

## Chapter 22

Finneas Lake.

It has been four years—four years since I last saw him.

This was a man whom Selena had loved with all her heart and soul. Once upon a time, she had believed that he was everything in her world. He was her sun, her moon, and all of her stars, a man whom she would sacrifice anything for. When they met again, she totally didn't expect him to slap her.

"You crazy b\*tch! You f\*cking turned me into a cuckold, and now you wanted other women to do that again to me, isn't that true? You evil, scheming b\*tch!" Finneas pointed at her furiously, his finger almost poking straight into her eyes.

At the bar last time, had it not been Finneas's arrival on time, he could not imagine what Megan would have done with other men. He walked into the bar just in time to witness Megan dancing sensually with an old man!

After that incident, Megan pitifully revealed to him that it was Selena who had drugged her, causing her to act indecently.

Of course, Finneas immediately understood the reason behind Selena's action. She did that to take revenge on me! She turned me into a cuckold, and now she wanted

my bride-to-be to do the same!

Standing right beside Finneas, Megan was smiling with her mouth covered. She had come over to pick up her wedding gown. She had blamed Selena for the incident at the bar, and even told Finneas that she was acquainted with the president of the JNS Corporation, which was how she managed to assuage him.

The Lake Family's business was in the textile industry, and they had wanted an engagement with the Yards because the Yards were running a leading brand in the fashion industry. If the two families could join hands, it would be a win-win situation for them.

Sadly, in the past few years, the Yards' brands were going downhill, and the Lakes could only seek to collaborate with bigger brands out there. When Forever Gown started to grow in Astoria, many textile manufacturers wanted a piece of the pie, and that included Lake Corporation as well.

If they partnered with Forever Gown and utilized it as a springboard to penetrate Springvale's market, in the future, Lake Corporation would grow healthily, and Finneas's status as the family heir would be unshakeable.

Finneas had dreamed of getting a partnership with JNS Corporation. Therefore, when Megan mentioned that she'd pick up her gown, he immediately put everything aside and followed her to the store to try his luck. To his dismay, the first thing he ran into was Selena Yard, the

shameless b\*tch!

Upon seeing his face, Selena sneered with a hint of mockery, which was mostly directed at herself.

How did I get blinded by love and fell for a man like him?

"Evil? Scheming? I don't think I deserve those adjectives." She lifted her chin and glared threateningly at Megan. "Those are for describing the lady beside you."

At this point, Selena's stare could almost burn holes right through Megan.

She was agitated at the thought of Megan grabbing Juniper's hair and slapping Juniper, and she badly wanted to tear Megan into pieces. However, the timing was not right—a physical assault would only play out in Megan's favor.

"Selena, what nonsense is that? Did I somehow offend you again?"

"Offend me? Did you not know? You grabbed my daughter in the bakery and slapped her. Have you forgotten about that in the blink of an eye? Shall I show you the footage to refresh your memory?"

Megan hurriedly wrapped her arm around Finneas's and explained herself, "Finneas, she's not telling the truth. That day, I was only buying some cake for Juniper at the bakery since she's my niece. Unfortunately, not only did she not accept my kindness, but she also bit me until I bled! I was too angry and hit her in the heat of the

moment."

"You don't need to explain yourself. A sl\*t like her will never raise a good daughter!" Finneas was still furious at Selena. "Selena Yard, tell me, how do you plan to make up for drugging my woman?"

"How do you plan to make up for this?" Selena pointed at her swollen cheek. "I can call the police to have you arrested, Finneas Lake."

This was the first time she had addressed him by his full name. It sounded very stiff and unnatural. Hearing that, Finneas chuckled, grabbed some bills from his wallet, and slapped them on her face.

"Is that enough for you? If it's not enough, should I give you more?" He was wearing a sardonic smile on his face as the bills fluttered in the air and landed on the floor.

At that time, everyone in the store came over to witness the debacle. The sight of Finneas insulting Selena made Megan feel gleeful. However, Selena did not seem angered at all. Instead, she crossed her arms and said to him, "That's not enough."

He took out a stack of bills from his wallet and flung them on her face again. "How about these?"

"Still not enough," she replied calmly. He took out more bills from his wallet. At that moment, the floor was already scattered with the bills from before.

"Selena Yard, I bet you must have earned an insane

amount from selling your body these years, huh? You're not satisfied with a small amount anymore, and you're demanding an exorbitant amount. Am I right?"

Now, Finneas had finished throwing all the bills in his wallet, but Selena remained unbothered.

"As the young master of Lake Corporation and its future heir, do you only carry this little with you? That's too shameful," she mocked him.

"You—" Finneas did not plan to expose his identity at the store because he had been acting rudely, and he would be negatively affected by any rumors that got out. He had not expected Selena to announce his identity to everyone.

"You're really something, Selena Yard! Sure, let's go to extremes; I will show you how I do it! Ladies and gentlemen, take a good look at this woman here! She is my ex-girlfriend and a childhood friend of seven years. How did it end? I made a trip abroad, and during my absence, she could not stand the loneliness and slept with other men. Not only that, she got pregnant with a b\*stard child!"

Finneas's voice was loud; it was as if he wanted the entire store to hear him.

"This b\*tch even shamelessly planned to claim that I'm the father of the child. Isn't she shameless?"

Staring at Finneas's face, Selena felt like slapping herself

for her horrible taste in men. Back then, she had thought of Finneas as a gentleman with a mild character. By the looks of it now, he was no different from a street thug.

"Is that all you have to say?" She was unperturbed, which surprised him, and he started to feel embarrassed by his intense behavior.

"Young Master Lake, if that's all you want to say, shall we discuss compensation now? How much will you compensate me for slapping me on my face? As I have told you before, these bills are not enough for me."

"F\*ck! I will only give you that much! B\*tch! Take it or leave it! Why don't you sue me? Selena Yard, I'd like to see what you can do about this. Sue me! Just do it! You don't even stand a chance to win a lawsuit against me with your background!"

Megan took his arm and soothed him, "Calm down. She's not worth getting angry about. After all, you know her character very well."

"What if she sues you with my help?" An imposing voice boomed from the store entrance.