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### Chapter 776

Why did Bella want to talk about Celeste? Could she have discovered something? Did that man betray her?

Impossible... It's impossible!

This bratty girl was setting her up!

"Ms. Thompson, let's talk about it another day, or perhaps you can

come over tomorrow."

Gregory noticed the tension between Bella and Shannon, so he stood. out, trying to send Bella away first. "As you can see, we have guests here, and it's not very convenient for us."

Bella's smiling face immediately turned cold. She was about to speak when Justin grabbed her thin wrist and dragged her up the stairs with everyone watching. He did not give her a chance to resist!

"What are you doing? Justin! Let me go!" Bella blushed, trying her best

to break free, but to no avail.

Once this man had set his mind on something, there was no stopping

him!

"Oh!" Wilma covered her mouth as her eyes shone with excitement.

Wilma thought, 'Young Master is so dominant, and Young Madam looks so shy!'

"Justin! Where are you going? Come back!"

No matter how Gregory shouted, Justin did not glance back and

quickly disappeared from the hall with Bella.

The Hoffmans were left hanging. With the male lead gone, the well- prepared stage seemed to have lost its direction, making the scene.

awkward.

Zoe, especially, had eyes red from hatred. Her expression was twisted with jealousy.

She thought, 'As long as that bitch appears, she immediately becomes the spotlight, no matter where or who is around!'

Zoe suddenly understood something at this moment.

Her hatred for Bella was not entirely because Bella was her love rival.

Zoe resented Bella because she was jealous of the latter's brilliance and pride.

Zoe thought that there could only be one person who stood out in this world, and that was herself. She could not accept being overshadowed by someone else shining brighter than her!

"Dad! Mom! I'm back!"

Bethany rushed in, panting heavily.

To greet the guests, she had changed into some decent new clothes, but she still looked haggard with dark circles under her eyes. She reeked of alcohol, and her face was pale with lipstick that was too red for her. She looked terrifying.

Seeing her daughter's ghostly state, Shannon felt so embarrassed that she wanted to press Bethany's head into a toilet bowl to flush her makeup away.

"Bethany, where did you go? Why do you smell like alcohol?" Gregory

scrutinized her and frowned.

"Oh... I was meeting with my friends, so we drank a little." Bethany could not suppress herself and burped loudly.

"Quick, take Ms. Bethany to her room to rest!" Shannon hurriedly

ordered.

"Oh, Zoe!"

Taking advantage of her drunken state, Bethany ran to Zoe and giggled. "Congratulations! You're about to marry my brother and become my sister-in-law! After scheming for so long, you've finally gotten Rosalind out of the picture and chased Bella away. You've finally gotten what you wanted! Haha!"

Logan frowned deeply.

Claire's and Zoe's faces stiffened. Their composure was about to

shatter.

“Bethany, what do you mean? Are you mocking me or just drunk?”

Zoe was full of anger. After being provoked by Bethany, she blurted out, “I know what you’re thinking. You hold a grudge against me because you wanted to marry my brother and asked me for help, but I

refused.”.

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Logan’s expression changed as he listened to Zoe’s words, glancing at Bethany with disdain.

It was fortunate that his grandson had taste in women and did not fancy this impudent and indecent woman in front of him. Otherwise, it would have been an unlucky incident for their family.

“You!”

Bethany’s eyes widened in anger. Zoe sneered, “Even if you’re unwilling, there’s nothing you can do. My brother just doesn’t like you.”

“Pfft... Hahaha!” Bethany patted her chest and smiled in anger. instead. “We’re the same. My brother doesn’t like you either, right?”

“You!” This time, it was Bethany’s turn to be mad.

“When I came home, I saw Bella’s limited edition Bugatti Veyron

parked at the entrance. It seems she has arrived.”

Bethany crossed her arms and yawned. “I didn’t see my brother here.

Did he go away with Bella and leave you behind?”

