentenced immediately. In other words, I can buy myself more time to investigate this case in depth."

At the end of the day, nothing was flawless. Justice would ultimately prevail.

Jeanne sneered.

This time, she wanted to catch the culprit behind the scenes!

Chapter 197: Fourth Master Swan Stands up for His 'Wife' on Court Day

Jeanne and Kingsley were on the phone.

Jeanne continued, "It's not difficult to find evidence of Luna and Adrian colluding. Find Adrian's wife. From what I know, Adrian and Luna have been colluding for many years. After so many years, I don't believe that his wife didn't find out. Women are more sensitive than Sherlock Holmes when it comes to men's affairs. Adrian's wife can be an effective witness to prove that he and Luna are colluding."

"Okay." Kingsley agreed immediately. "I'll go and talk to Adrian's wife."

Jeanne said to Kingsley, "After everything is done, it can only prove that this matter is related to Adrian and Luna. I can't completely get myself out of it. If Adrian insists that he is not on good terms with me anymore and sued me as a result, I won't be able to escape unscathed. Moreover, I can't let these two people end this matter just like that. Obviously, Adrian and Luna have no grudge against me. They wouldn't frame me. There must be someone behind this."

"So..." Kingsley's eyes narrowed.

"We have to find out who Adrian is receiving orders from. Actually, I know very well who it is. It's Joshua." Jeanne was very certain.

"The Lawrences are really disgusting." Kingsley sneered.

"Joshua must've given Adrian some benefits for him to listen to him. Given Joshua's IQ, he would definitely leave behind traces or transfer records. In fact, Adrian might have left evidence that would be beneficial to him in order to protect himself."

"Alright, I'll go and look for it." Kingsley nodded.

"Well, this whole thing wasn't instigated by Joshua." Jeanne's eyes narrowed. "Joshua isn't so smart to think of such a perfect plan. The person behind him is Eden, and the person supporting Eden is obviously Melody."

"So you want to use this opportunity to get rid of Eden and... Melody!!"

"It might be very difficult," Jeanne said, "Eden is much more sinister and cunning than Joshua. He might not leave behind any evidence against him. Joshua also couldn't think of leaving behind any evidence for himself. Of course, before the matter is over, we can't jump to conclusions so quickly. Who knows, we might find some evidence of a crime."

Kingsley nodded. "Okay, I understand."

"I still have four days," Jeanne reminded.

"Since you know that your time is tight, why did you still hook up with Fourth Master Swan?!" Kingsley seemed to be unable to get over the relationship between her and Fourth Master Swan.

Jeanne pursed her lips.

'Did you think I wanted to do it?!

'I was forced.'

"Alright, I'll try my best to hurry up. I'll call you when I have news." Kingsley also seemed to be telling himself not to fuss over it.

"Okay."

Jeanne hung up the phone.

This was all she could think of.

In order not to alert the enemy, she left everything to Kingsley to handle.

At least no one in Harken knew who Kingsley was.

At the Lawrence Enterprise, in Joshua's office.

Joshua was calling Eden.

Eden immediately asked, "Did Jeanne go to the office yesterday?"

"Yes, she did. She came and gave me a hard time. Just thinking about it makes me angry!"

"Why did she go?" Eden was not worried about Joshua's emotions at all. What he was worried about was whether Jeanne found any evidence during the few days that she was out.

"She went to the general affairs department to look for the contract. I asked, but she didn't find anything and left dejectedly."

"Did she do anything after that?"

"No." Joshua was very certain. "She stayed at home with her son all the time. Other than eating time, she basically didn't go out. I'm guessing that she wants to spend more time with her son now. Maybe she won't be able to spend time with him in a few days."

"Don't let your guard down. If Jeanne makes any movements, you have to tell me immediately."

"Okay." Joshua agreed.

"Learn about Adrian's movements and keep an eye on him."

"Are you worried that Adrian will be threatened by Jeanne?"

"It's not impossible."

"Don't worry, Adrian is an old man in the workplace. Doesn't he know what's more important?! Besides, if he admits that he framed Jeanne, wouldn't that be a crime?!"

