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All the reporters suddenly understood something and turned their confused gazes towards the reporter who had just been slapped. Indeed, as they have just stated Chloe, being a public figure and a shrewd one at that, would never slap a reporter in public, no matter how furious she might be. Yet, could it be that she did so because that man had slandered Damon?

Although the man hadn't fully voiced his thoughts, anyone could tell what he was about to say next. He sure was bold to speak so disrespectfully of Damon, a genuine descendant of the Harper family, carrying the blood of the Harpers in his veins. Sure, he may have been expelled from the Harper family, but that was not a lifelong sentence. In due time, someone was bound to give in. To label him as a homeless dog, that guy must truly be tired of living.

Chloe's words now made it even clearer. If this man didn't have backup, he certainly wouldn't be so brazen.

The man looked somewhat flustered, "I was simply eager to uncover the truth."

Chloe retorted icily. "Your method of seeking the truth is certainly charming."

After she finished speaking, her icy gaze scanned every person present. "I'm not stopping you from pursuing the truth, but I hope you'd do something more meaningful. Are you all going to starve without our lives to feast on during your dinner chats?"

The reporters present all looked rather uncomfortable. Essentially, as entertainment journalists, they were running ragged for web traffic, catering to internet users who enjoy drama.

What practical significance?

This was the practical significance. And nothing more.

Ms. Summers as an entertainment professional, don't you think your statements are a bit inappropriate?"

Chloe said, "I am merely expressing my stance on this matter in my own way. My duty as an entertainment professional is to cultivate artists and works for the public, not to provide entertainment using the privacy and dignity of my family if you still don't understand, let me clarify once more. None of your questions are valid As for the rumors online, I will make sure you bear the consequences of defamation"

Chloe's words landed with a forceful thud, demonstrating her fierce determination. All the reporters were stifled by her dominating aura

Not daring to provoke Chloe, they turned their attention to Alyssa and Elizabeth beside her

"Ladies, regarding the matter of Mr. Harper being expelled from the Harper family, is there any chance for reconciliation? What are your thoughts?"

"Damon has always been my grandson If you want to know who expelled him from the Harper family, you should ask that person instead. Ask him if he has a grandson that he kicked out" Alyssa's words sent a chill down the spine of the reporters. Nobody, not even Presley, had ever used the term expelled it seemed they had made assumptions

"Then what about the rumors of Mr. Harper marrying into the Y Country's royal family, what do you have to say about that?"

"So what if he marries into their family? Is he eating your food? If you have the guts, try to marry into the Y Country's royal family and see if they want you." Elizabeth was exasperated. She had never been comfortable with the reporters' probing questions.

in public, she had always had to restrain herself as Mrs. Harper What was so great about the Harper family? if not for her foolish love for that man, she wouldn't have to put up with all this

Her words left the reporters speechless

“Any more questions? if not, please step aside.”

The reporters were not satisfied. “Ms Summers, does your attitude suggest that no matter what, you are willing to trust Mr. Harper and stay with him? Aren’t you afraid that things may take a turn for the worse? I mean, what if, Mr. Harper really has ulterior motives in approaching you, what will you do?”

Chice glanced at the man, and calmly stated, “Yes, I trust him Therefore, your last question is not valid”

The crowd fell silent

Standing behind them, Damon hooked his lips into a smirk, turned to Royce and couldn’t help but gloat, “What should I do now?”

As a father and a mature man, Royce had to restrain himself from punching Damon right there and then The brat was actually flaunting his love life to him. After a moment, he sneered, “Don’t get too cocky You’ve lived fewer years than I have. The situation isn’t over yet. Yes, Chloe cares about you, but the more she cares, the less she can tolerate any flaws. You can act nonchalant now, but don’t be surprised when you later find her crying in a commer

Seeing Damon’s face darken, Royce felt a sense of satisfaction. He glanced at Chloe and continued. “Just now, she must have been very angry, night?”

Damon’s face was very gloomy at this point

Having achieved his goal. Royce walked towards his wife with an easy stride

The focus of the media scrutiny was right behind them, but none of the reporters dared to approach Damon for an interview.

Under the watchful eyes of their bodyguards, they strolled out of the airport Just as they were about to get into the cat Chloe suddenly turned to Nate and said. “Don’t do anything to that journalist for now, but I want him to be monitored closely

Nate paused for a moment, seemingly understanding what she meant. “Understood, ma’am

Chloe nodded and got into the car

This airport interview naturally stirred up another wave of excitement online

“That reporter really was asking for it I mean, who dares to say such things? No matter how stupid a journalist could be, they wouldn’t say those things. Who was dumb enough to hire such an idiot to stir the pot

“Ms. Summers is still the fiery woman we know, always so powerful

“Ah, that slap was so satisfying!”

“Although I shouldn’t really be concerned, I can’t help but want to know more. Ms. Summers trusts Mr. Harper so much, what if he turns out to be

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affair? After finally marrying into the royal family, why would he?”

“What if he approached her with an ulterior motive? She is already pregnant, and the hurt would be deeper”

“Men, such unpredictable creatures

“The thing I want to say is, Presley used to look down on Ms. Summers’ background, but now that she’s suddenly a high and mighty princess, I wonder if he still thinks she’s not good enough for the Harper family”

“Not good enough” Hilanous, who’s not good enough for whom now? Even if Damon is still the CEO of the Harper family, he’s not necessarily good enough for Ms. Summers Besides, he’s nothing now”

“Do we even need to discuss this? If he were really good enough, we wouldn’t be saying he’s clinging to her coattails now

Chloe’s past achievements had already garnered her a large following online When they first heard about her relationship with Damon, they were excited and congratulatory But now, when comparing Chloe and Damon, naturally, they praised Chloe while criticizing Damon

The online discussions were heated, but Chloe, being busy with Alyssa and Elizabeth was naturally unaware of what was happening online

Meanwhile Presley was fuming due to his excessive concern for Damon and Chloe’s affairs

“Even he was still the CEO of the Harper family, he was not good enough for Chloe.” In his eyes, this was an outright insult to the Harper family. The Harper family had always been the ones to look down on others. When did the Harper family become something others look down upon?

As the end of the financial year approached, Presley grew more impatient. Not only because of the year–end stress, but also because of the Global Economic Summit Being suppressed for several years, he was already frustrated. Now, because of a woman, the Harper family was once again being belittled. He was

naturally upset

Robin on the side also looked sullen

“Has the company’s financial report come out yet? How is it?”

Now, the only thing that could somewhat ease his frustration was undoubtedly the Global Economic Summit. If they could achieve a good result, even surpass the Obsidian Group, and once again rank first internationally, he would like to see who would dare to point fingers at the Harper family

At these words, Robin's face darkened even more 'It's out Compared to last year, there's no significant change"

Presley closed his eyes and took a deep breath. How could the Harper family achieve a good result given the ups and downs they had this year?!

"Don't worry, at the very least we can maintain our position from last year. This year the head of Obsidian will also attend. If we're lucky enough simeet with him, i think if we put aside our prejudices, a collaboration between us would be beneficial for both parties."

Presley's eyes narrowed instantly. "Collaborate? After being suppressed by him for so many years, now you want to work with him? You think Damon marrying into the royal family wasn't humiliating enough, and now you want to follow in his footsteps and cling to Obsidian?! When did our family become so weak?!

The machismo was palpable

Robin pursed his lips, Tm simply thinking about the better development of the family?

"We won't resort to such a weak move as clinging to others if we can't do it ourselves! The Harper family will never do such a thing!"

Robin sat on the sofa with a cold face, holding his silence

The head of Obsidian is attending the Global Economic Summit this year, huh? I'd like to see who this important person is

Presley leaned on his cane to stand up, but his movements were not as agile as before. It took a great deal of effort for him to stand up and he shuffled upstairs.

It was only after his figure disappeared at the staircase that Robin stood up, walked out of the mansion, and dialed a number on his phone “Make sure he’s dealt with Unbelievable, how did you find such a fool!”

The other person responded, “He’s a small fry, so he should be easy to deal with when everything’s done. Don’t worry, it’ll be taken care of

Robin ended the call The thought of today’s airport news made him furrow his brow. Simply unbelievable

After Presley went upstairs, it took him a long while to suppress his anger

He was a walking contradiction now He despised the trouble that Chloe had brought to the Harper family and even to Damon, yet he was constantly thinking about the child in her belly in the end, the baby in Chloe’s womb slowly occupied his entire heart. Everything else was pushed aside

The next generation of the Harper family His great–grandchild

Tossing and turning, he barely got a wink of sleep. When the morning came, he groggily ate his breakfast, staring blankly at the table for over an hour before he finally stood up and stepped out of the villa

The butler hurried to his side. “Sir, what do you wish to do?”

“Prepare the car

Chloe couldn’t get out of bed in the morning Ever since she started to show she found herself feeling more and more lethargic: She had been a little lazy once she started dating Damon, but now she was on a whole new level of inertia

She only managed to crawl out of bed after nine bundled up in her cozy loungewear After a quick wash, she went downstairs to find something to eat

The housekeeper upon seeing her immediately dashed into the kitchen The breakfast prepared for Chloe was promptly served on the dining table

Elizabeth, who was pushing Alyssa back from her morning walk, saw Chloe having breakfast and cheerfully joined her starting another round of breakfast “What are your plans for the day, Chloe? I can arrange for a prenatal teacher to come over

Chloe shook her head, I have to go to the office later”

“Go to the office? Your baby bump is starting to show it’s so inconvenient. Why not stay at home?”

“I just need to check on something I won’t stay long”

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Elizabeth pouted. Then I go with you”

Chloe didn’t refuse, nodding in agreement.

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Chloe paused mid–bite on her bagel the sound of the angina didn’t ballong to any al

Ms. Elizabeth Ms China Miss Alyssa Mr. Presley is here

Alyssa immediately frowned. What does he want?

Elizabeth pursed her lips, saying nothing. China took another bite of her bagel. (What was he doing man and settling in with her?)

One brow raised, she took yet another bite of her bagel

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Alyssa split another one and placed it in front of her, "Have one more, with cream cheese"

Elizabeth peeled a hard-boiled egg and handed it to her, "Don't forget your protein"

The maid who came to report stood there her expression somewhat peculiar. She had long known that Presley had a bad temper, even the mere mention of him by the household staff made them pale. And all the recent events had had some pretty adverse effects on the Harper family and Damon. Now that Presley had come storming over in person, how can they remain so calm?

"Madam, are you not intending to go out and greet him?"

Alyssa frowned. What's he to me that I should go out and greet him? This isn't his Harper Mansion and he's certainly not welcome here. He can go back to wherever he came from. Her icy voice, laced with anger, echoed with a force that was impossible to ignore.

Just as the old man, who had been escorted into the living room by the maid, heard this, his already sour expression darkened further.

The maid flinched, trembling as she said. "But that's Mr. Presley"

“Even if it were the king himself, he wouldn’t be more important than my granddaughter-in-law’s breakfast if he can wait, let him wait. if he can’t, tell him to I don’t have to put up with his unpleasantness ‘

The maid nearly collapsed in fright at Alyssa’s words in her mind. Alyssa had always been gentle and elegant, always amiable to Elizabeth and Chloe She could never have imagined that Alyssa would say something so fierce

Chloe chewing on her bagel was also taken aback by Alyssa’s outburst. After all these years, how had she and Presley managed to live together in harmony? She had always thought her grandma was a kind and loving person Well, the women of the Harper family weren’t to be trifled with

“Careful Have some juice Elizabeth’s soft voice rang out, reminding Chloe

Chloe obeyed, sipping her juice obediently

The more Elizabeth saw of Chloe, the more she liked her When she had first met Chloe, Chloe had seemed somewhat lost, but it was clear she was usually a quiet distant sort of person in fact outside of the house, Chloe was still the formidable businesswoman. But who could have guessed that such a cold, stern woman could be so soft and sweet at home?

