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“Ms. Schneider, our daughter Adeline is rather naive and may not be suitable for associating with someone as deep-minded as you. It would be better for Ms. Schneider to keep her distance from Adeline in the future.”

Kiley’s smile froze for a moment, and she lowered her gaze, saying, “Is Mrs. Ponce angry because of what happened before?”

Natalia sneered, “Since Ms. Schneider is aware, stay away from Adeline in the future!”

Kiley looked up at Natalia and said slowly, “Mrs. Ponce, I was just trying to kindly remind you at that time. I never expected Briana to call the police. I felt guilty when I found out she had reported it. I even went to her to plead for mercy, but she was determined not to let you and Adeline off the hook...”

“Alright, there’s no need to act in front of me anymore. Ms. Schneider is so smart, she should know how to keep her distance from Adeline. I won’t...”

As soon as the words were spoken, Adeline’s angry voice resounded behind Kiley.

“Mom, what nonsense are you talking to Kiley?! Kiley is my best friend, if you keep saying things like that, I will ignore you!”

Seeing that Adeline was really angry, Natalia’s tone softened a bit, “Adeline, I am also doing this for your own good.”

“I didn’t need you to do it for my own good!”

She took a few steps and stood beside Kiley, looking at her with a guilty expression. “Kiley, I’m sorry for my mom’s words earlier,” she said.

Kiley smiled and said, “It’s okay, I don’t mind. Mrs. Ponce is just worried about you getting hurt again, so I won’t bother you and Mrs. Ponce.”

After reaching the first floor, the smile on Kiley’s face gradually turned cold.

If it weren’t for Adeline’s ease of use, she would have had a falling out with Adeline based on Natalia’s words just now.

After being with Maxim, she was determined to make Natalia regret her words today.

She had just walked into the banquet hall when she saw Briana pushing Maxim in from the entrance.

After hesitating for a moment, Kiley approached Maxim and greeted him.

“Maxim, I thought you wouldn’t come today!”

Maxim glanced at her expressionlessly and said, “Today, Adeline and Mrs. Ponce will apologize to my wife at the banquet. I seem to have no reason not to come.”

A hint of jealousy flashed in Kiley's eyes, as if she had just noticed Briana behind her. She smiled and said, "Briana, you..."

As the conversation was not yet finished, Briana's face immediately turned extremely ugly upon seeing the necklace around her neck.

"Tear of Elf! How did this necklace end up around your neck?!"

Kiley looked at Maxim in disbelief.

"Maxim, was this necklace you gave to Briana?"

Seeing the tears in Kiley's eyes, Maxim furrowed his brow and asked "Hmm, what's wrong?"

"But isn't this the birthday gift you were preparing to give me?!"

A hint of surprise flashed in Briana's eyes, then she looked at Maxim with a half-smile, as if to say, "Did he really prepare two identical necklaces, intending to give one to Kiley and one to her?"

When Maxim and Briana appeared, everyone in the room immediately paid attention to them. Now, seeing a few people arguing, they all gathered around them, enjoying the spectacle and starting to discuss among themselves.

"What's going on?! Does Mr. Yoder still have feelings for Kiley?"

"Hehe, the hardest thing for a man to forget is his true love. Although Maxim and Briana got married, he will always have a special place in his heart, reserved for Kiley!"

"I used to enjoy watching this kind of drama where two women compete for one man, and they are even twin sisters, which made it even more exciting!"

Hearing the discussions around him, Maxim furrowed his brows even deeper and coldly said, "When did I ever say that I would give Tear of Elf to you?!"

Kiley bit her lip and looked at him, as if she had been greatly wronged.

"Back in Setherville, wasn't it me who said that this necklace was beautiful and you took a picture of it? Did you intentionally give the necklace to Briana to provoke me?!"

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Maxim looked at her and spoke in a calm tone, "Whether you praise this necklace or not, I will still buy it. This is the three-year anniversary gift that I have prepared to give to Briana."

Kiley took a few steps back in disbelief, tears welling up in her eyes.

"Is what you said true?"

"Um."

The people around started to discuss, mostly mocking Kiley for overestimating herself, thinking that Maxim would still be waiting for

her.

Finally, Kiley couldn't take it anymore and ran out of the banquet hall.

Maxim's cold gaze swept over those who were discussing Kiley, and he coldly said, "If I hear any more mockery towards Kiley, the consequences will be on you!"

After watching a farce, Briana felt no emotions in her heart and walked towards the crowd, pushing Maxim.

