## THE CONTRACT MARRIAGE Chapter 231 One Million

"Thank you. Thank you very much."

"Go back and take good care of her."

"Okay, then you go ahead with your work. I'll go back first." Christian got up and thanked the doctor before returning to his wife's ward.

When he walked into the ward, he saw Samantha sitting beside his wife. Christian immediately walked over and patted his mother-in-law's shoulder. He motioned for her to come out with him.

Samantha understood that Christian was afraid of disturbing her sleeping daughter, so she got up and followed him out of the room. She gently closed the

door of the ward.

Only then did Christian look at his mother-in-law. "Mom, you have been very tired these two days. I can just stay here and watch Sarah today. You can go back first."

Samantha looked at the ward a little worriedly and understood that Christian would definitely take care of Sarah. She did not continue to argue with him and nodded her head. "Okay. Then I will go back first. If anything happens to Sarah, remember to call me, okay?"

"Yes, I will, Mom."

"Okay, then I will go back first." Samantha nodded and went into the ward to take out her bag before leaving her daughter's ward. Christian walked back into the ward and sat down beside his wife's sickbed. He looked at the injury on her forehead and got up to walk to the end of the bed. He lifted the quilt and looked at her fractured calf.

There was cast there. There were some bruises and abrasions in a few places.

Christian's eyes immediately turned red with pain. He put the blanket back and covered it. He sat next to Sarah again and looked at her, who was still sleeping.

Christian wished that all the wounds on her body would be on him. He was a soldier, even if all these injuries were to happen to him. . . He could endure it, but his little wife was too young. She still looked so weak, and now she was still carrying their child for six months. How could she, with her cumbersome body, be able to endure such injuries? His heart was tightly gripped in pain.

He reached out to stroke his little wife's hair. Sarah was clearly injured, so at this moment, she should be in pain.

However, he didn't know if it was because she knew that he had returned, in her sleep, the corners of her lips were slightly raised. Christian didn't know what good things she had dreamt of, but she smiled in her sleep.

Ever since Sarah got into a car accident, the person who had been living the worst life in the entire Cooper Family in the past two days, was none other than Vivian.

She had not expected Jasmine to intervene in this matter out of nowhere. Jasmine had asked her lawyer to investigate Felix's information thoroughly these two days.

Lucas was constantly harassed by Felix, so he had no choice but to call Vivian.

Vivian was afraid that her matter would be discovered by the Cooper Family. So on the second day of Sarah's accident, she went back to her mother's house.

At night, after Lucas sent Julian back to Villa of Cooper Family, he went back to his own house. He called Vivian and told her that he was waiting for her downstairs.

Vivian told her mother that she was going to find Lucas to get some things. Mrs. Holmes was initially a little worried, but she later heard that Lucas was downstairs. She did not think too much about it. After all, they grew up together when they were young, so she let her daughter go.

When Vivian went out, she was still afraid that others would recognize her, so she deliberately put on a hat and covered herself tightly, and then went to Lucas's house.

Because she had already made a phone call, the moment Vivian arrived at Lucas's house, the door opened. Vivian immediately walked in.

Lucas closed the door and kissed Vivian hard before holding her hand and walking to the sofa to sit down.

"Vivian, what should we do now? If Jasmine Wilson continues to investigate, we will really be exposed." Lucas was in an indescribable panic about this matter.

One should know that if this matter was found out, it

would be a crime of murder. No matter what he said, he would have to go to jail.

"Can't you just make him insist that he is drunk driving?" Vivian felt that this matter was actually very simple.

"What you said is simple. The problem is, isn't this Felix a lot of criminal records in the past?"

"What former offenses?" Vivian asked in surprise.

"He used to cheat insurance by accident. There have been many accidents. This kind of thing can be found out once investigated. Vivian, what do you think we should do now?"

Lucas was timid. Ever since Sarah got into trouble, he had been constantly harassed by Felix. These two days, he had been feeling a little uneasy and guilty. "Then why did you say it so well? You said that nothing would happen. Now it's good. If someone really finds out, both of us will go to jail." Vivian was also a little nervous when she heard his words, but she still maintained a bit of composure.

"He promised me pretty well back then, but who knew that he would become like this now? Vivian, what do you think we should do about this matter?" Lucas looked at Vivian with a somewhat disapproving look.

"But that's not right. Even if he lied to me before, as long as he bit the matter of being drunk and compensated with some money, wouldn't it be over?" Vivian still could not understand.

When Lucas heard her words, the expression on his face twitched. "Vivian, actually. . . I will tell you the truth. . ."

"What's wrong?" Vivian stared at him.

"Actually, he just wants to add money. He said that the person he originally did not expect to bump into was actually the younger sister of the Wilson Group's Vice President. Now, Jasmine had intervened in this matter. So this matter was a little difficult to handle. What Felix meant was that it wouldn't be a problem for him to bite her. The key was that he wanted us to increase the money."

"How much?"

"He wants... One... One million." Lucas stretched out his finger uneasily.

"What? One million.? Is he crazy about money?" Vivian was so angry that her eyes widened.

"He. . . He said that as long as we can take out one million, this matter will be settled 100%. If we can't take it out. . ."

"Then what else can he do? Anyway, it was him who crashed into the car, not us." Vivian was panting heavily.

"But don't you forget, even if the person was hit by him, once he summons all of us out, we will be the masterminds. At most, he will be an accomplice. If he is sentenced, we will be sentenced heavier than him." Lucas immediately explained nervously.

"This bastard. He is threatening us on purpose." Vivian angrily slammed the tea table and her entire face turned red.

"Vivian, calm down first. We should not get angry with him now. The most important thing now is to discuss what we should do about this matter."

"He said one million, but you didn't tell him the price? Isn't he raising the price on the spot?"

He asked her to take out one million. Wouldn't that be taking her life?

"But then again, he knocked Sarah quite hard this time. That one hundred thousand yuan was really not enough for him to pay. I told him. But he bit down on this number and said if it was any less. . . Then let's split up. Anyway, he will reveal this matter. That person is famous for being shameless. We have no reason to reason with him. . ." Lucas explained helplessly.

Vivian immediately gave him a look of annoyance. "Who were you looking for? Back then, you patted your chest and said that there was no problem at all, but now. . . How long has it been since something happened? That Felix is already riding on our necks. Why did you have to look for someone like him when you were blind?" Vivian vented all the anger in her chest onto Lucas.

"My dear, calm down. Calm down. Aren't we thinking of a way now? He is that kind of person. I heard him say that he did this kind of thing many times back then. That's why I found him. I didn't expect to meet such a tough person like Jasmine. If it wasn't for Jasmine, this matter would have easily passed. Even if it was a little more money, there wouldn't be so much. But now, Jasmine had hired a specialized lawyer. Think about the background of Wilson Group. If they really fought with the two of us, wouldn't we be the ones waiting to lose money? So this time, we'll just treat it as stepping on dog shit and give that Felix a million yuan. What do you think?" Lucas really wanted to use money to calm the situation, but the money wasn't in his hands. He also had to look at Vivian's expression and do what she wanted.

"What you said sounds good. What about a million? Where can I get it for him?"

"Then what should we do? Should we just let him summon both of us? Then let's not talk about giving birth. I reckon that you will be chased out by the people of the Cooper Family before the child is even born." Lucas refuted helplessly.

"But if we take out one million and he will still give us out, what will we do then?"

This was the thing that scared her the most. Although she didn't think of such a bad result before, now that things had come to this point, she had to think of the worst.

"I think that's impossible. Vivian, think about it. Even if the two of us are the main culprits, but the one who crashed into the car was him after all. Even if he was an accomplice, he also has to bear legal responsibility. He just received a million yuan. Then he sent himself to prison. He wasn't a fool. So I can guarantee that as long as I give him one million, He'll definitely settle this for us."

"You also promised me the same thing in the beginning, but what happened in the end?" Vivian looked at him gloomily.

Lucas was speechless. He was silent for a moment and was about to say something when he heard his phone ring again. He picked it up to take a look.

It was Felix.

"He called again."

"Answer it. I want to hear what he says."

Lucas nodded and pressed the answer button.

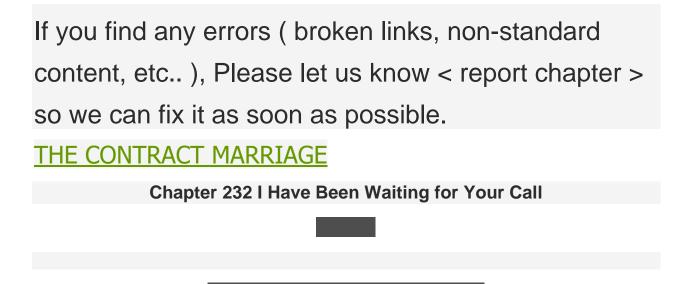
"Lucas, have you thought about what I said?" Felix's voice came from the other end of the phone.

"Felix, I know you did run into some trouble this time. But we agreed on 100,000 at the beginning. How can I take it out when you have increased so much all of a sudden?"

"I don't care if you can take it out or not. Anyway, this matter is already like this. I didn't mean to extort you. That lawyer of Jasmine Wilson came looking for me today. He said that the Buick was close to 300,000 yuan, plus the money for Sarah Wilson's injury. No matter what, I want one million yuan. This is the price I want from you now. It doesn't include my reward at all. If you don't believe me, you can go and ask."

"That Jasmine Wilson has already said that she wants me to go bankrupt. She also said that no matter what, she would find evidence that I deliberately crashed the car, and that she wanted me to go to jail. If this matter really gets out of hand, at that time, you won't even be able to solve this matter with a million yuan. This is my bottom line, I'll let you think for the last time tonight. Think about it tonight, and give me a definite answer tomorrow morning. If it doesn't work, don't blame me for turning against you."

After saying that, Felix didn't give Lucas any chance to speak. He immediately hung up.



"Hey, Felix. Felix." Lucas shouted a few times. He turned his head and looked at Vivian beside him. He shrugged helplessly and said, "He hung up."

"Call him again."

"Okay." Lucas nodded and called Felix again. However, he received a message from his phone that Felix had already turned off his phone.

Lucas sighed and threw the phone directly onto the coffee table. "He turned off his phone directly. I remember now. He doesn't use his phone number

often. It only opens when he contact me. This kid is also very slippery. Afraid that the police will catch him. Vivian, what should we do now?"

Vivian frowned and looked at the phone on the table. Then she stood up gloomily and walked back and forth in the living room while stroking her stomach.

Finally, she sat on the sofa and bit her lips. "Okay. One million it is. We admit defeat this time."

At this point, she didn't have any other methods, and she could only wait to be slaughtered.

"But a million, where are we going to get it?" Lucas looked at her, not knowing what to do.

"What about the five hundred thousand I gave you last time?" "I had to pay my debt a long time ago. Now I only have a few tens of thousands left. . ."

Vivian looked at him. "Got it. Then I'll go back first."

"Vivian. . ." Lucas looked at her worriedly.

"This matter can only be done according to what Felix said. In fact, what he said was right. If it wasn't for Jasmine killing her way out, this matter would have been easy to settle. Sigh, let's count ourselves unlucky." Vivian sighed gloomily and then looked at Lucas, "You send me back first."

"Okay."

The two of them went out the door and Lucas sent Vivian downstairs. Seeing that she went upstairs, he felt relieved and left. When Vivian returned home, she first ran into her bedroom. Actually, when she and Julian were not married yet, Julian had given her a lot of pocket money.

Usually, she would not be willing to spend it, so she had saved all of it. She put all the cards and deposits together. Adding them up, she was still short of 100,000 yuan.