“My daughter-in-law is so polite and beautiful What good deeds did that brat do in his past life to deserve you?”

Alyssa scoffed “It was all thanks to me Without me, they might never have crossed path And you wouldn’t have such an outstanding daughter-in-law, and you wouldn’t be about to become a grandma”

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Elizabeth chuckled “Right, night. Thank you for playing matchmaker for Damon and Chloe. When your great-grandsons are born, we’ll make sure the first word they learn is great-grandma

Presley, looking sullen in the living room, twitched at Elizabeth's words. He glanced towards the kitchen, then slowly and quietly moved closer leaning on his cane. The nearby maid just glanced at him, puzzled.

Elizabeth's words, however, made Alyssa chuckle. She raised a hand like a schoolgirl and declared. "I want to pick the names for my great-grandchildren."

Chloe hesitated a moment, thinking about the babies' name. She wondered what Damon's thoughts might be.

"How about we let you pick the nickname?" Elizabeth suggested, clearly reluctant. She was afraid Alyssa might choose something like Bobby Johnny – what a nightmare that would be.

"No way! As the elder it's my night to choose the names. Don't worry, I'll think of a few good ones, and you can choose from those."

Elizabeth pouted. "How about you let me have one, you get one, and I get one?"

While the two were chatting, Chloe had finished her second bagel and was sipping her juice. She spoke up quietly. "What about Damon and me?"

Alyssa and Elizabeth turned to her almost in unison. That's simple. Have a few more kids, and whichever name you like best, keep it in mind for them. "

Chloe was speechless. So they were suggesting having kids just to use the names they liked? Wasn't that a strange idea?

"Anyway, I'm claiming a name for my great-grandchildren in advance."

"I'm claiming one too."

Hearing his great-grandchildren's name being claimed. Presley, who had been hiding by the door, furrowed his brows and coughed. They all turned to look at him, their smiles cooling.

"You Presley had barely begun to speak when they all turned their backs to him, ignoring him completely. His mustache quivered with indignation. "Willi attitude is this?"

Alyssa and Elizabeth didn't respond

Chloe, however was sitting opposite the dining room door looking straight at the old man with a hint of coldness and decision in her eyes

Presley squinted at her "What are you looking at? Feeling pretty pleased with yourself

Chloe's lips curved into a cold smile You're mistaken as just thinking about our babies names it has nothing to do with you

Presley's face darkened further The names of the Harper family's offspring are not for you

There was a loud crash as a china bowl shattered at Presley's feet Chloe was startled by the sudden sound. Before she could react, she heard Alyssa's reply "What the hell are you talking about!"

Elizabeth held Chloe's hand, comforting her

"You Presley did not expect her to suddenly explode, and in front of so many

felt a bit embarrassed for a moment. "Are you out of your mind?"

"You're the one who's lost their minds Alyssa continued to reprimand angrily. "What do you mean it's (What about the babies have anything to do with you? What are you doing here trying to take your territory

Mansion and flex your machismo! They may cater to you, but we certainly don't have to. Who here has anything to do with you?! You're just looking for trouble and causing drama?"

Chloe's mouth dropped open in disbelief, unable to close for a long moment. Was this the grandmother she remembered?

Presley's face turned a shade of livid flush at her words, his body trembling in rage. "You have really gone too far. The babies in her belly are Damon's, and that makes them Harpers."

"Don't flatter yourself!" Alyssa cut him off, "What does Damon have to do with you? Why would his babies have anything to do with the Harper family? Since you're so great, how about you have a great-grandchild for the Harper family yourself! We don't have any Harper family descendants here."

Presley was unable to counter Alyssa's rapid-fire rebukes, she always had the upper hand, not even letting him get a word in. He could only point at her, his finger trembling in anger.

"You you're simply

"Out."

Alyssa's face was cold as she again dismissed him without any mercy.

Chloe's face burned in embarrassment, this spectacle was unlike anything she had ever witnessed before. She even felt a bit apprehensive about looking at Presley's face. Surely any man would feel humiliated being treated like this by a woman?

Glancing at Elizabeth sitting next to her, she saw a look of indifference, as if she was used to such scenes. Could it be that these confrontations between the two elders were a common occurrence in the past? Regardless, Alyssa had certainly opened her eyes today.

As for the old man's sudden visit today, Chloe had a guess at his intentions. No one visited without a reason. Either he was here because the reputation of the Harper family and Damon had suffered a

significant blow and he wanted to settle the score with her, or he was here for the babies in her belly. After all, the babies did carry the Harper family blood. Because of them, he might be willing to

acknowledge her relationship with Damon, giving him an opportunity to appear magnanimous, possibly even expecting her to be grateful for his 'generosity' Knowing him, he would never admit his mistakes

But Alyssa's unexpected intervention shattered his plans, leaving no room for negotiation. He may believe that allowing her into the Harper family was a great favor, but Alyssa made it clear that they weren't interested in his family at all

Was there anything left to discuss? There was absolutely no room left for him to state his case

Chloe bit her lip and remained silent, not saying a word. The room was eerily quiet, everyone holding their breath.

"Why are you still standing there blocking the way? I'll tell you, Presley, you may think the Harper family is more important than anything else, and that's fine. I can't control that, but I will not allow you to ruin my grandson's life in any way Go back and take care of your Harper Group, we are content with our ordinary, mundane lives" Alyssa's voice was no longer as cold and funous as before, now it was calm, as if the previous outburst had never happened

Presley looked at her coldly. "You women, content with an ordinary, mundane life you're selfish!"

Suddenly pointing at Chloe, his voice filled with anger, "How can you be sure that men think the same? How can men allow you to live such ordinary, mundane lives without anything? Are you too naive or too foolish to think the world is so beautiful? Without wealth and power, where is the peace and tranquility?

"Have you ever thought about a man's dignity? Have you ever considered their ambitions and aspirations? Damon gave up the Harper family for you, and now people can freely criticize, mock and ridicule him. Who dared to speak ill of him in the past?

"Alyssia, after all these years, perhaps ive protected you too well and that's why you're still so naive"

Alyssa's face was cold and her lips tightly pressed Presley looked at her with a face full of sorrow, "Damon is now so lost because of his love for this woman. Have you ever thought about what his children will face when they are born? Do you also want his children to live a life as ordinary as his father?"

"You don't need to worry about me" Just as the old man finished speaking, a cold and indifferent voice echoed from behind. Everyone turned to look, only to see Damon standing there in his suit and tie

"What did you say? You're still not reflecting on your actions? What do you think your current situation will leave for your children?!"

"I certainly have something that will make them absolutely proud They will have everything that I can provide with. You don't need to remind me. If you're still here with the same Harper family supremacist attitude, then there's no need for you to say anything more

"You're really stubborn Presley was disappointed. After so long, reality had not brought about any change in him. How sad

After a while, he chuckled, "So young and reckless, you think you have enough talent, right? I know she is now the princess of Y Country, which can save you a few years of hard work, but to achieve the status of the Harper family today, even if you have talents and help, I'm afraid it will take you several decades. You want to give your kids something to be proud of Talking big, aren't you?"

Presley finished speaking, walked over to Damon, and looked at him with cold eyes. "Look at your current situation, being ridiculed like that, how does it feel? Don't you realize what you've lost since leaving the Harper family?!"

Damon looked at the old man with an indifferent gaze, and spoke calmly. The Harper clan is all well and good, but frankly, I don't find it worth my time to constantly hear of its grandeur And I don't see anything in the current Harper family that's worth your pride.

"Once I decided to leave the Harper family, I never thought I'd crawl back because I couldn't survive So don't try to tempt me with how powerful the it is to be honest, everything about the Harpers is unattractive to me

Presley's hand, clutching his cane, was tight, making his entire body tremble. His facial muscles twitched uncontrollably

"Fine. You really are stubborn I'm waiting for the day you come back begging

Damon chuckled lightly, a dismissive smile in his dark eyes, looking at the old man somewhat helplessly Rest assured, that day will never come"

His simple words, however, conveyed absolute arrogance and confidence

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The tone in Damon's voice was as flat as it could get, yet it was enough to stun Presley He stared at Damon for a long time, his recent anger subsiding. "What on earth gives you such confidence? I've never taught you to be so outrageously arrogant "

Speaking of teaching him, Presley closed his eyes, "I taught you so much since you were a kid, what not to do, what not to touch, and yet you've gone against everything Damon, what do you take my words for?"

"You're right Damon said quietly. "But I feel that in this world, there are only things i don't want to do, not things I shouldn't do "

Presley took a deep breath. "One day you'll regret it, you definitely will"

Damon gave him a nonchalant smile. Tve said it before that day will never come "c2

Presley didn't want to stay here any longer Alyssa's ruthlessness, and Damon's arrogance, filled his heart with boundless sorrow and anger. These were his family. each one rebellious and arrogant. If they had shown a little more respect, he would have given up and brought Chloe back to the Harper Mansion, acknowledging her identity, accepting her as the future Mrs Harper. But they all refused to seize this opportunity

Disappointed and angry. Presley left the Greenfield Village and went straight to the Harper Group, where he asked Robin to notify the press for a press conference

After seeing Chloe's interview at the airport, the online critics remarks about Damon weren't as reckless as before. After all, Presley hadn't personally said that he was going to sever ties with Damon

When the media received an invitation to a press conference from the Harper Group, they didn't expect that this sudden press conference would be of such importance

At the entrance of the Harper Group, the media were surprised to see Presley himself standing in front of the cameras

Some even speculated that the negative comments about Damon online had angered Presley, and this was his way of backing his grandson

"It seems some people have really messed up this time, not only offending Ms. Summers, but also the old man of the Harper family"

"I think those people online, unless they're sentenced to a few years, they won't get through this

"They're brainless. They deserve it

The journalists were divided in their opinions, having a mixed attitude towards the current online environment

Thank you all for coming to this press conference. Today's press conference is held solely in my personal name

In front of the TV, Alyssa watched the screen with an unprecedented cold expression. Hannah stood in front of her, her hands tightly clasped, on

with anxiety

“Madam, what is Mr. Presley trying to do? He just got so angry here, and now he’s holding a press conference at the company

Alyssa snorted coldly. The Harper family has given him too much confidence

wouldn’t

Hannah pleaded, “Madam, please call Mr. Presley and talk to him. He’s angry now and easily impulsive. If he really it would be hard to turn things around.

Chloe sat on the sofa, looking a bit upset. Probably everyone in the room could guess what Presley was going to do if Presley really said those words at the press conference, then she

What had she done to tear apart a good family, even to this extent? She was baffled, but the result made her feel guilty

Elizabeth perhaps sensing her mood. took her hand and comforted her “It’s never your fault. He’s just an old stubborn man who thinks he’s superior. He believes. that anyone from the Harper family is the best and most supehor, and no one is worthy to enter the Harper family He also disagreed with me and your dad being together and made a big fuss. Don’t mind him

Damon stood by the sofa, his expression calm, but a thick layer of coldness had surfaced in his eyes

“Recently, I’ve noticed some people criticizing my grandson. Although I’m angry, I can’t refute those comments. He’s indeed disgraceful. I’ve given hup—Countless chances, but he’s still stubborn falling so low because of a woman

never thought that a man of the Harper family would one day be like him, begging a woman for sustenancel Such a grandson, the Harper family will not acknowledge and Presley, do not have such a grandson Today at this press conference, I want to make it clear to everyone that from now on, Damon has nothing to do with the Harper family. As for how you talk about him, and how you treat him, you don’t have to consider the dignity of the Harper family

Once Presley's words were out, the whole place was shocked

Mr Presley are you saying that you're severing ties with Mr Damon?"

heard that Ms. Summers is now pregnant with Mr Damon's child Does your action today imply that there's no chance of won't acknowledge that the child in her is of Harper bloodline?"

