Love Rats 1151

Chapter 1151 How Did She Get Here?

Hattie ran over to Selena, who observed the girl's expression and, seeing no negative emotions, breathed a sigh of relief and asked with a smile, "Why did you come so early, Hattie?"

It was still early, but Selena could hear the commotion downstairs, and it seemed that quite a few people had already arrived.

"I wanted to see you as soon as possible, so I begged my brother to bring me," Hattie paused for a moment, hesitated, and then blurted out, "Before we left, Grandma brought the Riddle family's illegitimate daughter and said she wanted to come along too, but my brother firmly refused."

Is Daphne going to switch from a hard approach to a soft one and ask her to release Penelope?

Selena sneered.

She had to admit that Kiera and Penelope were both very fortunate.

Although they were both orphans, they happened to trample upon Nevaeh and Selena, the beautiful mother-daughter duo, and become the elites.

If it weren't for Selena's face, which was similar to Hattie's, she would have suspected that Kiera was actually Daphne's biological daughter.

Selena touched Hattie's hair and asked, "Has anything happened to the Riddle family recently?"

Leon's change of attitude was somewhat unexpected to Selena.

After all, strictly speaking, Selena and Leon were not familiar with each other.

Although they were cousins, a newly emerging cousin was obviously insignificant in terms of affection compared to grandparents who had loved him for over a decade.

was possible that Leon had a slight feeling of guilt and might do something to compensate Selena, but it was impossible for him to do anything against the Riddle family

This was human nature.

not have any resentment or blame towards them because of

rather, the Selena who should have had such emotions had already

her, besides Hattie, the Riddle family were

that Selena would be happy to hear about her brother's defense of her, but she didn't expect Selena to ask such

as if, in Selena's eyes, the Riddle family had given her all the injustice and indifference, which was the most normal thing in the

said, "Selena, it's not

is completely disappointed in grandma. She is just a

the future, brother won't let her bully me and you just because of

expect that her casual question would touch on Hattie's sensitive

chuckled and touched Hattie's pretty face. "If he doesn't do this, I won't agree he bring you back to the Riddle

Hattie opened her mouth to say something, but Leia suddenly walked in from the door and loudly said, "Madam Selena, Madam Laurence just called and said that the master and the young master have set off and will arrive **soon...**"

Selena's attention was immediately drawn over.

Thinking about seeing Osvaldo soon, Selena's face showed a happy and shy smile.

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Downstairs.

After the banquet when Miss Turner returned home, and the first gathering of four young masters of the capital, another grand occasion was welcomed *today*.

Looking at the heirs of those families and the young ladies on the scene, it could be said to be heartstirring.

These people are usually hard to see, but now they are all thick-skinned and actively visiting without receiving an invitation, all for the sake of Miss Turner. How could people not **be jealous?**

While the young ladies were feeling resentful, they suddenly heard a cry outside the door.

"Why is she here?"

The people in the hall thought it was the bosses from the Turner family who had arrived, so they immediately straightened up and *looked over*.

But they saw Constance walking in a black evening gown with a dignified posture.

they saw Constance, the expressions of the people on the scene were a bit

all, everyone knew about the fierce competition between Constance and Selena for the position of Minister of the Research Department in

unexpected that just a few days later, Constance dared to come to the Turner family's door so

to be said that she

of the young ladies present were ashamed of Constance's thick skin, standing behind her was 717, the best physicist in H Country, which destined her to have a higher status than most of the people

soon as Constance walked in, many men went up to flatter

politely declining a group of people, Constance turned around and walked towards the host of the Turner family with a smiling face, showing no sign

the incident where Constance's assistant threw a trophy at Selena and felt

seemed unaware of the Turner family's unfriendly glances and calmly said, "Mr. Turner, I came without an invitation, please

were too many people without invitations who came to the Turner family's doorstep today, so no one mentioned

thinner skin felt a bit embarrassed when Constance brought it up, but they calmed down when they realized that so many people were in the

was the Turner family's big day, and they couldn't lose their grace by turning away

Chapter 1152 My Fate is in My Hands

Christ narrowed his eyes slightly, his expression turning into a smirk. "Why ask when you already know the answer, Miss Baxter?" Hearing it from the person involved was far more uncomfortable than any rumors.

How could Miss Turner be so lucky? One after another, everyone seemed to like her, despite her being such an insignificant woman.

Constance smiled, looking up towards the direction where Selena was located on the upper floor. "Mr. Poole wants Miss Turner, while I want Mr. Anderson. Since we have the same goal, why not collaborate?"

Christ looked at this woman who thought highly of herself and concealed the disdain in his eyes. His tone sounded quite interested. "What kind of collaboration do you have in mind, Miss Baxter?"