“Bethany!” Zoe’s eyes were bloodshot, and she wanted to pounce on

Bethany and tear her mouth apart.

“Oh, Zoe. That’s just how my brother is. You’ll get used to it after you

marry him.”

Bethany got more excited as she spoke. “When he was married to Bella, he kept thinking about Rosalind. That means after you marry

into our family, he won’t let go of Bella. Men are all like that. They

have a good wife at home, but their hearts still long for another woman. Bella spent three years adapting little by little. Since you like my brother so much, perhaps you’ll get used to it faster than Bella.”

The crowd was stunned, and their mouths hung open.

The two ladies were quarreling for real.

If not for the elders present, Zoe would have attacked Bethany.

“Bethany! Are you so drunk? What nonsense are you spouting?”

Shannon’s blood pressure rose as she yelled with embarrassment, “Bring Ms. Bethany away now!”

“Justin! Let go! Let go of me!”

Justin walked ahead of her while Bella struggled to follow. Her wrists were held painfully tight.

He seemed furious, or rather, he had been suppressing his anger for a long time. Now, he finally found a chance to vent at her!

“Where are you bringing me?” Bella asked angrily.

“You were my wife, and you lived here for three years. You are more familiar with every room in this house than I am. Where do you think I’m bringing you?” Justin did not look back as he forced each word out.

“Justin, you think too highly of yourself. Do you think you know me well?”

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Bella suddenly raised her wrist and bit hard at Justin’s wrist that was

holding her.

“Tsk!”

Justin felt a sting and subconsciously released her hand.

Bella quickly retreated a few steps and rubbed her reddened wrists. She glared at him with hatred. “I’ve never treated this place as my home. There was not a day that I felt a sense of belonging here. It

has always been a cage to me!”

However, this cage did not trap her body, but her heart.

Justin's heart ached. Although he was mad at her, his heart still felt  
excruciating pain.

He narrowed his eyes and suddenly strode toward Bella. Taking  
advantage of her daze, he wrapped his arms around her from behind,  
grabbing her soft waist.

"Ah!"

Bella yelped. The next second, he swept her off her feet, and she reflexively clutched his shirt.

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"Justin, you jerk! Don't touch me! Put me down!"

Bella immediately blushed. She wiggled around and kicked her legs in  
a struggle.

Her hands, clutching Justin's shirt, turned into fists that kept

punching his muscular chest. Although her hands were sore from the pounding, it was no different than  
a massage for Justin. He even enjoyed it!

"You wouldn't listen to me, so I had no choice but to carry you up."

Justin lowered his gaze. He looked aloof, but his gaze concealed an

intense affection for her.

He could not control it.

If he could, would it still be love?

“Why should I listen to you? Who do you think you are? I won’t! I just won’t!” Bella was so embarrassed that she blushed and struggled

harder.

“If you don’t behave, I’ll kiss you.” Justin’s Adam apple bobbed as his

eyes narrowed.

“You bastard!” Bella shivered and bit her lower lip in panic.

Justin curled his lips and suddenly let go of her.

“Ah!”

Bella’s eyes fluttered shut, and she broke into a thin layer of sweat, her arms immediately wrapping around Justin’s neck.

Justin’s expression was still cold, but his dark eyes had a hint of

softness.



Justin carried Bella up the stairs, leaving the group of people behind.

The Hoffman family was at a loss for what to do, but since they were already there, they had to settle the marriage. Otherwise, it would hurt their pride.

“Father, what should we do now?”

Claire whispered into Logan’s ear with concern, “Look at Justin’s attitude. It’s obvious that he doesn’t want to marry Zoe. He doesn’t even want to talk to us.”

“Grandpa, are you going to stand by and watch me get bullied? I’m your granddaughter!” Zoe sobbed uncontrollably, looking pitiful.

After all, Logan was an experienced and powerful figure with a calm attitude. If it were any other ordinary man, they would have started to cuss the Salvador family out with vulgar words.