Ms Summers,

"Mr Presley | really want to know, what do you came about? Initially, you arranged Ms Wendy for Mr. Damon, partly because of the Alonso family's status and power right? But now Ms Summers background should be even better than Ms Wendy's, right? Why are you still so adamant"

Presley's face in gloomy. This was already a loaded question but what was the reason for his stubborn persistence? The answer was simple. Just because they had defied him too blatantly. But how could he admit to such a thing?

I've said all that needs to be said. This press conference is over. Thank you for coming "

He didn't waste time with unnecessary words. The press conference was as abrupt in its ending as to beginning. The internet was once again in a frenzy press conference

"Holy smokes, what's going on here

"He's disowning his own great grandson Really? I thought he'd rot The red carpet and welcome our Ms. Summers (> the Harper family I

That's what I thought too

even this is how it is turned out! Has Ms. Summers desecrated their family tomb or something? What

This old man's stubbornness could break a Guinness World Record

"But he's not wrong though. Having a kept boy in the family is a disgrace"

Robin had no idea what the old man had been through today. This press conference | completely unexpected #1 could have saved himself a lot of energy

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The incident remained hot on the internet. Due to the old man's actions, some people were even more audacious when discussing Damon. Chloe couldn't turn blind eye to this if it was about her, she could simply ignore it. But when it came to Damon, she couldn't help it, constantly checking her phone. Her anger was overwhelming. The company's legal department was already sending cease and desist letters to those people.

However, Damon didn't seem too concerned about this. When he was told by a servant that Chloe was constantly checking news about him on her phone and was in a bad mood, he confiscated all her electronic devices that could browse the internet.

Chloe felt both sorry for and guilty towards him. "Don't you care at all? Those people are really tearing into you."

Damon smirked, "Feeling a taste of what I went through before?"

Chloe pursed her lips, remembering how she had felt when she was being criticized online.

"My feelings now must be like yours back then. So tell me, how bad was it for you back then?"

Chloe was silent She hadn't really felt anything particularly strong back then, because she was used to such things, and besides, some of it was still within her control Sometimes, seeing people insult her even made her happy But was it the same for him?

"And what about your grandfather?"

Damon's eyes darkened

Chloe frowned. Maybe I should talk to him:

Damon gave her a chilly glance, "You try it."

The look and tone clearly indicated that he didn't actually want her to try. If she did, things wouldn't end well for her

"He's just trying to force us to apologize and submit to him if you go, won't he just push us harder in the future?"

Chloe knew the old man had this intention, but with things as they were, could she really not feel anything?

"Relax, don't think about this. Just be a good, obedient pregnant woman at home"

Chloe could only nod. But not long after, she said again, I can't relax. Whenever i think about the people online insulting you, I feel upset

Damon sighed helplessly. Do you want to know how rich I really am?"

Chloe blinked, "Richer than the Harper family?"

Damon raised an eyebrow, leaning over to kiss her lips, slowly pressing her into the bed. Chloe propped herself up on his shoulders, tilting her chin back to respond to him. In her dazed state, she heard Damon's low voice slowly rising.

"Call me hubby, and I'll tell you a secret."

Chloe's face turned red. After all this time together, the term hubby was still difficult for her to say. Damon had now unbuttoned her shirt, kissing her slightly swollen

stomach.

"If you don't say it now, you'll be crying it out later."

Chloe was somewhat scared. Biting her lip in consternation, Damon kissed up her jaw, his dark eyes smiling at her. "Well?"

"What kind of secret is it? Chloe was weighing whether it was worth it to call him hubby."

Damon frowned, giving her lip a punishing bite. "A secret that could make you happy."

Chloe rubbed her bitten lip, hesitated for a moment, then swallowed her pride and whispered the word.

The faint sound drifted out from between her fingers, much to Damon's dissatisfaction. "I didn't hear that."

Chloe blinked.

Damon sulked, getting up from her, "If you don't want to know, then forget it."

Seeing this, Chloe quickly grabbed his shoulders.

“Hubby

Damon smirked, kissing her once again.

Chloe was left weak, their warm breaths intertwining, filling the atmosphere with a thick romantic haze. In such a romantic moment, any words spoken seem to make perfect sense

“Say it again”

Chloe clung to his shoulders, her voice soft and quiet, whispering in his ear Damon felt as if her soft voice had burrowed into his body, gathering in a certain place, tormenting him

As things were heading towards an uncontrollable direction, Chloe pushed him away, trying to speak. “What’s the secret?”

Damon gritted his teeth, “Behave first. I’ll tell you later”

Chloe was speechless

She knew it!!

At the last moment before Chloe’s thoughts drifted away, Damon finally whispered the secret she had been longing to hear into her ear. Her hazy eyes suddenly cleared, her eyes widening in surprise as she stared at him. “You said wha. Ah-

Damon’s action caused her to let out a surprised cry

For a long time after that, she had no chance to ask the question that was on her mind

Damon stood by the bed, leisurely getting dressed while she watched. By the time he was dressed and turned to look at her Chloe had already snapped a photo of him with her phone.

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Damon raised an eyebrow and Chloe quickly hid her phone in the bed “Are you going out again?”

Dressed to the nines in a tailored suit it was clear he was going out

Damon didn’t make a fuss about the photo, leaning down to plant a quick kiss on her lips. That’s all she needed

joked

Chloe nodded in agreement. “Absolutely”

Damon chuckled leaving her with a few parting words before heading out the door

Chloe was somewhat exhausted after the aftermath of unmasking Tubby at the party

NOW

How happy you might be So happy that she found amusement in

her verified Twitter handle to tap at

My hubby is seriously inadequate |

Accompanying the tweet was a risqué rapturous photo of Camryn in a bikini in a pool

Though Chinese Twitter account went updated frequently had many typos Various media outlets and influencers jumped onto the bandwagon making it the hottest spi

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Wait a second, Princess Chloe, did you get hacked?]

Such a sudden post! it's like a bolt from the blue]

[Hubby? I never thought that our strong, bold, and iron-willed CEO, Star Princess Ms. Summers, would ever use such a term.]

[No, I can't accept this What about us, your loyal fans? My idol now has a husband? This is madness“]

[But Mr. Harper is just too handsome to ignore. If it were up to me, I'd go bankrupt just to keep him c2

The fans of Chloe were quick to express their shock and excitement. However, it wasn't long before some people started to take a negative turn, both under Chloe's original tweet and the tweets shared by other media accounts.

[What's the big deal about being handsome, when you're just a kept man flaunting his privilege?]

[Loaded? Of course he's loaded. His wife is the Princess of Y Country, a powerful and dominant CEO. Mating a woman like that, of course he has money |

It seems like that Ms. Summers can't stand people badmouthing her man online. Please don't be too obvious in your boasting it's really awkward then was |

[Yeah, he was just openly kicked out by Presley from the Harper family and now she's shamelessly boasting about his wealth it just sounds like showing off to cover up the embarrassment]

Ms Summers, calm down. After the example set by previous failures with Lance I hope you retain some emotion, so you're not left devastated in the and

Can we all just chill" Actually I think what Ms. Summers said isn't wrong. Looking at Mr. Harper s appearance, if he were to sell his looks a few more timet wouldn't he be super rich? I wonder, how much would it cost to keep Mr Harper?]

Chloe initially didn't feel much about the previous comments, watching their ignorant banter from behind her screen, but this last comment made her praising Damon for his good looks was fine, but suggesting he should sell his looks to other women was absolutely intolerable

However before she could even respond, Damon was already on the move. He retweeted the comment directly, with a caption. You'll never have this chanc can't afford it, so don't even think about it.]

The internet exploded again

[The audacity of this man!]

[Don't forget that you re no longer the CEO of the Harper family, and you've been kicked out. All you have left is your looks and you're still sa

The re-tweeted user who apparently believed herself to be wealthy and daring, responded directly Didn't Chloe spend two mill to keep you? Who are down on? [I offer five million How about that?]

Damon responded with a single word [Tisk]

One word yet it conveyed an unprecedented disdain and sarcasm

Well, it seems the price has gone up

(indeed, he's with the Princess, whats five million to him?)

Ten million

[Twenty million]

From then on Twitter was filled with people making offers, causing a surge in platform traffic in the end, people even started a bidding war To prove the viability of the bidding, they even brought in the official platform as a witness

The bids were real and valid. If Damon agreed to the highest bidder that person would have to pay Damon the corresponding price.

In reality there were plenty of wealthy people. The bidding stopped at six billion, by a female tycoon from Dubai

Damon however didn't real

but then Chloe suddenly spoke up (Six billion is still far from enough why don't you multiply it by

der Damon's tw

Crazy Sixty billion to keep a man"]

Chloe Now that think about it. I really hit the jackpot with my initial two million |

in the end and the consensus was Chloe had gone crazy and she was madly in love with this Damon guy

The internet was in total chaos

After causing several hat trends on Twitter Damon and Chloe went silent again. For a while. Damon's name dominated all domestic platforms. Most were mocking and giving comments about him.

It wasn't just Predley who couldn't stand in affirmation

and caused such a reaction Elizabeth went to find Chice

Chloe was knocked out by Damon and was lying on the bed scrolling

barged in startling her. She instinctively pulled the blanket closer

Grenhard village were having it

| tete: When they

Elizabeth who was much older than Chion, saw her reaction and a knowing stake in

"What's wrong

Elizabeth laughed. "Nothing (just |

She paused then added. "How's your health?

you young people are

Chloe bit her lip her face turning an uncontrollable shade of red

"And you hungry? You've been busy for it come downstairs and get something

Chloe was too embarrassed to say anything

Elizabeth went downstairs first and ordered the servants to prepare a lot of food for Chloe

By the time Chloe had taken a quick shower and come downstairs, the coffee table was filled with snacks and fruit. Alyssa looked at her with a delighted expression. "You must be tired, Chloe. Come and eat something"

Chloe's face turned even redder

This was madness!

This was more embarrassing than the time Damon caught her watching porn. At least then, she was watching other people as the main characters, but now she was the main character It was utterly mortifying

"God, didn't I just tell you? Don't be too obvious, otherwise. Chloe will feel shy Look at you" Elizabeth kindly reminded Alyssa, but it seemed like it better if she hadn't

"Oh, nght. I'll zip it

Chloe kept silent

In the end Chloe was ushered by Elizabeth to sit down on the couch Alyssa passed her a piece of cake. Then the Twitter incident was brought up

Alyssa chuckled. See? Without the Harper family, our Damon can still provide for his wife, can't he?"

Elizabeth nodded in agreement. Indeed, one really needs to have good looks these days. "

Alyssa laughed heartily looking lovingly at Chloe who was adorably eating her cake and she added.
“Chloe feel free to eat and drink whatever you want if thes anything you want just let us know Don’t hold back if we ever run out of money, we can just let Damon go out and sell his good looks. He can still keep you wat

fed

Chice choked forcefully swallowing the cake in her mouth, and stared surprised across at Alyssa
“Grandma, you

Did she just hear something wrong?

