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Even a mere thin camisole was priced higher than her lens.

After she noticed this, she quickly huddled over to Leanna and whispered, "Nana, this box of clothes is worth hundreds of thousands. Don't forget there are a few other boxes of clothes from different brands in our car... And those jewelry. Why does that b\*stard still want you to return the money after the divorce when he is so generous?"

"I did borrow money from him, after all. There is even an IOU."

"Anyway, he is an enigma to me sometimes. We can never guess what he is thinking."

Leanna only smiled without saying anything in return.

Right at this moment, the saleswoman from earlier came back to them with the store manager beside her.

The manager then inquired, "We understand the purpose for your visit, ma'am. I would like to reconfirm with you that you don't want any of the clothes in this box, yes?"

Leanna nodded in reply.

“Understood. Please hold on for the time being. We will need some time to sort out the clothes in the box and give you an estimated price.”

“Sorry for the trouble.”

“Please don’t worry about it. You may have a seat here.”

“It’s alright,” Leanna said. “We will be walking around nearby. We’ll be back soon.”

“If that is the case, please leave us your contact number. We will notify you when we are done.”

After leaving the luxury store, Leanna and Zoe went downstairs to have something to eat.

Zoe started chattering while they ate. “Hey, Nana, what do you think I should have with Daniel tonight? I have been thinking about it all night. We can do Western cuisine, but I don’t know which country he is from. What if I accidentally chose something he doesn’t like? Or we could go for Chinese food, but I am worried that he doesn’t eat spicy food. Oh my God, why is this such a chore to choose?”

“Just ask Elijah. I am sure he would know,” Leanna replied.

“Right! How did I not think of that?!” Zoe cheered while she quickly took out her phone. However, she suddenly calmed down before she sent the message over. In a small voice, she probed, “Nana, about you and Elijah... What do you think about your relationship?”

Leanna promptly froze when she heard that. She didn’t have an answer to the question.

Even though Zoe had always said that Elijah liked her, Leanna, too, always thought that such a coincidence was impossible.

However, she could obviously tell what Elijah felt for her after what he said yesterday.

With Aidan there and her having been provoked, Leanna didn’t give it much thought and had swiftly agreed to Elijah’s request.

When she saw Leanna turn silent, Zoe added, "Nana, I really do think that Elijah is a great guy. He has liked you ever since we were students. You can probably imagine how deeply he feels for you to have liked you for so many years."

"And how do you know that?" Leanna asked.

Zoe swiftly looked away and coughed awkwardly. "I... was only guessing. It's not like it is that hard to guess."

Leanna's phone began to ring right after Zoe said that. It was a call from the luxury store, informing her that they were already done with the clothes.

After hanging up the phone, Leanna told Zoe that they had to make a move now.

With that, Zoe could finally heave a sigh of relief.

But what they didn't expect was for them to bump into Georgina when they went back to the store.

Georgina, together with Carly, must not have thought they would see familiar faces here as they also looked startled.

Carly looked especially surprised at their encounter. She was still hung up over that one time Aidan had gravely warned her. Now that she coincidentally came across Leanna, her first instinct was to avoid meeting the other woman's eyes and pretend she didn't know Leanna. She then went to take care of the child in the stroller beside her.

Georgina was the first one to greet them with a smile. "I haven't seen you in quite some time, Miss McKinney."

Leanna nodded in return as she offered a brisk greeting.

Georgina then said again, "You look so much better than the last time I saw you two months ago. It seems like you have been living well."

Zoe was the one who spoke up this time. "Of course she would be in a better mood without having to see certain two-faced people hanging around and about."

As they talked, the store manager approached them and informed them, “Miss McKinney, allow me to lead the way.”

Leanna only nodded to Georgina before she left. Zoe, who never liked Georgina, naturally wouldn’t stand there and have a staring contest with her. Without missing a beat, she walked alongside Leanna to where the manager brought them.

Even though the prices of the clothes they brought over would have depreciated, the price calculated by the luxury store for them was much higher than what Zoe had expected.

Shell-shocked, she exclaimed, “They are worth so much?”

The store manager began to explain, “There are many pieces of clothing here that are either limited edition, customized, or out-of-season. Many of our VIP customers are waiting for these clothes. I have contacted them, and we will be getting their replies soon. Also, Miss McKinney, since your clothes have never been worn before, we have calculated them according to the original price.”

Leanna gave her thanks when she heard that.

“You are welcome,” the manager smiled. “I will ring you up, then.”

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Carly didn’t answer in time, and no one knew whether it was from nervousness or hesitation.

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After a stunned pause, Leanna cautiously reached out to take the child.

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"You're welcome." When Carly took the child back, the child's gaze followed Leanna, as if reluctant to leave her.

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Leanna knew about the dissolution of the engagement, but she never wanted to care too much about it as it had nothing to do with her. However, she could hear the dissatisfaction and questioning in Georgina's words as the woman mentioned it.

Leanna wondered if she was overthinking things.

Meanwhile, Zoe felt uncomfortable after hearing those words too. When she was about to say something, Leanna cut off her words.

Chuckling, she said, "Miss Crossley, you have misunderstood. I never thought of avoiding you. However, do you want to meet me? Let me rephrase that— Do you want to befriend me?"

Georgina pursed her lips and said nothing. I must admit that Leanna is brilliant. I have covered my intentions so well, but she still noticed I approached her for Aidan.

Leanna continued, "No matter what, I am grateful for your help in the past." Then, she paused and said firmly, "Whether it was out of kindness or if you have an ulterior motive."

After speaking, Leanna didn't stay any longer and pulled Zoe away.

After they left, Carly came out with the stroller. "Georgina, what were you talking about with her?"

Georgina retracted her thoughts and smiled lightly at Carly. "It's nothing. Carly, let's continue shopping."

After such a disturbance, Carly lost the mood for shopping. "Forget it. Let's go home. My baby has cried several times; I think he is not used to the outdoors."

On the way back, Carly said again, "Gina, to be honest, I thought Leanna was a her despite not meeting her. However, I think she's not what we imagined."

Georgina commented, "Is that so?"

"Yes. Her eyes are pure and beautiful. How could a woman with a bad heart have such pure eyes?" At that, Carly sighed. "No wonder Zayn and Ai—"

Before she could finish her words, Carly noticed she was rude and quickly stopped herself.

However, Georgina went to tease the baby in the stroller, as if she didn't notice anything.

Hence, Carly changed the subject. "Gina, I heard you invited Daniel to your birthday party. What did he say?"

Georgina looked up at Carly. "Do you know about him too?"

"He is quite famous. I went to his concerts with my friends when I was abroad."

Georgina said, "My friend recommended him to me too. He was performing in Highside recently, so I allowed my friend to ask him. He might be coming."

When Carly heard that, she smiled. "That's great! I have wanted to meet him for a long time, but I haven't had a chance."