She sat on the bed and thought for a while. Finally, she remembered the bank card Julian gave her parents when she got married. There seemed to be a hundred thousand yuan in it.

She bit her lower lip and got up to leave the room. She made up a random reason and Mrs. Holmes heard that her daughter needed money. She immediately gave the bank card back to her daughter. Seeing that she had gathered one million, Vivian then called Lucas and told him to tell Felix tomorrow morning that the money would be given to him tomorrow.

Christian's comrade was the Director of the Public Security Bureau, so it was a piece of cake to investigate Felix's information.

. . .

That afternoon, Christian received a call from his comrade. He looked at his wife who was still sleeping on the bed. Christian took his phone and walked out of the ward. He closed the door of the room and called his comrade again.

"Christian, I have found out about this person. Felix was usually an idler. He used to drive cars and crash cars to get insurance. He had never made a mistake, but this time he insisted that he was drunk driving. Furthermore, the traffic police on duty had also tested him on alcohol, proving that he had indeed drunk a lot of alcohol. And judging from the incident this time, He doesn't have the suspicion of cheating insurance, so this accident can only be determined to be an ordinary drunk driver."

"Does this person usually have the habit of getting drunk? The accident happened at around eight o'clock in the morning. At that time, there were very few people who got drunk."

Christian was the most confused about this place. It was really rare to meet someone who was drunk early in the morning. No matter how he thought about it, he felt that it was suspicious.

"I have asked someone to investigate it. This person is usually a famous person who drinks all the time. He gets drunk every few days. He was investigated once because of drunk driving. He stopped for a while after he was fined. I didn't expect that there would be an accident this time." Warren told Christian everything that he had found out.

"Did you check his phone number? Did he call the number I gave you?"

Christian was very careful when he sent messages to his comrades. He also sent Vivian's phone number. He asked Warren to check if this number had been used with Felix recently.

Because when the traffic accident happened to Sarah, Vivian was the first person to inform him. That's how Christian got to know and called Ethan to conform. This made Christian somewhat doubt her motive. "I've also checked his call records. His recent phone records are all some of his friends. I really didn't find any other strangers. However, even if there was a connection, if he bought a new phone number and only used it once or twice, it wouldn't be easy to check."

"Mm, alright, I understand. Thank you. I'll treat you to a drink later."

"You're being polite to me again, right?"

"Go ahead, I won't disturb you anymore."

"Okay."

Christian smiled and hung up with his comrade. He sat in the waiting chair in the corridor and was silent for a while.

He remembered David telling him that Jasmine was also investigating about his wife's accident. He found Jasmine's number and called her again.

"Hello, I am Sarah's husband, Christian Cooper."

Jasmine was not surprised at all when she received Christian's call. She smiled when she heard his words. "I have been waiting for your call. I knew you would definitely call me. Tell me, what do you want to know?"

"I want to know if you have found anything suspicious." Knowing that Jasmine was a straightforward person, Christian went straight to the point.

"The culprit, Felix, had cheated a car accident several times to protect himself, and was later found out once. But this time he was drunk driving, because the traffic police also had evidence that he was drunk driving, which was why he crashed into Sarah's car. Although he had a criminal record, even so, it could not prove that he hit the car on purpose, because his car was too old. There was no suspicion that he had hit the car and cheated the guarantor, so now he could only be identified as drunk driving. We can only do our best to claim compensation."

Even though Jasmine had asked the lawyer to investigate from the day Sarah got into the car accident, even so, it could not prove that the other party had intentionally hit Sarah's car. At most, it was just a drunk driver driving. She could only ask Felix to compensate a little more.

Christian frowned. He understood that this was the only thing she could do, but he still said gratefully, "Thank you, Vice President Wilson. You are so concerned about my wife's matter." "Military Commander Cooper, my sister is the one who is injured now, so you don't have to thank me. If there is anything in the future, just call me."

"Okay."

"Goodbye."

"Goodbye."

Christian hung up the phone, put it away, and walked back into the ward. When he walked to the bedside and sat down, he saw his wife's fingers moving. Then, he saw her open her eyes and smile at him.

"You're awake?" Christian immediately held the little wife's hand and kissed her lips.

"Have you been here with me?" Sarah did not expect

to see him after waking up. A happy smile appeared on her face.

"Don't you like it?" Christian asked with a smile.

"Yes. But. . . How many days did you take leave?"

"Baby, because of the busy work in the army, I only have three days of leave. After three days, I have to go back. I'm sorry..."

When his wife needed him the most, even if he saw her lying on the bed, he still could not stay for a few more days.

He had no choice, he was a soldier. It was the duty of a soldier to obey orders.

Knowing that he was not feeling well, Sarah looked at Christian and smiled. "Hubby, you don't have to apologize to me. . . I understand. You are a citizen of the country. But I am still grateful for the car accident. At least I saw you again."

After Sarah finished speaking, she laughed foolishly.

Christian's eyes turned red when he heard his wife's words. He reached out his hand and caressed her small face in pain. "Silly, do you know that I was scared to death when I heard that you had a car accident? I didn't feel like this even when I went to the battlefield for the first time. I was afraid that something will happen to you. No matter what happens in the future, don't scare me like this. Do you understand?"

Sarah immediately nodded obediently and looked at him with a cute smile. "Do you think you will never see me again?"

Christian immediately put his hand on her lips. "You

are not allowed to say such things in the future. After waiting for nine years, I was finally able to marry you. I just want you to be safe. I want you to walk with me until you get old. Do you understand?"

Hearing what he said, although there was some pain in her body, but in her heart, there was an indescribable joy and happiness.

Sarah looked at him and lightly blinked her eyes. "Then I won't be working in the future. Until the child is born, I will stay at home, alright?"

This encounter. . . Thinking about it now, she still had some lingering fears. No matter what, she didn't dare to take the child's life as a joke.

Christian heard his wife's words and instantly let out a sigh of relief. He held his wife's hand tightly. "Baby, I was waiting for you to say this. After you are

discharged from the hospital this time, you will stay at your mother's house and take good care of yourself. Don't go anywhere, okay?"

Sarah nodded obediently. "Yes, I understand."

While the two of them were talking, the door of the ward was pushed open. Samantha walked in with two Insulating Tubes in her hands. She looked at her daughter and son-in-law and smiled. "Christian, I went home to make some fish soup. It is still hot now. You feed Sarah."

Samantha said as she walked to the bedside. Christian reached out and took the Insulating Tube.

"Mom, did the doctor allow Sarah to eat now?" Christian asked worriedly.

Samantha nodded. "Of course. She had been

unconscious for the past two days and had been suffering from intravenous drip every day. How could a person endure it? It is still better for people who eat grains to be healthier."

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"Mom, you're right." Christian shook Sarah's bed with a smile as he spoke. He only stopped when it was at a comfortable angle.

He then opened the Insulating Tube and took out a small bowl. He filled the bowl with some soup and fish meat. He took a spoon and placed some of it on his

lips before blowing it.

After feeling that it was not very hot, he handed it to his wife's lips and said, "Come. Have a taste of mother's Heart Plate Fish Soup."

Sarah heard his words and smiled. She opened her mouth and drank it. The fish soup was fresh and fragrant.

Samantha looked at her daughter and asked, "How is it? Is it good?"

"Mom, it is very good."

"We have a few wives in our neighborhood who are almost as pregnant as you. None of them have the same appetite as you. You are six months pregnant yet you can eat anything." Samantha heard her daughter's words and replied with a proud smile.

"Hee hee, mom, my child is very obedient every day. . ." Sarah smiled mischievously.

Hearing this, Christian smiled and took some fish meat with chopsticks and handed it to Sarah. Seeing her eat it, he smiled and said, "He knows that his Dad is not by his side and it is too hard for Mom to take him with her every day, so he is not naughty at all."

"Like me." Sarah said happily.

Christian reached out and scratched the tip of his wife's nose. "Yes, like our family's big treasure."

Sarah looked at him and giggled.

Samantha looked at their blissful appearance and her

heart was even happier than the two of them.

Samantha suddenly remembered that Christian said that he would go to the traffic police station to understand the situation of the car accident. She looked at him and asked, "Christian, how was your trip to the traffic police station this morning? What did they say?"

Since her daughter's accident until now, Samantha really did not know the specifics.

Christian fed his wife as he answered, "Mom, it looks like that person was drunk. Sarah's Ms. Jasmine had already helped look for a lawyer regarding the claim. That person did have a case of car crash and fraudulent insurance. But this car accident happened at the crossroad, so he was not suspected of fraudulent insurance. Moreover, this person usually likes to drink a few mouthfuls, so this time Sarah and the child in her womb were lucky to escape this disaster."

"Oh, how could it be like this? What kind of wine did this killer drink so early in the morning?" Samantha was instantly enraged when she heard that.

"Mom, I am fine now. Don't be angry anymore." Seeing her mother's angry expression, Sarah could not help but advise her mother.

"You also call this fine? Your leg is fractured and your head was hit by a slight concussion. There are a few places on your body that have been stitched up a few times. You are a pregnant woman. You are lucky to be able to escape this time. I heard from the doctor that if the position of the crash was just a little bit worse. . . Not to mention the child, even you won't be able to survive. . . Do you understand?" Samantha said angrily. "But I am fine now. Leave the rest of the matters to Ms. Jasmine to handle. Anyway, she has plenty of time, and I also believe in her. Christian, you are not allowed to go anywhere in these three days. Stay here and accompany me."

Sarah looked at Christian and said a little coquettishly at the end of her sentence.

Christian smiled. "Okay, I will always be by your side."

Looking at the expectant look on his wife's face, he felt a little guilty. No matter how much he accompanied her, his vacation was only three days.

Sarah immediately smiled happily. "Hubby, you are so good."

Seeing that there was an Insulating Tube beside her,

Sarah looked at her mother in confusion. "Mom, why did you bring two Insulating Tubes? Is there something delicious?"

"That's the food I made for Christian. He has been accompanying you here all this time. Could it be that he eats air?" Samantha replied with a smile.

"Christian see, your mother-in-law is too good to you." Sarah looked mischievously at her mother.

Samantha looked at her daughter reproachfully, "This child. . ."

"Mom, have you eaten yet?" After Christian fed Sarah, he took another Insulating Tube and opened it. He took out all the side dishes and steamed buns.

"En, I already ate it before I came. Quickly eat it."

Sarah looked at Christian's food and still wanted to eat. Seeing him eat the mantou in big mouthfuls, she also smacked her lips and said a little pitifully. "Hubby, I still want to eat. . ."

She ate two people's food by herself now, and her mother had brought an extra amount, but she was still not full.

Christian picked up some food and fed it to Sarah. "Eat hard, your body will recover soon after you are full."

"Then what will you eat if I eat it?"

Christian replied with a smile, "Didn't Mom say so? She told me to eat air."

"Haha." Sarah could not help but laugh as she ate. Samantha was also amused by Christian's words and laughed.

The time slipped by a little bit and after the two of them finished lunch, Samantha did not want to disturb the couple so she carried the Insulating Tube back home.

After lunch, Sarah's spirit was much better than when she just woke up. She looked at the fruit basket beside her and smiled at Christian. "Hubby, I want to eat fruit..."

"Okay. Do you want to eat bananas or apples?"

"Let's eat a banana."

"Okay." Christian got up and took a small bowl from the tea table beside him. He then went to the water dispenser and took a bowl of hot water. He walked back to the bed and peeled the banana. He then took a fruit knife and cut the banana into pieces and put them in the hot water.