Constance's smile grew wider. "The Turner family's defenses are tight, making it difficult to take action. But there will always be opportunities in the future."

After the head of the research department was taken away, Constance felt a sense of crisis when facing Selena. However, that sense of crisis disappeared after experiencing the incident at the villa. Watching Selena use such despicable means to make Osvaldo go round and round, Constance couldn't help but feel angry.

She felt humiliated as she had never been before. What right did that woman, who only relied on her beautiful face to seduce men, have to step on her head?

Christ probably sensed her thoughts and sneered inwardly. He was about to speak when he suddenly heard a strange sound of footsteps.

Christ's eyes lit up, and he looked up. A group of people walked in from outside the gate of the Turner family. Despite being mentally prepared, the noisy hall fell silent when everyone saw the group of people walking in.

family heads who had offended the Turner family before when they were timid turned pale immediately. The group of people counted and calculated in secret, and they became even more desperate when they realized that not only Zone One and Zone Six, but the other four zones also had people

were all high-ranking officials with real

can be said that the big shots who dominate half of Zone Six are only halfway here

the true guests of the Turner

Constance, who had a high opinion of herself, couldn't help but turn pale at this moment. "It's just the Turner family's daughter getting engaged, such a small matter... Why would it alarm

sneered and couldn't be bothered to answer such a stupid

he had been focusing on competing with Dexter for power recently, he hadn't missed the news about

was well aware of Lady Nevaeh's death as well as Selena's appointment as the Minister of

Selena demonstrated her amazing mechanical talent that could crush 717, she became a national treasure for the entire

No matter how deep the internal conflicts in Zone Six were, no one dared to drop the ball when it came to dealing with talents **like Selena**.

It was probably the result of the Turner family's behind-the-scenes maneuvering that there were always a bunch of people guarding Selena's safety.

Coupled with the Turner family's prestige in Zone Six, it was not at all surprising for the Turner family's daughter to get engaged with such *fanfare*.

Wasn't it because of this that the Soo family suddenly thought of that engagement?

Christ gave a cold smile.

Patrick stepped forward and greeted them.

Sidney looked at Patrick discontentedly, "Your sister just came back home and is still young. Why is she suddenly *getting engaged?*"

Patrick was poked in the sore spot and had to maintain a smile on his face, "It's just a preliminary arrangement. Selena is still young, so the Turner family naturally wants to keep her for a few *more years."*

Although the people in Zone Six were joking about it, it was clear that there were two families who came to propose today, and it could be guessed that the Turner family had no other *choice*.

This reason was also well-known.

Turner family's daughter had an engagement with

same time, it was also well-known that the Turner family's daughter was in a relationship with the young master of the Anderson

between the Anderson family and the Soo family was almost on

to be seen how those two families would make a fuss

downstairs gradually arrived, and Selena upstairs finally finished her

didn't want to deal with the guests impatiently, so she decided to hide upstairs and be

looked at Selena and couldn't see any signs of nervousness. She thought of Alfie and couldn't help but ask, "Selena, aren't you

down and asked, "Worried about

pouted, "The old man from the Soo family is known for being rigid in the capital. He will definitely cause trouble today because of

Chapter 1153 Waiting for her boyfriend to come for the marriage proposal

Upstairs, the two sisters were having a heart-to-heart conversation. Downstairs, as everyone eagerly awaited, a burst of laughter suddenly came from outside the Turner family's gate.

"It's been many years since I last came to the Turner family. Do you still remember me?" A majestic voice was heard.

Upon hearing this, the guests who were talking, drinking, and networking at the scene suddenly froze and turned their heads to look.

Then, they collectively stared in shock.

It was actually the Soo family who arrived first!

Nicholas was wearing a blue suit, leaning on a cane, with wrinkles all over his face, but a smile on his face. He led the Soo family into the hall in a grand manner.

Almost everyone in the hall subconsciously focused their gaze on Alfie standing next to him. Although they had heard rumors about Alfie, many of the young ladies' hearts still couldn't help but tremble uncontrollably when they saw the delicate and gentle features of the young man in front of them.

But it wasn't just Alfie who came.

