

## Read Novel Love Change Of Heart Chapter 241-250

Love Change Of Heart Chapter 241-Leanna put the baby down in the crib before asking him to leave. "You should leave, President Pearson. I'm going to sleep."

Aidan gazed at her as he slowly drawled out the words, "You can only call it resting if it's one person. It's called sleeping only when there are two people. Since you put it that way, does that mean you want me to sleep with you?"

What the f\*ck is he talking about? she thought to herself.

Just as she was about to kick him out, her phone that was in the bag rang.

Afraid that it would wake the baby up, she rushed to pick it up.

She took a look at the caller ID. Then, she glanced at the man sitting on the couch before walking into the bathroom.

She picked up the call as soon as she was in the bathroom, but right before the bathroom door shut, she called out Elijah's name and it didn't go unnoticed by Aidan.

He put down the book in his hands as his lips pressed into a thin line.

In the bathroom, Leanna went over to the window and pushed it open after she had shut the door while asking, "What's up?"

Elijah's voice came from the other end of the line. "I heard Zoe say you've gone to Weavside. How is it?"

She smiled gently. "It's pretty nice. The pace here is slower than at Highside. So, it's relaxing."

"That sounds nice. It makes me want to visit that place too." He paused for a while before revealing his intention with the call. "Leanna, how... long more before your return trip?"

"Probably two or three days' time."

He continued to ask, "They're setting up a class reunion this weekend. Would you go?"

Leanna answered, "I'll see when the time comes, but didn't we just have a reunion some time ago? Why another reunion so soon?"

"It was only a few of us the last time. This time it's for the whole class. If you're not going, I'm not going as well."

Hearing his stance, Leanna felt pressured and thought about it before answering, "I'll ask Zoe first and see what she says."

She was never one for crowds. Moreover, she wasn't close with many of her classmates and lost contact with them after graduation.

This type of huge reunion was a first for her in a long time.

So, she wanted to ask Zoe to see whether there was a reason for her to attend. If it was just a simple reunion, she probably would not attend.

"Okay," Elijah answered. "I'll pick you up at the airport when you come back, Leanna."

"It's okay. I—" A knocking sound interrupted her.

Before she could respond, Aidan's voice came through the door. "Are you done showering? I've been waiting for half an hour."

Leanna was speechless. That b\*stard definitely did this on purpose!

For a brief moment, Elijah went silent on the other end of the phone before speaking, "Go do your thing, Leanna. Let me know when you've decided."

After hanging up the phone, she pulled the door open and glared at Aidan. She was about to lash out at him, but she suddenly remembered that the baby was in the room.

Gritting her teeth, she suppressed her anger.

On the other hand, Aidan casually leaned on the door frame with his hands crossed in front of his chest. "You took a long time in there. I needed to use the bathroom."

Leanna gritted the words through her teeth. "Don't you have your own room, President Pearson?"

“The heater in my room isn’t working,” he said as he pulled her out of the bathroom. “Get me a change of clothes, will you? Though, it’s okay if you don’t want to. I don’t mind—”

Without waiting to hear his nonsense, Leanna pushed him into the bathroom and slammed the door shut.

She took a few deep breaths to calm herself down.

Who could she blame as things had turned out this way? It all started three years ago when she grabbed his sleeve at Patheon Club.

So, in other words, the fault was on her. You reap what you sow, Leanna, she thought to herself bitterly.

She went to Aidan’s room and could not find his luggage. Then, she opened the wardrobe to see it filled with his clothes. It seemed like he would sometimes stay there for a long time.

Suddenly, she frowned when a thought crossed her mind. Could it be that he came back to stay after he had left with me the last time?

After some thought, Leanna felt that it made sense since Naomi—Aidan’s mother—was here, so it was natural that he would come here frequently.

She picked a set of home clothes for Aidan and was about to leave the room, but right before she did so, she turned around with a straight face and looked at the wardrobe as anger burned in her. He’s such an insufferable man!

After returning to her room, she placed the clothes on the chair outside the bathroom and knocked on the door. She said impatiently, “Your clothes are outside, President Pearson.”

The sound of the shower stopped before Aidan asked slowly, “You’ve got everything?”

Leanna clenched her teeth before uttering the words one by one, “Yes. Everything!”

If it weren’t because she was afraid of him teasing her, she would have just ignored him.

Annoying b\*stard!

She didn't want to entertain him anymore, so she walked to the bed and took off her winter jacket before wrapping herself tightly with the blanket.

Soon, the bathroom door opened, and it was closed again in less than a few seconds.

Even with a thick layer of blanket covering her, Leanna could still hear the sounds of him putting on his clothes.

Two minutes later, the bathroom door opened again, and Aidan walked out while drying his hair with a towel. His eyes glinted when he saw the bulge on the bed.

Suddenly, Leanna's voice came from within the blanket. "Since you're done showering, President Pearson, please return to your room. I want to sle—rest now!"

Aidan then said, "You don't want to shower? Go take a shower. I'll look after him for you."

She hesitated before answering, "I'm not showering!"

"You've been out the whole day. Don't you feel dirty?"

"And yet, being dirty didn't stop you from taking advantage of me, though."

Aidan threatened her, "If you're still not going to shower, I'll take advantage of you right now."

That made Leanna jump up from the bed. She wanted to strangle him.

He sat on the couch and calmly assured her, "I'll leave after you're out of the shower."

"Really? I don't believe you, though."

He looked at her and chuckled. "If I really wanted to do something, did I need to wait until now?"

"Don't you feel ashamed for the things you just said?"

The b\*stard said it like he's innocent.

He crossed his long, slender legs. "It's up to you to believe it or not."

After that, he merely sat there and it didn't seem like he was going to leave anytime soon.

Leanna looked at her baby in deep slumber beside her and made up her mind. I will not shower in front of him! She then fell back into the bed and wrapped herself in the blanket again.

Aidan was speechless at her defiance.

Just as he was about to say something, she warned him, "There's always a line you should not cross, President Pearson."

Even though she had been enduring him today, it didn't mean that he could push his luck.

He raised his hand and pinched the bridge of his nose. "Am I so unworthy of your trust?"

"This isn't about trust!"

"Then, what is it?"

She didn't answer him.

## **Read Novel Love Change Of Heart Chapter 242**

Love Change Of Heart Chapter 242-When the sound of the door closing reached her ears, Leanna stayed under the cover for a few more minutes. It was after making sure Aidan was truly gone that she finally poked her head out of the blanket and took a deep breath.

She flipped the blanket away and got down from the bed to check on the baby in the crib. The baby was in deep slumber, and he didn't show any sign of waking up soon.

Then, she carefully unzipped her luggage and took out her pajamas before tip-toeing to the bathroom.

She dared not use the hair dryer as she was afraid of waking the baby. So, she didn't wash her hair and just tied them up.

After showering, she walked out of the bathroom to find the baby smacking his lips and waving around his hands while his eyes were still tightly shut.

Leanna quickly strode over. As she reached out her hands, the baby caught her fingers immediately.

The corners of her lips curved up before she sat on the bed and leaned on the crib as she stared quietly at him with tender eyes. Soon after, she fell asleep.

It was until midnight that she had woken up by the cries coming from the crib. It was the baby.

She quickly switched on the lights and sat up. Figuring that the baby was hungry, she flipped the blanket away, got down from the bed, and got the thermos to make some formula.