Although there was a heating system in the room, but in this season, Christian was still afraid of hurting Sarah's stomach. He felt that the banana was almost hot, so he went to the kitchen to get a small fork and a piece of banana for his wife.

"Hubby, you are so good." Sarah ate the banana in big gulps and looked at Christian with a smile. Although it was only a small detail, she could feel his deep concern for her.

Christian smiled and passed another piece to her lips. "Is this considered good? Aren't you easily bribed?"

Sarah blinked her big eyes. "When I was bribed by you, you didn't even give me a banana peel, okay?"

"Ahem, banana peel is not delicious, that's why I didn't buy it for you. . ."

"Of course not. At that time, Christian Cooper was very petty. Humph. Sitting in the wheelchair, he still wanted me to buy a box of milk. . ." Sarah pouted and started to flip Christian's little bill.

Christian held back his laughter. "At that time, did you hate me?"

"No, I didn't. I just think you have a bad temper. When the three months are over, I have to divorce you as soon as possible. Who would have thought that I would fall into someone's trap..." Sarah replied with a smile.

"Do you regret it?" Christian gave another banana to her.

Sarah nodded seriously and seriously. "Yes, I regret it. I especially regret it."

Christian immediately stopped what he was doing and looked at his wife to ask, "Why do you regret it?"

"Regret why I didn't know you nine years ago?" Sarah said and smiled happily.

Christian dotingly scratched the tip of Sarah's nose. "If we had known each other nine years ago, you might not have been able to marry me."

"Why?"

"The fate of humans is often like this. If you had known me nine years ago. . . You might still be thinking about Julian. Sometimes, if you are too close to someone, it has a negative impact. Actually, many times, I am still very grateful to Julian. Because if he hadn't abandoned you, I wouldn't have married my baby. Don't you think so?"

"It seems like whatever you say makes sense. ."

"Because your husband is commander."

"Military Commander Cooper." Sarah said mischievously.

"Hubby." Christian said seriously.

"Military Commander Cooper."

"Call me Hubby."

"Commander Hubby...."

"Haha..."

Although she was reluctant in his heart, she had already done it. Vivian could only admit her bad luck in her heart.

After breakfast this morning, she armed herself from head to toe. She put on a mask and sunglasses. She also wore a round hat, covering half of her face.

No matter how familiar the person was with her, they still couldn't recognize who she was.

After all the preparations were done, she greeted her parents and left. Lucas had already applied for leave and was waiting downstairs. He drove his unsold truck and saw Vivian going downstairs.

Lucas got out of the car and went to greet her. He helped her get into the car. Then he drove to the

bank.

It was impossible to give Felix one million yuan in cash, so Lucas asked for an account number for Felix yesterday and promised to call him today. As long as he saw the money, Felix would guarantee that this matter would be handled beautifully.

The two of them spent the entire morning, constantly transferring all the money. They looked at the account and saw that there was not a single cent left. Vivian felt indescribably depressed in her heart.

This one million was all in the past year. She had thought of all sorts of ways to get it from Julian. She had never thought that there would be a car accident and she had to spend all the money that she had spent so much effort to get her hands on.

What was she thinking at that time. She felt extremely

depressed.

But no matter how depressed she was, she still had to take the money. Otherwise, that Felix would really start a fight with them. Then she could only go to jail.

"Vivian, don't worry. Felix said he has received the money. He said that this matter will definitely be settled for us. You don't have to worry anymore."

Lucas got off the car and called Felix before getting back into the truck. He looked at Vivian, who was beside him, and said with a smile.

Vivian immediately looked at him unhappily, "Look who you are looking for. Not only did you fail to complete the task, you even let us throw in a million. Now is the time when we are short of money. This time, we have all thrown in." "Vivian, don't be too anxious. As the saying goes, it is not good to throw in a million yuan. This time it is Sarah's child who is lucky. Next time she will not be so lucky."

"What about next time? I don't dare. If another million comes out, we'll all go to jail." Vivian directly retorted him in a bad mood.

"Look at what you said. We will definitely not find people so easily next time. Don't you think so? No matter what, isn't the child in Sarah's womb a threat to our child?" After spending one million yuan, Lucas felt an indescribable heartache in his heart.

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Chapter 234 This Child is Not Julian's

"Let's not care about the baby in Sarah's womb first. I think it will not be so easy for us to do it again after this. So the most important thing now is not Sarah's child. I have already told Julian and his mother that I am carrying a son. What do you think we should do about this? If they see that it is a daughter at that time, Julian will probably even have the heart to divorce me."

Lucas frowned and sighed heavily. "This matter is indeed a little difficult to handle. Since you have already said that it is a son, are we really going to change our daughter to a son? The problem is, even if we can change her, where can we change her? Taking ten thousand steps back, even if we have money now, the problem is that there must be someone willing to change it. Vivian, This kind of thing is really not something that can be done with money. . . ."

Vivian immediately gave him a look of annoyance, "If I feel that it is easy to do, I will still ask you? Anyway, I don't care. During this period of time, help me ask around to see if there are any pregnant women with the same number of months as me? If it is not possible in the open, then... Then I can only do it secretly."

At the end of Vivian's words, there was a trace of ruthlessness in her eyes.

"No way... Then... Then what about our daughter?" Lucas subconsciously looked at Vivian's belly. After all, it was his own flesh and blood. No matter what he said, he was reluctant to part with it.

"Idiot. Isn't this simple? When we have money, can't

we just think of a way to get her back?"

"Yes, the method you said is also possible. That's right. . . When this child grows up in the future. . . Do you think she will hate us?" Lucas could not bear to look forward.

"When you do things, you are always afraid of the wolf and the tiger. How can you achieve great things? With your little ability, how can we live a good life? Can you buy me a car or a house? What if I don't sacrifice my daughter? We are starving."

"Yes. Yes, yes. Vivian, you are right. There's nothing else we can do now. We can only make our daughter feel wronged." Lucas could not say anything against it. After all, Vivian had come to this stage today because he was too incompetent.

"Do you think I am too cruel as a mother?"

"No. . ."

Vivian looked at the road in front of her and narrowed her eyes coldly. She then looked at Lucas, who was beside her. "Drive. Let's go home first."

Lucas immediately nodded and started the car to drive back to their residential area. When the car stopped at Vivian's house, Vivian looked at Lucas worriedly and said, "I have been more than six months pregnant. You have to think of a way to find a pregnant woman who is similar to me. Do you hear me?"

"Yes, yes. I know."

After Vivian heard his affirmative answer, she opened the car door and got out of the car and returned to her mother's house. Lucas saw her go upstairs, then drove away.

When Vivian walked into the living room, there was only her mother at home. Mrs. Holmes saw that her daughter was fully armed and looked at her with puzzlement. She asked, "You have a big belly and it is such a cold day, where did you run off to?"

"I went out for a stroll." Vivian took off her mask and glasses and took off her hat and handed them to her mother. Then she walked into her bedroom and looked at her mother who followed her in. She said, "Mom, I want to tell you something..."

"Yes, tell me. What do you want to tell Mom?" Ever since her daughter married into the Cooper Family, Mrs. Holmes basically treated her daughter as treasure. In any case, as long as it was her daughter who said it, she had to do whatever she said. Vivian lightly sighed and then lowered her hand to touch her bulging stomach. She said with some disappointment, "Mom, I asked a friend to check in the hospital a while ago and found out that I was indeed carrying a daughter. It was not a son at all. . ."

"Ah? How could this be?" Mrs. Holmes looked at her daughter in disappointment. After a while, she still could not believe it and confirmed, "Did the hospital do something wrong? Did you go somewhere else to confirm? I heard that there are many mistakes in this kind of thing."

Vivian shook her head in disappointment. "I have already gone to many homes, but in the end, they all say it is a daughter. Sigh..."

Mrs. Holmes saw her daughter's disappointed expression and immediately comforted her. "Vivian, daughter is daughter. Could Cooper Family chase you out of Cooper Family just because you gave birth to a daughter? The same goes for a daughter. Aren't you a daughter too? Don't think too deeply about this matter."

"Mom, it's not that I think it's too complicated. Julian said that if I give birth to a son for him, he will give me a villa and my mother-in-law will have her eyes narrowed into slits when she heard that it was a son. When the time comes, if she sees that it is a granddaughter, she will definitely encourage Julian to divorce me..."

"Then... Wouldn't it be fine to give birth to another one?"

"I went to the hospital for a checkup and said that I can't be pregnant anymore."

"Then... Then what should we do?" Mrs. Holmes

heard her daughter's words and did not know what to do.

Vivian looked at the ground and lightly sighed. Biting her teeth slightly, she said slowly, "Actually, Mom. Anyway, at this stage of the matter, I am not afraid of hiding it from you. This child is not Julian's at all."

She originally thought that if she was carrying a son, it wouldn't be too late to tell her mother about the child's origin in the future.

But now that things had come to this point, she might very well need her mother's help in the future. Rather than hiding it from her, it was better to tell her everything right now.

When Mrs. Holmes heard her daughter's words, she immediately stood up nervously and walked to the door to close the door first before closing the window.

Only then did she walk to her daughter's side and sit down.

She tightly grabbed Vivian's hand and urgently asked, "Vivian, what did you say to me just now? I didn't hear wrongly, right?"

"Mom, you didn't hear wrongly. I'm not carrying Julian's child."

"Oh my god. How could there be such a thing?" Mrs. Holmes was so scared that her heart almost jumped out when she heard her daughter's words. She pressed her hand on her chest and panted heavily. Then she looked at her daughter and asked in a low voice, "Then... Then whose child are you carrying?"

"It's Lucas's."

"Ah? Lucas? I will Go and kill him." Mrs. Holmes

immediately stood up angrily when she heard him and wanted to leave.

"Mom. Stop right there." Vivian called out to her mother.

Mrs. Holmes looked at her daughter and sighed heavily. She sat back down again and looked at Vivian angrily. "You guys are committing sins. How could this be? Even if you are really carrying a son, this kind of thing will come to light sooner or later. Why are you together with Lucas?"

Vivian listened to her mother's words and lowered her head. "I grew up with him. Although he did not live up to expectations in other people's eyes, I still like him."

"Sigh, you said that other than being a little bit more good-looking, he is good for nothing. He doesn't have money. He doesn't have the ability. Julian's family is such a wealthy family, but you actually like a trash... Sigh. I don't even know what to say about you..."

Mrs. Holmes sighed heavily again at the end of her sentence. She kept shaking her head and shaking her head.

"Mom, let me tell you today. I didn't want to hide it from you. I have also mentioned to you before that the people of Cooper Family always prioritize men over women. Even if the child in my womb is Lucas's, I originally thought that if it was a son, there would not be any problem."

"The last one that was carrying was a son. But that child's body was not healthy and he had congenital heart disease. So I took the abortion medicine and later blamed it on Sarah. I originally thought that this time, no matter what, I would have a healthy child, but who knew that God was so unfair to me. The child is healthy, but she is also a daughter. Mom. . . "

Mrs. Holmes looked at her daughter in disbelief. "You, you say that child. . . Why did you let him go? The Cooper Family is so rich. Even if he is sick, he will definitely be cured. But now, you. . . You are pregnant with a daughter, and now you are saying that you cannot give birth. Then what else can you do? Don't you think you've brought this upon yourself?"

"Mom. . . I told you this today because I want you to help me. . ."

"How can I help you with something like this?" Mrs. Holmes looked at her daughter helplessly. She did not expect this kind of thing to happen and was at a loss for what to do.

