Chapter 3 Conduct the Marriage Ceremony

Those were photos from the bar last night.

Rose wondered who had taken them.

She felt like her head was buzzing.

"Dad, calm down. Don't let your anger affect your health. Rose probably wasn't thinking straight.

"It's a good thing Nixon bought those photos. If not, when the photos get leaked to the public, it would affect the Celeste Jewels' share price."

Kelly coaxed in a gentle tone, but she was gloating inside.

Last night, she had asked Maya to take Rose to Nightfall Lounge. She also arranged a few strong men for Rose. She wanted to take photos of Rose making a fool out of herself in public.

But by the time Maya went back, a man was already taking Rose away.

Maya could only snap a few photos hastily.

Still, those photos were enough for Nixon to call off his engagement to Rose.

Kelly stared at Rose with the expression of an innocent child.

She suddenly noticed the man's shirt Rose was wearing. "Rose, your shirt ... looks so weird! Why does it look like a man's shirt?"

Not only that, she could also see a few obvious hickeys on Rose's pale skin near the collar. With just a single glance, she knew what had happened.

"You're such a debauched girl, Rose!"

Jamie's face was filled with disdain. Raising his hand, he was about to hit Rose when Nixon stood protectively in front of her.

Nixon stared at Rose. "Rose, even though you betrayed me, I won't hold it against you. I love you. As long as you behave yourself in the future, I'm still willing to marry you."

Rose was speechless.

She could not believe her ears.

He said she betrayed him.

Who had been the one in bed with Kelly yesterday?

She could not believe he claimed to love her and wanted to marry her.

He looked at her with scornful eyes, and yet he pretended to be gracious and loving!

Was it because she was the only heir to Celeste Jewels?

The company, Celeste Jewels, belonged to Rose's mother, Celeste Young. Celeste had founded it before she got married.

After Celeste's death, Jamie took over management of the company.

But Celeste had left a will.

Once Rose got married, she would inherit Celeste Jewels and all of Celeste's properties.

Rose recalled how Nixon spared no effort to court her. Had it only been because he wanted Celeste Jewels?

A mocking smile appeared on Rose's face.

She stared at the hypocritical look on Nixon's face. Out of the corner of her eye, she saw Kelly biting her lip with slight indignation.

Rose's eyes flashed viciously as she said, "You're willing to marry me. But what about Kelly, then?"

Nixon's expression instantly turned dark.

Hastily stepping forward, he grabbed Rose's wrist and pulled her out of the villa.

Gritting his teeth, he warned her, "Rose, you'd better appreciate it while I'm playing nice. You've done such terrible things, yet I'm still willing to marry you. You should be grateful.

"If you tell Mr. Shaffer and Ms. Sutton about me and Kelly, Kelly will be disgraced!

"Unlike you, Kelly is a simple and innocent woman. She loves me, and I'm the only man in her life. She said she doesn't care about status as long as she can be with me."

Rose felt so disgusted that she wanted to throw up. "How long?"

Nixon was startled.

"How long have you been going behind my back and cheating on me with her?"

Since the truth was already out, Nixon did not see the need to lie.

"It's been three years. I wanted to get more intimate with you on the night of your birthday, but you rejected me."

"So you turned around and slept with Kelly instead?" Rose sneered.

Nixon felt a little guilty. He instantly lost his patience as well.

A few of his businesses were in trouble. He had to get married to Rose as soon as possible so that he could get his hands on Celeste Jewels.

"It's Grandma's 70th birthday tomorrow, and Uncle Jonathan has come to Aquastead.

"Grandma wants us to get married while Uncle Jonathan is in town. He can conduct the marriage ceremony for us.

"Grandma will invite Uncle Jonathan to attend the birthday banquet tomorrow. Be prepared. I'll introduce you to him."

When Nixon mentioned his Uncle Jonathan, he did so with a look of admiration and respect.

Initially, Rose had been uninterested in Nixon's Uncle Jonathan.

But when she saw how excited Nixon was about meeting him tomorrow, she changed her mind abruptly.