Among the people Charles invited were the leaders of various major corporations in Bridenville, many of whom were interested in collaborating with the Yoder Group. They approached Maxim one after another to have a conversation.

Briana stood beside and listened carefully, obtaining a lot of information.

After chatting for a while, Maxim turned around and saw Briana with

her head down, as if she was lost in thought. He spoke up, "If you're feeling bored, you can go to the dessert area and grab something to eat."

Briana came to her senses and smiled, saying, "No need, I think it's quite interesting to listen occasionally."

Maxim saw the situation and didn't say anything further, continuing to chat with his partner.

Not long after, Natalia and Adeline went downstairs.

Seeing Briana standing in the crowd, Adeline's eyes flashed with a hint of hatred. Briana caused her to lose the role and be locked up in the police station for several days, and now she had to apologize in public!

At this thought, Adeline felt a surge of resentment in her heart.

Was it necessary for her to let Briana humiliate her just because she didn't have the good fortune of having Maxim as her support?

Natalia pulled Adeline's hand and whispered, "Adeline, endure it for now. When Maxim no longer likes that bitch, we will slowly deal with her!"

Adeline lowered her head, concealing the hatred in her eyes.

"Mom, don't worry, I knew what I should do."

Seeing the two people coming downstairs, Charles walked up to the stage and picked up the microphone to start speaking.

"Thank you all for coming to this banquet today. I believe everyone is aware of the controversial incident that Adeline caused online before. This incident has had a very negative impact on Ms. Schneider and has also hurt her. I am deeply sorry."

Today, we invited everyone to attend this banquet with the purpose of having Adeline and Natalia apologize to Ms. Schneider and give her justice!

After speaking, Adeline and Natalia walked onto the stage.

Adeline recounted how she actively provoked Briana, bought online trolls to attack Briana, and spread rumors about her.

“Ms. Schneider, I knew I was wrong, I hope you can forgive me!”

Natalia took the microphone and looked towards Briana as she spoke, “Ms. Schneider, I saw Adeline being taken to the police station and felt anxious, so I foolishly decided to throw paint at you. Now, thinking back on it, I still feel guilty.”

In order to express my apology, I specifically had someone buy a bucket of paint. If my apology doesn’t satisfy you, you can pour this bucket of paint on me, and I will absolutely not have any complaints!

The conversation between the mother and daughter made the people present start whispering, with expressions full of mockery and disdain.

They did not despise what they did, after all, such behind-the-scenes activities that are not to be seen are common in every family. It’s just that they didn’t expect them to be so foolish, being caught and exposed, and now they have to publicly apologize, which is so embarrassing.

The gaze from the crowd made Adeline feel as if she was being stripped naked, and every second was torture.

Briana looked at them indifferently, knowing that what they were going through now was not even one-tenth of the online abuse she had endured.

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It took several minutes before Briana smiled and spoke, “No need for the paint, I just hope Ms. Ponce and Mrs. Ponce can remember the feeling of being watched today, and it’s better to use their brains before doing anything in the future.”

Adeline gritted her teeth and said, “I will definitely remember Ms. Schneider’s words today!”

After stepping off the stage, Adeline suddenly saw Oliver standing in a corner of the banquet hall, looking at her with an expression of confusion.

Adeline’s heart sank as she thought about the time when she was at the police station and called him, hoping he would help her, but he coldly refused.

She pursed her lips and slowly walked towards Oliver.

After standing in front of Oliver, Adeline coldly looked at him and said, “Are you here to make fun of me?”

Oliver shook his head and said, “I just wanted to come and see for myself what kind of person the one I have liked for so many years really is.”

Adeline sneered, “It’s a pity to disappoint you, but I am not the innocent little flower you like.”

The expression on her face made Oliver feel unfamiliar.

He had always thought that she was gentle and kind, but now he realized that it had always been his own liking for her that made him

attribute many beautiful words to her

So when he gradually saw through her true face, he would repeatedly make excuses for her.

“Adeline, why did you have to do something like this when we could have been together?”

Adeline looked at him with a cold expression and said slowly, “No reason. I was always this kind of person. I broke up with you and went abroad because I realized we were not compatible. This time, when I came back to the country, I realized I still liked you and wanted to give it another try. Unfortunately, it failed again.”

Oliver’s face turned pale as paper in an instant. These past few days, he had been contemplating whether or not to continue being with Adeline. Now, it seemed like there was no need to consider anymore.

“I knew it.”

He turned around and left without hesitation, his back revealing a resolute aura.