"Mom, it has already happened. Don't be nervous. As long as we don't tell them, they definitely won't notice. Mom, now you have to do me a favor."

"Alright. Tell me, what can I help you with?" At this point, Mrs. Holmes knew that whatever she said was useless and could only look at her daughter.

"Take a look at your mother's family and see if there is a girl with a bad family situation but not married yet."

"Vivian, why are you looking for a girl of this age?"

"Mom, I want to have a more considerate person in the Cooper Family. Although those two girls have a good relationship with me, in the end, they are closer to the people of the Cooper Family. I just want to find someone who is close to us. It would be best if their family is in trouble. I can help them. That way, she would listen to whatever I say. Think about it, is there such a person?" She still had three to four months to produce. Before that, no matter what, she must have a trusted aide. Otherwise, the matter of giving birth to a son will definitely be exposed. No matter what, she had to make plans now.

Mrs. Holmes thought silently for a while. After a while, her eyes lit up and she nodded, "Vivian, you don't have to say, I really have a good candidate. If I remember correctly, my cousin's third daughter is in her early twenties. She's not that old, but she seems to be quite serious in her work. If you can get her to help you, then that should be right."

"Then what are you waiting for? Call me now and ask." Vivian immediately urged her mother when she heard that.

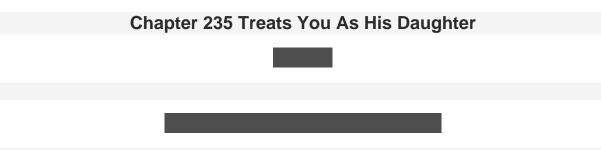
"Call now?"

"That's right. When you call, tell her that the monthly salary is 1000. If she feels that it's not enough, we'll increase it again. Depends on the situation. . ."

"Alright. Wait for it." Mrs. Holmes heard her daughter's words and immediately went to get her phone. After a while, she went back to her room and called her cousin's number.

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Vivian sat by the bed and listened quietly. After a while, she saw that her mother had disconnected.

Vivian hurriedly looked at her mother, "Mom, how is it?"

"Yes, I agreed upon hearing it. She said that she could go to work tomorrow."

"She didn't complain about the salary being too low?"

"Aiya, a thousand dollars from their family is even more than the money the boss earns. My cousin immediately agreed when he heard that. He was even afraid that we would change our mind. Vivian, I told her to come to our house tomorrow to meet with you first. What do you think?"

"Sure. Then it's decided. Oh right, Mom. Have you seen that girl? How does she look?"

"She's quite pretty."

"Don't tell me she's the most beautiful type?" Vivian was a little worried. Julian was a man who liked to flirt with people. She would not be at ease if he was too beautiful.

"No. She is just a little more beautiful than normal."

"Alright. That's good."

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Sarah fell asleep again not long after lunch. Christian sat next to his wife's bed for the whole afternoon. He also made a few phone calls.

At around six o'clock in the afternoon, Samantha had yet to deliver food to them, when the door of the ward was pushed open.

Christian looked towards the door and saw Daphne.

Behind him was the maid, Hannah. Hannah was carrying an Insulating Tube in her hand. Two people walked in, one in front and one behind.

"Aunt Daphne, you're here?" Christian saw her and stood up. Just as he stood up, he saw his father walk in from behind. He called out, "Dad."

Sarah immediately greeted the two elders, "Aunt Daphne, Dad."

"Oh, quickly lie down. Don't move. Tsk, tsk, tsk. Who do you think is so wicked? How did he knock our Sarah into this state?"

Daphne looked at Sarah and walked to her side and sat down. She looked at Sarah and asked, "Sarah, how do you feel now?"

Sarah smiled, "Much better. You don't need to worry. I

am fine now."

"This is still considered fine? Look, I heard from your father that there were many stitches and fractures in your calf. The injury this time is so serious. If I had known this would happen, I wouldn't have let you bought the car."

Sarah smiled awkwardly and did not say anything.

Ethan also walked to the other side and sat down. He looked at Sarah and asked slowly, "Sarah, you were unconscious for two days and scared all of us. But luckily the doctor said you were fine. I heard you woke up today. I wanted to come and see you immediately, but I received a call from Christian. He had returned and that you had woken up. In my heart, I can be considered to have let out a sigh of relief."

"Yes. Sarah, don't you know that your Dad has been

so anxious these two days. The food was not delicious. He only ate a little bit for a meal. Aiyo, let me tell you, Sarah. I don't think your father cared about me so much when I was sick. How could he treat you as his daughter-in-law? He clearly treats you as his daughter." Daphne heard Ethan's words and immediately echoed him.

Sarah smiled and looked at Ethan who was at the side. "Dad, I am fine. You must eat well. Don't hurt your body because of me."

"Don't worry. Dad is not a child. He will take care of himself. You should take good care of yourself at this time. You don't have to worry about other things."

"Yes, I know, Dad."

Christian, who had been silent all this time, looked at his father and said slowly, "Dad, I only took three days off this time. I can't stay here with Sarah all the time. My mother-in-law and I have already discussed it. When Sarah is discharged from the hospital, I will let her temporarily return to her mother's home. Coincidentally, mother-in-law is only one person. Sarah can be considered to be accompanying her at home. Do you think there is any problem?"

Ethan nodded. He naturally did not mind this kind of thing. "Yes. This matter was settled. Sarah will return to her mother's home. Your mother-in-law will also take care of her more carefully, but it is fine as long as your mother-in-law has other thoughts..."

After all, Sarah was the daughter-in-law of his family. Just by letting her go back to her mother's home to rest, Ethan is afraid that Samantha will have other thoughts.

As soon as Ethan finished speaking, the door of the

ward was pushed open again. Everyone looked towards the door and saw Samantha walking in with two Insulating Tubes.

Samantha happened to hear Ethan's words and said with a smile, "Although your family has maids, no matter what, I am Sarah's mother. It will definitely be easier for me to take care of her. How can I have other thoughts when taking care of my own daughter? Ethan, you are thinking too much."

Daphne smiled and agreed. "Yes. We are all family, how can we think too much?"

"Don't worry, we're not that petty people. Nothing will happen." Samantha's words dispelled Ethan's concerns with a smile.

"Then I will have to trouble you. . ."

"We are all family. What do you mean by hard work? Furthermore, Sarah is my daughter. If she goes back to live, I will also run around every two to three days."

Ethan and Daphne sat in the ward for a while before leaving. When they left, Daphne left the Insulating Tube she brought with her. She said that there was a black chicken stewed inside for Sarah to eat.

After Ethan and Daphne left, Christian directly took the Insulating Tube that his mother-in-law brought over and took out food for his wife to eat.

"I want to eat black chicken. . ." Sarah heard that there was chicken in the Insulating Tube and looked at Christian with a little drool.

"Baby, let me tell you, from today onwards, other than the food Mom makes, you cannot eat any other food. Do you understand?" "Why? Could it be that you are afraid that Aunt Daphne will put something inside?" Sarah stared at him with widened eyes and asked back.

Samantha immediately glared at her daughter, "What nonsense are you talking about?"

Christian heard his wife's words and smiled, but he still answered very seriously, "You are not just an injured person now. You are also a pregnant woman. There are many things a pregnant woman should pay attention to when she eats. There are some things that cannot be eaten randomly. When I was in the army, I checked online. Even when cooking, there are octagonal ingredients in it. It will also have a negative impact on pregnant women's milk. You are now at your most cautious period. And since so many things have happened, of course, you have to be more careful. Don't you agree?" Sarah blinked her eyes and looked at him. "How do you know so much?"

Samantha heard Christian words and smiled as she nodded her head. "Christian is right. He is worried that something will happen to you. He is scared, you know?"

"I understand. Okay, then I won't eat anymore. Hubby, you eat."

"In the future, tell mom what you want to eat, okay?" Christian shook the bed again as he spoke. He took the food over and fed it to her for dinner.

"Okay, I got it." Sarah nodded obediently.

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Because she had called yesterday, Mrs. Holmes's cousin rushed over early this morning. Of course, he had come with the girl who had just turned 20.

After some small talk, Mrs. Holmes's cousin left, leaving his daughter in the Holmes family. Mrs. Holmes had already sent her husband away. So there were only three people left in the family.

Vivian sat on the sofa and looked at the girl in front of her, although she was dressed a little shabby. She looked very smart and her looks were quite good. Although there was no makeup on her face, that small face made her look very beautiful.

"You are called Ruby?" Vivian looked at the girl in front of her as she sized her up and asked her.

"Yes, I am Ruby." Although the two families were relatives, when it came to Vivian's seniority, they

basically did not interact with each other. But when Vivian got married, Mrs. Holmes's cousin had also come.

"How old are you this year?"

"Twenty-two years old."

"Do you feel wronged when you follow me to the Cooper Family as a servant in the future?"

"I don't feel wronged. My dad said that the Cooper Family is rich. What crime can't they bear." Ruby was a country girl and her words were very honest.

"Who do you listen to in the Cooper Family from now on?"

"I'll listen to you, Sister Vivian."

"Yes, you must remember this clearly. Don't have any other thoughts, understand?" Vivian nodded her head in satisfaction.

"Sister, I will remember it." Ruby immediately nodded her head sensibly.

"Usually, when you are in Cooper Family, your eyes should be more lively. If you hear anything that is bad for me, you must remember to tell me, okay?"

"Yes Sister, I understand." Ruby nodded again.

Vivian saw that this lass was not bad and only then did she nod her head in satisfaction. She also reminded her of some details and felt that there were no loopholes.

She then held onto her waist and stood up from the sofa. She took Ruby with her and left her mother's

house.

Because she had called before, the driver of Cooper Family had been waiting downstairs for a long time. Vivian brought Ruby downstairs and when they got on the car, Ruby walked to the front of Vivian and opened the car door for her.

Vivian looked at her and smiled in satisfaction. Then she sat in the car. Ruby saw that Vivian had sat properly, so she closed the car door and went to the other side to sit beside Vivian. The car quickly started and brought the two of them back to Villa of Cooper Family.

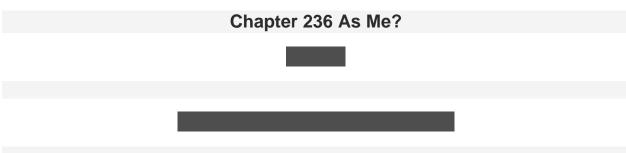
When the car reached home, it was already past ten o'clock in the morning. Ethan and Julian both went to the company. Only Benjamin and Daphne were left in the villa. Vivian brought Ruby into the living room and walked to the four-ringed sofa in the living room to greet the two elders before sitting down on the sofa.

From the moment Ruby walked in, Daphne's gaze had been on Ruby. Seeing that Vivian was sitting properly, she sized Ruby up and asked, "Vivian, where did this little girl come from?"

"Mom, she is the child of my uncle's house. She is my cousin and now she has nothing to do at home. It just so happens that my body is becoming more and more inconvenient. I just want to find someone that I can order around freely. Ruby is idle at home. I brought her along. Ruby, this is the madam. Quickly come and greet Madam."

Ruby immediately walked in front of Daphne and respectfully bowed. Then she said in a clear voice," Hello Madam." If you find any errors ( broken links, non-standard content, etc.. ), Please let us know < report chapter > so we can fix it as soon as possible.

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Vivian looked at Benjamin and introduced him to Ruby, "This is Grandpa."

"Hello, Grandpa."

Daphne saw that this girl was quite quick-witted and nodded her head in satisfaction, "En, not bad. This little girl is quite quick-witted."