Georgina apologized, "Carly, I'm afraid I won't be able to invite you to my birthday party."

Carly was stunned upon such a statement. "W-Why?"

"After Aidan canceled the engagement with me, my father has disliked the Pearson Family and didn't want anything to do with them."

“I know that, but Zayn and Anna have dissolved their engagement, so we have nothing to do with the Pearson Family.”

Georgina sighed in response. “That’s right, but the Barnett Group has obtained several projects because of the Pearson Group, so Dad isn’t happy about it.”

Hearing this, Carly was clearly disappointed. She lowered her eyes and said, “Okay then.”

Seeing that, Georgina quickly took Carly’s arm. “Carly, it’s right if you can’t come to my party. This is more like a social party instead of a friend gathering. We can get together in private.”

A reluctant Carly smiled. “You are right.”

“It’s getting late. Let’s go.”

After sending Carly back, Georgina sat in the car with a cold and disdainful smile.

She rolled up the car window and said lightly, “Let’s go.”

When she arrived home, Georgina asked the servant, “Where’s Dad?”

“Mr. Crossley is in the study.”

Georgina walked to the study entrance. Raising her hand to knock on the door, she entered.

When she entered, Lloyd placed something in the drawer. Looking at her, he asked, “Gina, what’s the matter?”

Georgina answered, “I want to discuss my birthday party with you. Are you busy?”

Lloyd shook his head. Standing up, he said, “No, let’s go out to talk.”

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Elijah didn't particularly have a strong impression of Laanna at first. He only knew that there was a pretty girl there.

It wasn't until that one day he was passing by a convenience store when he saw a drunk man asking her for money. It was probably the day she was receiving her salary.

She took out some from her bag and gave it to the man. Despite that, the man was extremely dissatisfied, and wanted to rob her of all the money in her envelope.

He remembered how firm her tone was when she warned, "This is Louis' and my living expenses for next month. I can't give it to you."

The man proceeded to curse her out, but her expression remained unchanged.

Judging from the words the man scolded her with, he most probably was her father.

After the man was done ranting and had left, she didn't look sad for even a moment. She only took a deep breath, put her smile back on, and continued to work in the convenience store.

At that time, Elijah didn't know what had come over him, but he was slowly walking in her direction before he knew it.

The young girl with a high ponytail was standing there, carefully counting the goods with a focused and serious expression on her face.

Just as he was about to step forward, Zayn had come to her and called her by her name.

Her smile when she turned around was so bright Elijah stopped in his tracks before he took a few steps back.

From that moment on, he had resigned himself to the fate that he would never be the one beside her in his life, and he could only watch from a distance.

But now that he had his opportunity again, Elijah wanted to take that first step he didn't have the courage to back then.

He began to speak, but a nonchalant voice rang out from aside at this moment. "What a coincidence, President Parker."

Aidan didn't think he was intruding at all as he sat down right next to Leanna. In a casual tone, he suggested, "Let's share a table. I trust that you won't mind, President Parker. As a token of my sincerity, please allow me to buy you dinner tonight."



He only got silence from both Leanna and Elijah in return.

Still, Aidan proceeded to take the menu from the waiter, ordered some food, and added, "Also, get me a chicken noodle soup."

Just when the waiter was about to say that they didn't have it on their menu, the store manager quickly hurried over. "Alright," he interrupted. "Is there anything else, President Pearson?"

"Add cilantro in the soup," Aidan replied.

"Please wait for a moment, President Pearson. I will have the kitchen prepare your orders now."

After the manager left, Leanna got up while she held back her temper. She then said to Elijah, "I am done eating. Let's go."

Elijah nodded and stood up as well. He called for a waiter to get him the bill, and then said to Aidan, "Enjoy the food, President Pearson. Dinner is on me."

Aidan only pursed his lips slightly as he grabbed Leanna by her hand.

"Please take your hands off me, President Pearson," she coldly demanded.

"Don't you love chicken noodle soup? Have some before you go."

"Just because I used to like it doesn't mean I like it now."

"And just because you don't like it now doesn't mean you won't like it in the future," Aidan refuted.

There was no emotion in his voice, but she could tell that it was a double entendre.

D\*mn b\*stard is starting to have fun!

Leanna forcefully threw off his hand then. "I hope you enjoy your dinner."

Better yet, I hope your tummy explodes from all the food!

She darted out of the restaurant after she said that.

After Elijah paid the bill, he turned to look at Aidan and asked, “Don’t you think your behavior is ridiculous, President Pearson?”

Hearing that, Aidan looked up at the other man with indifferent eyes. “Nope, not really.”

“I wonder if you have ever heard the saying that even grass is worth more than overdue affections.”

After throwing that out, Elijah nodded slightly at him before he strode away.

Just then, the manager of the store came over again. “Would you still like to have the food served, President Pearson?”

“Pack it all up,” Aidan instructed.

“Yes, sir.”

Jonathan walked in with hurried steps two minutes later and reported, “President Pearson, Mrs. Pearson and President Parker have left.”

Aidan only hummed in reply, but he didn’t say anything else.

Hearing this, Jonathan further inquired, “Should we follow them?”

“No.” Aidan said, “Surely he is only sending her home. It is not rocket science.”

What’s more, Aidan had already achieved his goal today.

Twenty minutes later, the store manager came to him with the packed food boxes. “Sorry to have kept you waiting, President Pearson.”

After leaving the restaurant, Jonathan knew what to do next even though Aidan didn’t say anything—he swiftly keyed-in the address to Leanna’s home.

At this moment, he suddenly heard a male voice speak in a tone he couldn’t decipher from behind. “Is grass cheap?”

Jonathan had no answer to that.

Love Change Of Heart Chapter 184-When the car stopped at the apartment, Leanna let out her breath. “Elijah, I’m so sorry about what happened earlier.”

Elijah smiled and gently shook his head. "I've heard about Aidan's behavior before. I just didn't expect him to do such a thing."

"Yeah, he's too arrogant. That's ridiculous." She then opened the car door. "Thank you so much for today. See you."

"Leanna," Elijah stopped her while looking a little nervous. He hesitated for a moment before asking. "Are we still friends?"

Leanna was slightly taken aback by the question. Then, she nodded. "Of course. What's wrong?"

A smile reappeared on his face. "Nothing. I'll see you around then."

"Alright, please be careful on your way back. Text me when you get home."

"Okay."

Elijah decided to take it step by step and not to rush it. There was at least still a little hope for him so long as she did not reject him right away.

After Elijah's black car had left, Leanna withdrew her gaze from the car and went upstairs.

When she opened the door, she saw Zoe lying on the couch and having some snacks over there.

Leanna changed her shoes. She then walked over and asked, "Zoe, aren't you supposed to be having dinner with Daniel now?"