Alyssa didn’t seem to mind, and continued her lament “Who would’ve thought Damon would be worth so much six billion indeed enough for baby formula ‘

Chloe thought to herself Was this really his grandmother? She can actually think of letting her grandson go out and sell his body to support his wife? What end of logic was this?

Meanwhile Elizabeth was pouring Chloe a glass of freshly squeezed juice, her face donned an expression of wry amusement

All these words were just jokes, no one would take them senously. Even if the family was in dire straits, they couldn’t actually let their grandson go out and sell his good looks

Chloe took a sip of the juice

But Alyssa continued “What on earth is that rascal Damon doing? Going about his business and disappearing all the time I reckon he must be the busiest kept boy in the world

Elizabeth sighed. “He was probably triggered by his grandfather Men, after all, don’t like being looked down upon Who knows what his grandfather will do next First, he disowned him, and now he’s probably going to pressure Damon in other ways”

Alyssa scoffed, "You're right, he doesn't let anyone who crosses him off easily. But for the time being, he probably won't have the energy to deal with Damon."

Elizabeth turned to her "How 507?"

Alyssa took a sip of water. The Global Economic Summit is coming up. I heard he's going to attend in person. Given his recent temper tantrum and press conference, all the international corporations are probably watching him. He's a proud macho man who hates being the butt of the joke, he won't want to keep giving them a show. He'll at least wait until the Global Economic Summit is over."

Elizabeth nodded in understanding, that made sense.

Presley was quite predictable. Having stirred up such a controversy, he was probably feeling nauseous now that he had cooled down. He definitely, didn't have the energy to deal with Damon.

Speaking of the Global Economic Summit,

Chice, who had been silent, suddenly spoke up, drawing the attention of both Alyssa and Elizabeth.

"What is

Chice put down her glass and said nonchalantly,

"an invitation to the Global Economic Summit."

Elizabeth and Alyssa were both shocked, their mouths agape. The Global Economic Summit, that was practically also received an invitation, then she was undoubtedly one of the international tycoons.

tion of the

Both looked at

her then moved closer to Chice

“Chice, were entrusting Damon to you from now on Although he’s not

“Yes you can boss hum around all you want when at citarnas ko

Watching the two of them playfully tag teaming

“What i said on Twitter was true Damon se mally meality

Alyssa and Elizabeth nudded approvingly Indeed

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lomon raised an eyebrow, "See how capable the wife I married is?"

Chloe smiled, "But I'm ranked lower, far from you"

"Within a short year, you have already made it to the Global Economic Summit. In some sense, I'm not as good as you."

Chloe didn't refute. "Indeed, my money is mine, and your money is also mine, so together, I should rank above you"

Damon chuckled affectionately "Yes, it's all yours."

Chloe happily swayed her head, patting her bulging belly, and said. "Now I don't have to worry about buying formula, clothes, houses, and cars for them."

Damon "You're thinking too much."

"What?"

"My money is yours, not theirs"

Chloe grinned. "Mine is theirs."

Damon's face darkened slightly. "What about me?"

"Work hard and earn money

Damon fell silent

Seated on the bed, Chloe watched as Damon, with a dark expression, slowly made his way towards her. Pausing for a moment, she hastily lifted the covers and slipped underneath.

By the time Damon approached, Chloe left only her eyes outside the blanket, looking at him with a grin.

“Say it again, what about me?” Damon loomed over her, his dark eyes filled with threats.

Chloe’s eyes shifted, she slowly removed the blanket from her mouth, and slowly said, “I’m yours. So are the babies.”

Damon arched an eyebrow, his displeasure fading gradually. “Not a bad answer,” he admitted.

Chloe, seeing an opportunity, pushed her luck. “Does that mean I get a reward?”

Damon bent down to sit before her, she tactfully shifted aside, and he slid under the covers.

“Your reward will be a gown for the Global Economic Summit.”

The Global Economic Summit was taking place in H City this year.

In recent days, business representatives invited from both domestic and international sectors had started flying to H City.

Chloe packed her bags and by the next day was ready to head to H City. Damon had arranged for a private jet. At first, Chloe thought it was unnecessary, but upon arriving at the airport, she realized she had been mistaken.

Seth, Kane, Noah, Sawyer, Hans, Azriel

The airport was vast, yet these men gathered in one spot, creating a radius within which no one dared to approach. Their aura was simply too imposing.

Passersby couldn't help but stare Each one was a paragon of men, tall and handsome with an alluring charisma. Yet their aloof demeanor and serious expressions were rather intimidating

It wasn't until another man with an equally powerful aura arrived with a "pink chubby bunny", that the majority of the men, as if on cue, chorused Chloe, leaving the onlookers astounded

Chloe was also taken aback by this spectacle, and she tugged at Damon's sleeve, uncomfortably muttering, "Why do I feel like I've named a mob

Damon chuckled lightly. "You should say gangster kingpin" boss?"

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Chloe curled her mouth in a smirk, the joke wasn't going anywhere. However, he was right in the beginning, she really did end up marrying a gangster kingpin. And she did it willingly

She lifted her hand to adjust the pink scarf around her neck, revealing a face flushed from being covered. She gave a somewhat awkward smile to the people in front of her "Hello, everyone"

The temperature inside the airport was quite different from outside. Damon looked at her pink face, pulled her into his arms and adjusted her scarf, revealing her forehead hidden under a pink bunny ear cap

Chloe let out a relieved sigh

The men who were used to seeing the strong and cold Chloe, shifted their gaze to Damon after appreciating Chloe's drastic change Indeed, he was a man of exceptional strength, being able to turn the reputed hell-raiser Chloe into a cute, chubby bunny. Not many could pull that off 2

Kane, always the most restless one moved forward with a grin “Chloe, you’re really something, receiving an invitation to the Global Economic Summit in just a year Do you need me as a sidekick?

Chloe raised her eyebrows. “Are you just here to see me off?”

Kane choked a little. They were naturally also attending the Global Economic Summit. Of course, we’re also attending the Global Economic Summit, but I sincerely

want to be your sidekick

Another show-off

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Chloe pursed her lips, “I can consider hanging you on the plane as a charm this time

Damon, standing next to Kane, nodded his head in agreement with no expression on his face 7 agree

Kane looked devastated, his fingers curled in a feminine gesture, his face half-covered, on the verge of tears. “You guys are so cruel “

Chloe’s eyebrows twitched. This man really knew how to overact

The onlookers were amused by Kane’s dramatic act. What a humorous man

Realizing that more and more people were gathering around, even some reporters were eager to rush up, Damon’s face darkened, and he said in a low voice get on the plane

At this moment, a voice echoed throughout the hall

“Chloe! Damon! My dear brother, my dear sister-in-law. Wait for me!”

This voice made Chloe turn around, seeing a tall man waving at them from a distance. It was Nathan.

Chloe opened her mouth in surprise looking up at Damon.

“Don’t tell me that Nathan also owns his own company?”

Damon smirked. “Guess?”

She furrowed her brows, slowly pursed her lips, and her complexion turned less pleasant. Was she being teased?

Kane saw the change in Chloe’s expression and turned to look at Damon. His eyes said, “Damon, you’re in trouble. You’ve made your wife angry. Good luck.”

Thinking about this, he took out his phone and held it in front of Chloe.

“Chloe, there are onions and peppers here. What would you like to use to punish Damon? I’ll order it immediately!”

Chloe was curious and leaned over to take a look.

Suddenly Kane screamed, his legs buckled, and he nearly fell to the ground. If he really fell, it would be quite embarrassing considering his dashing appearance.

and powerful aura today.

Chloe looked up in confusion, only to see Damon had kicked Kane in the back of his legs. Well, it was indeed Kane’s own fault to suggest such a terrible

front of him

Just then, Nathan ran over with a small suitcase. After making sure he caught up with the group, he let out a sigh of relief. Finally caught

He then glared at Damon and complained. Damon: "Didn't tell you last night to save me a seat and I was also going too? How could you not wait for me today?"

Damon looked at him coldly: "If you don't sit in every seat on the plane today, I'll throw you off the plane."

Nathan pouted and was on the verge of tears: "You're so cruel."

Nathan was silenced by a slap on the head from Damon. He blinked obediently, quiet after the slap. He turned around and rubbed his head, and unintentionally caught a glimpse of the pink chubby bunny beside him. There was a flash of disgust on his face, but when he saw the face of the bunny, he was taken aback.

He leaned in closer, staring at her face for a long time, then his eyes widened in horror.

A moment later, he furrowed his brows, then puffed up his cheeks, and finally burst out laughing.

"Oh my God, Chloe, how did you end up like this? A bunny? Such a big pink, chubby bunny! Hahaha."

Chloe's face darkened instantly as she coldly watched Nathan laughing till he was out of breath.

Everyone sensed the change in Chloe's aura; they silently looked at the clueless Nathan and quietly stepped back.

Just when everyone thought Chloe was about to explode and Damon was about to beat Nathan up, Nathan inconsiderately pondered at Chloe's hat, and then grabbed the charm hanging in front of Chloe.

While everyone was sweating for him, Nathan suddenly squeezed the charm in his hand

“Squeak-”

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The entire airport fell silent. Everyone looked at Chloe, who was next to Nathan, with astonishment. Their eyes fell on Chloe’s head, at the fluffy ears that suddenly stood up with the sound.

Silent

Dead silent

Everyone was clueless about the situation. It was an unexpected novelty, a novelty so unfamiliar that Chloe wasn’t sure how this new addition would sit with her in the current situation

Chloe was completely in the dark about what was happening Before leaving the house, Damon had wrapped the scarf around her neck and placed the hat on her head with his own hands. She had merely stood there, allowing him to dress her, not having any idea what the hat or scarf looked like c2

That was right, her trust in Damon had reached such an extent that she seemed almost blind And even now, she was clueless about what was going on.

She just knew something was off, including everyone’s reactions around her

She furrowed her brows, casting a quick glance at Damon who stood beside her, but Damon’s expression at that moment was also notably surprised.

What was happening here?

The silence that followed felt like it lasted an eternity

However, the instigator of this whole situation, Nathan, seemed oblivious to it all. Seeing the ears spring up just as he expected, he couldn't contain his excitement.

"Hahaha. I didn't expect you to actually like this, Chloe he laughed, stretching out his other hand to grab the other charm on Chloe's hat.

Then, he tugged at the charms on Chloe's hat from the left and right.

"Squeak-

"Squeak

"Squeak Squeak Squeak-"

A series of 'squeaks' echoed through the large airport. Chloe's bunny ears on her hat started bobbing in rhythm with the sounds.

Even if Chloe was unaware of what her hat was capable of, after watching Nathan's antics, she had a pretty good idea. She grimaced, swatted Nathan's hand away. and then grabbed one of the charms, giving it a firm squeeze

"Squeak-

A peculiar sensation came from the top of her head. Chloe's mouth dropped open in surprise.

"Hahaha"

Nathan laughed even harder "Chloe, don't tell me you didn't know your hat could do that?"

Chloe looked at Damon whose eyes were fixated on her bobbing bunny ears. She could detect a hint of novelty in his dark gaze. She then glanced sideways at the several tall, dignified men behind her. Clearly, they also wore expressions of astonishment and amazement on their faces

She turned back to Nathan, "How did you know."

Nathan replied, "What's so surprising about this? This hat is all the rage right now, even little Anya has one"

Anya. A child barely a few years old owned one

Chloe looked at Damon, her eyes full of accusation. However, Damon's face remained impassive, a hint of interest now apparent in his gaze.