Vivian saw Daphne's expression and immediately smiled, "Mom, I did not even inform you before

bringing her here. You will not be angry with me, right?"

Daphne magnanimously waved her hand. "Look at what you are saying. Our family can afford to hire a maid. Besides, you're pregnant now. There's nothing wrong with finding someone to take care of you as you wish. Alright, Ruby, right?"

"Madam, Yes." Ruby immediately smiled and nodded.

"From today onwards, you are only responsible for Vivian's daily meals. You can just let Hannah and Lea do the other things at home."

"Thank you, Madam."

Vivian looked at Daphne being so straightforward and she was also very happy, "Mom, thank you so much." Daphne immediately looked at her reproachfully, "This child, what is he saying? You are now our family's treasure. We will do whatever you want as long as it is not a loss to you. It will not be a loss to my grandson."

If Vivian was not pregnant, Daphne might have let Ruby leave. But the current Vivian was carrying her precious grandson in her womb.

Furthermore, the Cooper Family was so big. Not to mention hiring a maid, even if she hired another ten or twenty maids, it wouldn't be a problem. Of course, she would only do them a favor that went with the flow.

"Mom, we happen to have a guest room on the third floor. I want Ruby to stay next to our bedroom. Is that okay?" Ruby's room was closer to his. If she had anything to say, she could call her. "Okay, okay. Anyway, that room is also empty. As long as you feel that it is suitable, let Ruby stay there."

"Thank you, Mom. Then I will bring her up first." Vivian immediately raised her hand when she heard that and Ruby understood and walked over. She supported Vivian and stood up from the sofa.

Daphne looked at this small detail and nodded her head in satisfaction, "En, let's go. Let's go upstairs to take a look..."

Ruby immediately looked at Daphne and bowed again, "Thank you, Madam."

After saying that, she helped Vivian up the stairs.

Daphne looked at the back of this girl and nodded her head in satisfaction.

Ruby supported Vivian all the way up to the third floor.

Vivian first brought her back to her room. Seeing that Ruby was dressed in a somewhat shabby manner, she found a few pieces of clothing that were slightly lower quality for Ruby to change into and then brought Ruby to the guest room by the side.

"From today onwards you will be staying in this room. Just now my mother-in-law has also said that from today onwards you can only take care of my daily necessities. But if it is something that Madam wants you to do, you still have to do it, understand?"

"I will remember Sister Vivian."

"By the way, do you have a phone?"

Ruby shook her head, "No."

"Today I will ask your brother-in-law to buy one for you. Alright, pack up first." After saying that, Vivian got up and went back to her room.

"Yes."

Julian received a call from Vivian at noon, saying that she wanted him to bring a new phone. A normal one would do.

Julian did not ask much about Vivian's request. It was just a phone, so he asked his assistant Lucas to buy one for him. He brought it home at night.

Julian's car stopped in the courtyard of the villa. He walked out of the car and reached the door of the living room when he suddenly saw Ruby walking down.

This girl looked like she was in her early twenties. Although there was no makeup on her face, she was very beautiful. The clothes on her body looked like they were worn by Vivian a long time ago, however when they were now worn by her, they had a different effect.

Julian's eyes flashed. He lifted his foot and walked into the living room.

"Who are you?" Julian saw her walk down and walked in front of her to block Ruby's way. He kept looking at her.

Ruby saw Julian's eyes and immediately lowered her head with a red face. Before she could say anything, Ruby saw Daphne walking over from the side.

Daphne saw Julian and introduced Ruby with a smile, "Julian, her name is Ruby, the daughter of Vivian's uncle. She doesn't have much work to do at home, so she followed Vivian to our house for a while. The main thing is to serve Vivian."

Julian nodded in understanding. He raised his hand and passed the new phone to her. "It seems that the phone is bought for you. It's brand new. Take it and use it."

Ruby immediately took it gratefully. "Thank you, Brother-in-law."

Julian looked at her and smiled. "Where is Vivian?"

"She's upstairs."

Julian nodded and walked upstairs. After a while, he walked into his bedroom and saw Vivian lying on the bed, eating snacks.

"Where's the phone?" Vivian saw Julian come back and immediately stared at him and asked.

"Did you bring Ruby back?" Julian pretended not to know and asked again.

"Yes, she is my uncle's daughter. Anyway, She has nothing to do at home, so I let her come. You also know that it will be more and more inconvenient for me to act later on, so I want to find someone to take care of me. You are the CEO of the Cooper Group. Don't tell me you don't even give me this little bit of power?"

Vivian was worried that he would get angry at her. She first smiled and said.

Julian walked to the side of the bed and sat down. He raised his hand and smiled as he pinched her face. "What a joke. It was not difficult for the wife of the president of Cooper Group to find a servant. I think this girl is quite honest. There should be no problem to let her stay."

Vivian smiled and joked with him. "Why are you so happy today? Don't tell me you have taken a liking to her?"

"What are you saying? No matter how bad my taste is, I can't possibly take a fancy to a maid, right? Your husband is the CEO of Cooper Group, okay? If I really want a woman, which one do you think is worse than a servant girl?"

Julian immediately stood up and raised his hand to tidy up his clothes. He looked at Ruby with disdain.

Vivian looked at his expression and smiled, "Why are you so nervous? It is not like I am telling the truth. Am I joking with you?" Even though that Ruby was not bad looking, but thinking about it, it made sense. No matter how bad Julian's taste was, he would not take a fancy to her. After all, Ruby's identity was there. No matter how thirsty Julian was, he would not find his own maid to have sex.

"Is there anyone who would joke around like you?" Julian immediately put on an angry expression.

Vivian smiled and felt relieved about him. "I am just testing you. Since you say so, I am relieved."

Julian looked at her and walked to the wardrobe to take a set of casual clothes to change into. As he changed, he asked Vivian, "By the way, where did you arrange for her to stay?"

"In the guest room next door."

Julian's eyes flashed intensely in an instant, but he still maintained his calm emotions and said slowly, "It's too close to our room, isn't it? Will I disturb your rest? "

"What's there to disturb? She's just a single person, not a burden. Don't worry. She's quite quiet."

Only then did Julian nod his head. "Yes, that's good."

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Although Sarah stayed in the VIP ward and there was a bedroom to rest in, Christian still stayed by Sarah's side for the whole night.

Christian would wake up a few times at night to touch Sarah's forehead or to help her cover up her blanket. Seeing that she had been sleeping soundly, he felt

## relieved.

When Sarah woke up the next day, she saw that Christian was no longer by her side. When she heard the sound of flowing water coming from the bathroom, she smiled at ease.

When Christian came out, he saw that his little wife had woken up. He immediately went back to the bathroom and took a basin of warm water out. He also put a clean towel and carried it to the bedside.

"Did you sleep well last night?" As Christian spoke, he soaked the towel and wiped off the water. He used it to wipe Sarah's face first. When he saw the injury on her forehead, a touch of pain slid across his heart.

"I slept very well. I even had a dream." Sarah looked at Christian and smiled sweetly.

Christian deliberately said. "You had a dream? You must have seen me in your dream, right?"

"Not at all. Why should I see you in my dream? Chief's lethality is getting smaller and smaller. You have to work hard." Sarah replied with a smile.

"Sigh... I really didn't expect you to change your love so quickly." Christian held the towel and shook his head in disappointment.

Sarah rolled her eyes. "But I really dreamed of a handsome man last night. . ."

"What handsome guy? Is he as handsome as your husband?"

"Cheh. He's much more handsome than you, alright?"

"No way. What exactly does he look like? Quickly tell

me."

Christian wiped Sarah's face as he spoke. After he finished wiping her face, he also wiped her hands clean. When he reached out to wipe her arms, he suddenly stopped.

Christian saw that her arm had been cast with plaster and the injuries on her body were clearly very serious. But ever since he came back, she hadn't shed a single tear at herself.

Christian felt as if his heart had been sliced by a knife. However, no matter how uncomfortable he felt, he still had to look at his wife and smile.

While the two of them were talking, the door of the ward was pushed open. David and Jasmine walked in one after another.

Seeing that Christian was wiping Sarah's face and hands, Jasmine smiled and walked over. "Oh, Commander still does this kind of thing?"

Christian heard Jasmine's words and smiled, "Isn't this kind of thing what I should do?"

Sarah saw the two of them and smiled happily. "Ms. Jasmine, Mr. David."

David put the things in his hands on the coffee table at the side and then walked to Sarah's bedside with a smile. Seeing her covered in injuries, he asked her with heartache, "Sarah, are you feeling better?"

"Yes, I am much better. You don't have to worry about me."

Jasmine sat down on the other side. "It has only been a few days and you are already much better? If there

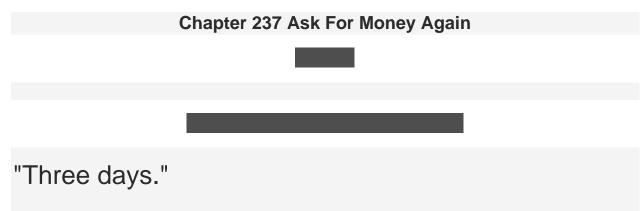
is any discomfort anywhere, you have to say it out loud. Don't keep holding it in, okay?"

"Yes, Ms. Jasmine. Don't worry. I won't."

Christian put the basin and towel into the bathroom and then walked out again. David looked at him and asked, "How many days of vacation did Military Commander Cooper take?"

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"Looks like this girl shouldn't have married a soldier. Sarah suffered such a serious injury and is still carrying your child, but you can only accompany her for three days."

Jasmine looked at Christian who was opposite her with a slight sigh.

"Ms. Jasmine, don't say that. I am really fine now." Hearing Jasmine's words, Sarah immediately opened her mouth. She was afraid that Christian would feel uncomfortable in his heart.

"Even a blind person can tell if you are okay now. Don't force yourself." Jasmine looked at her. "It is all that Felix's fault. Why did he drink so early in the morning and crash our Sarah into this state?"

Hearing Jasmine's words, Christian slowly asked her, "Vice President Wilson, how is the handling of the car

## accident?"

"Although my lawyer investigated and collected evidence, that Felix insisted that he drove after drinking. The most important place where the car accident happened was at the crossroad, so the police eliminated the suspicion of him cheating insurance. So now, I can only find trouble with him from the compensation aspect. I have already gotten a lawyer to submit a compensation form. A total of 1. 8 million. Don't worry, I'll handle this matter."

When Sarah heard this staggering number, she looked at Jasmine in shock, "Ms. Jasmine, you want 1. 8 million from him? Why do you want so much money?"

Jasmine smiled and said, "Let me tell you, the person who hit your car was originally not a good person. I checked his information and found that he was indeed very poor. But this person had a criminal record in the past, so I suspect that his motive this time was not pure. I just don't know why there might be a small mistake in the middle of the matter, or maybe he didn't think that he would meet someone as serious as me. Doesn't he like to cheat other people's money? I'll let him cheat enough this time. 1. 8 million. Let's see how many lifetimes he can pay off this debt?"

David laughed and looked at Jasmine. "You are asking for an exorbitant price. If he doesn't have the ability to pay back, wouldn't it be a waste?"

Jasmine raised her eyebrows. "I don't care about that. I just want to punish this kind of person. Usually, people who met them were timid and afraid of trouble. If they gave a few money, they would be able to muddle their way through. This time, I want to let him have a taste of what real extortion is. I increased Sarah's salary in Wilson Group by five times. Anyway, I have all the evidence prepared. 1. 8 million is still a bargain for him. It doesn't matter even if he can't pay it back. I found out that he has a small house in the city. Before he pays the 1. 8 million, if he has any high spending in this city. . . As long as I find out about him, he will not have a good end. Unless he doesn't live in this city anymore."