Hearing this, Zoe let out a long sigh. "Yeah, that was the plan. Elijah mentioned that Daniel does not have any food allergies, right? So, I was going to take Daniel to enjoy the Highside specialties," Zoe was getting angrier as she continued. "But just when we were right in front of the restaurant, he told me that there were some canned foods in his fridge which will be expired after tonight and he had to finish them before they expired!"

Leanna was left speechless.

After a while, she asked, "So, you come back just like that?"

“Yep, that’s right.” Zoe rested again on the couch and said indifferently, “He even invited me to his house to have those canned foods with him, but I refused.”

Leanna couldn’t help laughing.

Zoe let out another long sigh. “I think he was either making an excuse to avoid having dinner with me, or he must have a mental problem.”

Leanna said, “Foreigners sometimes do have some strange cultures. So, just get over it.”

“No, seriously. If it wasn’t for his good-looking face, I would definitely take him to a psychiatrist from that restaurant right away.” Zoe sat up on the couch with her legs crossed and said thoughtfully, “Nana, do all hot guys always act this weird?”

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Elijah smiled and gently shook his head. “I’ve heard about Aidan’s behavior before. I just didn’t expect him to do such a thing.”

“Yeah, he’s too arrogant. That’s ridiculous.” She then opened the car door. “Thank you so much for today. See you.”

“Leanna,” Elijah stopped her while looking a little nervous. He hesitated for a moment before asking. “Are we still friends?”

Leanna was slightly taken aback by the question. Then, she nodded. “Of course. What’s wrong?”

A smile appeared on his face. “Nothing. I’ll see you around then.”

“Alright, please be careful on your way back. Text me when you get home.”

“Okay.”

Elijah decided to take it step by step and not to rush it. There was at least still a little hope for him so long as she did not reject him right away.

After Elijah’s black car had left, Leanna withdrew her gaze from the car and went upstairs.

When she opened the door, she saw Zoa lying on the couch and having some snacks over there.

Leanna changed her shoes. She then walked over and asked, "Zoa, aren't you supposed to be having dinner with Danial now?"

Hearing this, Zoa let out a long sigh. "Yeah, that was the plan. Elijah mentioned that Danial does not have any food allergies, right? So, I was going to take Danial to enjoy the Highside specialties," Zoa was getting angrier as she continued. "But just when we were right in front of the restaurant, he told me that there were some canned foods in his fridge which will be expired after tonight and he had to finish them before they expired!"

Leanna was left speechless.

After a while, she asked, "So, you come back just like that?"

"Yep, that's right." Zoa rested again on the couch and said she had those canned foods with him, but she refused.

Leanna couldn't help laughing.

Zoa let out another long sigh. "I think he was either making an excuse to avoid having dinner with me, or he must have a mental problem."

Leanna said, "Foreigners sometimes do have some strange cultures. So, just get over it."

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"Well, I don't think it has much to do with looks."

"Why not? I do think that Aidan is a weirdo. Now, there's finally another guy who can compete with him."

Leanna remained silent.

Zoe continued, "Forget it. Let's not talk about such an annoying subject. How is your date with Elijah? Any progress?"

Leanna corrected, "It's not a date. It's just a meal between friends."

"Right. Then, has anything which is beyond the scope of friendship happened between you two during the meal?"

Leanna was silent for a while before saying, "No."

Seeing the dejected look on her face, Zoe knew something was off.

Usually, when Leanna had such an expression, it must be something related to that guy.

Zoe was immediately energized. "Did Aiden come to interrupt your meal? Look, what did I just tell you? He has a mental problem. It's true!"

Leanna laughed a little and did not really know what to say.

She did not understand what that b\*stard was thinking about.

Zoe hurriedly asked, "What happened then?"

"Nothing much. Elijah and I left directly."

Zoe said with emotion, "Now, I get what that b\*stard is thinking. He does not know how to cherish when he had you and only regrets it now that he has lost you. However, he forgets that the world is not revolving around him and nothing would wait for him forever."

As soon as she finished speaking, they heard the doorbell ring.

When Leanna was about to open the door, Zoe immediately stood up. "Hey, I'll go get the door. It must be Daniel. He must have felt embarrassed about his behavior earlier, and wants to apologize about it."

"Alright."

Before running to open the door, Zoe hurriedly tidied up her hair and put on her lipstick. Then, she took a deep breath, showed a pleasing smile, and opened the door. "Hi... A-A-Ai—Aiden?"

Zoe was stunned. Then, she thought to herself. "Why is this b\*stard always showing up in a different way when I'm talking behind him?"

Aiden looked at Zoe with a poker face and tilted his head a little as a gesture to ask her to get out of his way.

His attitude was like a robber who asked the owner to open the door for him.

Zoe hesitated for a few seconds as she felt her feet were too heavy to be moved.

She tried to block his way into the house. But as Aiden took one step forward, she immediately stepped aside and let him in.

Just as Leanna thought it was strange to not hear a conversation on the other side of the door for a long time, she looked up and saw Aiden appearing in the living room.

Leanna was silent for a while. Then, she took a deep breath. "Don't you know it is illegal to trespass on private property?"

Aiden glanced. "She let me in."

Zoe guiltily glanced over. She then thought to herself. He is really a b\*stard.

Before Leanna was able to say anything else, Aiden put the food he ordered from the restaurant before her. "Eat it while it's still warm."

She couldn't help frowning and said rudely, "What do you want from me?"

He answered, "Aren't you going to be hungry if you don't have supper? Plus, I don't think you have really eaten anything at dinner earlier."

She thought it was funny as it was simply outrageous.

She said coldly, "President Pearson, I used to have the habit of having supper because I was pregnant at that point in time. Pregnant women would normally consume more food than usual, but now—"

"You can still have supper now. No one is stopping those who are not pregnant from having supper."

Leanna was stunned as Aiden interrupted her just like that while she was talking.

So, she raised her voice. "I don't want it!"

As if he didn't hear it, Aiden sat on the couch, unpacked the bag, and took out the food. "If you don't eat, I will."

Leanna took a deep breath and felt that she was about to lose her temper.

She felt that she would be driven crazy by him sooner or later.

Aiden opened up the container of the take-out and put it in front of her. "Are you sure you don't want it?"

She looked at him without saying a word as if she was about to splash the soup on his face.

Zoe could not wrap her head around how Aiden was still able to act as if nothing had happened when Leanna was being hostile to him. He even tried to have a meal there.

However, apart from anything else, one could really learn a thing or two from his calm attitude and his ability to ignore others' feelings while immersed in his own world.

Zoe now realized that this might be the reason why the Pearson Group could grow and be developed at such an incredible speed by him and why the other Pearsons were afraid of him.

It was because he was unbelievably shameless.

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Noticing this, she closed the door behind her as fast as possible without even thinking. Then, she looked at Daniel with a smile.

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Zoe tried to play dumb about it. "No. Maybe it was from the TV show Nana was watching. You must have mistaken it as a conversation."