This little episode had everyone around them chuckling. The tense atmosphere that had been created by the men was now replaced with a lighter one

"That's Ms Summers Isn't she adorable?"

"Nathan is so outgoing, and handsome too. He must be fun to be with"

"The men standing next to her are all handsome aren't they? And they are so cute too! Have you seen their surprised faces when the hat started squeaking and the bunny ears stood up? It's just too adorable!"

"But what are they all doing here? It's quite the gathering."

As the questions were raised, a nearby journalist snapped back to reality and hurried towards Chloe and her group. They were quickly surrounded by the crowd and had no choice but to stay put

Nate quickly organized his men to protect everyone Damon pulled Chloe into his arms, his cold eyes staring down the reporters.

“Ms. Summers, may I ask where are you all off to?”

Chloe didn’t reply, but Kane stepped forward, clearing his throat before saying “Didn’t you know? Chloe has been invited to the Global Economic Summit in H City”

Everyone was taken aback by this news

‘She’s been invited to the Global Economic Summit? Oh my god, just a year”

The reporter continued, “So is Mr Damon going as her companion?”

As her companion?

It was quite normal for public figures to bring a date to a public event Now, Damon’s reputation as a boy toy was solidified, hitching a ride on Chloe’s fame to the Global Economic Summit

Chloe didn’t get a chance to speak, Damon’s face remained impassive Kane feigned ignorance to the reporter’s insinuations, and said, “Of course Damon is Chloe’s companion They already have babies together, and it’s too late for mgrets now. They’ll just have to make do”

Clearly, Kane’s words eamed him a kick from Damon

Kane forced a smile to the camera, nursing his sore foot. Damon, holding Chloe, headed towards the security check. The others

Kane quickly tossed the microphone back into the crowd of reporters and ran to catch up with the group.

Despite not getting any significant news, the reporters noticed Robin and Presley standing not far away. The two men stood there, observing everything with a cold-

gaze

The reporters quickly ran towards them.

“Mr. Presley, are you also going to H City to attend the Global Economic Summit?”

“We just learned that Ms. Summers of Starlight International also received an invitation to the Global Economic Summit. Did you know about this? Do you have any idea where she might rank in the summit?”

“What are your thoughts on Mr. Damon accompanying Ms Summers to the Global Economic Summit?”

The questions seemed to hit a nerve for Presley, his face darkened as he began to speak. Ms. Summers is remarkably assertive with superb business acumen, and her current achievements are not surprising. I reckon she'll be the breakout star at this year's Global Economic Summit As for her rankings, I don't know, and frankly, it doesn't concern me. However, making it to the top of the global economy in such a short time is nothing short of miraculous As for her taking Damon as her plus one, I've got no opinion on that. A grown man riding a woman's coattails to the Global Economic Summit, well, if he doesn't find that embarrassing, I've got

to admire him

With every word, he professed indifference and ignorance, but each sentence dripped with contempt and sarcasm towards Chloe and Damon The reporters, over eager to twist a story, were already drafting their headlines

“As a senior member and a respected veteran of the Global Economic Summit, do you have any advice for Ms. Summers, the business world's rising star?”

Presley's eyes glinted with impatience, but he responded nonetheless. She's young, so it's inevitable that there will be some recklessness and arrogance. It's best to keep her feet on the ground and steer clear of any shortcuts. Attending the Global Economic Summit is indeed a proud moment, and she should treasure it. She might not get another chance to attend with such fanfare"

Not just the reporters, but even the few people undergoing security checks at the front, understood the veiled threat in Presley's words.

After this year's Global Economic Summit he intended to suppress Chloe, preventing her from attending the next summit.

Chapter 1757

Kane wiped the grin off his face, and for once, got serious.

"Why can't Presley just enjoy his retirement? Why does he have to poke his nose into everything? It's 2023, not the good old days when he was the king of the hill. How much longer does he think he can keep this up?"

There was a hint of disrespect in his words, a subtle suggestion that Presley wouldn't be around much longer. But that was a cold, hard fact.

Even if Presley could live to be a hundred, they were still younger than him. The world was their young people's oyster

Damon remained expressionless, and Chloe didn't bat an eyelid. It was as if they didn't understand the implications of Presley's words c2

Robin led Presley forward, the reporters circling them, eager for more news. As they neared the security checkpoint, Presley stopped and glared at them

The reporters stood to one side, glancing from Damon's group to Presley, waiting to see what sparks might fly between the two generations

Out of courtesy, Kane greeted Presley "Greetings, sir

But Presley just grunted in response, not bothering to hide his displeasure

Kane raised an eyebrow, looking unfazed. He glanced at the reporters, cleared his throat, and sighed.
"At this moment. I feel inspired to recite a poem

His sudden shift to a more poetic tone caught everyone's attention. Chloe grimaced. What was this clown up to now?

Then Kane went on to recite a weird poem that had everyone present fall silent

Presley's beard quivered with rage. He had lived a long life and he was not about to be insulted by a poem. This brat was suggesting that he was old-fashioned, that he belonged to the past and he couldn't keep up with them?

Despite Kane's usual lack of seriousness, he had actually learned to use poetry to insult Presley.

Presley glared at him. "Fine, I'll watch and see what kind of storm you can stir up. His booming voice echoed through the area. Kane smirked as Presley stormed

off

"Hey, sir, the VIP security check is this way. There's no way forward there."

Presley stopped in his tracks. He had been too angry to notice.

Kane chuckled, took a few strides, and started going through security.

Even private planes needed flight paths, and with the Global Economic Summit happening, security was tighter than usual. They all had to go through security checks

Kane was the last one to go through Presley was too angry to do anything about it now

Once they had gone through security, they boarded the plane and waited for takeoff. Nathan was laughing so hard he had to hold his stomach. His laughter filled the plane

“Damn, Kane you’re something else. Who decides to recite a poem out of the blue? Don’t disrespect literature like that. It’s hilarious coming from you.”

Kane gritted his teeth. At least I can recite it. And I used it very appropriately today, didn’t I? What night do you have to laugh at me?”

“Damn, you’re so smart, knowing how to recite a poem Should I tell our elementary school teacher? He’d probably cry tears of joy

“No need Once the news gets out, he’ll see it.”

“Damn, I can’t take it anymore”

Chloe had been feeling a bit down, but seeing Kane and Nathan fooling around cheered her up. She watched them, covering her mouth to keep from laughing out

loud

Damon seemed used to their antics. He turned to look at Chloe, completely focused on her. She looked so soft and cute in her pink outfit. He had been finding her more and more endearing lately To others, she seemed cold and aloof, a strong and fierce woman. But with him, she was soft and sweet.

She was understanding, smart, and not to mention soft and fragrant when he held her. The contrast was too great.

In his eyes. Chloe was the most adorable woman in the world. He didn't even realize he was falling for her, that he was smitten.

He also didn't even notice that he was treating her like a baby

Babies were so cute, he wanted to give them everything they could ever want. That was how Damon felt about Chloe now

Nathan and Kane were having a laugh in the middle of the plane, but when Nathan saw his brother's lovesick expression, he couldn't help but grimace

This was too much It was clear that his brother Damon was completely bewitched by Chloe

No wonder their grandfather always said he was easily swayed by women Now it was obvious, wasn't it?

What a change He used to be so restrained and out of touch with the real world Now everything was different -People did change

Damon watched Chloe for a moment, then reached out and grabbed the strap hanging from her chest, giving it a squeeze

"Eek-"

Chloe's face froze She turned to see Damon staring at her bunny ear headband, a look of fascination on his face. His expression didn't change much, but his interest was clear

"You

Chloe felt a mix of anger and embarrassment, her face turning red

Damon was toying with it again, watching the little bunny bob up and down, a grin spreading wider across his face. His mirth was only heightened by Chloe's blushing cheeks, a sight that brought a unique charm to the scene

The other passengers on the plane turned at the sound, only to see Damon leaning sideways, much like a mischievous schoolboy playing with

her to blush crimson.

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The rest of the plane fell silent. Well, wasn't that a sight for sore eyes.

Chloe unable to bear their stares any longer, reached up and pulled off her bunny-eared hat. Glancing at the bunny face on the hat, a flicker of exasperation crossed her features before she stuffed it into Damon's arms What was he thinking, getting her something like that?

With his plaything gone, Damon let his gaze wander around the plane. The rest of the passengers quietly returned to their seats.

But there was more going on than Damon realized Chloe, too, was oblivious to some things.

In the past, she would have caught on eventually But now, with Damon showering her with excessive affection, some things had gradually changed.

She was no longer as aloof as she used to be. She'd learned not to care about certain things, not to bother about certain things.

More importantly, she was now able to act without worrying too much, knowing that Damon would fill in any gaps she might leave in fact, without her realizing it, she had become dependent on Damon

But Damon wanted more

Perhaps it was because of her pregnancy, or perhaps it was because of Damon's unabashed pampering, but she was now able to throw little tantrums without any

pressure

She knew some of this, but most of the time, she wasn't aware.

All these changes were just moving them closer to what they both desired

Despite Damon's teasing, his meticulous care for her on the journey had already dispelled any trace of her earlier moodiness

They arrived in H City two hours later Chloe had taken a nap on the plane and was now fully refreshed With the pleasant temperature in H City, she felt much lighter without her scarf and hat. Her bulky coat was replaced with a caramel colored pea coat, making her face all the more recognizable

This, coupled with the fact that she was followed by a few extraordinarily attractive men, attracted a lot of attention in a short time. As soon as they reached the exit, they were swarmed by the paparazzi

Facing the reporters, Chloe had returned to her usual aloof demeanor Protected by Damon, she walked forward expressionlessly

The questions were repetitive, asking about her valuation of Starlight international, its future development direction, and the online comments about Damon. They also asked about his feelings about attending the Global Economic Summit as Chloe's partner, after stepping down from the position of CEO of the Harper Group

All these questions fell on deaf ears

As for the men behind her. Kane, Noah, Seth, they all wore cold expressions deterring the reporters

In truth, the reporters were only looking for easy targets. They wouldn't dare offend the likes of Noah, Seth, and the others. They wouldn't have dared to go after Damon so recklessly if he wasn't now being kicked out by the Harper family and having a bad rap on the internet

The driver was already waiting in the parking lot. They all got into the car safely and headed straight to the hotel.

Chloe was looking forward to trying the local delicacies of H City, but Damon didn't let her go out. He had Nate bring almost all the local specialties back to the hotel

Expectation was a beautiful thing, but the reality can be bitter. Chloe couldn't adapt to the local food at all. She, who had never experienced morning sickness, was now hugging the toilet bowl retching violently

This was a windfall for Nathan and Kane, who were happily feasting on the spread of food, showing no care at all. This led to Damon finally losing his patience, coldly evicting them and their feast from the room.

After more than an hour, Chloe finally felt a bit better. When she came out, Damon was standing by the window, making a phone call with a cold expression

"Come over now, or forget about being a doctor. Forget about your hospital too."

"She was vomiting severely. Was it because the food in H City was unhygienic?"

After he finished speaking, he hung up and dialed Nate's number. "Where did you get that food? Shut them down, all of them."

Meanwhile, there was a knock on the door. Damon hung up the phone, turned to look at Chloe, pulled her to sit on the couch, and went to open the door without giving her a chance to speak

Outside the door stood nearly a dozen doctors in white coats, all panting heavily

“She’s over there

The doctors came in one after another

The high-end suite they had booked was now crowded. Everyone stared at Chloe, who was sitting on the couch, and didn’t know how to proceed. They had heard about the patient’s condition when they arrived

Patient Pregnant/woman

Symptoms Vomiting

How were they supposed to diagnose that? Most pregnant women experienced morning sickness What could they do even if they diagnosed it?