Sarah stuck out her tongue when she heard Jasmine's words, "Ms. Jasmine, this is not good, right? What if he is forced into a corner?"

Her courage had always been small. Just now when she heard this shocking number, she felt a headache. When she heard Jasmine's following words, she could not take it anymore.

"Look at how scared you are. Don't worry. I will arrange for someone to do this kind of thing. You don't have to worry about it at all." Jasmine looked at Sarah who was on the bed and waved her hand with a smile.

When Christian heard Jasmine's words, he really could not thank her enough from the bottom of his heart. "I will be returning to the army in two days. Sarah's matter still needs your help. I will first thank Vice President Wilson here."

Jasmine heard his words and opened her mouth to speak. "Military Commander Cooper, you should call me Jasmine. Sarah and I are good sisters. In addition to David and Sarah's relationship, you are treating me like an outsider by saying this."

"Okay. Then I will not be polite with you." Christian smiled and nodded.

Not only was Jasmine beautiful, but she was also very

forthright. Christian looked at David, who was relatively quiet, and nudged him with his elbow.

"If you have something to say, just say it. What are you doing?" David looked at him and teased Military Commander Cooper.

"When will Sarah and I be able to eat your marriage sweet?" Military Commander Cooper rarely gossiped, but these two seemed to be a good match.

Sarah also smiled and joined in the fun. "Yes, yes. Mr. David, quickly propose to Ms. Jasmine."

Jasmine heard their conversation and her face slightly blushed. She and David had only just started and were still far from the step of proposing. She looked at Sarah and said with a little blush, "What are you talking about. . ." David heard this topic and felt a little awkward. He looked at Christian beside him and said slowly, "Military Commander Cooper is used to being a senior official, right?"

"What does this have to do with whether he is a senior official or not?" Christian looked at Jasmine, who was opposite him, and then looked at David with a smile.

"Be careful, when your son is born, I will ask him to call me father. . ."

"Don't worry, my son only recognizes his biological father. One look and he will know that this is Uncle David. You won't have the chance to impersonate him." Christian retorted with a smile.

Sarah and Jasmine couldn't help but laugh when they heard what the two of them said.

Felix never would have thought that it was just an ordinary car accident and the other party actually proposed a compensation of 1.8 million.

Although he had already gotten a million, if the other party were to really compete with him, he might not be able to get a penny out of it. Thinking about it, even if he were to run away, he could not just take this little bit of money and leave.

Since that Lucas had already given him one million, that means the man behind him must be a rich man. With such a good opportunity in front of him, he couldn't miss it no matter what. Not long after he got the news, Felix called Lucas.

"Felix, didn't I give you the money? Why did you call

me again?"

"Lucas, you gave me the money, not bad. But you can go to the traffic police station and ask how much the other party asked for compensation. I just heard about it, and I was so scared that I almost wet my pants. It's 1. 8 million. They're trying to kill me..."

Anyway, this matter started because of Lucas, he could not bear the blame for it.

"You... You... what did you say? 1. 8 million? Are you fucking crazy for money?" When Lucas heard this number, he was also shocked. Then, he felt that it was Felix who was bullshitting with him.

"I am not going crazy. If you don't believe me, you can call the traffic police and ask them. Am I lying to you or not?" "Just you wait. I'll hit you right away." Lucas hung up the phone and looked around to see that there was no one around. He then called Vivian again.

"Lucas, why are you calling at this time?" Luckily it was in the morning and she was in the bedroom, so it was fine.

"Vivian, I just received a call from Felix. Guess what he said?"

"Did he ask for money from you again?" Vivian frowned and had a bad feeling.

"You are right. He called me this time and said Jasmine Wilson asked for a compensation amount. How much do you think it is?"

Vivian suddenly sat up from the bed and nervously asked, "How much?"

"1. 8 million."

"1. 8 million? How is that possible?"

"That's right. I also feel that this matter is too mysterious. Can you ask around now? Is Jasmine's matter true or false? We can also come up with a countermeasure. Right, let's see if you can call Julian and ask him if he knows about this."

"Okay. I'll call him now." Vivian immediately withdrew her line.

Vivian took a few deep breaths first. When she thought of 1. 8 million, her heart felt unspeakable discomfort.

But the matter had already happened. Now, even if she wanted to regret, there was no medicine for

regret. The only thing she could do was to think of a way to make up for all of this.

She found Julian's number and quickly called him. Soon, Julian's voice came from the other end of the phone. "Vivian, what's the matter?"

Vivian cleared her throat and softened her voice before speaking slowly. "Julian, I remember today. Didn't you handle the accident that happened to sister-in-law?"

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"Yes, what's wrong?"
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"I was thinking of taking advantage of this car accident to get a good sum of money from the other party. Don't you think so?" Vivian deliberately asked for directions.

"Hehe, do you think the other party is a billionaire?

How can it be so easy to knock? Besides, this matter has now been taken over by Jasmine Wilson from the Wilson Group. Big Brother doesn't want me to interfere, and I am also a little busy company's matters. It just so happens that I don't have time for it."

"Aiya, why do you have such a stubborn mind? If that Jasmine takes advantage of this opportunity to make a big profit, wouldn't it be a loss for us?"

Julian heard her words and held his forehead with his hand and smiled. "She is the vice president of Wilson Group, and she drives a car worth tens of millions. Besides, no matter how much money she asked for from the other party, all the money she got in the end was given to Sarah. She will not take a single cent."

Although he did not have much dealings with Jasmine, he had more or less heard of some things

about her. He knew that Jasmine was not that kind of narrow-minded woman. If Jasmine had set her eyes on this car accident for more than a million yuan, Julian really did not believe it at all.

"Then do you know how much she asked the other party to compensate?"

"Oh, I do know a little about this."

"How much is it?"

"I just called to ask about it. I heard it's 1.8 million."

"Ah? Isn't it just an ordinary car accident? How can you ask to compensate so much?" Vivian felt her heart being pulled until it hurt. 1. 8 million, wasn't this the same as wanting to take her life?

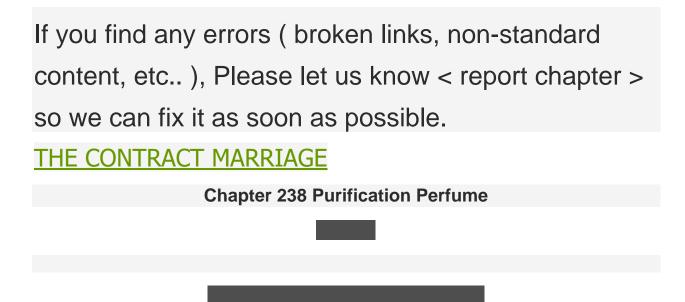
"This is the compensation for the car, the treatment

fee for Sarah's injury, and the delay fee. In any case, all the expenses added up to a total of so much money. However, this result will only take effect after the court ruling, and the amount might be slightly less. However, it would probably not be much less. Jasmine's lawyer was very good. The amount of compensation proposed should be about this amount."

"Oh, so that's how it is. What if the other party doesn't refuse to pay?"

"You can apply to be enforced by the court. Anyway, he has a house. I think Jasmine will definitely be able to do it."

"Aiyo, isn't this a little too cruel?"



"How can it be cruel? If I have to deal with him, I won't let him off lightly either. Alright, Vivian. I still have a meeting to attend, so I won't talk to you for now."

"Okay, bye bye."

Vivian retracted her line and sat on the bed dejectedly.

1. 8 million. Even if she had already given one million, where would she get the remaining 800,000?

Other than asking Julian for it, she had no other way.

But what kind of excuse should she use to ask for it?

Just as Vivian was deep in thought, there was a knock on the door.

"Come in." Vivian sat on the bed and saw Ruby carrying a plate of fruit into the room. There were even some snacks on it that Daphne had specially prepared for Vivian.

"Elder sister. . ." Ruby walked in and placed the plate of fruit and snacks on the bedside table.

Vivian looked up at her and reached out to take a bag of beef jerky and stuffed it into Ruby's hands, "Take it and eat. I can't eat so much alone."

Ruby immediately put it back nervously, "Sister. You are now eating two people's meal by yourself. This

little bit of food will be finished in a while. I have already eaten my fill and I am not hungry at all."

Vivian heard her words and was very satisfied. She waved her hand at her, "You go out first. If there is anything, I will call you."

Ruby immediately nodded her head and turned around to leave Vivian's room.

Seeing the door close, Vivian quickly stood up and walked to the door. She raised her hand and pressed the reverse lock, then walked back to the bed and picked up her phone to call Lucas.

"Vivian, how is it?" Once the call was made, Lucas could not wait to ask.

"I asked just now. It was really that number. That Felix definitely wouldn't let it go just like that. I don't want to

talk about 800,000 right now. I can't even take out a hundred thousand. What should we do now?"

When she thought of that shocking number, Vivian had an indescribable headache. Although the Cooper Family was rich, Julian rarely gave her money to spend.

Now, if she suddenly asked Julian for 800,000 yuan, she could not think of any excuse.

"Even if you can't take it out, you still have to take it out. Otherwise, if Felix doesn't take it out, the both of us will have to go to jail. Vivian, you are smart. Think about it carefully. No matter what, you have to take out this 800,000 yuan. Otherwise, the both of us will be finished."

"Alright, then I will think of another way." Vivian helplessly put away the phone and walked around the

room with her phone.

But with this 800,000 yuan, no matter how she thought of it, she could not think of a good way.

What should she do?

What should she do?

Vivian was as anxious as an ant on a hot pan. Eight hundred thousand, how did she get it from Julian?

She was a little tired from walking. She sat down by the bed and her gaze finally landed on the fruit plate on the bedside table. A figure suddenly flashed in front of her eyes.

She was already six months pregnant, and Julian had not touched a woman for a long time.

Vivian thought about Ruby's figure and looks. If. . .

Vivian's eyes lit up when she thought of this.

But when she thought about how she was her uncle's daughter, she could not be too cruel. But if she did not have that 800,000 yuan, she would definitely go to jail...

No way!

Since she had already come this far, she didn't care about his uncle's daughter anymore.

After dinner, Julian returned to his study. He had taken the medicine prescribed by the hospital these two days and ordered some eye medicine. His eyes were much better, so he brought some documents with him when he went home today. Julian planned to review them at home at night. When he went upstairs, he told his mother to get someone to bring him a cup of coffee later.

Daphne knew that her son was going to work in the study again. She chatted with the family for a while on the sofa. She then personally went to the kitchen to make a cup of coffee. She called Hannah over to ask her to bring the coffee to her son.

Just as she called out, Vivian walked over. "Mom, let Ruby bring it up."

After saying that, she looked at Ruby who was behind her and said, "Ruby, send the coffee to Young Master to the study room."

"Yes." Ruby immediately walked over and carefully took the tray from Daphne and went upstairs.

Daphne looked at the figure of this little girl and nodded her head in satisfaction, "Vivian, this little girl you found is quite likable. Although she does not speak much, her face is full of joy and it makes people like her the first time they look at her."

"Mom, she has a good personality since she was young. My mom has been praising her at home."

"Is that so? No wonder."

"Mom, I'm a little tired. I'm going back to my room to rest."

"Okay. Go now. Don't tire yourself out again. "

Vivian nodded with a smile and went upstairs. When she reached the staircase of the third floor, seeing that Ruby had yet to come out of Julian's study, she deliberately lowered her footsteps. Vivian wanted to hear what the two of them were saying in the study.