However, Logan could not take the disrespect.

“Chairman Salvador, is this how you’re going to handle this matter? My granddaughter’s reputation was ruined by your son, yet he’s still bickering with his ex-wife in front of us. Do you think we’re easy to mess with?”

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In a fit of anger, Logan grabbed a coffee cup on the table and

smashed it.

The bodyguards from the Hoffman family immediately surrounded them, as if they had gotten the signal. Shannon's face turned pale from fright, and she hid behind Gregory.

In Savrow, everyone knew that the Hoffmans started off in the mafia.

The current situation seemed like they were about to fight with the

Salvadors.

"Chairman Hoffman, what are you doing?" Gregory was infuriated as well. "Do you think you can step on our heads like this?"

"Hmph, don't worry. We live in a lawful society, and I'm tired of the violent days."

Logan's eyes were gloomy. "I just want to tell you that Justin's

behavior has made me very mad tonight. When I get angry, nobody

can predict what will happen next!"

Gregory clenched his fists. He almost could not control his anger. Logan's words were an outright threat!

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The Hoffman family was one of the top ten conglomerates in the country, and they had businesses all over the continent.

Although they were not as prominent as the Thompson family, not ranking among the highest, they had always maintained a neutral stance. If the Hoffmans decided to work with the Salvadors' nemesis, the Iverson family, it would be troublesome for the Salvadors.

"Grandpa, I only went away for a few days, and you've eagerly come to find trouble with Uncle Greg's family."

The imposing sound of leather shoes against the marble floor rang throughout the hall.

To everyone's surprise, Ryan walked in, his face devilishly handsome.

Shannon's eyes immediately lit up upon seeing him. This man was

her future son-in-law!

Just thinking about how the heir of the Hoffman Group would

become her son-in-law made her happier than ever. Those noble

ladies who looked down and neglected her would now have to fawn

over her!

"Mr. Ryan!" The bodyguards bowed in unison.

"Ryan, why did you come here?" Logan's expression sank.

"What else? I came to find Justin."

Ryan's cold gaze swept across the Hoffmans, and the bodyguards

were frightened into silence, all lowering their heads. "It's a good thing I came. Otherwise, I would've missed this great show."

Actually, he got the news from his girlfriend, Carrie.

He was discussing a business project outside while Carrie watched a movie with Yasmin at home. She received a call from Linny, saying that Justin was in trouble. The Hoffmans came to force him into a

marriage, making a fuss.

She was worried about her brother, so she contacted Ryan to help

Justin.

Ryan never rejected a request from Carrie, not to mention that Justin was his best friend. He abandoned the business meeting and sped

over.

"Great. Then ask your good friend to come down now!" Logan's face

was twisted with anger.

"I can't do that."

Ryan also saw Bella's car and knew she must be with Justin at the

moment. He smiled in relief and said, "He is enjoying his time with. Bella. Why must I interrupt them and be the third wheel? I'm not doing.

such an annoying thing.”

Zoe was so mad that she trembled all over, viciously glaring at her own brother..

When Ryan met her eyes, he felt a sting in his heart, feeling painful and bitter.

Zoe was his sister, whom he had carried in his arms since she was a baby. He had helped raise her. The way she stared coldly at him now

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was like looking at her mortal enemy.

That innocent and pure girl, who used to cling to him, begging him to buy her dolls and ice cream, seemed to be gone.

“Enjoying their time together?!”

Claire could not take it anymore. She asked anxiously, “Didn’t Bella divorce Justin a long time ago? How is that possible?”

“Nothing is impossible in matters of the heart.”

Ryan's gaze hardened as he said, "Grandpa, in terms of family. background, talent, and appearance, Bella is better than Zoe in every

aspect."

Logan choked, not knowing what to retort.

If he had not seen Bella before, he could still try to argue.