Cameron, Sienna... even the youngest Soo family young master was carried in Mrs. Soo's arms, which showed the Soo family's level of importance to this engagement.

was not surprising. Seeing the deep background and Selena's status in the research institute and Zone Six that the Turner family had now revealed, how could Nicholas, who was driven purely by profit, dare to treat this engagement with the Turner family indifferently, just like before? He even turned a blind eye to

darkened, and he retorted coldly, "Nicholas, you're joking. Although Grandpa passed away twenty years ago, I could never forget

sentence, Patrick ruthlessly cut off any chance of the Soo family playing the

guests were not surprised by their dislike of Patrick. After all, everyone knew the Soo family's behavior of trying to harm the Turner family in the past. The fact that they could even maintain a peaceful demeanor when they met their enemies was already impressive enough. If it were them, they would probably be seething with anger at the sight of

in the power game for many years, Nicholas naturally wasn't hurt by these words. He didn't even change his smile on

swept around and he asked with a smile, "Where is Selena? How come she's not here? Today is the day of the Soo family and the Turner family's engagement. As the person involved, she can't be

as he mentioned Selena, Patrick's face turned colder. "Selena is upstairs," he said in a

for Nicholas to speak, Patrick added, "Waiting for her boyfriend to

as he said this, the gaze of everyone present gathered

As the current head of the Turner family and the only family of Miss Turner, Patrick's attitude towards Selena's marriage **is crucial.**

And from the words of the Turner family's young master, he obviously leans more towards the Anderson *family*.

After all, it is well known that Miss Turner' boyfriend is Mr. Anderson!

The Soo family was probably prepared for this and did not have much of a reaction to Patrick's words.

Mrs. Soo put her young son on the ground and patted his head, "Jayden, that sweet-smelling sister is upstairs, she's going to be your sister-in-law soon. Are you *happy?*"

The three-year-old child naturally did not understand what a sister-in-law was.

But perhaps because Selena didn't leave him underwater at that time, the child had a very deep impression of that sweet-smelling **sister.**

Upon hearing Mrs. Soo's words, he ran upstairs with his chubby legs while shouting, "Miss..."

Almost without Patrick's command, the Turner family's servants immediately took a step forward, picked up the child, and handed him over to the **Soo family.**

said sarcastically, "So Mrs. Soo, you still remember that Selena saved your son's

avoided Patrick's gaze and did not reach out to take her crying son. She said with a smile, "Selena saved Jayden, and he really likes her. It's clear that she belongs to the

interrupted, "You are worrying too much. Selena has her own boyfriend, and she will not become a member of the Soo

This was a clear rejection.

darkened, and he reprimanded with a stern expression, "What are you saying? Your grandfather and I personally arranged a marriage between the two

the sincerity of the Soo family, I even promised your grandfather that Alfie will never marry any other woman except for the Turner family's daughter in his

the Soo family didn't know about Selena's existence and treated her unfairly. This was our fault. I promise you that we will make it up to her in

the two children are of similar age, it's time to make the

this, the crowd on the scene was in an uproar. So that's the origin of the Soo family's rule? When Wilfred was still alive, he dreamed of having a beautiful and lovely granddaughter. According to how much Wilfred loved his granddaughter and how protective he was, he might really have done it! At that moment, many people looked at Alfie with a hint of sympathy in

Chapter 1154 You are annoying

Constance smiled, "Miss Turner is only nineteen years old, she just helped the Turner family regain the dominance of the scientific research department, and then she has to be sent to the marriage. This move is too far."

A lady sourly interfaced, "Even if Miss Turner and Mr. Anderson love each other, but she is still young, why are you so eager to set a marriage for her?"

"With the marriage of the Anderson family at stake, sure the Turner family is eager." Vivian laughed sarcastically, "After all, compared to the Soo family, the Anderson family is more powerful and influential, the Turner family naturally wants to make the best use of it!"

The girlfriends standing beside Vivian immediately followed to help out, "The Turner family is still a family full of loyalty and martyrdom, to treat the newly found family bloodline like this will be laughed at."

The guests at the scene looked at Patrick with various emotions.

After all, it is a fact that Selena is still young.

It's also true that the Turner family's wedding banquet came unannounced.

Ninety percent of marriages between noble families are for profit.

In the opinion of the majority of people, the reason why the Turner family is so eager to betroth Selena and so determined to reject the Soo family's marriage offer is that the Anderson family is more powerful than the Soo family.

In the face of many mocking and accusing voices, Patrick did not have any special emotions on his face. "It is not for you to judge the matter of the Turner family."

sneered, "If the Turner family dares to do such a disgraceful thing, are you still afraid of being

Miss Turner, Selena is not yet old enough to get a license, but she is so eager to live with a man, she has no

is not only not disciplining his sister who is such a disgrace, but also chooses to harbour and connive at her, even going against the law and wanting to take advantage of this relationship and can't wait to finalise the marriage relationship with the Anderson family, even more so, he

this, we can see that the family style of the Turner family is no better than

matter of Selena and Osvaldo receiving a certificate was a stubborn stump that Vivian could

a rare opportunity, so naturally, it was not unpleasant and extremely

that were hostile to the Turner family also followed suit

is true. No noble ladies of the capital dare to cohabitate with a man at the age of

as her brother, not only failed to discipline her, but also indulged her. It shows that he really didn't care much about his newly found

curled into a sarcastic smile. "What's the big deal about cohabitation? Don't forget, including this time, Miss Turner has been engaged twice. It can only be said that children without parental discipline tend to lack proper upbringing. Miss Turner is like this, and Mr. Turner is the

reminder, everyone remembered that Selena had also been engaged to someone from the Creephia family. The group of young ladies who were not on good terms with the Turner family immediately showed expressions