Adeline’s eyes were filled with pain, but even if she tried to salvage her relationship with Oliver now, they would still ultimately be unable to escape the outcome of breaking up. It’s better to end the pain sooner rather than prolong it.

She turned around and went straight upstairs. Her only role in tonight’s party was to stand on the stage and apologize to Briana, and then let Briana insult her. The humiliation of tonight would be etched in her heart forever!

Zane and Mallory had also received an invitation from Charles, but knowing that Charles wanted Adeline and Natalia to apologize to Briana in front of everyone, they decided not to go.

Around eight o’clock in the evening, Kiley returned home with tears on her face.

Mallory was waiting in the living room, watching TV, when she was startled by Kiley’s appearance. She quickly pulled her onto the couch to sit down.

“Kiley, what’s wrong?! Did Briana bully you again?!”

Kiley shook her head, her voice tinged with a sob, “Mom, don’t blame Briana. After all, she is Maxim’s wife now, so it’s normal for her to be uncomfortable with Maxim liking me.”

At Mallory’s words, her eyebrows furrowed and she said coldly, “What exactly happened?! Explain clearly, if it’s her fault, I won’t let her off the hook!”

Kiley cried with tears streaming down her face, chokingly saying, “It was earlier when Maxim auctioned off a necklace in Setherville. I had

thought it was a birthday gift for me, but to my surprise, I saw Briana wearing it at the party today...”

“She even wants to snatch your birthday gift! No, I have to go find her!”

Kiley quickly grabbed Mallory’s hand and said, “Mom, don’t go. I don’t want you to be humiliated too... Just pretend you don’t know anything about this, I don’t want to make things difficult for Maxim.”

Mallory looked at Kiley, whose face was covered in tears, and handed her a tissue to wipe her tears. She sighed

“Kiley, you were just too kind.”

“I had the love of my parents, and that was enough for me. As for Maxim, maybe we were just not meant to be.”

Mallory gently patted her back and whispered, “Don’t worry, I will definitely make Briana and Maxim get divorced!”

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“Mom, it’s not necessary. You publicly severed ties with Briana at the press conference that day. She must still be angry about it. I’ll handle this matter myself.”

Mallory became instantly furious when this matter was mentioned. “Whatever! From now on, I will just pretend I don’t have this daughter!”

At nine o’clock in the evening, Briana and Maxim returned to the villa.

She took off the necklace and handed it to Maxim, “Thank you tonight.”

Maxim’s face immediately turned cold, he looked at her

expressionlessly and said, “You have already worn this necklace, you can’t give it to someone else, keep it for yourself.”

Briana thought for a moment and then spoke, “How much money, I’ll give it to you in cash.”

“Did you have to separate from me so clearly?!”

Noticing that Maxim was angry, Briana pursed her lips and said, “Mr. Yoder, if we don’t clarify things, the boundaries between us will become increasingly blurred.”

Since the two of them were destined to part ways soon, Briana didn’t want any more entanglement.

She spoke in a faint tone, “I’m tired tonight, I’ll go back to my room first, and Mr. Yoder should rest early too.”

Back in the bedroom, Briana searched for the price of the necklace. Since Maxim had bought it at an auction, Briana quickly found the price.

The moment Briana saw that number, she only wanted to take back the words she had just said about wanting to cash out.

One billion!

Just this piece of broken stone, it actually costs so much money!

Because of that billion, Briana couldn't sleep at night. She stayed up all night, pulling her hair out, and couldn't figure out how to come up with a billion.

If she had known that Maxim bought it at such an expensive price, she would definitely not have worn this necklace!

The next morning, Briana emerged from the bedroom with two dark circles under her eyes.

The two of them finished breakfast in silence and left for work without saying a word.

Just arrived at the company entrance, I saw the front desk filled with flowers, and people were discussing animatedly beside it.

"Oh my goodness, who is the man that gave this to his girlfriend? Such a grand gesture, I'm so envious!"

"So many flowers, is there a place to put them?! I think it's just showing off wealth on purpose!"

"What does it matter to you if others show off their wealth? If you have money, you can also show off like this!"

Briana glanced around and was about to take the elevator when she saw Melody rushing towards the front desk.

"Throw all these flowers into the trash can, and in the future, if anyone sends me flowers, just throw them away!"

Briana was a little surprised. Were these flowers sent by Melody's admirer?

After giving the order, Melody turned around and saw Briana walking towards her quickly.

"Briana, I went up with you."