However, before Vivian even took a few steps out, she saw Ruby walk out of the study. When Ruby saw Vivian, she immediately stopped, "Sister..."

Vivian nodded. "Don't go downstairs. Wait at the door. I will go in and take a look at Young Master."

"Yes." Ruby immediately stood obediently in the corridor.

Vivian looked at her and lifted her foot to walk into the study room. She saw Julian taking out an eye drop and preparing to drip it. Seeing her walk in, he stopped what he was doing.

"Vivian, you came at the right time. Help me drip the eye drop."

Vivian raised her hand a little pitifully and held her waist. "Julian, I am very tired today. I want to rest a little earlier. How about this? I will let Ruby serve me to sleep first. When I lie down, I will let her help you."

Julian listened to her words and paused for a moment before nodding. "Okay. Then quickly go and rest."

He really wanted Ruby to help him.

"Okay. Then I'm going to sleep." After Vivian finished speaking, she turned around and walked out of the study room. She let Ruby follow her into the bedroom and let her close the door.

Ruby helped Vivian take off her coat and pants and helped her lie down on the bed. Even the pillow was arranged properly for her before Ruby covered her with a blanket. "Ruby, recently the young master's eyes are not very good. I don't know if it is because he stayed up all night for a long time. Just now he asked me to help him drip some eye drops. I'm really a little tired today. I just told him to let you help him drip an eye drop. You wouldn't mind, would you?" Vivian put on a good older sister expression.

Ruby smiled and shook her head, "This is what I should do."

"Yes, that's right. Put a little of this perfume on you. I seemed to have smelled something unusual on you just now. Don't tell me you have the smell of a fox?" Vivian deliberately frowned and asked.

An awkward expression immediately appeared on Ruby's face. She looked at Vivian and shook her head, "Sister, I don't have the smell of a fox." "Is that so? But why does it smell a little bad? You should spray some. Otherwise, Julian will feel uncomfortable..."

Ruby nodded awkwardly and could only pick up the perfume bottle on the table. Vivian sat up from the bed and took the bottle of perfume. "Come over, I will spray it on you."

Ruby could only move closer to Vivian and let her spray on her body.

"En, that is enough. Go on. That's right. Do you recognize words?"

"Sis, I graduated from junior high. . ."

"Oh, that's good. Julian's eyes haven't been very good recently. If his eyes hurt badly, you can help him read the documents. . . Ouch. I don't know what happened today, I have to sleep first."

Vivian finished speaking. She waved at Ruby and then laid down again, "Don't forget to close the door for me when you go out."

"Yes." Ruby immediately turned around quietly and left Vivian's room. She closed the door for her and then walked into Julian's study room. She raised her hand and knocked on the door.

"Come in." Julian knew Ruby was coming. He sat up straight and tidied his clothes.

Ruby pushed the door open and walked into the study. She stood at the door of the study and said with a red face, "Young Master, Sister Vivian just said. . . She asked me to help you drip some eye drops. . ."

Ruby's personality had always been more introverted,

especially when she faced a man alone. She was even more nervous.

"Yes, I know. Come in. Oh right, close the door." Julian held a pen in his hand and looked very serious.

Ruby nodded and raised her hand to close the door of the study. She walked in front of Julian and saw the eye potion on the table. She reached out to pick it up and saw Julian nervously biting his lower lip.

Julian put down the pen, then stood up and walked to the sofa to lie down. He waved at her. "Come and help me drip it."

"Yes." Ruby immediately walked over nervously and squatted down beside him. She held an eye potion and looked at him and asked, "Young master, which eye is not good?"

Ruby squatted beside Julian and a familiar perfume smell entered Julian's nose. It was very nice to smell. He sniffed hard and looked at Ruby in front of him. There was a strange reaction in his body.

When Julian heard her ask him, he changed the topic and asked, "Is your Sister Vivian asleep?"

"Yes, she just fell asleep."

"Did you spray perfume?"

Ruby's nervous hands trembled and then she nodded with a red face. "Yes. . . It was Sister Vivian who made me spray it. She said. . . I don't smell good. . ."

Ruby would not lie and answered honestly with her head down.

"She made you spray it?" Julian frowned and looked

at her.

"Yes..."

"Do you smell bad?" Julian sat up from the sofa and looked at the girl in front of him. He did not know if it was because she was too nervous, but a blush appeared on her face. She looked more like an alluring peach.

The effects of the perfume made his body react intensely. Vivian had previously used this kind of perfume before, but later he knew that it was not an ordinary perfume. It was the Purification Perfume.

Since Vivian had let Ruby put it on, that meant. . . She took the initiative. . .

Ruby heard Julian's straightforward words. She did not know how to answer, so she could only lower her

head and stay where she was at a loss of what to do.

"Alright, come over and help me drip some eye drops. I was a little uncomfortable just now. . ." Julian said as he leaned against the back of the sofa and closed his eyes.

Ruby looked at him and bit her lips. The sofa was leaning against the wall. If she wanted to give him eye drops, she had to kneel on the sofa. She stood there and hesitated for a long time, not knowing what to do.

"What's wrong? My eyes are hurting badly. Why are you standing there for a long time without moving?" After waiting for a long time, he did not feel Ruby walk over. Julian opened his eyes again and looked at her angrily questioning. If you find any errors ( broken links, non-standard content, etc.. ), Please let us know < report chapter > so we can fix it as soon as possible. <u>THE CONTRACT MARRIAGE</u> Chapter 239 Wait For The Subpoena

"Yes...Yes..."

Ruby saw that he was angry and immediately walked over nervously. She knelt on the sofa and saw that he had closed his eyes. She reached out and wanted to drip it on him.

However, just as she knelt beside him, she felt her waist tighten. Her body was caught off guard and fell into Julian's arms. She almost cried out in surprise.

"Young, young. . . Young Master. . . Let go of me. . ." It was the first time Ruby had hugged a man so closely since she was young. Her face immediately turned red and her heart jumped in shock.

She was also unable to describe the awkwardness as she struggled in Julian's arms for a long time. However, her strength was too small, and her struggles were useless.

"Do you know what perfume you were wearing just now?"

Ruby shook her head in panic. Her big eyes were filled with unspeakable fear.

"It's a perfume to boost the beauty of the body. If a man smells it a few times, his body will feel like it is on fire. Do you know that you are tempting me now?" After saying that, Julian didn't give her a chance to react. He lowered his head and kissed her. "Oh. . ." Ruby shook her head hard, wanting to avoid Julian's kiss. But his body was too big, and his strength was not something she could compare with. All of her struggles were in vain.

She originally wanted to shout out and call Vivian. However, Julian's words had splashed a basin of cold water on her from head to toe. He said that the thing she had sprayed was the Purification Perfume.

Even if she had never seen the world, that kind of name. . . As long as she heard it, she would understand what it was used for. . .

Her mind went blank. She was a country girl. She had never faced such a situation in her life. She had never kissed a man before. When faced with a love expert like Julian, she even forgot how to resist for a moment. It made her fall into a state of extreme panic, and her frightened tears also fell down.

Julian slightly raised his head and looked at the little girl below him. He threatened, "Be good. This is Villa of Cooper Family, and it is the third floor. Even if you shout until your throat is hoarse, no one will hear you. Furthermore, this is what your sister Vivian told you to come for. . ."

Ruby heard his words and her heart sank to the bottom. She could only look at him pleadingly.

"It was you who seduced me first. The perfume on your body makes me unable to stop. . ." After saying that, Julian did not let her speak anymore. He lowered his head and kissed her again.

All the resistance also stopped. Only big drops of tears kept falling out.

BANG!

The door to the study was pushed open at this moment.

Vivian, who was wearing a jacket, stood at the door. She looked at the two people who were tangled together on the sofa in surprise. Her face was full of anger.

"Julian. What are you doing?" Afraid that the people downstairs would hear her, Vivian did not dare to shout too loudly. She walked in and quickly closed the door.

Julian did not expect Vivian to rush in at this time. Hearing Vivian's questioning, he got down from Ruby in a panic and quickly pulled up his pants.

"Vivian, didn't you let her in?"

"I asked her to come in and give you an eye potion. Did I ask you to do this kind of thing?" Vivian looked at Julian angrily and then quickly walked to the front of the sofa.

Seeing Ruby sitting up in a daze on the sofa, Vivian took off her coat and covered Ruby's body first. "Ruby, sorry, I came late..."

Ruby looked ahead in a daze as if she did not hear Vivian's words. She wrapped Vivian's coat around her waist and took her pants and left the study. She went back to the room next door and then closed the door with a bang.

The moment Ruby left, Vivian immediately glared at

Julian who was beside her. "Come over here."

After saying that, she angrily went back to her bedroom.

Julian frowned and did not understand what was going on, but he still followed Vivian back to her bedroom. He closed the door and walked over, wanting to sit beside her, but was stopped by Vivian's shout. "Stop right there."

"Vivian, we are all smart people. Can you not play this game with me?" Julian was sure that it was Vivian who asked Ruby to seduce him, and now she turned against him and refused to admit it.

"Julian, what do you mean? You ruined my younger sister, who was perfectly fine. You didn't even apologize to me, and you still dare to say such things to me. Fine. Come downstairs with me to find Dad to judge."

Vivian got up and was about to walk towards the door when she was stopped by Julian.

"Vivian, let's talk. Just now when I was in the study room, that sister of yours sprayed a perfume to seduce me. You also know that I haven't touched a woman for a long time. How can I accept this kind of temptation? Furthermore, Ruby said that you made her spray the perfume on her body. Doesn't that mean that you allowed her to go?" Julian looked at her a little unjustly.

"I made her spray it out? Use your brain to think! What good would it do for me to do this? She is a perfectly fine girl like a yellow flower, but I would just let you take advantage of her for nothing. Am I that stupid? I asked my husband to get together with another woman? Is there something wrong with my "Then why did you let her use that perfume?"

"Who said I let her use that perfume? I said that she has a bad smell on her body. I was afraid that you would get nauseous again, so I asked her to find a bottle of perfume and put it on herself. There are so many bottles on the table, who knows which bottle she used?" Vivian pointed at the dressing table.

Julian immediately followed her finger and saw four or five bottles of perfume on the table under the mirror. It looked a little confusing.

Seeing this situation, Julian felt a little guilty. He looked at Vivian and smiled apologetically, "Vivian, it seems that she had sprayed the wrong perfume. But what now? I thought you were the one who understood my difficulties and asked her to comfort me..."

"Comfort my a \* s! Julian, say it! What should I do about this?"

Vivian saw Julian's expression and knew that her words had worked. She immediately took a deep breath and walked to the bedside to sit down. She put her hand on her protruding belly and sighed.

"If I had known earlier, I wouldn't have wanted to have this child. I don't want to talk about the suffering I felt. Even if you cheated on me, it's fine if you did it from outside. But you even did it at home! In front of my own eyes! My younger sister just came today, and you let her encounter this kind of thing. How can she continue to be a person in the future?"

"Then... Then should we give her some money? Didn't you say that she's quite poor?" Julian said, a little annoyed.

"Pay? How much will you give them? Also, even if you really pay them, how do you want me to face my uncle again if I go to them again? Just say that you ruined their daughter and used money to make up for it? Can you say that?" Vivian angrily questioned him.

"Then... Then what should we do? Besides, she also had a part in this matter. If she did not wear this kind of perfume, Can I do such a thing?" Julian refuted with a bit of grievance.

"You still feel wronged, right?" Vivian stared at him gloomily.