After drinking his milk, the baby was energized and looked around curiously with his big round eyes.

At that moment, the room door suddenly opened.

Then, a man's calm voice came from outside. "What are you doing not sleeping in the middle of the night?"

Leanna turned her head with the baby in her arms. "I wasn't loud, though. Did I wake you up?"

Aidan looked down to see the wide-awake little punk as he licked his lips subtly. Then, he strode over with his long legs and whispered, "Give him to me."

She looked at him with questioning eyes.

And he repeated, "Give him to me. Go to sleep."

She didn't expect him to say that and was stunned for a few seconds before answering him, "It's okay. I can handle this myself. You should sleep, President Pearson."

"You're being courteous with me now?"

Leanna didn't know how to respond to that.

Aidan didn't wait for her rejection and reached out to carry the baby in her arms.

She dared not to struggle with him as she was afraid of hurting the baby. So, he successfully took the baby in his arms.

He turned around and sat down on the couch. Without lifting his head, he ordered Leanna, "Go back to sleep."

She opened her mouth but didn't know what to say.

Aidan was doing something that did not match his image, but the scene before her was surprisingly harmonious.

However, it was apparent that the baby didn't want Aidan to carry him as he pursed his lips, looking like he was about to cry. Aidan warned him in a deep voice, "Shut up."

Aggrieved, the little guy sniffled and clenched his fist.

Leanna could not bear to see that. "Just give him to me, President Pearson. He's not comfortable with you holding him."

He commented, "You're just spoiling him."

She pursed her lips and thought to herself, It's obvious that he's scaring the baby, yet he turns around and says I'm the one spoiling him.

However, though the baby fidgeted in Aidan's arms, he slowly closed his eyes and fell asleep in a few minutes. That's unexpected, Leanna remarked in her mind.

Aidan placed the baby back in the crib before saying softly, "He'll only wake up once in the middle of the night. You can go back to sleep now."

Leanna looked at him with her head tilted and questioned, "How did you know about that?"

He paused for a brief moment before he raised his head to meet her eyes. "You just need to ask, then you'll find the answer."

"Oh."

She didn't expect him to be so attentive as to ask Wendy about the baby's sleeping habits.

Aidan stood there for a few minutes before telling her, "I'm leaving."

Leanna looked at him with a puzzled look.

If he wants to leave, then leave. Does he think that I would ask him to stay?

Seeing that he was not moving, she responded uncertainly, "Then... Good night, President Pearson?"

He smirked faintly. "Good night."

With that, he left the room.

Looking at his receding back, Leanna found it comical.

He's so childish.

Later that night, the baby didn't wake up, just like Aidan said.

However, she tossed and turned as she lay on the bed. She couldn't seem to fall asleep as there were so many things on her mind.

And it took her staring at the crib beside her in the twilight for a long time before she could finally fall asleep.

When she woke up, the sun was already high in the sky.

She sat up hastily and saw that it was 11.00AM.

She massaged her head and turned toward the crib, only to find it was empty.

She changed and went downstairs to see the baby in a rocker on the patio. He was playing with his toys happily while Aidan was seated at the table working.

Leanna then asked, "Where's Ms. Fletcher?"

Aidan answered without lifting his head, "She's gone to the hospital with Ms. Shaffer."



Then, she sat on the chair and looked at a pot not far away in a daze. It was clear that she had not fully woken up yet.

“What do you want to eat? I’ll ask Jonathan to send it over.”

After a few seconds, Leanna came back to her senses. “It’s alright. We should still have some groceries in the fridge. I’ll cook.”

At that moment, there was a knock on the door, and she went to answer it. It was a young man standing outside. “Does Mr. Pearson stay here?”

She turned her head and looked before nodding slightly. “Yes.”

He then took out a gift box. “I’m an employee of the love lock bridge, and here is the present we said that’s for you both.”

Leanna accepted the gift. “Thank you.”

“You’re welcome. I’ll be taking my leave, then.”

She closed the door after the young man left and turned around to place the box in front of Aidan before walking straight to the kitchen.

The kitchen was filled with groceries Naomi bought from the market yesterday. Leanna first steamed some corn on the stove and thought of making some spicy ribs, but then remembered that Aidan could not eat spicy food. So, she dropped the thought.

As she was cooking, she felt something was off. Why do I have to accommodate him?

Then, she went to grab the ribs and only to put them down once again.

Oh, whatever. It would be a waste if I couldn’t finish it later anyway.

With her hands on the sink, she felt like she was out of her mind.

At last, she made two dishes and one soup, and they were all lightly spiced.

When she exited the kitchen, Aidan had already closed his laptop and opened the gift box on the table. Inside were the photos they took in front of the love lock bridge last night.

They even used a special frame for the photos. On the left side of the frame was written 'May you have a long happy marriage' while 'May you be blessed with happy children' was written on the right with a line of hearts at the top and a mini love lock bridge cartoon at the bottom.

It was so cliché that it was a trend in itself.

Looking at the frame and photos, she had an impulse to return to Highside immediately.

Love Change Of Heart Chapter 243-Two days went by in the blink of an eye and it was time to leave. Leanna stared tenderly at the baby in the crib smiling happily at her, but she did not want to leave.

Aidan walked to her side and comforted her, "I told you we could secretly take him away if you really don't want to leave him."

Her eyes twitched. "Shut up."

Then, she took a deep breath before looking at Naomi. "Ms. Fletcher, I'm leaving now. I'll come to visit when I have the time."

Naomi nodded. "Have a safe journey."

After exiting the patio, Leanna just so happened to see Wendy talking to the neighbor that had not moved out at the gate. She went over and asked with concern, "Ms. Shaffer, is your cold better?"

Hearing that, Wendy coughed and answered her, "Yea, it's better. Um. Thank you for helping me these last two days, Leanna."

Leanna shook her head with a smile. "No problems, Ms. Shaffer. It's my pleasure."

She was filled with happiness these two days.

Wendy looked at the luggage in her hands and asked, "Are you guys leaving now? Why don't you stay for two more days?"

"We can't. I've got work to handle. I'll come next time."

"Sure. Of course. I won't hold you up then. Have a safe journey."

Leanna nodded at her and left as she pulled the luggage behind her. However, she took two steps and heard the neighbor beside Wendy whispering, “Is Leanna going to leave just like that? She’s just going to dump the child here and not care anymore?”

Leanna paused in her tracks and heard Wendy’s constant coughing before she could turn around.

Wendy raised her voice and explained, “Oh my. This cold is so annoying. If it wasn’t for Naomi and Leanna helping to care for my grandson, I wouldn’t know what to do.”

Then, nothing was heard anymore.

So, Leanna thought that she must have heard it wrongly.

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After returning to Highside, Leanna collected her luggage and walked out straight.

Aidan glanced to the side and Jonathan got his signal before walking briskly toward her. “Ma—Miss McKinney, let me send you home.”

“Thanks, but no thanks. My friend is here to pick me up.” Aidan’s face instantly went cold at her words.

Jonathan tried to salvage the situation. “Miss McKinney, why don’t you ask your friend to stay home? Air pollution is a huge thing now. It’s everyone’s job to protect the environment.”

She was speechless and turned her head to look at him. “Have you ever considered changing your job, Mr. Stoll?”

“Um... not at the moment.”

Then, Leanna suggested earnestly to him, “I’ll advise you to change as soon as you can. If not, with the stress at such a young age, all your hair is going to fall off.”