“Ma’am, have you had any discomfort before?”

Chloe shook her head, ‘I don’t have any other issues All my prenatal check-ups have been perfectly healthy”

Damon’s face was cold. Is it food poisoning? Or was the restaurant unhygienic?”

The room door was still open, and Kane and Nathan were outside, feasting away at the table The doctors looked at them, then pointed and said. “Sir, the food you’re talking about is what they’re eating right now, right?”

Damon turned to look, his face darkening

“If it’s that food, then it shouldn’t be food poisoning if it’s unhygienic, the reaction wouldn’t be this quick

“What caused her severe vomiting earlier then?”

The doctors stared at each other, holding Chloe’s medical reports in their hands. After a moment of hesitation, they finally said, “It’s a normal reaction to pregnancy” 2/3

Damon fell silent

At this moment, Nathan walked in, munching on a piece of fish, and handed a banana to Chloe Then he said to Damon Look at making At most, the food doesn’t suit Chloe’s taste She’s into sour and spicy foods now and the food here is too sweet and greasy if you knee this tum H City upside down in just a couple of days”

The doctors nodded. “Yes, yes, it’s just a matter of tarta

Damon still couldn’t wrap his head around in “She’s never had this innor before. Cha karby num kad mamang ordenann

The doctor explained. There’s no hard and fast rule. Some pragnaer anman never angenanna muuming erkrans, chile she

Chloe took a banana from Nathan peeled it and took a hits. Surprisingly in tasted pretty good. By tha tina hamon feara banana

The doctors exchanged awkward glances Mr Chloë is in good health. Uk Pamut t

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Finally, the doctors left one after another Nathan give Damon a mocking emite and aran promptly kicked out of the mom tu Camusn

On the other hand. China seemed completely unaffected as if she hadn't even been

rubbing his temples.

Either he didn't care at all or he drove himself crazy when he did. He was announcing his

They got up and snuggled into his arms, tilting her head back to plant a kiss on his face

Damon looked down at her unusual, obedient demeanor today feeling utterly helpless to do

Chapter 1758

The recent scandal involving Damon had drawn much attention to this year's Global Economic Summit. The buzz about them on the Internet hadn't died down at

"Usually the Global Economic Summit doesn't concern someone like me, but this time I'm actually curious to see what the fuss is all about"

"You're not the only one Presley is also attending this year, I wonder what will happen when he comes face to face with his own grandson"

Tom was most eager to see how Damon and Ms. Summers will make their entrance."

After finishing a banana, Chloe was genuinely hungry. The food she had on the plane had long since been thrown up

At Chloe's insistent request, Damon finally decided to take her, the pink bunny, out of the hotel. Kane and Nathan couldn't resist the opportunity to tag along for free food and fun

"Where are we heading for dinner? I was just looking online and Taco Fiesta has the most authentic Mexican food"

Chloe shook her head, “We’re going to Chill Inferno.”

“Well, that’s okay with me”

And so, they headed for their destination.

On the way, the group surprisingly didn’t discuss anything else but tomorrow’s Economic Summit.

Kane and Nathan started speculating about the future trends of the world’s top companies that would be convening at the Global Economic Summit.

The wars and alliances between capitalists, and everything in between, was something many people can’t fully comprehend. They were all enemies and friends to each other.

The battlefield was filled with friendly, smokeless wars. Hypocrisy, deceit, open and hidden struggles, and all kinds of trickery, all of which could be used to describe the cunning of these world’s top capitalists.

Even though these were not flattering terms, reality was always like this. They had done countless dirty deeds behind the scenes, and no one knew how much blood they had stained their hands with.

Like Damon, he could be the CEO of the Harper Group, but also the world’s number one arms dealer. He could appear cold and harmless, but also manipulate wars big and small.

For example, at the P City border, he killed Wendy without worrying about the consequences, he made Grace and her husband disappear from this world, and he buried them in a war without a trace.

Evil and Good coexisted, and that was the survival skill of everyone in this world.

“I don’t know who’s plotting against whom this year, or who’s trying to get in with whom behind the scenes. It’s always funny to see those well-dressed successful individuals glancing around nervously, as if they’re afraid someone might discuss a major collaboration and outmaneuver them from the sidelines.”

Chloe, resting her chin in her hand, stared at the neon lights whizzing by outside the car, deep in thought.

When world-class companies talked about collaboration, who could underestimate it? One careless move, and they could snatch someone else’s market, pushing them slowly towards their doom.

Her eyes sparkled as a sarcastic smile crept onto her lips.

“Could you not smile like that, please? I’m getting goosebumps.” Nathan was the first to notice Chloe’s expression and couldn’t help swallowing hard.

Everyone turned to look at her but Chloe had already straightened up and raised an eyebrow.

“What were you thinking about? Damon couldn’t help but ask. If it weren’t for the small smile he just saw on her face, he would have forgotten that the cute bunny beside him could also transform into a feisty tiger.”

Kane and Nathan both looked at her curiously.

Chloe smiled faintly, her eyes clearly reflecting the colorful lights outside the car window. “I was wondering if the Harper Group would be willing to collaborate with other companies this year.”

Damon’s eyes narrowed slightly, his lips pressed together, then he gave a casual smile.

Nathan and Kane exchanged a look, waved their hand dismissively. “You’re overthinking it, with Presley’s pride, how could he consider collaborating with others?”

Chloe shook her head. "Not necessarily. The current head of the Harper family is Robin, and this hasn't been a prosperous year for the Harper family if he truly cares for the Harper family, he wouldn't reject the idea of collaborating with other companies. As for Presley

Chloe laughed. "He's the first one who wants the best for the Harper family. He's stubborn, but when it comes to the Harper family, I think he would at least consider collaborating with others Besides, after

the summit, he'll have to deal with me, which could distract him from focusing on the company's development. He definitely won't let that happen"

Nathan furrowed his brow. "That does make sense. He values the Harper family more than his own life"

Kane stroked his chin, Then who's he going to collaborate with?"

With a light chuckle, Chloe glanced at Damon beside her, leaning back and resting against the back of her chair 1guess..."

She deliberately elongated the last word, arousing Nathan and Kane's curiosity even more. "What is your guess?"

Damon smiled contently, patiently waiting for her to finish

Under Nathan and Kane's eager gaze, she finally said slowly, "If Robin could make the decision, of course, he would choose the most capable and powerful international company to collaborate with That's what most people would choose

"That Obsidian?" Kane asked

Chloe didn't confirm nor deny

Nathan bbuckled. "Working with the 'Obsidian Corporation is just out of the question. Presley has harbored a bone-deep

against Obsidian for years.

since they stole the Harper family's top spot in the international business world. He's been living in their shadow for so long, and given his stubborn nature there's no way he would consider partnering with Obsidian. Even his love for the Harper family wouldn't allow him to make such a move."

"You're absolutely right," Chloe agreed, nodding.

"And "Nathan trailed off, trying to comprehend Chloe's train of thought. "He values his reputation, and the Harper family's reputation. He feels a bit inferior when it comes to collaborating with Obsidian. As long as he can appear better than others, I believe he would consider it."

Both Kane and Nathan suddenly realized something "You're saying that he might consider partnering with a corporation ranked below the Harper Group?"

Chloe shook her head. "I'm saying he might consider partnering with the corporation ranked just below the Harper Group"

This was a real possibility it would be a win-win situation maintaining his pride while achieving his goal. The alliance between the second and third ranked corporations would undoubtedly send shockwaves throughout the business world, putting pressure on the Obsidian Corporation it was a brilliant strategy

Damon gazed at Chloe, his eyes sparkling with obvious amusement "You've got him all figured out."

Chloe raised an eyebrow "He's easy to read. People with short tempers are quick to reveal their emotions:

When a person was controlled by their emotions, they became transparent

Nathan and Kane exchanged puzzled glances Presley was easy to read? Since when?

“Aren’t you worried about what he might do to you next? He’ll have plenty of time and resources to come after you, they warned Chloe

Chloe sighed, leaning into Damon’s side as she looked at the two men A faint smile played on her lips “If he’s looking for a corporate partner, I will too”

Nathan and Kane made faces at Chloe’s words Who would want to partner with your little startup, which had only just made its mark?

“Your confidence is admirable. Chloe,” Nathan said, but with a hint of sarcasm

Damon watched the exchange with a faint smile on his handsome face, clearly enjoying their company. “Do you guys have something to say?” Damon asked, raising an eyebrow

Nathan and Kane forced out awkward laughs “Us? Say something? No way

Damon grinned “Really? Seems like you’re holding something back.”

Crap! He’d caught them off guard

Damon continued, enjoying their discomfort. “Speak your mind. After all, I’m just leeching off Chloe now. You guys hold all the power What can do to you?”

Nathan rolled his eyes Yeah right, as if we’d fall for that. We all know you’re the type to hold a grudge and get your revenge when the time is right”

Damon’s smile didn’t waver “Is that so?”

Nathan involuntarily shivered under Damon’s gaze. “Uh...”

“Hehe. He laughed dryly, suddenly pointed at Kane next to him, “Actually, I learned that from him. You should go to him!”

Kane, suddenly named, blinked and in the next second, he grabbed Nathan’s throat Damn it, you’re framing me right to my face. I’m still here!”

“It was you, yes I’m too stupid to know that I haven’t even been to kindergarten!”

“You haven’t been to kindergarten because you freaking went straight to primary school! Who’s the shameless one that skipped grades continuously?!”

Chloe looked surprised, turned her head towards Damon Nathan skipped grades?”

Damon raised his eyebrows. “Yeah He matured early”

“Ah?”

“In his eagerness to date pretty girls, he went straight from kindergarten to primary school, skipping grades along the way”

Chloe grmanced, what a strange reason to skip grades. “So. how many girlfriends did he have in a year?”

Damon casually said, “On average, two

He had been a playboy since a young age!

“Does he like younger girls?”

With Chloe’s sudden sentence, the two guys that were making a fuss in the front suddenly stopped

Nathan seemed to not understand. "What did you say?"

Chloe calmly said. "You skipped two grades every year, so didn't you go to junior high in your fourth year? You would have been just 9 or 10 at that time, right? Those who advanced step by step would have been 13 or 14, right? if you keep going like this, you'd be dating girls who are much older than you in high school, college, right?"

Nathan sighed. Couldn't he have taken a break in between?

Damon chuckled, "Indeed, with so many years of dating experience, he should be a dating expert

Kane was laughing so hard that tears came out, "A veteran of the dating world, haha, it sounds rather glorious, but does hugging hands and kissing cheeks even count as dating?"

Nathan's ears turned a bit red. "Get lost

Chloe chuckled. Was Nathan so innocent and shy after all this?

Chill Inferno was the largest and most authentic Mexican restaurant in H City. The interior wasn't luxurious, but it exuded a charming and classic ambiance Chloe led the way to the host stand. The host asked. "Good evening, ma'am How many in your party? Do you have a reservation?"

Chipe nodded. "I believe my friend Mr Steve is already here Can you check which booth he's in?"

The host quickly found Steve's reservation. Til have someone show you the way"

Chloe was catching up on her phone "Actually, a few more friends are joining us. We might need another booth."

“Of course, ma’am I can arrange another booth next to Mr. Steve’s”

A waiter quickly led them to their booths, leaving Nathan and Kane a bit bewildered. Since when did they have a dinner date with Steve?