"Anyway, don't make any mistakes. If we can't take down Jeanne this time, don't even think about it next time!"

"Brother-in-law, everything has been done so perfectly. Jeanne is definitely dead! You're worrying too much. There are still three days left. Let's just wait for Jeanne to be sentenced! When that happens, I want to see if she can still be arrogant!"

Eden still wanted to say something.

However, he felt that since this matter had reached this stage, nothing serious could happen.

He said, "In any case, call me if there's anything."

“Okay.”

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After hanging up the phone, Eden's lips curled into a cold smile.

He was also very eager to see Jeanne's fate.

A tragic fate!

Four days passed in a flash.

In the morning on court day.

The headlines in South Hampton City were about Jeanne going to court today, and the news spread all over the city. Many people paid attention to it, and the news spread like wildfire.

Jeanne sat in Miles's car and arrived at South Hampton City Court.

There were already many reporters gathered at the entrance of the court, and they all wanted to know the latest news.

Jeanne opened the car door and just got out.

The sharp-eyed reporters immediately saw her. In an instant, they swarmed over.

Miles stood in front to help Jeanne block the reporters.

Jeanne and Judah Smith, the lawyer Kingsley found, walked behind. Kingsley did not appear. With that, the three of them walked into the court with some difficulty.

“Ms. Lawrence, I heard that the facts of your crime are very obvious. Have you thought about how long you'll be sentenced?”

“Ms. Lawrence, you're known as a dark horse in the business industry. Now, for the sake of 30 million dollars, you have to bear this consequence. Do you regret it?”

“Ms. Lawrence, I heard that you were bailed by Fourth Master Swan to await trial. What's the relationship between you and Fourth Master Swan?”

Jeanne did not want to answer and continued to walk forward with the lawyer.

The reporters were unyielding.

It was until someone suddenly called out, “Young Master Swan is here.”

Jeanne's eyes moved slightly.

'Did Eden want to come to see my end?'

After all, Jeanne had not left her house for the past few days, so Eden was certain that she did not have any evidence!

At this moment, the reporters suddenly ran over from Jeanne's side.

“Young Master Swan, are you here to observe Jeanne's lawsuit?”

“Are you also worried about Jeanne?”

“What's the relationship between your fourth uncle and Jeanne now?”

Eden was polite. He said, “My father-in-law has been unwell for the past two days and my mother-in-law is taking care of him at home. Hence, they asked Jasmine and me to come to observe Jeanne's lawsuit and hope for a good outcome.”

“Young Master Swan, what do you think of Jeanne's lawsuit?” The reporter asked.

“I believe that the law is fair. We'll accept the verdict of the law.” Eden was smart enough not to express his personal opinion. He did not want any of his words to be misinterpreted by the media.

“I heard that your fourth uncle and Jeanne have a close relationship. Is that true?” A reporter asked impatiently.

Eden seemed to be a little silent. At that moment, he seemed to sigh helplessly and held Jasmine's hand tightly.

Jasmine smiled at Eden, appearing very sweet.

The relationship between the husband and wife looked extremely good.

A reporter quickly flattered, “You look so sweet together.”

The other reporters also quickly echoed.

Eden said, “If Jeanne wasn't so strong-willed, she wouldn't have to face all this now. As for my fourth uncle and Jeanne, as a junior, I don't have the right to say anything. Of course, I really don't know what relationship they have.”

He first made his stance clear.

Then, he continued, "If Jeanne has some self-awareness, she should keep a distance from my fourth uncle. No matter what, my fourth uncle isn't someone she can climb up to. I don't even know what Jeanne has become abroad all these years. She became such a self-deprecating woman. I feel a little guilty about it. Back then, when I had a falling out with Jeanne, it caused her to give up on herself."

He sounded regretful.

The reporters were even moved by Eden, who was acting like a good person at the moment.

Jeanne stood at the front steps for a while. She had also heard Eden's words. At that moment, she could only sneer.

Some acts had gone too far and could no longer be stopped.