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Daniel remained silent for a few seconds.

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Before Daniel could react, she was already standing right in front of him. “I’ve never eaten canned foods before. I believe that they must be really delicious for you to be so obsessed with them. So, I’m very excited to try them out.”

Daniel put his hand on his mouth and coughed. “Well.\*e in then.”

In the kitchen, he was standing in front of the refrigerator with its door opened. He looked inside the fridge and felt a little panicked. He thought to himself. What a lousy excuse.

After seeing him standing still over there for quite a long time, Zoe asked with concern, “What’s the matter? Do you need my help?”

Daniel then closed the refrigerator. “I just finished the canned foods. Let’s order takeout instead.”

Zoe blinked. “Okay.”

Seeing her answer without hesitation, he picked up the phone. “What do you want to eat?”

“I’m fine with anything.”

Zoe was totally fine with being considered as shameless by Daniel.

Since she could not really go back to Leanna’s house now, she would rather stay at Daniel’s than waiting on the cold floor outside the house.

After ordering takeout, Daniel passed Zoe a glass of water. “Would you like to invite your friend over?”

Zoe then answered, “She’s on diet now. So, she won’t be eating at night. Let’s just eat without her.”

He smiled gently and sat beside her without speaking.

Zoe was holding the glass and she stared at him a couple of times. Since Daniel and Elijah were friends to each other, she felt the need to prevent Daniel from finding out that Aiden was here with Leanna now. No matter what, she had to prevent that. Otherwise, even if nothing really happened between Leanna and Aiden, Elijah might still have the wrong idea about that.

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Aware of her gaze, Daniel raised his head. “What’s wrong?”

“N-Nothing.”

Zoe dropped her gaze and drank water from the glass slowly.

If she acted naturally, nothing would happen.

Indeed, after a while, Daniel excused himself and went to his study room.

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In the living room of Leanna's house.

Leanna was watching Aiden eating the take-out that he brought here with his typical poker face. In her head, she was trying to figure out what her chance of success was if she tried to drag him out of the house by herself.

Well, it was almost impossible at all.

After all, it was an undeniable fact that men tend to have much stronger physical strength than women.

To make it worse, the man she was facing was a shameless b\*stard.

So, she had to give up on that thought.

Leanna could not bear to stay there for any longer as she felt suffocated by the vibe there.

As she was about to get up to return to her bedroom, a spoon reached her lips. She instinctively leaned back and looked at Aiden with vigilance. "What are you doing?"

Aiden looked at the spoon and said briefly, "Eat it."

"I do not—"

"I'll leave if you eat it."

It was such a tempting and irresistible offer.

After Leanna weighed the pros and cons, she decided to compromise. However, when she was about to reach for the spoon, Aiden said, "Open your mouth."

She refused firmly, "I can do it myself!"

Aiden didn't answer but stared at her with his black eyes.

Leanna stayed silent.

She turned her head away from him. "Fine, the deal's off. I don't want to eat anymore."

She thought to herself. "Don't you try to threaten me."

Aiden licked his thin lips. "Do you want me to feed you with my mouth instead?"

Leanna frowned as she was disgusted by what Aiden just said. "Are you crazy?"

"Then, eat it now."

Leanna looked at him unhappily while pursing her lips and clenching her fists.

Aiden stared at her with his deep black eyes for a few seconds, then suddenly leaned forward.

She felt panicked and hurriedly ate the food from the spoon.

Seeing this, Aiden grinned and continued to pick up the rest of the food from the container.

Leanna gritted her teeth and could only eat them one spoon after another.

Throughout the entire process, they did not speak.

The vibe was getting weirder.

However, Leanna's fury was somehow easily eased. Then, she just stared at him in silence, which made it difficult for anyone to tell what she thought.

After they finished the food, Aiden pulled a piece of tissue from the box and wiped her mouth.

His slender fingers lightly stroked her lips with a touch of warmth.

She was stunned. When she looked up and tried to say something to stop him, her eyes merely met his pitch-black and calm gaze instead.

She couldn't deny that he was actually hot, especially when he was being so gentle.

This kind of tenderness was what Leanna used to dream of having from him.

However, at that point in time, he had always been so mean to her.

Leanna thought in her head. Sometimes, the world just liked to mess with us. The more you wish to get something, the harder it will be for you to get it. But the moment you give up on that something, you'll just get it effortlessly and it would be hard to get rid of it even if you tried real hard.

Aiden raised his brows slightly. "Are you stunned by my appearance?"

Hearing that, Leanna quickly retracted her thoughts, slapped away the hand before her, and said coldly, "Can you please leave now?"

Aiden chuckled. "You're so temperamental."

Leanna stayed silent at that remark.

He did not take her words seriously. It could even be said that he didn't care about them at all.

Then, he slowly asked, "What do you want to eat tomorrow? I will bring it for you."

Staring at him, Leanna asked thoughtfully, "May I know what you have been up to lately?"

Aiden countered, "Is it not obvious enough?"

"Please make it clear, President Pearson."

"After some thought, I decided to give you one last chance."

Leanna was speechless.

She thought to herself in a sarcastic way. Yeah, yeah. I must really thank God for that chance.

Leanna asked, "Didn't you say I have no more chances?"

Aiden gave a hum. "So, it's a rare opportunity. You should cherish it."

Leanna tried to lose herself, but she had had enough and could not stand it anymore. When she was about to yell at him, he continued, "However, Oscar said that actions speak louder than words. So, I have to do something to prove that I'm giving you another chance."

Leanna twitched her lips and thought to herself. “Oscar, right? I will remember him.”

“President Pearson, you know what? I think you really shouldn’t be listening to others on this kind of matter. You must follow your heart. You can’t change the values that you have always adhered to just because of some shallow words spoken by others.”

Love Change Of Heart Chapter 186-Aiden’s face turned slightly sour while looking at her without saying a word.

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“Work-life balance is really important. I can’t work twenty-four seven. I need some alone time.” As Leanna said, she took a glance at him. “Plus, I am not that free. Unlike you, you are so free to the point that you could leave everything about your company behind. Then, go to someone’s house just to say some inexplicable words, and do some random stuff to mess with them.”

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Leanna thought to herself. Look at this, this b\*stard finally showed his true face.

The gentleness earlier was definitely just a façade. Then, she said, “Those are my best wishes to you. You are being rude.”

He raised his hand to pinch her chin while his black eyes narrowed dangerously. “Who is being rude now?”

Leanna glossed over it and smiled. “You have a bad hearing, too.”

“Why are you showing me this attitude?”

“Then, what kind of attitude should I have? I have been kind enough not to call 911 on you after you forcibly broke into my house.”

Aiden gazed at her and suddenly felt amused. “You really are two-faced.”