Jonathan was stunned and could not reply.

She said what she wanted as she turned around and left quickly.

Jonathan gave a fake cough and returned to Aidan's side. "President Pearson, I..."

He tried his best.

Aidan looked at Leanna's leaving back and licked his lips. "Fine."

It was his first time experiencing her smart mouth.

The sky was dark when she exited the terminal and Zoe's car appeared before her within two minutes.

After she placed the luggage at the back, she opened the passenger seat and got on. "Did you wait for long?"

Zoe replied, "Nope. I just got here a couple of minutes ago. So, how was the trip? Did that b\*stard make it hard for you?"

Leanna shook her head. "No."

Except for the fact that he forced her to go to the love lock bridge and some other random things, he was normal the next two days and stayed at home with her taking care of the baby.

Zoe mumbled and she drove, "I never thought that there'll be times he's normal. At least he's not being secretive anymore."

Leanna could not catch her words. "Who's being secretive?"

Realizing that she said that out loud, Zoe gave a dry laugh and changed the topic, "No... I was just saying. Oh right, what did you do there? Was it fun?"

Now, it was Leanna's turn to be silent.

After a while, she replied, "I didn't do anything. I was just taking care of a baby."

Zoe's eyes widened in disbelief. "Taking care of a baby? What baby?"

Then, Leanna let out a long breath. "There was a lady neighbor whose son just had a second child, but did not have time to care for the child. So, he asked her to help. When I arrived, Ms. Shaffer got sick and was afraid of

infecting the child, So, she asked Ms. Fletcher to help take care of the baby. I helped out since I was there as well.”

Zoe took her time taking in the information. This excuse was a little absurd.

Then, she asked, “Nana, how old was the child?”

“I didn’t ask, but he looked really small. So, he’s probably just a month old.”

That made Zoe even more confused. “Wait, no. A one-month-old baby and his parents just dumped him at his grandma’s place? Wouldn’t they usually wait until the baby is weaned? Besides, wouldn’t they ask the grandma to go to their place and not leave the child there without them?”

Hearing that, Leanna was stunned. If Zoe didn’t bring this up, she never thought of this problem.

The baby had been by Naomi’s side these two days and Wendy would come over once in a while. However, she felt that Wendy wasn’t as close to the baby and Naomi seemed more comfortable taking care of the baby.

Even though Wendy was sick, it still didn’t make sense.

This problem was bugging Leanna until she arrived home and arranged her clothes in the wardrobe. Suddenly, she saw a baby’s shirt in the corner and a crazy thought flashed across her mind.

The baby without a name, the pile of baby products in Naomi’s house, and Aidan asking her twice if she wanted to sneak the baby away.

Based on Aidan’s personality, he didn’t like children. However, he was patient this time and spent two days with her taking care of the baby without any complaints.

Moreover, he was familiar when he held the baby too.

Besides that, there were those clothes in the wardrobe and the words the neighbor and Wendy said when she left.

Everything was strange and she could not help but suspect.

She grabbed a jacket and turned around to the door.

Zoe was brushing her teeth when she heard the sound and came out from the bathroom to see Leanna putting on her shoes and asked, "Nana, where are you going so late at night?"

She rushed out, "I need to go Weavside."

"Didn't you just come back? Did you forget something?"

"No. I need to confirm one thing."

It was the first time Zoe saw Leanna with such a worried and urgent look in her eyes. She took out her toothbrush and ran into the bathroom. "It's hard to get a cab so late. Wait for me. I'll go with you."

Love Change Of Heart Chapter 244-In the car, Leanna booked the earliest ticket to Weavside available.

Even so, it was 6.00AM the next day when they got off the airplane.

Standing in front of Naomi's house, Leanna had never felt her heart pounding that fast.

She took a deep breath and calmed herself down before knocking on the door.

It so happened that Naomi just got up and opened the door to see her standing outside and exclaimed in surprise, "Leanna, why are you—"

Leanna pursed her lips. "Miss Fletcher, I want to see the child again."

Naomi was taken aback and couldn't form the words for a moment.

Without waiting for an answer, Leanna strode into the house and Zoe trailed behind her.

However, the little guy seemed to have disappeared. There was nothing left in the house.

Just as Leanna was standing there zoning out, Naomi walked over and muttered, "As you know Ms. Shaffer was sick, so her daughter-in-law came over last night and took the baby home."

Leanna opened her lip but didn't know what to say as tears brimmed her eyes.

Naomi sighed as she knew what she was thinking, but could not tell her the truth and patted her on the shoulder. "You can still have a baby in the future, Leanna"

She bit down on her lips to stop the tears from flowing and mumbled, "I thought... I was also sure that..."

In the end, she overthought it.

Naomi offered her some solace. "If you want to see the child, I can help you ask for an address from Ms. Shaffer."

She shook her head. "There's no need for that."

"Leanna."

"Sorry, Ms. Fletcher. I got to go," said Leanna resolutely before turning around and walking out with such sadness as her shoulders slumped.

Zoe smiled awkwardly at Naomi and gave her a quick nod before following Leanna.

The sun was just rising and the yellow lights shone from the street lights by the small river in the chilly dawn.

Leanna's head hung low as she strolled.

Zoe caught up to her and scratched her head. "I'm sorry, Nana. If it wasn't for my big mouth, you wouldn't have mistaken and—"

Leanna lightly shook her head. "It's not you. It's me. I was too sensitive."

It might be because she had spent a lot of time with the little guy these past two days. That's why she had unrealistic expectations.

Thinking back, it was natural that her child would not have lived in that horrendous accident.

She took a deep breath and told Zoe, "Let's go back, Zoe."

Naomi waited until Leanna left before calling Aidan. "Leanna's left, Aidan."

“Got it.” He paused before continuing, “I’ll send someone to help you leave in the afternoon. You can’t stay there anymore since she’s started to suspect.”

Naomi sighed. “You... If Leanna knows the truth, she will hate you.”

“It’s not the only thing she hates me for.”

Leanna wouldn’t just hate him. She would probably kill him.

After hanging up, Aidan kept his phone away and grabbed a jacket before leaving.

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After the hectic traveling, Leanna and Zoe didn’t get to sleep at all. When they returned to Highside, Zoe yawned. “Nana, let’s head back to sleep. We have pillows in the studio.”

Leanna collected her thoughts. “You go ahead. I’m not tired. I’ve got lots of work to catch up on.”

Zoe knew nothing could convince Leanna’s stubborn mind. Besides, Leanna must be going through a lot now, so she wouldn’t be able to sleep anyway.

She yawned again. “Alright. Then, you head to the studio first. Don’t mind me. I’ll get a cab later.”

Leanna nodded. “Alright. I’ll leave first.”

It was 3.00PM when she got to the studio.

Louis asked, “Where have you been? I’ve been looking for you the whole day. Zoe’s gone missing as well.”

She answered, “She was with me. We were settling some stuff.”

He wanted to say something, but she cut him off, “I’ll be drawing some drafts in the office. Call me if you’ve got any issues.”

After entering her office, she sat down, but could not focus and just stared out the window.



After some time, she took out her phone and scrolled to the pictures she took of the little guy two days ago.

He was so cute in each picture.

Then, she flopped onto the table sullenly.

It was nighttime when Louis came to get her, only to realize that she had fallen asleep on the table.