Briana was pulled into the elevator specifically for the company's management team by Melody. After the elevator closed, Briana smirked and said, "Which suitor of yours is this extravagant?"

Melody's face darkened, and she said irritably, "Who else could it be besides that lunatic Oliver? He called me last night while drunk, apologizing and promising to make it up to me. I thought he was just talking nonsense, but this morning he actually sent a whole car full of flowers. He's completely out of his mind!"

Briana frowned, "Is he trying to pursue you again?"

"Who knows about him, but I couldn't possibly get back together with him. I'm allergic to scumbags!"

Seeing Melody's determined expression, Briana smiled and said, "I guess she must have been hurt by Adeline recently."

Melody sneered, "I don't want to get involved in their stupid business. After a while, when they calm down, they won't act crazy anymore."

As they were speaking, the elevator reached the top floor. The two of them separated at the elevator entrance and went back to their

respective offices.

Just as Briana sat down on the chair, she received a call from Madeline.

“Ms. Schneider, I have been in Bridenville for a week already, why haven’t you contacted me?”

“You were the Best Actress Award winner, you were so busy, how could I dare to contact you.”

Madeline snorted, “As long as it’s you inviting me, I always have time no matter how busy I am. I’ve been waiting for you to follow the unspoken rules!”

Briana: “...”

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If the outside world knew what was behind the aloof Best Actress Award winner, wouldn’t her image collapse?

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“I had no interest in women.”

“Ms. Schneider, you are so straightforward, it made me very sad!”

Briana shivered and got goosebumps all over her body.

“Madeline, could you please be more normal!”

Madeline gave a slight cough, and her voice finally returned to normal.

“I have been filming these days, and only today did I see that the female supporting actress in our crew was trying to cyberbully you online using the popularity of ‘My Timeless and Endless Love’. Has been resolved?”

“Um, did you call just for this matter?”

“People care about you, why are you so indifferent? Pity my sincere heart, which was wasted.”

Briana: “... You should save your acting skills for when you’re acting.”

“Alright, I won’t argue with you anymore. Whenever you’re free, let’s have a meal together.”

“You were so busy filming, I saw your schedule.”

“That will be tomorrow night! I will have my agent book the restaurant!”

“Okay.”

“I had another play later, so that’s it for now!”

Hanging up the phone, Madeline turned to her agent and said, “Bella, help me book a private and discreet private room. Tomorrow night, I will have dinner with Ms. Schneider.”

Bella nodded, “Okay.”



The next evening came quickly, Briana called Maxim and told him that she wouldn't be going home for dinner and went straight to the restaurant they had agreed upon by car.

As soon as she entered the compartment, a figure rushed towards her and hugged her tightly, planting two passionate kisses on her.

"Briana, I really missed you!"

Briana: "

Madeline expressed her emotions in such a straightforward manner, which made her feel a bit uncomfortable.

"You let go of me first..." \*

Madeline kissed her face again before releasing Briana.

"We haven't seen each other for a long time, don't you miss me?!"

"I didn't want to."

"Hey, I was sad and angry!"

Briana's hand trembled as she held the menu, and she looked at her with unbearable patience, "If you keep talking like this, I might not be able to resist throwing you out."

"Okay! Fine!"

After ordering their food, Madeline finally brought up Adeline's matter to Briana.

"I didn't see the message earlier, otherwise I would definitely not have let the director dismiss Adeline. Coincidentally, my character had a lot of scenes with her, and I could have helped you vent your anger!"

Seeing Madeline's indignant look, Briana couldn't help but smile.

"This matter has already been resolved, and now you are the Best Actress Award winner. If news of bullying newcomers were to spread, it would have a negative impact on you."

Madeline raised an eyebrow and said. "Can't the Best Actress Award winner stand up for a friend?"

"Anyway, it's all in the past now, and you probably won't encounter her in the future either."

"That's not necessarily true. I heard she was already preparing to sign with an agent."

Briana originally thought that Adeline just wanted to experience the entertainment industry life, but she didn't expect that she actually wanted to become a star.

"We finally managed to meet, let's not talk about those unpleasant people."

"Yeah, in about another week or so, we will have finished shooting our scenes here. Then, I don't know how long it will be until we can meet again in a different place."

"There is no way, work is the most important."

Madeline's peach blossom eyes swept across her face as she spoke, "So if you take me in, I won't have to work anymore and I can be with you every day. Don't you really consider me? I can handle everything from the grand hall to the kitchen. If you miss out on me, you will definitely regret it!"