Kane was puzzled. “Who is Steve? Do we actually have a rendezvous with him?”

“The CEO of INT Corporation. How could I possibly have arranged anything, I don’t even know him”

Nathan was stunned ‘INT Corporation’s CEO” Wasn’t that the internationally renowned company, second only to the Harper Group?

“You

are you planning to negotiate a partnership with him? To monopolize the possibility of him working with the Harper Group?”

By then, they had already arrived at the door of the booth

Chloe paused, staring at the door for a moment Do you think, between me and the Harper family, Mr. Steve would consider me?”

Without hesitation, Nathan replied, “No way!”

Chloe raised an eyebrow, and suddenly walked straight up to the VIP room door, Ignoring the anxious protest from the waitress behind her, she swung the door

open

The few people sitting in the room all looked up at her Chloe scanned their faces, and finally settled on one, offering an apologetic smile “Sorry, I walked into the wrong room

Robin's brows furrowed tightly, followed by Presley's disgruntled and angry voice. "You you're deliberately following us, aren't you?"

Chloe remained calm, her voice a bit chilly, admitting outright

"Yes I didn't want to give up, so I came to confirm myself"

Nathan and Kane hadn't expected things to take such a sudden turn. They exchanged a glance, then rushed over, but Damon stayed where he was, his expression murky and unreadable

"You..."

Chapter 1759

The audacity of Chloe further ignited Presley's fury.

Meeting the CEO of INT Corporation privately was already a humbling experience for him. He had always hoped that the Harper family would improve, and at least, during his lifetime, he could see the Harper family return to the top of the international stage.

However, his stubbornness was already ingrained in him, so sitting here now was an embarrassing deed that couldn't be publicly acknowledged

Now that Chloe had caught him red-handed, he felt that he had lost all dignity.c2

"You How dare you to follow me around"

In Presley's heart, Chloe was either the culprit who caused the chaos in the Harper family, or an outsider who was distasteful Acknowledging openly that she had been tracking him only further diminished any goodwill he might have had towards her

Mr. and Mrs Steve looked at Chloe standing at the door with a puzzled face, curious about the conversation between Presley and her

Chloe's expression was indifferent. The chill in her eyes was obvious She wore an expression of mockery and disappointment Following someone is wrong, but we're not saints either. We're in no position to criticize others, don't you think?

Presley's face darkened, "You blatantly admit to tailing me invading my room, and now you're saying I have no right to criticize you?"

Chloe nodded, staring at Presley's face for a while, then suddenly let out a cold laugh. She pursed her lips, tilting her head slightly in a helpless laugh, then returned her gaze to Presley The laughter in her eyes gradually turned cold, like frost. It's just that I still hope to leave some room for us"

Presley's expression changed. "What do you mean?"

Chloe's expression was icy. I'm puzzled. What are you persisting for? What reason could possibly make you hate me so much? is it your dignity that has never been defied over the years? So sitting here now, isn't it a hit to your pride?"

"You

"Or do you think Chloe's voice suddenly rose, cutting off Presley's words, her gaze cold and sarcastic. "Or do you think, Damon would obediently return to the Harper family as you wish after you crush me and leave me with nothing?"

Presley's face stiffened

"If you really think so, then I feel incredibly sorry for him He's been by your side for thirty years, yet you understand him less than i, who came out of nowhere and has known him for less than a year What have you been doing for thirty years?"

Kane and Nathan, after taking a sharp breath at Chloe's words, gradually fell into a solemn silence. Yes, even they knew that Damon was never the type to be easily controlled if he didn't want to, no one could make him

So what had Presley been doing all these years?

Don't look at me like that, are you angry? You get mad only when I'm right. I'll tell you what you've been doing. You only see how much profit he's brought to the Harper family, whether he's better today than

yesterday, and whether he has the ability to elevate the Harper family higher. His existence is entirely based on the Harper family. If he defies you or gives up the Harper family, then he is nothing."

Presley was shaking with rage at Chloe's words, his hands gripping the edge of the table, trembling intensely

"You're twisting words, spouting nonsense! Do you know what's most important for a man? You made his life worthless, meaningless! It's the Harper family that made him and you ruined him

"What made him was never the Harper family. His existence is the greatest meaning" Chloe interrupted him again, leaving Presley speechless. However, his face was still filled with anger. He didn't want to acknowledge a single word Chloe said

Seeing him like this, Chloe let out a cold laugh and sighed. "Fine. I can't outstubborn you. Let's pretend I never said these words tonight. But I hope that tonight, we're giving you one last chance to save your dignity

Chloe paused, trying to phrase her words as tactfully as possible. But as she spoke, she saw Presley's even angrier expression, and she realized that there was no chance of reconciling the relationship between Presley and Damon

She was truly helpless against such stubbornness and obstinance

Yes. She was so spineless that even now, she was still considering compromising with him

But she had no bargaining chips to compromise with him To ask her to step back and give up Damon as he wished, it was simply impossible.

She felt as if she had returned to six years ago, when her mother had just left, and she was in a state of confusion and contradiction. She hated the Summes. family for their injustice to her mother and herself

yet she didn't want to lose them, as it would mean losing her last form of protection.

She had experienced that once and it was enough From the moment she and Damon got together she had said that she wouldn't be ha bunden and blemish.

Yet she had still caused him to lose too much

She loved him and wanted him to be the happiest person in the world. She knew that no one and nothing was perfect, but she still wanted Damon to thi person

She wasn't afraid to compromise with Presley, because for Damon the thought it was worth it

However, Presley was like a fortress, offering no chance for compromise.

"Chloe let's go

Nathan tugged at her from the side Although he was initially confused, now, after intruding and slumbing upon Presley and hearing what was just said he had a rough idea of what was going on

She was still hoping to mend the relationship between Presley and his brother

But how could that be? Presley's stubbornness was something that even grandma couldn't change in a lifeter

Aho could have known that the woman who was once the talk of the town, was actually so captivating and fierce

At this point, Chloe had no intention of staying here any longer. She pursed her lips and, turning to the side, prepared to leave, but a brusque command behind her

“Hold it right there!”

Chloe froze, her expression icy

“You follow me here, barge into my private booth and you think you can just walk away like nothing happened?”

Even Kane, standing to the side, muttered a curse under his breath. That old man was incorrigible

Nathan’s usually carefree face was nowhere to be seen his dark mood resembling that of Damon’s
“Grandpa, enough. You’re not young anymore Stop acting like a bully and tormenting a woman Do you think that makes you look powerful?”

Presley’s face twitched violently, “What kind of spell has this woman cast on you all? You’re all under her bewitchment”

Kane scratched his head, looking conflicted. He didn’t want to argue with Presley, but he also felt it was too much

“You see Grandpa,” he finally said. “You’ve said it all Isn’t that the answer? First of all, perhaps you should accept that your taste is different from ours For exapmle, you like Wendy, and we don’t Secondly, you’ve lived a long life, and you can’t seriously believe in love potions, can you? If there’s such a thing, it’s just Chloe’s charm Why not just admit you find her charming? Why make it sound so bitter?”

Nathan trying to maintain a stony face, couldn't help but chuckle at this

Chice couldn't help but smile With these guys around, feeling down was a luxury she couldn't afford

"Look at all of you! Shameless! You'll pay for this one day!"

Nathan sighed He'd heard this threat countless times "Grandpa, we're still Harpers. You must want the best for us. We're not going to dishonor our family, am You

Chloe grinned She hadn't expected Nathan to be so sharp. It was not like they were mortal enemies

"Let's go No need for goodbyes

Presley's face turned stone cold. "Did I say she could leave?"

"Or else what?" Nathan was about to say something, but suddenly, Damon's icy voice came from behind. Then, his tall figure stood in front of Chloe, his arm around her waist, his cold gaze fixed on Presley

"What else would you have her do

Presley glared at Damon, his face turning even darker. "She came here today just to stir up trouble. Even if I do something to het what can you do about it77

"So, I'm asking you what would you have her do?" Damon's voice was colder this time

"I want her to get the hell out of here. She better not embarrass herself at this year's Global Economic Summit I certainly don't want others gossip about us because of her"

Chloe laughed in disbelief, "And what does my embarrassment have to do with you?"

Presley scoffed "Are you planning to attend the Global Economic Summit with a boy toy?"

His scornful gaze and voice landed on Damon, even his gloomy face was filled with mockery. "Or do you think that's something to be proud of? Everyone knows you're my grandson. How am I supposed to face the world if you attend the Global Economic Summit as a boy toy?"

Damon looked at him coldly, then finally let out a laugh. "You must've forgotten about the press conference you held before we came. Everyone knows that we've been kicked out of the Harper family. So my honor or disgrace has nothing to do with you. Rest assured, even if I become a beggar, I won't beg at your door. You're trying to suppress Chloe just to force me back, you better give up now."

Damon finished, his words filled with nothing but ice and coldness.

"How could you possibly beg?" Chloe couldn't help but speak up. She didn't like hearing that.

Damon pressed his lips together and his face didn't lighten up.

Nathan and Kane also closed the door and followed the two out.

The waitress leading the way looked terrified. She had heard the entire conversation and knew these were all important people attending the Summit, people she couldn't afford to offend.

Even though Damon looked upset, he still took Chloe to the booth next door. After she had thrown up so violently earlier, he couldn't go hungry.

Chloe ordered a bunch of dishes, and so did Nathan and Kane. The atmosphere warmed up significantly with their presence, and they all enjoyed a satisfying meal.

"We are quite the fiendloves. On the way back, Kane patted his belly and let out a satisfied burp."

Chloe didn't say anything, but she had been stealing glances at Damon the whole way back.

Back at the hotel Damon silently helped Chloe off with her scarf and coat, his face expressionless

Chloe pursed her lips and tugged at Damon's shift, looking up at him. I'm sorry today

But Damon cut her off with a firm kiss

loomy mood was a bit unaaffing.

Chloe's eyes widened in surprise utterly baffled by Damon's sudden move. Wasn't he angry? So was this (as an outburst of his frustration?

The prolonged friction of their lips sent a familiar sting through her causing Chlor to furrow her brows. Damon broke the kiss but kept his forehead pressed against her "Why apologize? What did you do wrong?"

Chloe blinked. "Then why are you mad? I did it because I purposely met with Presley? I admit that I'm a bit disrespectful

Damon's body pressed further onto hers, the sudden increase in pressure causing her to pause and stare at him in surprise the things I said '

Damon remained silent for a while, his tone filled with helplessness. "You're right, I'm angry. I don't need you to compromise for me."

Chloe's frustrated expression gradually returned to normal. She fell silent for a moment, "In the end, I am guilty for the current situation between you and your grandfather."

"Chloe!" Damon interjected sternly, "The root cause of the problem isn't you, it's him. He crossed the line. I know who's right and who's wrong I can't stand him having the upper hand. Do you understand?"

"I was just thinking about what Kane said at the airport today It made sense. I also feel that even if I tolerate him, I won't be able to do that for much longer Besides, continuing to argue with him is like using his stubbornness and ignorance to punish ourselves I just want to feel at peace being with you I'm not a selfless person. If I compromise with him, it's only to make my future a little easier"

Chapter 1760

Damon gently pecked her nose, his dark eyes quietly focused on her

Chloe blinked her eyes lightly, her hands scaling his shoulders, pushing herself into his warm, broad chest, and fondly returning his kiss on his chin. 'Sorry, I shouldn't have spoken about him that way I know it's disrespectful to our elders, but I thought it might cheer you up.'