He pursed his lips and closed the doors.

Just as he turned around, Daphne asked, "Where's Leanna? Still working?"

"She's asleep."

"Asleep?" She was confused. "Wake her up and ask her to head home and sleep. What if she catches a cold?"

She was about to walk forward when Louis stopped her with a hand on her arm. "Let her rest. The heater's on. She won't catch a cold."

"Alright." Daphne could only give up.

After completing a magazine shoot this afternoon, she received a task from the evil capitalist that was her boss.

It seemed like Aidan had angered Leanna again.

There were only two of them in the studio, so it turned awkward after they fell silent.

Before Daphne could think of something to say, Louis offered, "Would you like some water?"

She stuttered, "O-Okay."

As he went to get some water, she took out her phone and sent a quick text to Aidan.

Two minutes later, he placed the glass before her. "Thank you for the previous time."

She quickly put her phone down and took a couple of seconds to respond. "Huh? It's nothing. It's a coincidence that I was there. I wouldn't be able to help if I wasn't."

She said as she picked up the glass, "You're Leanna's brother and she's my friend. So, you don't need to be so courteous with me."

Louis was at a loss for what to say.

At that moment, Daphne's phone vibrated. She took a look at it as she drank from the glass and pondered before asking, "Have... you eaten? Why don't we go out and grab something? We can get something for Leanna on our way back too."

He glanced at her phone discreetly and decided to not say anything. "Sure."

She placed the glass down and got up. "That's great! Let's go."

Pursing his lips, he could not help but ask, "I heard that you've gotten a best actress award?"

There was silence.

Was he saying that her acting was dramatic?

She cleared her throat and avoided his question as she casually thanked him, "Oh, that's nothing. I was just lucky."

Louis didn't say anything and strode out.

Seeing that, Daphne followed him hurriedly.

She really was the most professional actor in Pearson Group. After completing her magazine shots during the day, she even came here during the non-working hours to help Aidan with this drama.

It would not make sense if he didn't give her a long holiday after this.

Love Change Of Heart Chapter 245-Leanna didn't know when she fell asleep. When she woke up, she realized the sky was pitch black.

She sat up and wanted to move her tight neck to hear the sounds of it popping. Crack. Crack

She massaged her neck as she opened her office door and went out. “Louis, help me get the first aid kit out. There’s some ointment inside. I think I sprained my—”

Before she finished her sentence, she saw the man sitting on the couch.

Suddenly, not only did her neck hurt, her head started to ache.

Aidan slowly looked up at her. “You’re awake?”

She asked him, “Why are you here, President Pearson?”

He looked at the gift on the table. “I saw that you liked the pictures from last time. So, I got it photocopied. I’ll let you have the original pictures.”

“Thanks, but no thanks.”

Where did he see that she liked it?

Aidan got up and strolled over to her with his long legs. “I remembered someone once told me that if a woman said she didn’t want something, it means that she wanted it and that I should look for the person who said those words.”

Leanna snickered, “Could it be Mia or Georgina? I didn’t say that.”

He stopped in his tracks and looked at her gloomily.

She didn’t want to entertain him and went to look for the ointment in the utility room.

However, she didn’t expect the first aid kit to be placed on the highest rack. Now that she sprained her neck, she couldn’t reach it even when she tried to tip-toe.

She was about to grab a chair when a man’s long arm was propped on the rack beside her while another hand passed her head to easily retrieve the first aid kit.

Leanna turned around and backed into the rack.

B\*stard, why you gotta get so close to grab it?

Aidan returned her stance with a raised eyebrow. "What are you scared of?"

"W-Who's scared?" Leanna stuttered, but did not want to argue with him further. She snatched the first aid kit from his hands and returned to her office to lock the door in an attempt to prevent him from going near her.

She took off the jacket and tilted her head before spraying some ointment with one hand pulling down her collar. When she wanted to reach up and massage the area, she realized that she would tug on the muscle when she moved her shoulders because of her sprained neck. So, massaging it didn't relieve the pain and made it worse.

When she started to get frustrated, she heard something on the door. Knock. Knock. Then, Aidan's voice came through the door. "Do you need help?"

"No!"

"If so, I'm leaving."

Will you leave already? Ugh.

After sulking alone for some time, Leanna placed the ointment back into her jacket with the thought of going to the hospital to check her neck.

However, she saw Aidan, who said he was going to leave, leaning against the wall and looking at her when she opened the door.

She snapped at him. "Didn't you say you were leaving, President Pearson?"

He replied without missing a beat, "Didn't you ask me to stay?"

"When did I..." Leanna realized what he was hinting at. "So, you heard my inner thoughts again?"

"Yeah."

Aidan grabbed her wrist and led her into the office before he mentioned for her to sit. He took out the ointment and sat at the edge of the table. "What else can you do besides scolding me? You can't even handle a small thing like this."

She replied, "I'm the type that discovers my potential depending on the people I meet."

Scoffing, he tugged at the collar of her sweater, but she instinctively backed up.

He grabbed onto the chair's handle and easily pulled her in. "Don't be so dramatic. Keep your energy for other things."

He remarked as he pulled on her collar again and sprayed the ointment on her neck after that.

The sudden cold made Leanna furrow her brow. When she wanted to say something, Aidan had reached out his palm and gently rubbed her neck, leaving no questions to be asked.

After a while, he asked, "You went back today?"

Even though he didn't specify where it was, it was obvious what he was talking about.

Leanna pursed her lips, but didn't answer.

Then, Aidan continued softly, "I asked you before. If you really like the baby, we can secretly take it away. But it's not possible now."

She didn't answer him.

"Well, there's one thing that we could do. I can work a little harder and give you another baby."

Leanna gritted her teeth. "Can you shut up?"

Aidan's hands stopped moving as his palm rested on her neck and he leaned in with his dark eyes. "I'm serious. Why don't you consider it?"

"Haven't you said that you're not thinking of having a child for at least two years, President Pearson?" she snickered. "You just want to sleep with me. You don't need to look for these high-sounding excuses."

He licked his lips and backed up before spraying on more ointment and continuing to massage her neck. "You're not letting me sleep with you anyways. There's no use for me to look for excuses."

Then, Leanna thought to herself. This b\*stard finally admitted his dirty mind.

He told her in a low voice, "I just dealt with Anna. Now, the Pearson Family and the Zielinski Family are looking for my weakness. Give me some time. I will give you a child."

After the talk about sleeping, Leanna just felt that he was saying anything to get to his aim.

It was just like what he told her before. He had said that he could give her a child two years later.

She impatiently slapped his hand away. "Even if I wanted a child, I don't need your charity."

As if he was the only man in the world.

As expected, his face hardened immediately. "Then, who are you going to have a baby with? Elijah?"

However, she was adamant about irking him. "As long as I don't need to wait for two years, anyone will do."

Aidan narrowed his dark eyes as his hand on her neck unexpectedly moved down.

However, Leanna was quick to react as well as she backed up and hugged her chest before she yelled at him, "You're a beast!"

Aidan snickered, "If I'm a beast, do you think you could still sit there and yell at me? You'll be on your back crying now."

She felt that she would die from irritation if she said one more word to him.

Then, she picked up the jacket he threw to the side and stormed out, but took a deep breath after two steps. "Are you leaving? I'm going to lock up."

He slowly stood up, placed the ointment in his hands down and strolled out of the office.