Jeanne stood up and prepared to leave. She did not want to hear Eden say anything hypocritical anymore.

All of a sudden, she heard a familiar voice behind her. The person said coldly, "Whether Jeanne is worthy of me or not, that's something for me to tell the whole world, not you!"

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At the entrance of the court, Jeanne's heart moved.

After she heard Fourth Master Swan say those words, before the reporters could react, she added, "Eden, you should know your place. The matters of the elders aren't something that you can interfere in, nor is it something that you have the right to interfere in. Don't lose the Swans' upbringing!"

She talked quite a bit.

Eden was probably embarrassed.

There was even a second of awkwardness at the scene.

Eden pursed his lips tightly. Being taught a lesson in public by his fourth uncle so bluntly made him super embarrassed.

Due to Fourth Master Swan's words, the reporters suddenly did not know how to smooth things over.

There was a moment of stalemate.

When Jeanne heard what Edward said, she had to admit that it was very warm to be protected by others sometimes.

Even so, she did not let herself think too much.

She lifted her feet and left.

In fact, she was still thinking about how she would probably be scolded by Kingsley again if he knew Fourth Master Swan spoke up for her in public.

Speaking of which, what did she do wrong between her and Fourth Master Swan?

It was clearly Fourth Master Swan's wishful thinking, so why did it become a matter between the two of them in the end?

The two of them were apparently “having an affair”.

Jeanne did not expect things to turn out like this.

She could even imagine how the media would publicize it if Fourth Master Swan stood up for her today.

Jeanne would not be able to clear her name no matter what.

Thinking of this, she left.

She had just taken two steps when someone suddenly pulled her back.

Her body froze.

It was that one second when her heart felt like it had been struck, even if she had allowed herself to ignore it.

Jeanne turned her head.

She turned her head and saw Fourth Master Swan appear behind her.

The reporters behind also caught up and asked while panting, "Fourth Master, what's your relationship with Jeanne?"

"Fourth Master, do you like Jeanne?"

"You spoke up for Jeanne. Is it true that you're dating as the rumors say?"

"Fourth Master, Jeanne has experienced so much and was once your nephew's girlfriend. Are you not afraid of awkwardness when you're with her?"

Edward tugged at Jeanne's arm.

He turned his head and faced all the reporters. "Yes, Jeanne and I are dating."

"..." Jeanne wanted to bang her head against the stone pillar at the entrance of the court.

Especially when she saw Kingsley at this moment.

He was standing at a distance. As no one knew him, naturally, he did not attract too much attention.

Beside him was George.

The two of them were looking at her from afar.

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“I don't think I need to explain the details of our relationship to you guys!” Edward narrowed his eyes and said coldly.

The reporters did not dare to ask anymore at this moment.

No one dared to ask what was on the tip of their tongue.

They could only watch helplessly as the interaction between Fourth Master Swan and Jeanne continued.

Then, clicking sounds could be heard continuously.

Jeanne wanted to leave as soon as possible.

Nevertheless, she was held back by Fourth Master Swan at this time.

Moreover, Fourth Master Swan had publicly “admitted” their relationship. What could she do...?!

She just watched as Fourth Master Swan suddenly reached out his hand to her cheek.

Jeanne's heartbeat quickened.

Seriously, she was really afraid that this man in front of her would kiss her in public.

For a second, she was waiting for his move as if she was facing death.

Then, she heard his deep and gentle voice. "Don't be afraid, I'll always be with you."

"..." What was she afraid of?

Despite that, Jeanne forced herself to smile.

It was just a sweet smile in response to him.

At least at this moment, she could not ruin Fourth Master Swan's reputation.

Jeanne said, "Okay."

Then, she gently moved her arm.

Edward let go of her.

"Fourth Master, I'll go in first."

Edward nodded slightly.

Jeanne turned around and left.

The moment she left, she could clearly feel the intense gaze of the people behind her. It even made her feel that her back was burning.

Only when Jeanne walked into the court did Edward retract his gaze.

He looked to the side and saw Kingsley walking past him coldly.

Nox and Finn, who were standing next to Edward, saw it too.