At this point in this, Leanna was not afraid of saying something embarrassing anymore as she was on the verge of losing herself. So, she pushed back. “Men also behave differently before and after having sex too. So, you don’t really have the right to say that I’m being two-faced.”

He remained silent at her words.

She continued in a sarcastic way, “Isn’t it true? President Pearson, just think about how much you hated me in the past three years. Even if I just touched you by accident, it would make you feel disgusted, but that didn’t stop you from having sex with me.”

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"So, please stop saying that I'm being two-faced. Because if I'm, then you are just the same as well."

Laanna then thought to herself. He is the one who is being two-faced. Now, he has the nerve to come and accuse me. If he truly wants to give a person a second chance, he's gotta at least be nice to them, right?

She felt that since he always thought that she was a scheming woman, what she just said to him would not really change a thing.

After a while, he responded, "You're getting defensive."

She answered, "You were verbally attacking me. I was just telling the truth."

Aiden lowered his eyes. His gaze fell on her lips, and his Adam's apple moved up and down slightly. After a few seconds, he said thoughtfully, "I have a proposal for you to deal with your anger now."

Before Leanna could answer, he continued, "You can be dominant in bed."

Leanna was puzzled as she could not wrap her head around what he just said.

He added, "I'm alright as long as you are not mad anymore."

She laughed in anger. "From your tone, it seems that you are forced to do it."

"No, I'm not. We can do it now."

Leanna took a deep breath so she would not lose herself. She tried to tug on the hand pinching her chin, but Aiden didn't intend to let her go.

Without thinking much, she lowered her head and bit his hand with all of her strength.

Aiden groaned and hurriedly retracted his hand with a frown, after which he yelled, "Leanna!"

She ignored him, walked to the entrance, and opened the door. "You may leave now."

He lowered his head, glanced at the bleeding hand, and gritted his teeth. Then, he sneered. "It's time to leave."

Leanna kept smiling and looked at him leaving the house. When passing by her, he gave her a glance. "I can't afford to delay the rabies vaccine, after all."

She was speechless.

After sending that b\*stard away, she leaned against the door and slowly retracted the smile on her face.

To put it bluntly, Aiden was the kind of person who would treat something he disliked as rubbish but would do anything to get what he wanted. However, it was unknown how long his enthusiasm and love could last.

Leanna stopped thinking about it and knocked on the other door.

Soon, Daniel appeared before her.

She smiled. "I'm looking for Zoe."

He turned his head and glanced. "She's eating. Do you want to join us?"

"No, I will leave the door open for her. I'll—"

"Hold on!" Zoe ran outside with a chicken wing. "I'm done eating. Let's go back."

Then, she turned and looked at him. "Thank you for your can—dinner."

Daniel smiled politely.

Zoe dragged Leanna back to their house. After closing the door, Zoe asked in a low voice, "How was it? Did that b\*stard do anything to you? I was so scared when I saw him earlier."

Leanna shook her head, feeling exhausted all over her body. "I'm tired. Let's go to sleep now."

"Okay. Let's talk about it tomorrow. Good night."

"Night."

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Two days later, Zoe yawned while asking the person next to her, "Louis, don't you have class in the morning?"

Louis answered, "No."

"Please look after her for a while. I need to take a nap now. I'm too sleepy."

"Alright."

After a while, Leanna returned from the office and was standing beside Louis to tidy up something. "Where's Zoe?"

"She's taking a nap."

Hearing that, she smiled and looked at him. "Why are you here?"

An awkward Louis looked away. "I have nothing much to do anyways."

"Didn't you use your free time for part-time work? Why didn't you go today?"

He did not answer.

Leanna smiled and said, "If you are here to work, I don't have enough to pay you."

"I'm not here for your money." After a pause, Louis pursed his lips and whispered, "There's no news."

"You came here just for this?"

Louis frowned. "The newspaper asked me if I wanted to continue the publication of the notice. So, I'm here to ask you about it."

The wanted poster had been out for some time and the newspapers did their part by spreading the news to the whole town.

It seemed hopeless after all.

Leanna said, "Nah. You don't have to waste your money on that. You should save the money up and go on some dates sometimes."

He remained silent.

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Leanna turned around to look at him. "Louis, do you really have no interest in dating?"

"No."

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At that point, his expression turned thunderous. “That’s not the case at all.” He continued, “Stop fretting about me. I know what I’m doing whereas you, on the other hand, should pay more attention to yourself.”

She smiled. “I’m doing quite well right now.”

“I heard from Zoe that someone is pursuing you.”

Speechless for a moment, Leanna replied, “Don’t listen to her. We’re just friends. There’s nothing going on.”

However, Louis had a doubtful look on his face.

In spite of that, she quickly sent him on his way. “That’s enough. I don’t need you here anymore, so you should head back to school.”

Before he left, he hesitated for a moment before asking, “That person from before... Will she visit you again?”

At that moment, Leanna was momentarily stunned by his question. “Who are you talking about?”

“That actress friend of yours.”

Finally, it dawned upon her and she replied, “Do you mean Daphne? She’s rather busy, so she might only pop over when she’s free. What’s up?”

He replied calmly, “Nothing much. One of my classmates wanted her autograph and asked me for a favor.”

“I’ll let her know the next time she comes over, then. How many do you want?”

“Any amount will do.”

After he completed his ‘mission’, he left in a rush without a second glance at her.

Meanwhile, Leanna smiled as she looked at his retreating figure. She was just about to retract her gaze to continue work when she noticed an uninvited person at the entrance.

Georgina stood there and finally entered the studio after watching Louis leave.

She met Leanna's gaze and revealed a slight smile. "Is that your friend, Miss McKinney?"

"He's my brother."

As soon as Georgina heard that, she lifted her brow. "I can't believe that your brother's so good-looking. I'm quite envious of you."

Leanna knew that her words were merely exaggerated pleasantries, so she smiled politely and asked, "What can I do for you, Miss Crossley?"

After their last exchange, she had assumed that they would not encounter each other again from then on.

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Sha mat Laanna's gaza and ravaalad a slight smila. "Is that your friand, Miss McKinnay?"

"Ha's my brothar."

As soon as Gaorgina heard that, she lifted her brow. "I can't believe that your brother's so good-looking. I'm quite envious of you."

Leanna knew that her words were merely exaggerated pleasantry, so she smiled politely and asked, "What can I do for you, Miss Crossley?"

After their last exchange, she had assumed that they would not encounter each other again from then on.

Unexpectedly, Gaorgina actually came over to see Leanna on her own accord just two days after that incident.

Georgina responded with a smile, "I came over today for two matters. Let's talk business first. I would like to commission you to custom-make a necklace for me. However, it will be an urgent order as I need it by Saturday."

"I'm sorry, Miss Crossley, but we don't accept orders on short notice. Besides, there is a list of customers awaiting their custom-made orders and we have them lined up for the next few months."