Looking down at his wristwatch, he told her, "I'm hungry. Let's go eat."

"I'm not hungry. You may help yourself, President Pearson."

However, her stomach grumbled as soon as she finished her sentence.

Then, she finally realized that she had not eaten anything since last night.

Love Change Of Heart Chapter 246-Back at the Pearson Family Estate, a subordinate was reporting, “We have been searching for two days and hired a professional rescue team to search that sea area, but still no signs of Miss Anna. It’s possible that—”

Without waiting for him to finish, Gordon scrunched his brows and waved his hand in dismissal.

Anna’s mother was sobbing her heart away on the couch. “It must be that b\*stard. It must be him! What had Anna done to deserve this? She’s so young and still hasn’t explored the world, but she hasn’t been found yet. I only have one daughter. How can I live on?”

Gordon sat on the couch and furrowed his brow and scolded in a deep voice, “I’ve told you to not provoke him, but you didn’t listen. Look at what happened now. If Anna had stayed at home and remained in Highside, he would not be able to do anything with my eyes on her. But you just had to send her away and serve him the opportunity on a silver platter.”

“I don’t care! I want that b\*stard dead! Even if I have to risk all I have, I would not let him off the hook.”

However, Justin just quietly questioned, “So, only Anna’s life is valuable? What about Aidan’s two children who didn’t live to even see the world?”

Anna’s mother rebuked him, “What are you saying, Justin? Anna is your sister! Are you still taking that b\*stard’s side now?”

“I’ve warned Anna many times before this. You can’t blame anyone that she turned out this way.”

Anna’s mother shot up. The pain of losing her only daughter had made her lose all reason as she sneered at him, “Since you put it that way, you could only blame your luck and not anyone for becoming a cripple!”

Sienna coldly interrupted them, “Are you done?”

“Do you hear what your son is saying? Let me tell you now. My daughter is gone and I don’t care about anything else. Everyone’s going down with me! Bringing the Pearson Family down with me seems like a good idea.”

On the side, Anna's father who had kept quiet all this while pulled on her arm. "That's enough. Shouldn't we focus on searching for Anna now?"

However, she slapped away his hand. "What's there to search for? Are you blind or deaf? Your daughter is dead. It was that b\*stard that caused her death!"

Sienna said impatiently, "So what if he was the cause? Do you have evidence? You should think about avenging Anna instead of making a scene here."

Anna's mother snickered, "Now, I know Anna's life means nothing to you lot. All of you have only been using her. I will avenge her myself!"

She grabbed her bag and left without a second look.

Anna's father could only nod at Gordon, but didn't know what to say and left after her.

After they left, the big house fell eerily silent.

Gordon held onto his cane as he was deep in thought.

He honestly didn't think that Aidan would go to this extent to harm Anna. When Anna left this time, it was done secretly with only he and Lloyd knowing about it. They even took the long route through Weavside to avoid Aidan's men, but he still found them out.

It seemed like it was becoming harder to go against Aidan.

At that moment, a man walked in and whispered into Sienna's ear.

She asked, "Are you sure?"

The man answered, "Yes. Even though she had left the place when our men got there, it's her."

"Order the rest to ask the surrounding people. Check if there are other leads."

The man nodded and left as Gordon frowned and asked, "What is it?"

Sienna coldly replied, "We found Naomi."



He was not happy with her. "Why are you looking for her?"

"I have my plans. It doesn't concern you."

Since Aidan was arrogant and so full of himself, she would like to see what he could do if Naomi died before his eyes.

Even though Gordon was annoyed by her curt reply, he could they were in the same boat. Even if the Zielinski Family had gone down, they still were powerful.

Besides, he had placed all his eggs in one basket on the marriage between Justin and Georgina.

After a while, he instructed, "I don't care about that. Justin, the engagement party has been arranged for the 15th of next month."

Without waiting for a reply, he continued, "You are the eldest son of the Pearson Family. It's time for you to bear your responsibilities. You know that this marriage alliance isn't just about you. It concerns the future of the Pearson Family."

Justin helplessly replied after a few seconds, "Aidan is of the Pearson blood. He's not our enemy."

Gordon slammed his cane onto the floor. "It is precisely because he is of Pearson blood that he is the biggest threat to us! He has become uncontrollable for a long time. There's nothing he can't do. If he can harm Anna now, who do you think is next?"

Justin closed his eyes as he refused to answer.

Gordon stood up. "This is final. We need the Crossleys' powers to take back the Pearson Group. If not, Anna would only be the start."

After he left, Sienna commented, "I'm okay with you marrying Gina since you both grew up together."

However, Justin scoffed. "You really think that she would willingly marry a cripple like me?"

Her face changed as she got worked up. "Since the marriage has been agreed upon, it can only mean that she was willing. You are not any lesser compared to that b\*stard. Why would she say no?"

"You don't need to comfort me. I know my situation."

With that, he rolled his wheelchair and left.

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Leanna was playing with her phone with her head down in the restaurant. She did not want to see the man sitting opposite her at all.

On the other hand, Aidan lightly tapped his fingers against the glass as he stared at her. It was unclear what he was thinking.

After a while, she could not continue to feign ignorance and put her phone down. "Do you have anything you want to say to me, President Pearson?"

He raised his glass and took a sip before replying, "I've got lots to say, but you might not want to hear it."

That sentence felt oddly familiar to Leanna.

"Then, fine. I don't want to hear it anyways."

However, he told her, "I will be asking my men to follow you. You shouldn't go anywhere alone and call me if anything happens."

"Why?"

He explained calmly, "They might take out their anger on you regarding what happened with Anna."

"Huh?"

Love Change Of Heart Chapter 247-Leanna only felt he was being absurd after hearing what he said. However, it was true that those people were crazy. If they could not harm Aidan, they might turn their aim at her. It was just her luck. She thought about it for a while before asking, "What exactly did you do to Anna, President Pearson?" He uttered, "Only my wife has the right to know these secrets." She rolled her eyes at him. Okay. Fine. Let's just act like I didn't ask him anything. Seeing that she wasn't speaking, he revealed to her,

“Don’t worry. She’s still alive.” He still had use for Anna, so he would not let her die so easily. “Oh.” Leanna didn’t really want to be involved in this. Soon, the dishes were served. When she wanted to get some soup, Aidan had already picked up the ladle and took the bowl in her hand. He was so natural at it. Leanna didn’t expect him to be able to care for others. It wasn’t something she noticed back then. Sure enough, it was a matter of whether a man was someone’s lover or not to do these things. It was never an issue of whether or not he knew what to do.

When he placed the bowl of soup in front of her, she politely showed her gratitude, “Thank you, President Pearson.” He replied drily, “You should know I don’t need verbal gratitude.” She didn’t want to entertain him further. Eat your food, b\*stard! After dinner, Leanna bumped into a friend when she was leaving. Daniel said hello to her first. “You’re here for dinner too, Miss McKinney?” She nodded and saw the person coming from behind him before she could reply. Georgina stopped beside Daniel and gave her a half-smile. “We meet again, Miss McKinney. Are you here alone? You didn’t invite Aidan?” Her words were filled with ridicule, but Leanna only pressed her lips together for a faint smile. At that moment, a man’s voice came through from the side. “Are you looking for me?”