Nox was somewhat gloating over Kingsley's misfortune.

Looking at Kingsley's cold expression, one could tell that he must have been angered to death.

Nox felt a sense of satisfaction in his heart.

Fourth Master Swan was more skillful.

Edward did not stay any longer. He brought Nox and Finn into the court.

On the other hand, Eden was so angry that his face turned hideous. He stood there motionlessly.

He gritted his teeth and forced himself to remain calm. At least, he did not want the media to see his true emotions.

Chapter 199: Don't Be Afraid, I'll Always Be With You

In any case, Jeanne was going to be sentenced today.

'No matter how powerful Fourth Uncle is, can he forcefully save Jeanne from the law?!' Eden thought.

He sneered.

His fourth uncle chose to do these things to Jeanne at this time. In the end, he would be slapped in the face!

Eden wanted to see what his fourth uncle would say to the media when Jeanne was sentenced!

Would his fourth uncle wait for Jeanne to be released from prison?!

If that was the case, without needing him to take revenge, his grandfather would already beat his fourth uncle to death.

“Eden,” Jasmine called out to Eden softly from the side.

Eden snapped back to his senses.

He held Jasmine's hand and entered the court.

At this moment, Monica also rushed to the court in a hurry and was stopped by the reporters.

Monica was originally burning with anxiety, so she did not treat the reporters well. “All of you, stay away from me. I don't want to talk to you.”

The reporters still surrounded Monica tightly.

“I'm telling you, Jeanne was wronged.

“All of you, move aside, move aside. I'm going in...” Monica was fuming.

If she had known earlier, she would have found someone to accompany her. She had forgotten how shameless the reporters from Harken were.

Just as she was about to explode...

“If you have any questions, we'll only have answers after the court passes judgment. You won't be able to get any answers even if you ask questions now?!” A male voice sounded from behind her.

Monica turned her head.

When she turned her head, she saw Micheal appear behind her.

Micheal smiled at Monica.

When the reporters saw Micheal appear, they immediately abandoned Monica.

Monica also regained her “freedom”.

Micheal was surrounded by the reporters instead. He quickly signaled for Monica to leave.

Monica reacted and smiled gratefully at Micheal. She quickly walked into the court.

It seemed that whenever she was in trouble, Micheal would always appear at the first moment.

Besides...

Were her eyes playing tricks on her? She seemed to have seen the back view of Finn, that scum.

In fact...

So what if she could not see him.

He would just stand by and watch anyway.

Monica panted heavily as she walked into the courtroom.

At this moment, the court staff was preparing. There were many people in the audience seats that Monica did not recognize. Even so, she knew that they were all people of high status. They were probably here to see for themselves the sensational case that had caused a stir in Harken and how Jeanne would be sentenced.

Monica swept her gaze around.

'Eden brought that b*tch here as well?!

'Is he here to watch Jeannie make a fool of herself?!

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'Damn it.'

Every time Monica saw Eden and Jasmine together, she could not help but want to kill someone.

Back then, it was that cheating couple that caused Jeanne to suffer so much!

"Monica," someone called out to her.

Monica turned her head.

Nox waved his hand. "This way."

Monica saw Fourth Master Swan sitting there.

Beside Fourth Master Swan were Nox and Finn.

She hesitated for a moment before walking over and sitting directly next to Finn.

It was not that she wanted to sit beside Finn, it was just that Nox sat by the aisle and that there were no seats beside him. Fourth Master Swan sat between Nox and Finn, and there were many seats beside Finn.

No matter how bad it was...

Monica still had an image.

To outsiders, she and Finn were still “husband and wife”.

She sat down.

Finn remained expressionless.

Monica did not put her attention on Finn either. She looked left and right.

Her eyes suddenly paused. “Isn't that George?”

Fourth Master Swan obviously looked over there.

“Who's the man next to him?” Monica was surprised. She looked him up and down for a long time and concluded, “He's quite handsome.”

“Handsome? How handsome?!” Nox had a deep prejudice against Kingsley, so he did not want to hear any good words about him. “Is he as handsome as Fourth Master Swan?! He's not even close.”