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Briana looked speechless and said, "Please leave me alone. I really didn't like women, and it's already difficult enough for me to support myself financially. Adding you would only make me starve."

Madeline snorted, "Boring, you shattered my rice worm dream."

Briana couldn't help but laugh, "Alright, stop joking. I don't even know you. If I don't let you work for a day, you'll feel uncomfortable all over, can you really stay idle at home?"

"Hahaha, that's because you always rejected me, making me have to work hard."

The two of them did not continue this topic and casually started talking about something else.

When it was time to eat, Madeline got up and said, "I'm going to the restroom."

Briana nodded, "Okay."

Stepping out of the compartment, Madeline walked briskly towards the cashier counter. As she was getting closer, suddenly someone walked out from the side and the two collided.

Madeline stumbled and nearly fell, her hat falling to the ground, revealing her delicate and beautiful face.

After coming to her senses, she quickly picked up her hat and put it on. She lowered her head and walked to the cashier's counter, saying, "Hello, could you please settle the bill for Room 3?"

Brycen stared intently at Madeline's delicate and petite chin, his mind filled with the captivating face he had just seen.

If he didn't make a mistake, the other person should be Madeline, who recently won the Best Actress Award. She looks much better in person than on television.

He has always liked beautiful women, and he has also dated celebrities in the entertainment industry. Madeline perfectly fits his aesthetic

taste.

Without any hesitation, Brycen stepped forward and intended to ask for Line.

At this moment, Madeline just took out her bank card, but the waiter looked at her and said, "Ms. Madeline Garcia, the bill for booth number three has already been settled."

Madeline paused for a moment, then quickly realized that Briana must have checked out early.

"Okay, thank you."

She took back the card and turned around to leave, but was stopped by a man wearing a silver-gray suit.

Brycen had a smile on his face, "Hello, I was the person who bumped into you earlier. I'm sorry, I was in a hurry and didn't notice."

Madeline lowered her gaze and said softly, "It's okay."

Seeing that she was about to leave, Brycen smiled and said, "Can I add you on Line? It seems like love at first sight to me."

Hearing the sarcasm in his tone, Madeline looked up coldly at him and said, "I'm sorry, I was a lesbian, I didn't like men."

Just as Brycen was stunned, Madeline had already passed him and left.

Watching her slender figure, Brycen's lips curled into a smile as he dialed a number on his phone.

"Go and find out what movie Madeline has been shooting recently, and invest a billion for me."

Hanging up the phone, Brycen smiled and withdrew his gaze, then turned around and went back to the private room.

After Madeline returned to the compartment, she looked at Briana discontentedly and said, "Didn't I say I would treat today? Why did you secretly pay the money?!"

"You had to take care of the family and save money."

"I had already given them the money I earned, and this meal wouldn't cost much either. Are you intentionally trying to make me feel even more guilty?"

Seeing her sulking, Briana put down her chopsticks and smiled, saying, "Alright, don't be mad. I'll give you a chance to treat me and have bubble tea later. Bridenville is my turf, so I definitely have to treat you. Next time I go to Butterwolf, you'll definitely have to treat me!"

"That's settled then! If you secretly pay again next time, I won't play with you anymore!"

"Good!"

The two of them finished their meal and had just walked out of the private room when they bumped into Brycen and his group head-on.

Maxim didn't expect to encounter Briana here, a hint of surprise flickering in his eyes.

When Brycen saw Madeline, a hint of surprise flashed in his eyes, and then when he saw Briana next to her, a hint of disbelief flashed in his eyes.

How did Briana and Madeline meet?!

Soon, Brycen suppressed the doubts in his heart and walked forward with a smile, saying, "My sister-in-law, are you also here for a meal?"

Briana remained calm and said slowly, "I cannot bear the title of sister-in-law from you."

Madeline didn't expect to meet Brycen, but now she is more concerned about another matter.

"Briana, why does he call you sister-in-law? Do you really not love me anymore? Well, I feel so sad..."

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Briana: "...

Noticing the strange looks from several people, Briana really wanted to hit someone.

Brycen also looked at Madeline and Briana in shock. Just now, Madeline said coldly that she was a lesbian, and Brycen couldn't believe it. Could it be that she likes Briana?!

"Let's talk about this later, you go back first."

Madeline looked aggrieved and said, "Fine, then remember to call me when you miss me."

"Um."

Seeing Madeline leave, Brycen also found an excuse and quickly walked out of the restaurant, finally stopping Madeline by the roadside.

"Ms. Garcia, I really liked you. Would you consider giving me a thought?"