Georgina looked at him as her face hardened and the hands by her side clenched tightly. It was as she thought. They had gotten close again. Leanna didn’t want to be involved in this conflict and tilted her head. “I’ve got stuff to do. I’ll take my leave now, Daniel. Miss Crossley.” Then, she left without turning back. Seeing that, Aidan wanted to follow after her, but Georgina stopped him. “Don’t you have anything to say to me, Aidan?”

With a hand in his pocket, he slowly turned his head with an icy face. He glanced at Daniel, who was standing beside her before looking back at her. “Should I congratulate you for finding your true love, or congratulate you for the engagement next month?” She snickered, “If it wasn’t for you suddenly calling off the engagement, we probably would be married by now. I wouldn’t be stuck in this situation too.” Georgina was too proud of herself. Even when Aidan had called off the engagement, she never thought of looking for a differently-abled person to spend the rest of her life with. She could never understand why Lloyd, who always held her happiness as a priority and had asked her to think things through before marrying Aidan, decided to marry her off to Justin in just a few months. Even though she had not agreed to anything, Lloyd seemed to have made up his mind and didn’t even allow her to reject. If this was before, she might have compromised. However, things were now different. Since meeting Daniel, she finally knew what she wanted. How could

she spend the rest of her life with a cripple when there were better options?“Don’t put the blame on me. You know what you did.” Aidan paused before continuing, “Besides, it’s not appropriate to talk about this in front of him. Don’t you think so, Mr. Daniel?”As always, Daniel kept a nice smile on his face. It was like a mask and no one could see through him.He replied, “Oh, don’t regard me a stranger, President Pearson. We’re all friends. There’s nothing that can’t be said.”Aidan retracted his gaze. “Is that so?”

“Of course.”Then, he looked at Georgina before telling her, “Don’t come to this type of place next time. Mr. Daniel likes canned food.”The smile on Daniel’s face froze.Then, Aidan left after dropping the bomb.Georgina frowned and turned her head to look at Daniel. “What did he mean by that?”Daniel quickly recomposed himself. “Nothing. President Pearson just so happened Miss McKinney’s place.”“You’re close with Leanna?”“Not really, but we’re close neighbors. Elijah is also trying to court her.”She scoffed to herself upon hearing that.

Looking at the direction Aidan left, Daniel narrowed his eyes. “By the looks of it, Elijah is going to be disappointed.”“Yea. They made such a huge ruckus, but in the end, it was someone else who got hurt.”Daniel looked at her to see her eyes filled with resentment....After exiting the restaurant, a cab just so happened to pass by. So, Leanna got on and left.It was surprising for her to see Daniel and Georgina together.

She would not have believed it if she didn’t see them today with her own eyes.Rolling down the windows, she sighed as she was glad that Zoe wasn’t in too deep.When she got home, Zoe just woke up as she walked to the kitchen yawning. “Morning, Nana.”“Um... It’s 10.00PM now.”Zoe’s eyes widened. “F\*ck. I slept for so long?”Leanna changed to her flip-flops. “There’s probably nothing in the fridge. What do you want? I’ll order.”“Anything.” She took a sip of water and curled up on the couch. “The more I sleep, the sleepier I get. The later the night goes, I get more energetic.”Leanna sat beside her and quickly ordered a few of her favorites.“Oh, right. Nana. My friend told me there’s a party tonight. Do you want to go since we wouldn’t be able to sleep anyways?”She massaged her neck. “You go ahead. I sprained my neck. It’ll hurt more if I stay up all night.”Zoe turned her head to look at her in puzzlement. “That’s sudden. How did you sprain your neck?”Then, she made a long ‘Ooh’ sound. “I know. It must be that b\*stard, right?”Anything that was out of the norm would be blamed on Aidan.“Um, no. I fell asleep on the table in the office this afternoon. When I woke up, my neck was stiff and I sprained it.”“You just came back from the hospital?”

Leanna fell silent. “No.” Suddenly, Zoe sniffed the air. “Why do I smell ointment on you?”

Love Change Of Heart Chapter 248-Leanna awkwardly touched her neck and coughed. “Um. I’ll take a shower now.”

Zoe looked at her and felt something was fishy. If she guessed it right, that bastard must have taken advantage of Leanna again.

Soon, the delivery Leanna ordered arrived.

When Leanna exited the shower, Zoe just started eating and asked, “Do you want some, Nana?”

“Nope. It’s all for you.” She dried her hair as she walked to her room, but suddenly thought of something and turned around to sit on the couch. “Zoe, have you heard about the class reunion?”

She replied, “Yea. I think it was Maya who organized it. She probably wants to show off her husband who works as an executive. We don’t need to go.”

Leanna nodded. “Okay.”

When she returned to her room, she sent a message to Elijah telling him that she and Zoe would not be attending the reunion.

Then, he called her soon after.

He warmly asked her, “Leanna, are you back in Highside?”

“Yeah. I got back yesterday.”

“If you’ve got nothing this weekend, I’ve got two tickets for a Broadway show. Let’s watch it.”

“Elijah.” She pressed her lips together before rejecting. “I don’t like watching Broadway shows. You should watch it with someone else.”

On the other end of the phone, he was quiet for a few seconds then insisted, “It’s okay if you don’t like Broadway shows. We can watch something else. There are a few nice movies that just premiered. We —”

“It’s okay.” Leanna continued. “I’m really grateful to you for helping me, but I’m sorry. I think I have to be clear with you—”

Elijah interrupted her. “Leanna, I know what you’re going to say. You don’t need to feel sorry for me. Everything is of my own accord. I just hope that you’ll give me a chance and not decide so fast.”

She looked out the window. “The problem is with me. I probably will never...”

“If you decide to get back together with Aidan, then I will give you my best wishes. However, I will never give up before that happens.”

“Elijah...” Leanna didn’t know what else to say.

He then continued, “Don’t feel pressured, Leanna. I just want to fight for my happiness. I let it slip past my fingers a few years ago and I don’t want that mistake to repeat itself.”

After hanging up the phone, she sat on the bed pondering.

Soon, her phone rang. It was Louis asking if she had returned home.

After he moved out of Daniel’s house, he was still staying in the same apartment, but in a different unit.

Leanna answered him, “I’m back.”

Then, she asked, “Where did you go? Did you just get back?”

He took his time to answer, “Daphne came looking for you at the studio.”

“Then?”

“I saw that you were sleeping, so I went out to eat with her.”

A smile flashed across her face. “Is that so?”

Then, he explained, “Didn’t you say that she suffered a huge loss because of me? So, I had to thank her.”

She encouraged him, “Yes. I did say that. You did a good job.”

He didn’t say anything else.

So, Leanna bid goodnight. "Alright. It's late. You should rest."

However, Louis had questions. "Aidan came looking for you, didn't he?"

"How did you know?"

"I guessed it."

She scraped her nose with her fingers and tried to explain, "He was here to hand me something."

Luckily, Louis didn't interrogate further and just acknowledged it and hung up.

Hearing the beeping sounds from the phone, she let out a long breath.

She hugged the pillow and lay on her stomach gazing to the front as her mind was in scrambles.

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There were a few orders from customers that needed to be completed before the new year. Leanna quickly composed herself and threw herself back into work.

Instead of letting the past hold her back, she would rather take the two days spent in Underwood Lane as a beautiful memory.

In the afternoon, Zoe went out for a shoot while Louis delivered the complete product to customers. So, Leanna was left in the office to clean things up.

At that moment, a sharp female voice came from behind her. "Here I was thinking how busy you could be to not even trend the reunion. There's no one here at all."