“...” Monica looked straight at Nox. “Did you wake up on the wrong side of the bed today?!”

Nox rolled his eyes.

“I'll go ask George.” Monica got up and was about to go over when her palm was suddenly grabbed by someone.

She looked down at Finn and saw him holding her hand tightly.

“It's about to start,” Finn reminded her.

Monica pursed her lips.

At this moment, she saw Micheal walking into the courtroom.

As he walked in, he saw Monica and Finn's physical contact from afar.

Monica pushed Finn's hand away.

Finn's eyes moved.

He naturally saw Micheal appear in the audience stand of the court.

Finn did not say anything else.

Monica also did not impulsively go to George's side.

After all...

It was really going to start.

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At this moment, Jeanne was already taken to the defendant's dock.

The contractor was also in the other dock.

All the staff members and lawyers were in place.

After the clerk gave a lecture on the discipline of the court, the judge walked out.

Everyone stood up.

Then, they sat.

The judge announced the official opening of the court.

Josiah Newton, the attorney for the prosecution, stood up and made a statement, "On September 18th, the Lawrence Enterprise and MUK, an international e-commerce company, discussed an e-commerce collaboration. On September 25th, the Lawrence Enterprise held a tender for the logistics warehouse of the e-commerce case and finally selected Tenda Planning and Construction Company. Construction started on September 27th and has been going on since then. On October 10th, the prosecutor's office received an anonymous report that Jeanne, the person in charge of the e-commerce project and the marketing director of the Lawrences Enterprise, has secretly sought personal gains of up to 30 million dollars in the construction of the logistics warehouse. A dual contract and the specific details of the amount sought were provided. It violated the laws and regulations of Harken. Therefore, the public prosecution has initiated a prosecution."

The judge nodded. "The prosecution is established. Please hand over the defendant's proof of guilt to the trial bench."

“Understood.” Josiah respectfully handed them over to a staff member.

The staff member handed it over to the trial bench.

Josiah continued, “Your Honor, please allow me to present the important witness of this case to the court.”

“Permission granted.”

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The first person to appear in court was the informant, Adrian Zimmer.

Adrian stood in the position of the witness, looking a little nervous.

Jeanne looked at that man just like that.

She originally wanted to go over and meet the man in person, but because she had found a more crucial clue, she did not have any contact with him. Jeanne had not been at the Lawrence Enterprise for long, so she did not have a deep impression of him. At this moment, she could still look at him calmly.

Josiah walked toward Adrian. “Informant, you don't need to be nervous. You just need to answer my questions truthfully.”

“Okay.” Adrian quickly nodded.

“May I ask how you discovered Jeanne's crime?” Josiah asked.

“Well, I was fully in charge of the project's construction work. One day, I went to check the construction progress on a routine basis. I suddenly realized that the construction materials brand on the construction site are somewhat different from what I remembered the construction company had told me. I quickly went back to check. There was indeed something fishy. I believed that there was something wrong with the construction company, Tenda, so I went to look for Tenda's boss, Tenda Wadler. Tenda denied it repeatedly at first, but later, he couldn't resist and admitted that he had indeed changed to another brand. He even advised me that the brand was different but the quality was similar. He made me turn a blind eye to it and said that he would give me benefits.

“Of course, I rejected him outright and ordered him to immediately return to work and rebuild. However, the cost of rebuilding was too high. Tenda rejected me outright. The moment I expressed that I would take him to court, he had no choice but to tell me that the mastermind behind everything was Jeanne. He said that it was Jeanne who made him do it. He even threatened me not to interfere given Jeanne's status in the Lawrences. Otherwise, I would lose my job! Of course, I wouldn't listen to his nonsense. I never thought that this would have anything to do with Jeanne. Tenda saw that I didn't believe him, so he secretly showed me the contract that he signed with Jeanne!”

Adrian's words were smooth and fluid. It was as if he had memorized the script in advance.

The courtroom was very quiet.

It was as if they believed his explanation without a doubt.