Madeline was feeling impatient and was thinking of sending Brycen away when she glanced at him and asked, "Why did you just call Briana sister-in-law?"

"If you agreed to go on a date with me, I would tell you."

Madeline glanced at him and raised an eyebrow, saying, "Well, forget it then. I'm not interested in men!"

After finishing speaking, she immediately opened the car door and got in, instructing the driver to start driving without even giving Brycen a chance to speak.

Watching the fading taillights, Brycen smirked.

Challenging, he liked it!

At this moment, in the restaurant.

Tyrone looked at Briana and said, "Ms. Schneider, since you are here, I won't take Maxim back."

Briana nodded slightly and politely said, "Okay. I troubled Mr. Qi earlier."

Noticing the distance in her tone, Tyrone felt a bit disappointed and nodded before leaving her behind.

Briana looked at Maxim and said calmly, "Mr. Yoder, where did the driver park the car?"

"How did you meet Madeline?"

Briana frowned, "This is my personal matter. I hope Mr. Yoder doesn't inquire."

Seeing the displeasure in her eyes, Maxim involuntarily tightened the hand resting on the armrest.

Since she filed for divorce, she has been distant in her attitude towards herself. Sometimes, she would feel that the two of them were getting closer, but the next second, she would take several steps back, creating distance between them.

He lowered his gaze, his face turning cold, and it was unclear what he was thinking.

Briana also remained silent and quietly walked behind Maxim, pushing him out of the restaurant.

On the way back, both of them were somewhat silent.

After arriving at the villa, Briana had just escorted Maxim into the bedroom when the doorbell rang.

Seeing it was Kendra, Briana opened the door. Before she could say anything. Kendra slapped her across the face.

“Snap!”

Briana didn’t expect that she would suddenly take action. She didn’t react in time and ended up getting slapped, leaving a five-finger mark on her face instantly.

Kendra was still not satisfied and raised her hand, wanting to hit her.

Briana took two steps back to avoid, her expression coldly saying, “Mrs. Yoder, please have some self-respect!”

Kendra sneered and looked at Briana with a gaze that seemed to devour people.

“Self-control?! Briana, you caused Maxim to become paralyzed, and I only gave you two slaps. That was already showing mercy!”

She was originally abroad, but yesterday she suddenly received a call from Kiley, stuttering as she told her that Maxim had been in a car accident and was paralyzed from the waist down.

Knowing that it was to go to the courthouse to divorce Briana, Kendra was so angry that she almost fainted, and immediately booked the earliest flight back to her home country.

If I had known that Briana would harm Maxim like this, I would never have let her in the door in the first place!

Briana was about to speak when she heard Maxim’s cold voice from behind.

“Mom, you came to my house and hit my wife, haven’t you gone too far?!”

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Seeing Maxim sitting in a wheelchair, Kendra felt a pang of heartache and pushed Briana aside to walk up to Maxim.

“You have become like this, and you still want to speak up for Briana?!”

Maxim frowned and said, “The car accident has nothing to do with her.”

Kendra sneered, "If it weren't for going to the courthouse for a divorce, would you have had a car accident?!"

"No one could predict such a thing.

"Alright, you don't have to say anymore. I don't want to hear it. I'll go pack your things, and from today onwards, you're moving back home with me."

Maxim's expression turned cold, "I wouldn't go back."

"Anyway, I wouldn't let you continue to stay with this woman!"

"The woman you are referring to, is my wife. She has a name, and even if you don't like her, I hope you can respect her!"

Kendra couldn't believe her eyes. She never expected that just going abroad for a trip would result in such a drastic change in Maxim's attitude towards Briana.

"Maxim, this woman will only bring you harm. Come back with me now, and I will handle the divorce for you!"

Maxim coldly glanced at Kendra and said with anger in his voice, "This is between her and me. I hope you don't interfere."

Kendra's face turned pale with anger as she raised her voice, "Maxim, are you trying to kill me with anger?! Do you know how scared I was when I heard about your paralysis, almost having a heart attack, and now you're getting mad at me because of the person who caused your accident?!"

Maxim's eyes grew colder for a moment, "How did you know about the news of my car accident?"

Even though he had already instructed not to inform Kendra and Reese about his car accident, they should have only found out when Norma returned home on her birthday.

A trace of guilt flashed in Kendra's eyes, and she looked away, afraid to meet Maxim's gaze.

After all, Maxim's personality was sometimes a bit timid.

"It doesn't matter where I found out from, anyway, I would never let you and Briana continue together no matter what!"