Leanna didn't need to turn around to know who it was.

Maya crossed her arms in front of her chest and scanned the studio before looking at Leanna as she commented unhappily, "Are you looking down at me or the other old classmates?"

Leanna looked at her and smiled politely. "You already have the answer. Why even ask?"

“You—” Maya wanted to lash out, but controlled herself. “Fine. I’m not here for that. Understandably, you’re under a lot of stress since you just divorced and opened up a studio. It’s normal that you didn’t want to go to the reunion.”

She replied, “You’re right. My small studio isn’t making any money and usually, there are no customers. Since you came all the way here today, you’re doing it for my business, right?”

Maya crossed her arms and arrogantly raised her chin. “Of course. Even if you don’t care for old times’ sake, I do.”

“Sure. I’ll say my thanks first.” There was a glint in Leanna’s eyes. “I only accept customizations now. The design fee starts at 10,000, not including the material and labor costs. For someone like you, only

the finest quality jewelry would suit you. I have just the perfect one to make a pair of earrings. The market price for that is 30,000. Since you’ve so kindly come to visit my small business, I’ll waive the labor cost and give you an additional discount. The total is 38,000. How does that sound?”

When Maya heard that the design fee was at least 10,000, her face already turned pale.

Then as Leanna told Maya the final price, she could not hold it in anymore. “Are you crazy, Leanna? What s\*it would cost 10,000? Even if I buy it somewhere else—”

Leanna laughed. “I’ve got no choice. That’s just how my studio works. Even though not many customers come, an order can help me pay off the rent.”

However, Maya continued to look for an escape. “How would I know that you didn’t raise the price willy- nilly? It’s not uncommon for people to leech off their acquaintances.”

“You can rest assured that I will not take a penny more than necessary. You know who Daphne is right? She’s our old customer. Besides that, we’ve got many celebrities ordering from us including—”

“Okay. Okay.” Maya could not let her continue and needed to find a different excuse. “My husband doesn’t like me wearing earrings. Do you have something else?”



Love Change Of Heart Chapter 249-Before Leanna could say a word, Maya glanced at a necklace on the display shelf and said, "I'll take this. I think it's not bad."

Leanna looked toward the said necklace and merely shook her head. "I don't think it suits you."

Tucking her hair behind her ear, Maya snorted. "For a person like me, I'm elegant no matter what I wear unlike some people who can only rely on gorgeous things to embellish themselves."

"If you really like that piece, I'll give it to you as a present. It's not worth much money, anyway."

Maya was unhappy upon hearing that. "Do I look like someone who's here to take advantage of you? Since I've already said I'll pay you, I'll pay you. Besides, I can tell from one look that your workshop has no business. So, you can drop the pretense that you're doing well," she said, taking out a bank card from her purse to pay.

Seeing how determined she was, Leanna raised her brows and relented. "Okay, then."

After paying the bill, Maya received a notification on her cell phone, but when she saw that only 80 dollars had been deducted from her account, she felt deeply humiliated.

Previously, Leanna had talked about hundreds of thousands loud and clear without even batting an eyelid, leading Maya to think that the items in her shop would cost thousands, if not more.

So, she didn't expect it to be that cheap!

What a despicable woman! How dare she mock me with this thing! Maya thought.

Just when she was about to blow her top, a thirty-four-year-old man walked in.

Her eyes darted over, and she quickly paced to him. "Raymond, you're finally here. I've been waiting for you for a long time."

“I’m really sorry, but there was some traffic on the road,” Raymond said, then he turned his gaze to Leanna. “You must be the Miss McKinney that Maya always speaks about.”

“Look how anxious you are,” Maya said. “I haven’t even introduced you yet.” Then, she glanced at Leanna and crossed her arms across her chest. “He’s the man I’m always telling you about, the guy working in my husband’s company as a manager, Raymond Ford. He’s capable and smart, an outstanding man amongst thousands.” And when she introduced Leanna, she pursed her lips and said, “Well, you already know about her. Leanna McKinney, my classmate from university. She’s very beautiful, but her love life is turbulent. She had married a bad husband, and now she has her own workshop.”

Raymond extended his hand to Leanna. “Hello, Miss McKinney. Nice to meet you.”

His unblinking stare made her feel uncomfortable. She didn’t saying, “Hello.”

Seeing that, Maya said, “Nobody visits your workshop anyway. You should just close it, and we’ll grab a coffee somewhere so that you can get to know Raymond better.”

“No, thanks. There’s no need for that,” Leanna replied.

“Oh, Leanna, I shouldn’t say this, but you’ve divorced once, so there’s no need for you to act so mighty. Raymond already lowered his status to look for you today, and you should just snap out of it. Stop pretending to be a great catch,” Maya snapped.

Nudging her arm, Raymond said, “Don’t put it that way. The honor is all mine to befriend Miss McKinney. Furthermore, I’m just a manager, not someone who’s a noble.”

Maya threw an unsatisfied look at Leanna. “Look how nice he is.”

On the other hand, Leanna thought that she had been courteous enough that she didn’t chase Maya out of her shop, and this was the first time she met someone who was more thick-skinned than Aidan.

Taking a deep breath, she decided to ignore Maya and said to Raymond instead, “Mr. Ford, I don’t know what Maya told you, but I’ve never given her

my word that I'm going on a blind date, and neither do I have plans to do so. I'm sorry that you've made a wasted trip."

He paused for a brief moment before breaking into a smile. "That's alright. Let's just take it that we're making a new friend," he said as he took out a name card from his suit pocket and passed it to her.

On the name card, the words 'Crossley Group' was printed boldly on it.

So, this is the big company Maya kept saying that her husband is working in, Leanna realized.

After contemplation, she said politely, "I'm sorry, Mr. Ford. I think there's no reason for us to be friends since we don't know each other to begin with."

Hearing that, Maya felt that Leanna was not giving her respect. She had been humiliated by the incident with the necklace earlier, and now, Leanna had once again embarrassed her in front of Raymond by rejecting him.

So, she retorted in annoyance, "Leanna, do you think you're still that little princess who Zayn loves dearly? Come on, wake up. You're merely a divorcee that nobody wants. It's your honor that Raymond is willing to be friends with you, and I'd advise you to know what's better for yourself."

Leanna chuckled. "That's interesting. I'm just here, minding my own business until you came to stir up trouble, but now it ended up as my fault instead. Moreover, what's the problem if I'm divorced? Is there a rule saying that divorced people are not allowed to live and have to find a corner to end their lives?"

Clearly, Maya wasn't expecting Leanna to be so unreasonable, and she couldn't form a coherent response other than stammer.

Right then, Raymond said, "You're right, Miss McKinney. There's nothing wrong with being a divorcee, much more for a beautiful and smart woman like you. Even if you're divorced, you must have quite a few suitors by your side."

The words had just left his lips when a man's voice echoed from behind. "Hey, Leanna."

Maya spun her head around and couldn't help but frown. "What are you doing here, Elijah?"

Elijah's eyes drifted over her briefly. "I'm here to look for Leanna."

"Since when are you so close with her?"

"I'm courting Leanna," he answered. "Can't you tell?"

Instantly, Maya's expression changed into a look of disbelief as her eyes widened, and it was Raymond who reacted first, taking a step forward.