Georgina seemed slightly regretful. "Is that so? I should have done my homework prior to my visit. I'm sorry for the trouble."

"Miss Crossley, is there anything else that I can help you with?" Leanna maintained her smile.

Georgina reached into her bag and retrieved an invitation card. "It's my birthday this Saturday, so I've invited some friends over to celebrate with me. I hope that you will join us too."

Completely taken aback by the situation, Leanna was unsure for a moment regarding Georgina's intentions and thoughts.

After a few seconds, Leanna finally responded, "Thanks for the kind invite, Miss Crossley. I'm not too acquainted with your friends, so I think—"

"Don't you worry, Miss McKinney. They're all easy-going people and we are all around the same age. Besides, I mentioned before that I wanted to befriend you and I'm serious about that. I realize that you must have had a bad impression of me previously, so I hope that we can take this chance to resolve our misunderstanding. I reckon that it's not worth losing such a great friend like you over a man."



Her words had left Leanna with no other choice at all.

Suddenly, she could not seem to tell whether Georgina was being sincere or putting on an act.

If she was genuine about this, then Leanna would have been too judgmental all this while. However, if Georgina was just putting on a show, then she was indeed a very schemeful person to be able to turn up today despite Leanna's nasty words previously.

Just as Leanna was contemplating a response to Georgina's words, the invitation card was already placed in front of her. "Miss McKinney, you can take some time to consider this. No matter what happens, I will always wait for you."

After Georgina said that, she nodded slightly to Leanna and turned around to leave.

Leanna lowered her eyes and glanced at the pink invitation card before her. At that moment, she felt a pulsating vein on her temple.

It was then that Zoe walked out of the break room and cast eyes on the card before snorting. "The rich are indeed different from us average people. They even give out invitation cards for birthdays."

Leanna lifted her head. "Did you catch our conversation?"

Zoe raised her hand and gestured. "Just parts of it." Subsequently, she asked, "Do you plan to go?"

Leanna shook her head and placed the invitation card aside. "No."

Even though Georgina had broken off her engagement with Aidan, Leanna had no intention of being entangled with wealthy families like theirs.

Moreover, there was no point in being friends as they would not be able to relate to each other coming from two different worlds.

In the afternoon, there was suddenly a commotion outside and Leanna was distracted by the noise. Not being able to focus on her designs, she walked out of her office and shot a look outside. "What's going on out there?"

One of the girls in the shop had just gone out to find out what was going on and she answered, "A developer has taken over the shops in this area. Apparently, there has been serious pollution going on over the last few years, so they intend to focus on protecting the ecosystem by planting greenery around the area."

At that moment, Leanna was slightly speechless and she thought, Which developer would have such a great heart? These capitalists are basically all ruthless, stingy men.

"Is this place going to be demolished?" inquired Zoe.

"I haven't heard them mention anything about that. They just stated that there would be more flowers and trees planted around this area."

"How are we going to continue with our business if that's the case?"

Before the completion of the planting process, their customers would arrive to see messy soil all over the place. It would be worse if it rained as the whole area would be filled with muddy water.

After Zoe considered the situation carefully, she realized that this would not be ideal. She was about to roll up her sleeves and pop over in a huff to confront the other party when a man dressed in a suit came in from the front door.

The man spoke up, "I'm the person in charge of Project Hail Green in this area and my boss has specifically given me the instructions to come over and apologize to the affected businesses. We will only execute our project at night, so hopefully, we won't disrupt your working hours."

"Oh, is that so?" Zoe slowly rolled down her sleeves as she spoke.

He handed over his name card. "This is my contact details, so if you have any issues at all, feel free to contact me."

Noticing the polite attitude from the other party, she felt slightly ashamed of her abruptness from before. "Sure thing. Thank you for your hard work."

The man nodded slightly and was about to leave when Leanna suddenly walked over. "Can I ask which company you're working for?"

“Uhm...” The man recalled the instructions given by Jonathan, to which he then replied, “Our boss prefers to keep a low profile when it comes to doing good deeds. Please don’t feel burdened at all.”

Love Change Of Heart Chapter 188-Leanna was perplexed by his answer. Why would I feel burdened?

The man was afraid of saying the wrong thing if he stayed on longer, so he nodded at her and hastily left the scene.

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"Noted."

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"I'm on a date, so spill." Oscar responded.

Aidan leaned back on his chair and spoke in a calm voice, "Your way didn't work."

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On the other end, Oscar was rendered speechless as he tried hard to stifle his laughter to stop himself from bursting out laughing.

After some time, he finally regained his composure and asked while stifling his laughter, “What did you do to her?”

Aidan was reluctant to recall the details, so he questioned unamusingly, “Didn’t you say that I should convince her by my actions?”

Without much intensive thought, Oscar was sure that Aidan must have done something offensive judging by his character. After all, Leanna was triggered to the point that she bit him, so he must have behaved very terribly.

Oscar responded, "Bro, you should consider the situation before taking action. I told you that so that you could pay more attention, but I didn't make you do something at your own whim, which was offensive to her."

Aidan's brows were tightly furrowed. "How did you know that she was offended?"

"She bit you. That is obvious enough, right?"

Aidan remained silent for a moment before replying, "That is just an indication that your way doesn't work."

Suddenly, Oscar was offended too. "That is actually quite rude of you, but I don't mind summarizing the reason for your failure for you."

"Say it."

"This isn't rocket science by the way. You're just too harsh with your words. If only you could voice out less, then there might be a chance of you succeeding. You—"

Before Oscar could finish his sentence, Aidan hung up the phone on him.

Oscar clicked his tongue as he looked at his phone. I had to be cruel to be kind.

Time flew and it was already Saturday.

Leanna sat in her office and heaved a sigh as she looked at the heavy snowfall outside the window.

This was the perfect weather to just remain indoors.

She rested her eyes for a moment before lowering her head to finish up her designs. However, there was suddenly a knock on her door.

She rose to her feet to open the door and found that it was Jonathan standing outside with a slight smile on his face.

She had no words to express herself and was about to shut the door and bolt it when he hurriedly blocked the door. "Miss McKinney, I've come to discuss business."

She looked at him warily and her eyes seemed to be conveying the message, What sort of business dealings would we have with each other?

He grunted and continued, "Here's what's going on. President Pearson has a dinner appointment tonight. Could you attend the dinner as his companion—"

"No." Leanna did not even bother to consider it.

"Miss McKinney. Hey, Miss McKinney." Jonathan suddenly heaved a sigh upon noticing that she was about to shut the door on him again. He then revealed a dejected look and recited, "Actually, my mother hasn't been feeling well lately. I wanted to bring her to the hospital, but I've been too busy with work to have the time to do so. If only..."

However, Leanna had an indifferent look on her face. "This isn't going to work on me."