Maxim is Kendra's life, if anything happened to him, she wouldn't be able to survive.

"I wouldn't go back, later I'll have Gunnar take you back to the old house."

"Maxim!"

Kendra's face turned pale with anger as she stared at him and said, "Are you only satisfied if you make me furious to death?!"

Maxim didn't look at her anymore, his gaze fell on Briana. "I'm going to take a shower, come and help me."

Briana also didn't want to face Kendra alone. She was hurt by the slap she had just received because Maxim's accident was indeed related to her.

But if Kendra laid a hand on her again, she wouldn't tolerate it!

She walked up to Maxim and was about to push the wheelchair when Kendra waved her away.

"Get lost, you don't want to get close to Maxim again!"

Briana was not angry either, she smiled and said, "Alright, I have to go to work tomorrow. I'll leave taking care of Mr. Yoder's matters to you, Mrs. Yoder."

After saying that, she turned around and left directly.

After Briana's figure disappeared behind the living room, Kendra was about to push Maxim's wheelchair when he held down the wheelchair's button and turned to face Kendra.

Although Maxim is currently lower than Kendra, his aura exudes an unparalleled sense of power.

"Mom, I clearly told you, I wouldn't divorce Briana. I advise you to give up on this idea before it's too late!"

Kendra gritted her teeth and said irritably, "What's so great about Briana? You were forced to marry her in the first place! Now that Kiley is back, you should break up with her as soon as possible and marry Kiley!"

In Kendra's eyes, Kiley was someone she had known since childhood and was the most suitable daughter-in-law in her eyes.

As for Briana, a country girl, being able to be with Maxim for three years is already her greatest luck!

"I wouldn't marry Kiley. If you really like her that much, you can consider adopting her as your goddaughter, but don't tie me to her."

Kendra looked at him in disbelief, "Didn't you used to like Kiley? Don't tell me you've fallen in love with Briana!"

Maxim frowned, "What does this have to do with whether I loved her or not?"

"Why don't you want to divorce her if you don't love her?! She has a bad relationship with the Schneider family. If you marry Kiley, it's like having the Schneider family as a support. If you stay with Briana, you won't get anything!"

A coldness flashed in Maxim's eyes, "I didn't need a woman to stabilize my career!"

Maxim couldn't eat anything, which made Kendra so angry that she felt a pain in her chest.

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"You refuse to divorce no matter what I say, don't you?!"

"Yes!"

“Okay, then I went to talk to Briana!”

“If you go and force her, I will never meet you again in the future.”

Kendra was so angry that her eyes turned red, but more than that, she felt a chill in her heart.

“You threatened me just for a woman?!”

Maxim looked indifferent and said, “She is not an ordinary woman, she is my wife, and I am not threatening you, just informing you.”

“Good! Good! Good! Maxim, you will have a day of regret!”

Kendra came angrily and left in a rage.

The voices of the two people were not quiet, and Briana could faintly hear some of it from the second bedroom.

Until there was a “bang” sound of the door closing outside, the living room quieted down, indicating that Kendra had left.

Briana was about to get up and prepare for bed when there was a knock on the door.

She opened the door and Maxim’s cold face appeared in front of her.

“Briana, did you forget that you promised to give me a bath just now?”

Briana: ”

Just now, that was because I didn’t want to face Kendra. Now that everyone has left, how could she possibly come up to Maxim and be teased by him?

“Mr. Yoder, if I remember correctly, you could have taken a shower by yourself. I am very tired today and I am planning to go to sleep now.”

She turned around to leave, but her wrist was suddenly grabbed by Maxim.

The next second, Briana was pulled into Maxim’s arms.

She sat on his lap, with their faces only a few centimeters apart, able to see even the tiny hairs on each other’s faces clearly

Briana’s heartbeat unconsciously accelerated, as if it wanted to burst out of her chest.

As she realized what was happening, she couldn’t help but grit her teeth and exclaimed, “Let go of me!”

She wanted to break free from Maxim’s shackles, but instead, it only brought them closer together.

As their breaths intertwined, Maxim suddenly let out a muffled groan, causing Briana’s face to stiffen and her hands to unconsciously tighten

“Shameless!”

Maxim grabbed her waist and forced her to come closer to him.



“You kept rubbing against me in my arms, if I didn’t react, wouldn’t I be like an impotent man?”

“Let me go!”

“Do you want to help me take a bath?”

“Don’t!”

“I didn’t let go!”

Briana’s face turned red, and she felt a mix of embarrassment and anger inside.