But thinking about the woman with indescribable elegance and unparalleled beauty, Logan could not bring himself to think that his granddaughter was better than Bella,

"Are you sure you want Zoe to compete with Bella for a man? Disregarding whether this will offend the Thompsons, I reckon Justin won't even spare Zoe a glance with a top-tier beauty like Bella in front of him." Ryan sat naturally on the sofa, making himself at home.

"Ryan, you are Zoe's brother. How can you say that about your sister?"

Claire was infuriated. "If Justin is not interested in Zoe, why did that night happen? Could someone have pointed a gun at his head to force him to meet Zoe?"

"Although no one pointed a gun at him, someone was feeding Zoe

with ideas behind the scenes, coming up with a seamless plan to

trick Justin into meeting her at the hotel." Ryan crossed his legs

looking at Zoe with a chilling gaze.

The crowd was stunned.

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Was Zoe manipulated by someone to do so? Could there be more  
the incident?

“Mr. Hoffman, is that true?!”

Wilma patted her thigh indignantly and huffed. “I knew it! Our young master isn’t a lewd man. I watched him grow up. I don’t believe he’s a man who can’t control his desires and would lose his mind when he sees a woman! If he is, our young madam wouldn’t love him so much! There must be something fishy going on!”

Claire shouted, “What do you mean? Are you saying that my daughter has no modesty and used dirty tricks to seduce Justin?”

“I didn’t say that. It was all your words.” Wilma rolled her eyes and  
stuck her tongue out.

Wilma had lived so many years without getting married or having  
children. Her only weakness was Justin, and she was not afraid of  
anyone else.

“You! You old bitch!”

Claire clutched her hurting chest and glared at Shannon. “Mrs.

Salvador! Are all your household staff so rude as to speak to guests

like this? Shouldn't you take any action?!"

"Oh, Mrs. Hoffman, you've seen how important Wilma is to Justin..

She even has a higher position than us. How would I dare to scold

her?" Shannon acted as if she were helpless, but she found joy in watching Claire get humiliated.

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"Ryan! You don't have evidence. How could you blame it on me?" Zoe trembled, appearing as if she were crying, but it was actually from

anger.

"Who says I don't?"

Ryan narrowed his eyes. "I didn't want to reveal what I found here because it would look ugly. But you dragged Grandpa into this. I can't

accept it."

Zoe's heart skipped a beat.

The crowd also perked up their ears, listening attentively.



“I checked your call records before and after that day, even the call records for this month. If you were secretly dating Justin, how could you not make a single call to him? You didn’t even call him on the day of your so-called hotel date. Are you communicating telepathically?”

Zoe blushed. “I...”

“There’s more.”

Ryan took out his phone as he spoke, his voice turning cold. “I took the driving recorder from your car and found this audio on the storage card. It was recorded the day you waited for Justin at the hotel.”

He pressed the play button, and Zoe’s smug voice rang out clearly.

“I’ve made the arrangements according to your instructions. I will be waiting in the room you booked when the time comes. Justin will come to find me, right? Thank you for helping me. I will remember your favor and will definitely repay you in the future!”

The crow

was stunned.

Was it all a setup by Zoe?

Did someone pull strings behind the scenes, leading to their sec meeting in the hotel? Was it a trap?

However, who was the mastermind hiding behind Zoe and helping her

set up this scheme?

After Gregory listened to it, his expression darkened.

“Zoe, what is this? Who were you talking to on the phone?” Claire

asked shockingly.

“You edited it! This is not what happened!”

Zoe’s face twisted in anger. She anxiously pointed at Ryan’s

indifferent face and snarled, “Did Bella bribe you? Did she instruct you

to edit this to slander me?!”

Then she immediately put on an innocent act and sobbed into

Logan’s arms. “Grandpa! How could Ryan do this to me? It’s too

much!”

Logan’s brows furrowed deeply as his gaze at Zoe became

increasingly complex.