Upon realizing that Leanna was unaffected by the miserable act he put on, he coughed awkwardly and decided to switch tactics. "Miss McKinney, I'll be frank, then. Pearson Group has been adversely affected after breaking off the engagement with the Crossley Family. President Pearson might look like he has plenty of free time lately, but that is just his way of relieving stress."

"I didn't think that he would be under any stress."

At that point, Jonathan panicked, "Well... President Pearson didn't want you to worry, Miss McKinney, so he has always managed to put on a tough front."

"Just let him know that I don't need to know any of this. There is no way on earth that I would attend a dinner appointment with him, let alone give a damn about his misery."

After Leanna said that, she was about to shut the door when Aidan's figure suddenly appeared at her studio.

As soon as she saw that, she took a step back.

Aidan shot a calm look at her. "Leanna, if I'm not mistaken, you still owe me a meal from last week."

"You are mistaken." I didn't agree to anything!



“Fine.” He glanced at Jonathan. “Proceed to give away the remaining clothes left in Castor Villa.”

To that, Leanna was at a loss for words.

He continued, “What are you waiting for?”

Jonathan hastily took out his phone. “I’ll make the necessary arrangements right away.”

She clenched her teeth and responded, “Hold on!”

There were some boxes at home that she had yet to go through. Although the money from the clothing sales would go to charity, it was difficult for her to find the spare time to sell the old clothes all at once.

This b\*stard is mainly here to cause trouble for me!

Aidan was unperturbed as he took a seat on the couch and crossed his slender legs. “I can give you some time to consider it.”

As soon as Jonathan noticed the shift in dynamic, he slowly retreated and left the two of them to fight it out.

It was then that Leanna questioned, “President Pearson, don’t you find your ways of doing things to be shameless? You don’t seem to have any other option other than threatening me, huh?”

“Well, I don’t need to come up with varieties as long as I have the magic trick.” He maintained the same expression.

Speechless, she sat across from him and pursed her lips before saying, “Can I discuss something with you?”

“Say it.”

She spoke up gradually, “I don’t mind being your companion for this dinner appointment.”

He glanced sideways at her and waited for her to finish her sentence.

However, he knew well that it would not be anything nice coming out of her mouth next.

Love Change Of Heart Chapter 189-Leanna looked at Aidan with utmost sincerity. "After accompanying you to the dinner, could you—"

"No."

Her brows creased tightly. "But I haven't even finished my question."

Aidan coldly glanced at her. "Leanna, we are not negotiating."

"Does this mean I don't have a choice?"

He responded nonchalantly, "Did I have a choice when you had me retrieve your brother's report card, then?"

She paused for a moment before inquiring, "Can we call it even after the dinner?"

After that, he lifted his brow. "We'll see. It's not like you only owe me once."

An expressionless Leanna questioned, "Do you mean that you're not going to let me off the hook regardless?"

Noticing the coldness in her tone, he turned to look at her with displeasure. "Leanna McKinney, you're so happy when Elijah came looking for you and yet, this is how you're going to act in front of me? Why is it considered a hassle when it comes to me?"

"President Pearson, honestly speaking, do you think that you can do better than Elijah?" she added before Aidan snapped, "Will you ask for my opinion before threatening me into doing something I'm reluctant to do?"

"No." It was a downright answer without a moment of hesitation since making up excuses was the only way for him to see her as she had been avoiding him.

Meanwhile, she was rendered speechless by how shameless he was behaving.

Aidan rose to his feet. "We're running out of time. We still gotta pick out an outfit. Hurry up."

There was only Leanna in the store today. She sprang to her feet and headed to the office to grab her stuff. Taking the lock from the front desk, she told the

man indifferently, “President Pearson, could you please come out? I have to lock the door.”

“I’ll be waiting for you outside.” He was not worried about the possibility of her escaping as there was nowhere else she could run to.

While locking the door, Leanna gnawed her teeth as she tried to rein back the urge to slaughter him. Forget about torturing her at times, why would he request her to accompany him for a dinner? I’ll go! I should show my ‘appreciation’ by causing a ruckus during the dinner.

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Realizing her gaze, Aidan looked at her from the corner of his eyes. “What are you looking at?”

“You don’t have to act all nice.” She snorted before wearing the hoodie and running into the snow. Watching her course of action, he pursed his lips and followed suit.

The dinner was set at 7.00PM and the sky had darkened when they arrived at the hotel. The car halted and an employee opened the door.

Right when she was about to alight from the car, a beautifully-carved hand stretched before her, prompting her to raise her head to gaze at the tall stature and his surreal features that were enhanced by the snowflakes dancing in the air.

It was similar to the scene where Aidan offered his hand to her at the ship. The memory formed a ripple in her tranquil heart.

Leanna hesitated momentarily before shoving his hand and lifted the hem of her dress to alight from the car.

While Aidan did not utter anything, Jonathan, who was standing behind them with an umbrella, averted his gaze to act as if nothing had happened.

She felt someone wrapping his hand around her waist after taking a few steps forward, which caused her to frown. "President Pearson—"

"Even if you're forced to come here, we should act decently," interrupted Aidan.

She pursed her lips into a thin line and decided to make the final struggle by grumbling, "But I can't walk properly like this."

As he gradually released her, she did not expect it to work. When she heaved a silent sigh of relief, he slightly raised his arm at her and ordered, "Hold onto me."

In the end, she linked arms with him with pouted lips upon figuring that it was better than having him hold her waist. At the same time, Aidan's light smile went unnoticed.

Entering the private room, Leanna saw a man in his forties speaking fluent French over the phone.

He terminated the call when he noticed their appearance before stretching out his hand toward Aidan. "Nice to meet you, President Pearson."

"Mr. Morris, it's a pleasure to meet you too." Aidan shook his hand whereas Leanna was standing next to him in boredom.

However, she reckoned that it was an important collaboration judging from how the arrogant man was willing to talk with the other party.

William's gaze naturally landed upon her for a few seconds before he piped up, "And this is..."

Aidan held her waist in response and introduced, "This is my wife."

"Ex-wife," corrected Leanna.

Still, he remained unwavering. "She's joking."

She squirmed her body in denial, only to have his grip tightened around her waist. She was not sure whether it was on purpose or it was merely a warning.

William smiled. "President Pearson and Mrs. Pearson, looks like the both of you are loving."

"We have a very bad relationship. We even divorced ages ago." She did not let the chance slip in order to go against Aidan's will.

Even so, he did not get angry and smiled instead. "We had a fight lately. She's throwing a tantrum right now."

Leanna took the opportunity to pinch his back yet he did not budge in the slightest.

"Have a seat." An incisive William just brushed it off.

The private room had an aesthetic touch to its decoration as there were dark colored curtains hanging to uplift the sophisticated ambience. He grabbed the bottle of wine to fill their glasses as they kept discussing work-related matters before the dishes were served.