“Maxim, you were simply a scoundrel!”

“Thank you for the compliment.”

The two of them had a standoff for a while, but in the end, Briana gave in.

After wiping Maxim’s body, she returned to the guest room. She

washed up and lay down on the bed. It took a long time for her mood to calm down.

It seems that in the future, we will have to let the caregiver live at home, otherwise Maxim always finds excuses to force her to do things she doesn’t want to do!

The next morning, shortly after starting work, Melody hurriedly came to find Briana.

“Ms. Schneider, I would like to take three days off!”

Seeing the anxiety on her face, Briana’s eyes flickered with surprise. “Why does it take such a long time? Is it because Oliver has been bothering you?”

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Melody shook her head and said, “No, it’s something about my family.”

Upon hearing this, Briana did not ask any further. “Alright, I got it. If you need any help, feel free to contact me anytime.”

“Um.”

Not long after Melody left, Briana suddenly received a call from the organizers of a domestic fashion design competition.

“Ms. Schneider, this year’s design competition will be held in Bridenville next month. We would like to invite you to come as a judge. May I ask if Ms. Schneider is available?”

Since Briana won the championship for three consecutive years at the design competition, ever since then, every year when the design competition starts registration, the organizers would contact her and invite her to be a judge.

Before, Briana always refused because she had to take care of Maxim.

After thinking for a moment, Briana agreed.

“Okay, please send me the time and location, and I will arrange the itinerary.”

The other side became noticeably quiet for a few seconds. Briana didn’t hear a response and a hint of confusion flashed in her eyes.

“Hello? Can you hear me? Is the line disconnected?”

“I could hear it! I will immediately send the time and location to your phone!”

“Okay.”

After hanging up the phone, the staff sent Briana the time and location, and she immediately went to the supervisor’s office with an excited expression on her face.

“Supervisor, Ms. Schneider agreed to be the judge!”

The supervisor’s eyes flashed with disbelief as he looked up and stared at him, “Are you sure you didn’t hear it wrong?!”

“No, just now she asked me to send her the time and location!”

After confirming that Briana had indeed agreed, the supervisor quickly said. “You immediately call the publicity department and have them release the news that Elia is a judge!”

“Good!”

Soon, the news that Elia is one of the judges for the domestic design competition this year spread rapidly. It even dominated a trending topic on Twitter. The comments below were all about designers expressing their intention to sign up for the competition.

“If I could get Elia’s feedback, it would be great to participate in this competition!”

“I heard that Elia has always been low-key. The organizers have invited him many times, but he has never agreed. Is he planning to take on apprentices this time as a judge?”

“Didn’t Elia establish a studio?! Maybe he wanted to recruit designers for the studio, that’s why he came to participate.”

“Ah, my idol! I heard that during the finals, not only will there be live performances, but the judges will also give live comments. If I can’t make it to the finals, I will buy a ticket to see my idol!”

The discussion on Twitter was in full swing, and Kiley naturally knew about it.

She just registered, and before that, she had also won some design competitions abroad. But now she is preparing to enter the domestic market, and she also needs to have impressive achievements in domestic design competitions in order to gain the respect of others.

At this thought, she suddenly remembered the previous agreement of Maxim acquiring MY Corporation to give her some practice.

After hesitating for a moment, she still called Maxim.

“Anything wrong?”

Maxim’s voice was somewhat cold, completely different from his previous gentleness.

Kiley bit her lip and held back her frustration as she slowly said, “Maxim, do you remember when you said before that you would acquire MY Corporation for me to practice?”

Maxim’s gaze paused as he looked at the document. “Hmm, I remember, but there have been some issues. I will give you another company in a while.”

A touch of disappointment flashed in Kiley’s eyes, and her voice lowered a bit, “When?”

“At the latest, three months.”

“Okay, thank you Maxim.”

“I had a meeting later, that’s it.”

Hanging up the phone, Kiley pursed her lips in frustration. In the past, no matter how busy Maxim was, he would always wait for her to hang up the phone. Now, his attitude towards her was clearly much more dismissive.

All of this happened because of Briana!

Kiley’s eyes flashed with coldness. When she stood at the same height as Maxim, he would know that Briana was not worthy of him at all. Only she herself was the most suitable match for him!

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Maxim called Rayan into the office and said, “Organize the information for the CharmDress and prepare to transfer it to Kiley’s name.”

After completing this matter, he no longer owed Kiley anything.

Rayan nodded, “Okay, Mr. Yoder.”

“Um, let’s go out.”