Julian heard her tone soften and immediately walked to her side and sat down with a smile. "Wife, you also know how I have been suffering during this period of time. Once she uses that kind of perfume, how can I bear it? Don't you think so? Wife, quickly help me think of a way. . ."

Vivian looked at him unhappily, "What else can I do? You give me one million first and let me have a good talk with Ruby tomorrow. If we really can't come to an agreement, then just give the money to her and let her leave."

"One million? That much? She's just a country girl. . ." Julian felt that one million was a little too much.

Vivian directly gave him a look. Without saying another word, she twisted her face and went to bed. She directly lied down on the bed and covered her eyes with a blanket. "Then wait for the subpoena from the court. Although my uncle is a country bumpkin, he has a very bad temper. . ."

Hearing Vivian's words, Julian immediately nodded

and said, "Okay. One million it is. In any case, she is not an outsider. However, I don't have that much money today. Tomorrow, I'll go to my office to write a check and bring it back for you tonight, alright?"

Vivian lazily opened her eyes. "Give me a million. What about me?"

Julian looked at her in surprise. "Wife, what happened to you?"

Vivian stared at him angrily. "What do you think happened to me? I caught my husband while having an affair. Didn't you want to give me some money to comfort me? Julian, just you wait. I'll abort the child tomorrow." After Vivian finished speaking, she turned around and ignored him.

Julian smiled apologetically and patted Vivian. "Wife, don't be angry, don't be angry. I will also give you one million tomorrow."

Vivian immediately opened her eyes wide and looked at him. "This is what you said."

"I said it. I said it."

"Humph. . ." Vivian saw that Julian agreed so readily and then closed her eyes. "I am so sleepy. Go and do what you need to do."

Julian looked at Vivian and then looked at the few bottles of perfume on the dressing table. He got up and walked out of the bedroom. He stood in the corridor and turned to look at the guest room next door.

When he heard the sound of crying coming from the room, he felt like he had not had enough. Maybe it was because he hadn't touched a woman in a long

time. Ruby's body made him unable to express his greed. His eyes flashed slightly as he lifted his foot and walked into his study.

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Vivian and Julian were woken up by a knock on the door the second morning.

Vivian thought that it might be her cousin. She asked Julian to get her a coat and walked to the door. She opened the door and saw that it was indeed Ruby.

Ruby was holding the bag she had brought yesterday.

Her eyes were red and swollen as she stood at the door.

"Ruby, what are you doing?" Vivian looked at Ruby in front of her and instantly understood that she was planning to leave Cooper Family. She immediately asked nervously.

Ruby lowered her head. "Big Sister, I want to go back. I can't serve you anymore in the future. . ." Finishing, she turned around and was about to leave but was grabbed by Vivian's.

"Even if you want to leave, wait for sister for a talk before leaving, okay?"

Ruby bit her lips and kept silent.

"No matter what, I brought you here. If you just go back like this, Uncle will scold me to death, won't he? Go back to the room and wait for sister for a while. Sister still has something to say. Okay?"

Vivian said as she pushed Ruby back to the guest room next door and let her sit by the bed, "You see that sister is still pregnant. I know you feel wronged but I still have some things to say. Wait for me here for a while and I will go and put on my clothes. Okay?"

Ruby finally nodded her head in silence.

"Wait for me, ah. . ." Vivian saw that she finally agreed and immediately went back to her room. She quickly put on her clothes and let Julian go downstairs first before going to Ruby's room. When she walked in, she closed the door first and then went to sit beside Ruby.

"Ruby, sister will apologize to you first. You don't know, there are four or five bottles of perfume on my

dressing table. I don't know why I took the wrong perfume, which is why Julian did that. It's all my fault, if you want to blame... Blame me."

After Vivian finished speaking, she immediately knelt down in front of Ruby.

"Sister, what are you doing?"

Ruby was a soft-hearted girl, how could she receive such a big bow?

When she saw Vivian kneeling down for herself, she was so scared that she immediately stood up and reached out to help Vivian up, "Sister, quickly get up."

Vivian knelt and did not move as she looked at Ruby tightly grabbing onto her hand. Her eyes instantly turned red, "Ruby, I know that your family's situation is not good. Originally I wanted to bring you over to earn some money to supplement the family's expenses, but who knew... Who would have thought that this kind of thing would happen... It was all my fault. It was older sister who let you down..."

"Big sister, don't say anymore. . . Quickly get up. . ." Ruby stretched out her hand and tried to lift Vivian up, but Vivian's body was very heavy now and she could not lift her up at all.

"If you forgive me, I will get up. . ."

Ruby bit her lips and looked elsewhere.

"Ruby, hit sister. It's all my fault." Vivian looked at her expression. Picking up Ruby hand, she hit her own face.

Ruby's tears immediately fell. Hearing Vivian's words, she could no longer bear to see Vivian kneeling in

front of her and nodded against her heart, "Sister, I will forgive you."

After saying that, she lowered her head in grievance.

"Really? You're really willing to forgive me?" Vivian grabbed her arm tightly.

Ruby once again helped her up and this time Vivian also stood up.

The two of them sat beside the bed and Vivian grabbed her hand, "Ruby. The matter has already happened and none of us can do anything about it. I discussed it with Julian. If you don't mind, then continue doing it in our house. I'll raise your salary to five thousand a month. What do you think?"

Ruby lowered her head and remained silent.

Seeing that she did not speak, Vivian continued, "Other than this 5,000 yuan, I know that your father is currently ill. Because your family is poor, he does not have the money to go to the hospital to treat his illness. I have discussed with Julian and will give you 100,000 yuan to treat your father's illness. Your salary here is still at 5,000 yuan. Do you think it will be okay?"

When Ruby heard that Vivian could treat her father's illness, she looked up at Vivian. She asked in disbelief, "Sister, is what you said true? Are you really willing to give money to treat my father's illness?"

100,000 yuan was a huge sum of money for a family like theirs. If she could cure her father's illness this time, she would admit it.

"Of course. Sister will definitely be able to do it." Vivian immediately nodded her head. Ruby bit her lips and hesitated for a moment before nodding her head, "Okay. Sister, I will listen to you. I am not leaving. . ."

Vivian immediately let out a sigh of relief and grabbed her hand as she smiled, "Great. Thank you, Ruby. Don't worry, Big Sister will definitely make it up to you."

Ruby listened to her and lowered her head. She twisted the corner of her shirt and said in a low voice, "No need, these are enough. . ."

"But Ruby... If someone in the family asks later..."

"Don't worry... I won't tell anyone..."

"Thank you Ruby... But there is still uncle..."

Ruby lowered her head and replied. "I will not tell anyone..."

Vivian smiled in relief and reached out to take the bag from her hand and place it on the bed. "Ruby, after breakfast later, I will bring you out to see the city. You have not been to here, right?"

Ruby shook her head.

"Today, I will bring you to take a look. I will go wash up first. You also need to wash up. Look at your swollen eyes. Madam will definitely ask later. Think about how to answer properly. I will go back first."

Vivian stood up as she spoke. She looked at Ruby who still had her head down and turned around to walk out of her room. The moment the door was gently closed, Vivian's heart was filled with joy. When Ruby went downstairs, Daphne really saw the strange expression on her face but she was tactful and did not ask Ruby.

During breakfast, Daphne looked at Vivian and asked, "Vivian, what happened to the girl you brought? I think she seemed to have cried before."

When Daphne finished speaking, Ethan and Benjamin also looked towards Vivian.

Julian also looked at Vivian who was beside him nervously. He was more or less nervous, afraid that she would reveal what he had done.

Vivian looked at mother-in-law and smiled, "Mom, there is nothing much. It is just that Ruby has never left home. She might not be able to sleep in another place after staying at our house for one night. So she missed home. In the morning, she stood at the door of our bedroom with a bag in her arms. I was shocked when I saw her and thought that something had happened to her. After asking, I found out that she missed home."

Daphne immediately twitched her mouth when she heard that. "She is already twenty-two, right? She still misses home at such a big age?"

Ethan heard Daphne's words and said with some displeasure on his face. "Even if you are eighty years old, you still want to go home. Otherwise, those people living overseas wouldn't want to return to their roots. What's wrong with missing home? It means that this child is not bad."

Vivian heard Ethan's words and immediately nodded her head in agreement. "Dad is right. Ruby was very kind, but sometimes she was soft-hearted, so this kind of person was especially attached to the family. But after I guided her for a while, she has already thought things through."

"That's good."

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Julian also heaved a sigh of relief when he heard Vivian's words.

Three days passed in the blink of an eye.

No matter how unwilling Christian was to part with his little wife, he still had to return to the army.

Early in the morning, Christian helped Sarah clean up and then fed the breakfast that Samantha brought to Sarah. Only then did he sit beside her and gently hold her hand. However, no matter how reluctant he was, he still had to leave.

"You don't have to worry about me. Mom is here to take care of me. There's also Mr. David and Ms. Jasmine. I will be fine." Seeing the reluctance in Christian's eyes, Sarah did not wait for him to speak and comforted him with a smile.

Christian raised his hand to rub Sarah's face and smiled bitterly. "You are injured now. If you have anything to say, just tell them. If you miss me, call me."

"En, Hubby, I got it. Don't worry, I will be fine." Sarah smiled and nodded, looking very relaxed.

"Okay. Then I have to go." Christian stood up and kissed Sarah on the forehead. He stood up reluctantly and turned to look at Samantha. "Mom, I'm leaving." Samantha's nose twitched, but she still suppressed the sourness in her heart and nodded. "Call me when you arrive."

"Yes, I will." Christian turned around to look at Sarah again, then left the ward without looking back.

Because he was afraid that he might not able to go back, if he turned back and saw her in the sickbed.

The moment the door closed, Sarah could not stop her tears from flowing.

Just now, she was afraid that Christian would not be able to rest assured of her, so she had been holding back her tears. Seeing that he had finally left, her tears could not help rolling down.

Samantha walked to her daughter's bedside and sat

down. She used a tissue to help Sarah wipe her tears, "What are you crying for? It is not like Christian will not come back."

She tried to persuade Sarah, but in the end, she also cried with Sarah.

"Mom, I miss him. . ."

She really didn't want him to leave. She really wanted him to stay by her side every day. Even if he didn't say anything, she could feel that she was safe and at ease inside and outside as long as Christian was by her side.

However, he was a soldier, and most of the time, he had no choice but to do his work.

There were some major reasons that she could understand. However, human emotions. . . She still

could not control it.

"Silly child, why didn't you say anything when he was here?" Samantha wiped the tears from the corners of her daughter's eyes with a pained expression.

"I can't let him worry about me. . ."

"Silly child, I know, I know."

When Christian walked out of the consultation hall and was about to leave, he happened to catch up with David who came to see Sarah.

Knowing that Christian was going to leave, David drove him to the airport. When the car stopped in front of the airport lobby, Christian turned his head and looked at David. "David, about Sarah..."

Before Christian could finish, he was interrupted by

David. "Don't worry. Even if you don't remind me, I will still go and see her. I heard from Sarah that as long as you do well this year, you can be transferred to our city. Don't let Sarah down."

Christian heard what David said and knew that there were some things he didn't even need to say it, so he patted David's shoulder heavily. "Thank you. I'll go."

After saying that, he got out of the car, closed the door, and waved at David. Then, he turned around and quickly walked into the airport lobby.

David looked at Christian's back and smiled. He stepped on the accelerator again, turned the car around and drove back to the hospital. If you find any errors ( broken links, non-standard content, etc.. ), Please let us know < report chapter > so we can fix it as soon as possible.