Despite the strangeness of this statement, it was clear that Damon was in high spirits, sensing Chloe's obvious displeasure with Presley

Because he was dissatisfied with Presley, and he felt she should join him in his discontent

In this matter, from the beginning to the end. Damon didn't have the right to be angry with Chloe c2

Moreover, even if he was angry, he couldn't do anything about it

But some lingering emotions made him nibble on Chloe's lips in a somewhat sullen manner, before he let her go and began to help her out of her pink cotton coat.

Chloe obediently allowed him to attend to her. So much so that she ended up naked, carried into the bathroom.

Lying in the bathtub, she gazed at her slightly protruding belly and tenderly stroked it. Then she looked up at Damon and asked calmly, "Didn't you promise to get me a dress? The Global Economic Summit is tomorrow night Where's my dress?"

Damon's big hand also rested on her stomach, gently caressing it, feeling the curve of her belly.

A corner of his mouth lifted in a smirk.

"You can wear a down jacket

Chloe's bored eyes suddenly blinked, looking at him in surprise. A down jacket? Like the bulky one I wore today? I'll be the laughing stock of the Global Economic Summit dressed like that. I don't want to be a chubby bunny anymore."

Damon chuckled lightly, "You're carrying my babies now. No one will laugh at you"

Chloe shook her head. "I don't want to. This might be my last banquet for several months

"But with your current belly, I don't think there's a suitable dress for you."

Chloe pursed her lips tightly, her brows furrowed, her face looking rather displeased. "I never thought you'd break your promise"

"Your health is important right now. Beauty can be put aside."

Chloe shot him a particularly resentful look

"Hmm? Are you really that angry?"

Damon was always curious about Chloe's little temper tantrums during her pregnancy, so sometimes he couldn't help but poke fun at her

Sure enough she never disappointed him.

After the bath, Chloe was carried out of the bathroom by Damon. She stubbornly went through their suitcases for a while, but indeed didn't find the dress Damon had promised her. Finally, she crawled back into bed sullenly, pulling the blanket over her.

Seeing this, Damon couldn't help but chuckle, both indulgent and helpless. How could this woman be so adorable?

He climbed into the bed, pulling her into his arms despite her sulking. "Still angry?"

"I don't want to talk to people who break their promises"

"Heh" Damon chuckled softly.

Her mood lasted until the next day at noon.

At this time, Nathan and Kane were trying to convince Chloe to go out for food, but Chloe remained silent and unresponsive.

"Damon, what did you do to upset Chloe? Look at her, she's on a hunger strike."

"I think you're getting too cocky. Now that Chloe's pregnant, do you think you've got nothing to fear?"

Hearing both of them siding with her cheered Chloe up a lot.

Damon sat there impassively, regardless of what they said, his temper was surprisingly good.

Kane and Nathan exchanged glances, feeling something was off. "Damon, you're not really taking Chloe for granted, are you? It's almost noon, aren't you worried Chloe will go hungry?"

Chloe looked at him, finding his reaction today strange. Was he really planning to let her starve?

Just as the atmosphere was becoming tense, the door to the room suddenly opened. Nathan quickly went to answer it. When he saw who was at the door, he was quite surprised "You What brings you here?"

"Move it. Blocking the door is not polite

That voice

Chloe turned her head just in time to see Elizabeth walk in through the door She paused for a moment, then got up from the couch "What are you doing here?"

Elizabeth quickly walked over to Chloe and gave her a big hug "We missed you

Chloe didn't say anything. They had just left a day ago Sorry, but she didn't miss them

Royce slowly walked over from behind, and Elizabeth took a bag from his hand and handed it to Chloe

"Damon had asked me to make a dress for you. It was only finished last night, so I rushed it over here to avoid any delay"

Chloe was taken aback and took the bag, turning to give Damon a resentful look. He was just teasing her! Why was his behavior getting

"I'm sorry you had to make a special trip"

Elizabeth laughed, "No trouble at all, I haven't been to H City in a long time. It's a good opportunity for me to have a look around. Also, this is a makeup hit that Ro

me to bring for you. She said all the cosmetics in it are new products, absolutely safe, even for pregnant women. She's worried about the quality of other makeup, so she asked you to use this

Chloe raised an eyebrow and accepted the makeup kit. Inside was a full set of skincare products, facial cleanser, makeup remover, eyeshadow, blush, lipstick, and more. Everything you could need.

Ensuring the absolute safety of skincare and makeup products had always been the top priority she had recommended to Spotlight Beauty. Rose had always agreed and adhered to it. Nowadays, there

were many competing skincare and makeup brands, and if you wanted to guarantee product quality and safety, you would definitely have to invest more than other products. This was not something that ordinary companies can do for a long time.

But since Rose dared to let her use these things, it was enough to prove that she had never been negligent in this regard. With a policy of small profits and high sales, and winning with quality, Spotlight Beauty would surely succeed.

She gave a light sigh and gently stroked the makeup kit. It seemed like she could still stand beside Damon tonight undistracted and at ease.

She didn't need to be particularly beautiful, rather, she wanted to present her best self when she stood next to Damon. She didn't want to be a flaw by his side, but

instead, she wanted to be someone he could be proud of.

In every aspect, she wanted to excel.

"Alright, my task is done, shall we have lunch now?" Elizabeth clapped her hands cheerfully. She had refrained from even eating an in-flight meal on the plane, just so she could enjoy a hearty meal here.

There was nothing a good meal couldn't solve

At this moment, Damon also rose from his seat, approached Chloe, and gently put his arm around her waist "Let's go, I've reserved a table

Chloe looked up at him, deeply moved. It turned out that he had already made arrangements

With a loud cheer from Kane and Nathan, the group of people headed straight for their destination.

By five in the evening, the makeup artist arranged by Damon was already waiting in the makeup room.

At past six, with her makeup done, Chloe returned to her room to meet Damon and head to the Global Economic Summit together.

At this moment, Damon, dressed in an expensive black suit, was standing by the floor-to-ceiling window of the hotel, making a phone call. His low voice echoed

calmly in the room

The sky outside the window had already darkened, and the floor-to-ceiling window in front of Damon now seemed like a large mirror

As Chloe approached from behind, holding the hem of her dress, he was still on the phone giving instructions, but his dark eyes were fixed on her figure, unblinking. When the slender figure got closer, he naturally ended the call, put down the phone, and then slowly turned around.

His deep dark eyes fell directly onto her, and the slow smile that spread across his lips made Chloe inexplicably nervous.

Chloe was now dressed in a red vintage chiffon embroidered dress. With a small stand collar featuring a detailed V design, her neck was half-hidden, half-visible. On either side of the collar were embroidered golden blossoms

in front of her a colourful phoenix was surrounded by floral patterns, and the loose hem was a lace imprint of a phoenix tail.

Her slightly bulging belly was not deliberately covered, and the slight bump made her original slender waist more noticeable

Her long hair was styled into delicate natural curls, and her brows and eyes were carefully drawn. The lipstick on her lips matched the colour of her gown.

Today's Chloe was probably the most glamorous she had ever been. With her crimson retro lipstick and a powerful aura, together with her dress, she looked like a blazing fire that was constantly jumping and heating up. full of passion

He had always said that she was a captivating woman. He had never lied. Even when she was pregnant, she was still so enticing

Damon's burning gaze made Chloe's hand, which was holding her dress, tighten slightly. Her breathing and the rhythm of her heart in her chest were somewhat disrupted She stopped her steps not far from Damon, not daring to go any further

However, Damon gradually approached her, finally standing in front of her, looking down at her. The flicker of fire in his eyes made Chloe bite her lip slightly. "Don't look at me like that."

"Why?"

Chloe's eyes flickered, "It makes me uncomfortable."

"Uh-huh" Damon responded lightly. "You're deliberately trying to seduce me. That's why you feel uncomfortable."

Chloe didn't say anything

“Or maybe

Damen wrapped his arms around her waist, pulling her into his arms. He pointed to her heart and whispered. “You have other thoughts here.”

Chloe’s face suddenly turned red

Seeing this, Damon laughed softly. “As I thought ”

Chloe stepped back a bit. “Stop fooling around, We have to go to the summit soon

Damon nodded, “We still have some time” As he spoke, his large hand had already moved from her waist

Chloe’s body trembled slightly, looking at the fiery red shadow in his eyes, which seemed to be filled with her reflection, and seemed to be something else.

Just looking into his eyes made her feel inexplicably weak. She turned her head away, ashamed to let the man see through her current condition.

“Instead of trying to hide yourself, why not be a little honest, huh?”

Her chin was hooked back by the man, who was smiling at her

Chloe knew that her thoughts had been seen through, and she was embarrassed. “Stop it.”

Damon leaned close to her ear, “Mrs. Harper, you may have a natural talent for seducing me. I now want to

His voice got lower and lower, but Chloe stopped his lips that were pressing down After a while, she whispered, "I just put on lipstick."

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Demon chuckled, his hand already exploring the zipper on her back. Chloe's eyes fluttered, and she slowly wrapped her arms around Damon's neck, leaning her body into his embrace "Be careful Don't ruin the dress

This indirect consent made Damon's body tense slightly. Not daring to put too much force on the woman in his arms, he pushed her against the wall, igniting a fire on her body, and finally gently possessed her

When Damon called the makeup artists to do Chloe's makeup again, the expressions on the makeup artists faces made Chloe wish she could find a hole to crawl into. The blush on her cheeks saved the makeup artists from re-applying blush

When they were ready again, Nate notified them to prepare to go to the Global Economic Summit venue

Damon helped her put on her coat and went downstairs. Chloe's legs were still a bit weak Fortunately, Damon was holding her, bearing almost all of her weight.

On the way to the venue, she had a little time to rest

Those international fashion gatherings or award ceremonies were incomparable to the Global Economic Summit in terms of influence

The world's top hundred companies were each wealthy enough to rival a country. These capitalists not only held absolute positions in international companies, but also held an absolutely not to be underestimated value and power between countries

Any one of them could be a concern for any country, because they were the wealthiest, most capable, and wisest people in the world

In the eyes of the country, money equaled weapons and equipment, which meant a country's absolute basic inviolability

Outside the largest international exhibition center in H City, the scene was now illuminated with bright lights. The area was fully adorned with a red carpet. surrounded by armed personnel holding long rifles, all poised and solemn, responsibly ensuring the security of the surroundings.

The people here were high-profile figures, their worth astronomical. They were of significant importance to their respective counties, and any mishap in H City could lead to severe diplomatic issues

In the periphery, journalists in smart suits were lined up, cameras in hand, capturing every precious moment as figures stepped onto the red carpet. As reporters who had covered the Global Economic Summit multiple times, they were well acquainted with the people gracing the red carpet. Almost every year, the same few corporations attended the Global Economic Summit almost every year. These faces were no longer a surprise to the journalists.

Their consistent enthusiasm and the global attention they attracted were due to the significant decisions that were made at the Summit, decisions that could affect the direction of entire nations and even the world, including collaborations, conflicts, and any other potential interactions.

However this year, apart from the usual, there were two events that were causing a buzz

For instance, tonight would see the debut of the top executive from Obsidian Group, a leading international company, at the Global Economic Summit

Another point of interest was the internal strife within the Harper Group, a renowned enterprise second only to the Obsidian Group

Presley would personally attend the Summit His grandson, a figure known mostly by reputation and not by sight internationally, would also make an appearance. It was not clear what would happen when the grandfather and grandson met at that time

Moreover, it remained to be seen what kind of interactions would take place between the Harper Group and the Obsidian Group