At first, Leanna presumed that William was a foreigner because of his eloquence in French. As such, she was later surprised by his proficiency in the local language as well as his gallant behavior.

There was one thing she could not understand, though. It was a business function and William did not even bring a plus-one with him. Thus, why did Aidan insist on bringing her along?

Before long, the door was opened by the waiter to serve the dishes.

William stopped the work discussion before smiling. "President Pearson, I didn't expect you to be this capable at such a young age. Although I've heard a lot about you, you've given me a lot of surprises today."

Aidan responded, "You're flattering me, Mr. Morris. Though not every rumor should be taken seriously. In fact, I'm definitely much better than you've heard of me."

Love Change Of Heart Chapter 190-Seated aside and listening to the words were Leanna who was having secondhand embarrassment to the point that she wished the earth would open up and swallow her whole.

This b\*stard has no shame.

However, William's smile remained unchanged. After all, someone as experienced as him in the business world would not be easily fazed by the words of a brazen man.

His eyes flickered with fleeting sadness as he looked over Leanna, who he then praised, "Mrs. Pearson is very beautiful as well."

"Well, sometimes, pretty women have bad tempers," Aidan responded.

Leanna was disconcerted by his sudden attack. Is the b\*stard implying that I have a bad temper?

She sneered silently before approaching William and conversed, "I can tell that you're from Highside judging by your accent, am I right?"

After the question was asked, he paused for a brief moment before nodding affirmatively. "Yes, but I've been abroad for a long time."

"I see. Are you back in Highside for your family or to travel, Mr. Morris?"

Avoiding her question, he simply responded, "I don't have any specific plans. It's primarily for this collaboration."

Leanna noticed that William dodged her question and she realized that it might be an uncomfortable question for him. After some thoughts, she queried again, "You've been abroad for so long. Do you still

have any relatives in Highside?"

“No,” he answered with a slight smile as he picked up the teacup.

“Then—”

A piece of cake was stuffed into Leanna’s mouth just as she was about to ask another question.

“Don’t talk while you’re eating or else you’ll bite your tongue,” Aidan warned.

By the time she swallowed the cake in her mouth, Aidan and William had already moved on to a new topic. As such, she could only remain silent as she was not able to keep up with the conversation.

Halfway through the meal, Leanna went to the restroom; to her surprise, she ran into an old friend there.

Daniel was taken aback as well when he saw her. “Is this Miss McKinney?” he asked.

“Yes, it is. I’m having a meal here,” she responded. “Are you here for that too?”

He shook his head before answering slowly, “I am invited to perform here.”

“Oh, I see. If that’s the case, I don’t want to take up any more of your time. Have a good show,” she politely stated.

To that, Daniel gave a slight nod at her.

After she left, he squinted his eyes at her back while pondering about something.

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After calming down, she felt that her actions earlier were stepping over the line. Sure, she wanted to destroy the collaboration by all means, but she could not possibly stick her nose where it did not belong. I don't want to stoop so low like that b\*stard.

She took a deep breath to cool herself down before returning to the private room.

When she entered, there was only William left in the private room and initiated the conversation. "Mrs. Pearson, President Pearson is looking for you."

"I'm sorry. I went out to take a breather."

He chuckled. "It's boring to hear us talk about business, right?"

"No. I just..." Leanna pursed her lips before continuing, "Mr. Morris, I'm sorry about what happened earlier."

"Huh? What do you mean?" He refilled his cup with tea.

"I shouldn't have asked about your private matters. I sincerely apologize about that."

“It’s fine. Actually, I noticed that President Pearson and you seem to have some internal conflict. I guess that’s why you asked me that, right?”

Leanna went along with his words and nodded.

“The reason why I was reluctant to answer your question is because I didn’t want to bring up the past. Rest assured that it has nothing to do with you personally though, so you don’t need to feel bad about that, Mrs. Pearson,” William explained.

After a brief moment of silence, she asked, “Mr. Morris, may I make a request?”

“I don’t see any harm in that.”

“Could you... Could you not refer to me as Mrs. Pearson? My last name is McKinney and my name is Leanna. I divorced Aidan six months ago,” she uttered quietly.

The bewildered William paused for a moment before responding, “I’m sorry, I didn’t know about that.”

“Oh no, it’s alright. I didn’t mean anything else other than the fact that being called Mrs. Pearson was personally a little too...”

“I get it, Miss McKinney.”

“Thank you,” Leanna replied with a grin.

William was dazed for a moment after seeing her smile. He lowered his gaze and sipped his tea before asking, “Miss McKinney, you mentioned your name’s Leanna?”

She gave him a small nod.

“Leanna. What a lovely name.” He smiled.

“Are you the only child?” he asked again after a brief pause.

“I have a younger brother.”

“Your parents should be very happy with both of you.” He slowly nodded.

After hearing this, she gave a polite smile without any reply.

Noticing her silence, William asked, “Miss McKinney, did I say something wrong?”

“No, you didn’t. It’s just that my parents are no longer in this world and few people will mention them.” Leanna smiled bitterly while shaking her head.

“It’s my turn to apologize this time.”

“I guess we’re considered even now?” she asked tentatively.

Surprised by her statement, William was stunned for a moment before reacting with a wide smile. “Yes. We’re even.”

With that, they fell into silence until Aidan returned.

Aidan sat beside Leanna and gave her a side-eye while licking his thin lips as if he was flaunting his displeasure at her long disappearance.

However, she pretended not to see him and lowered her head to eat her food on the plate.

After the meal, they exited the private room and were ready to leave.

At that moment, Leanna was surprised to bump into Georgina right there. The man who stood beside Georgina was none other than Daniel whom she just met.

Leanna subconsciously distanced herself from Aidan after realizing that she was being watched by Georgina. She could not explain her sudden sense of guilt.

Georgina quickly regained her smile before gushing, “Hey, Aidan and Miss McKinney! What a coincidence to see you here!”

Not making a big deal out of it, Aidan hummed lightly in response.

Both parties appeared to be in an awkward situation for quite a while.

“Wait, do you guys know each other?” Daniel asked Leanna and Georgina.

Surprised by his revelation, Georgina then questioned, “You know her too?”

“We’re neighbors.”

“What a strange coincidence,” Georgina uttered before returning her gaze to Leanna and smiled. “No wonder you couldn’t make it today, Miss McKinney. It turns out that you have an appointment with Aidan. If I had known, I wouldn’t have disrupted your little date by sending the invitation to you.”

At this point, Leanna had never been more befuddled. She was forced to swallow her inequity and endure everything in silence.

“I told you to stay away from her,” Aidan snapped while raising his head to look at Georgina.

In response, Georgina chuckled before rebuking, “I simply want to make friends with Miss McKinney here. Do I need your permission to do so? Don’t forget that we were once engaged, Aidan, but you broke it off right there and then. So, tell me, who are you now to interfere in my personal affairs?”