"Are you President Parker of Constellation Tech? I'm Raymond Ford, project manager of Crossley Group. Nice to meet you," he said, passing Elijah a name card as he bowed.

Taking the card from him, Elijah nodded in acknowledgment. "I've heard about you, Mr. Ford."

A look of delight washed over his face. "Oh, really?"

Thinking back, Maya had bragged about her husband to Elijah before. However, she had never expected that Raymond would speak to Elijah in such a polite manner as if he held high opinions of Elijah, maybe even higher than of her husband.

Nonchalantly, she opened her mouth and said, "All of us were ex-classmates a long time ago. Since we all know each other, let's grab a drink together somewhere."

Turning to her, Raymond asked, "You and President Parker were classmates?"

Maya raised her chin. "Of course. We've always been close too."

It took a while for him to think before he continued, "It's not every day that we get to meet, President Parker. Let me be the host and buy everyone a meal. What do you say?"

"No, thanks," Elijah said. Then, he turned to her and said calmly, "We're not that close with her."

Love Change Of Heart Chapter 250-After Elijah said that, blood rushed through Maya's face in utter embarrassment, and Raymond cast her a thoughtful look for a couple of seconds before saying to Elijah, "Then, I'll visit

you personally after this and not bother you today, President Parker.” Giving a nod to Leanna, he added, “See you again, Miss McKinney.”

When he was gone, Maya glared at Leanna in anger. “Did the both of you conspire to embarrass me?”

Laughing, Leanna asked, “Did I invite you over?”

“You—” Maya bit her lip. “Just you wait!” She scoffed and stomped her feet before leaving in brisk steps.

Elijah looked away and turned to Leanna. “That’s just how she is, Leanna. Ignore her.”

A soft smile spread across her face. “I know.”

Since Maya was here to provoke her on purpose, she would have let Maya be satisfied over it if she got mad because of this. After a short pause, she asked, “So, what’s up?”

Pursing his lips, Elijah then said, “Leanna, tomorrow is Mr. Jackson’s birthday party, and he wants me to bring you along.”

This caught her by surprise. “Me?”

“Yes,” he answered. “It’s fine if you don’t want to attend. I’ll just find an excuse to tell him that I’m not going.”

“I don’t think that’s a good idea…” She gave it a thought and asked, “What time tomorrow?”

The last time she had dinner at Mr. Jackson’s place, she still hadn’t thanked him for it yet, and now he had specially invited her to his birthday party—there was no way she could possibly turn him down. Furthermore, it would be very awkward if Elijah didn’t show up because of her.

Almost unnoticeably, Elijah breathed a sigh of relief. “Tomorrow at 7.00PM. I’ll pick you up at 6.00PM.”

She nodded her head softly. “Okay.”

As Elijah had something else to attend to, he didn’t stay long and left soon afterward.

After standing in the same spot for a while, Leanna sighed and picked up the necklace Maya had thrown on the floor.

A few minutes later, Zoe returned. Wearing a nosy expression, she said, "I just saw Elijah's car leaving. What did he say to you?"

"I'm attending a birthday party tomorrow," Leanna answered.

"Birthday party? Whose?"

This matter was somewhat complicated because it had to begin with Anna, so Leanna briefly told Zoe about it.

Seeing the whole picture, Zoe said directly, "In other words, the last time you went, that b\*stard was there as well, which means he knows Mr. Jackson too. Ergo, he will definitely be there at the birthday party tomorrow."

Speechless, Leanna wondered why she hadn't thought of this before, and Zoe fired another question. "Nana, have you come to a decision yet?"

For a while, Leanna didn't understand what she meant. "About what?"

"About you and Elijah. Oh, and Aidan as well. Who are you going to choose?"

Leanna's mouth opened and closed, not knowing what to say.

Resting her arm on the cashier counter, Zoe placed her cheek on her palm and said, "It would be a tough choice if I were in your shoes. One is an ex-husband who's chasing you persistently after coming to his senses, while another is a young, outstanding rookie in the business world who has been carrying a torch for you for seven years."

"What nonsense are you speaking about?" Leanna said in annoyance, but after a while, she added, "Previously, I did consider giving it a shot with Elijah, but..."

"But you feel that the person you really like in your heart is still that b\*stard. In addition, you also feel that you can't just let go, pretend as if nothing happened, and patch things up with him after all that happened between you."

A few seconds later, Leanna gave her a nod. Zoe then sighed. "I don't have much experience in such things, nor can I give you any constructive advice. What I can say is don't rush into such matters. Who knows, there might be

someone better who shows up later, right? We have to spread our nets and not let any high-quality big fish slip away.”

“Yes, you’re right,” Leanna replied, giggling.

Zoe gave her a pat on the shoulder. “See, that’s how it should be. A heartless b\*tch should do what a heartless b\*tch does. How can you give up an entire forest over one tree?”

In the evening, after Leanna got home, she came out of the shower and started searching for something next to her desk with her waist bent over until she accidentally knocked over a gift box and something fell out of it.

Twirling her head around, she saw the photo frame with the wedding blessings written over it lying silently on the carpet. Her temples twitched, and she crouched down to pick it up.

In the photo, Aidan was leaning over slightly as he spoke with her with his head tilted, a rarely seen gentle expression on his face.

Of course, she couldn’t remember anymore what he had whispered into her ear at that time.

After staring at it for a couple of minutes, she returned it to the box and placed the box in the lowest drawer of the closet.

When all that was done, she was about to make herself some warm milk when her cell phone on the desk started ringing. Walking over, she took a glance and thought, I really shouldn’t think about him. The moment I do, he shows up.

She waited a few minutes before picking up the call. “Is there anything I can do for you so late at night, President Pearson?”

“I missed you.”

Leanna was slightly surprised at his words, but she kept her cool and said, “I’m hanging up if there’s nothing important.”

“Leanna, out of courtesy, you should answer that you missed me, too, and not give me other excuses,” Aidan said.

Unyielding, she answered, "I think, out of courtesy, you shouldn't have made this call, President Pearson."

A few seconds of silence washed over them before Aidan continued, "That's just an opening line. I have something else to tell you."

Leanna chuckled dryly. "Next time, you can get straight to the point, President Pearson. There's no need for such a terrible opening at all."

Pressing his lips together, he then said, "Come with me somewhere tomorrow evening."

"I'm sorry. I already have plans for tomorrow."

"Cancel it."

"No."

"Are you so unwilling to see me?" he asked, disgruntled.

Cracking a small gap in the window, she took in the fresh air. "Are you going to stop showing up in front of me if I said yes?"

"Do you think that's possible?"

Speechless, Leanna really took her hat off to this b\*stard's sense of self-righteousness. "I'm going to bed. Bye, President Pearson," she said and hung up.

In the president's office of Pearson Group, Aidan listened to the dead dial tone from the phone with a knot between his handsome brows. "When did Mr. Jackson's invitation arrive?"

"About two hours ago..." Jonathan answered.

"When did Elijah go to look for her, then?"

"About four or five hours ago, maybe."

Without saying another word, Aidan pursed his lips together slightly. That means Elijah knew about Mr. Jackson's birthday party before me, and he even beat me to it and looked for Leanna.



“President Pearson, it’s true that President Parker is closer to Mr. Jackson, so... it’s expected that he will find out before us,” Jonathan added.

Aidan’s fingers tapped on the desk softly. “Will Lloyd be there as well tomorrow evening?”

“Yes, he will.”