Constance's smile remained on her face as she turned to Vivian, looking puzzled. "Miss Turner was engaged **before?**"

Vivian's face was full of cold laughter. "Yes, to her childhood sweetheart. They grew up together since childhood, but because Miss Turner's indiscreet private life was exposed in the engagement banquet photos, she was dumped by the other party."

Constance looked surprised but tried to hide it. "How could that happen..."

The group of young ladies continued.

"To be engaged twice at the age of nineteen, it's really shameless!"

"I can't believe the Anderson family would value such a daughter-in-law. Aren't they afraid of dirtying their reputation?"

"*Mr.* Soo, you've heard it too. When choosing a wife, you should choose a virtuous one. This engagement with the Turner family should be considered **carefully!**"

The group of women chattered on, completely unaware that the gazes of several young influential figures in the capital had already *darkened*.

Patrick's face was already frozen with cold. He was about to order the servants to clear out the group of people, but a clear and pleasant voice rang out first.

"I didn't expect you all to be so interested in my romantic history... Why don't you tell me about it in person?"

the scene, everyone was stunned for a moment before turning their gaze towards the source of the

were all stunned in place by what

in a starry long dress, elegantly walked down the stairs, her long hair cascading down her slender back, and her delicate red lips curved into a joyful smile. But there was no trace of a smile in her black eyes that looked down

held Hattie's hand, and the two sisters took steps down the spiral staircase, instantly becoming the center of

hadn't seen Selena in a while and noticed that the young girl had become even more beautiful and dignified. A deep heat flashed in his

looked at the girl he had been betrothed to since birth and gently raised the corner of his

various gazes in the room, Selena walked up to Vivian, chin lifted. "Miss Shaw, what did you just

fiercely at the imposing young girl in front of her, and her hatred grew deeper as she sneered, "Did I say

Turner, have you never been engaged to another man before? Have you never been rumored to have a chaotic personal life? Have you never

Turner, if you dare to do something, you must be brave enough to admit

you look presentable now, you can't erase your

Chapter 1155 Half of the Country for Marriage

The security guards of the Turner family were obviously well-trained. They appeared in front of the group of women in a flash and forcefully escorted them out.

"Miss Turner, we only spoke a few truths. How dare you be so impolite?!" one of the women exclaimed.

"What are you doing? Let go of me!" another woman struggled.

"Selena, don't be too much!" a third woman warned.

Selena's luscious red lips curled slightly. "The Turner family did not send invitations to any of you. Strictly speaking, your actions constitute trespassing on private property. From a legal standpoint, I have the right to expel you," she declared firmly.

The faces of the struggling women changed slightly.

Selena maintained her smile but her tone turned cold. "Furthermore, this is the Turner family. If you come here to make trouble with the Turner family and expect us to welcome you with open arms, what do you think of us? Do you think we have a good temper?"

The faces of the women turned pale.

They dared not do anything to Selena, so they all turned to Vivian for help.

Vivian's face turned pale as well. "Selena, how dare you--"

Selena turned to her, her tone icy. "Miss Shaw, do you also want to try the embarrassment of being expelled in public?"

Vivian trembled but ultimately did not dare to confront Selena in the Turner family mansion.

clenched her fists and could only swallow her pride and remain

gave a clear, crisp laugh. "Although visitors are guests, please remember that in here, everything is decided by the

the watchful eyes of the crowd, the arrogant and conceited daughters of wealthy families were screamed

her fingers as she watched Selena's

the midst of the silence, Nicholas suddenly burst out laughing and spoke, "This girl is indeed as beautiful and outstanding as Nevaeh. Selena, come and let me take

had expected Osvaldo to arrive first, but it turned out to be the Soo

made Selena disappointed, but it did not affect her good

heard Nicholas' words, Selena finally looked at the

clear and cold gaze met Nicholas' eyes impartially, and her lips curled slightly. "Nicholas, you should know that after the Soo family targeted the Turner family, the Turner family is not at all pleased with the Soo family's

have never met my grandfather, but I know that he was a hero of this era. As

smiled, her cold gaze sharpening. "Don't try to rely on your age and status to oppress me and my

qualified to be called 'grandfather' by the younger generation of the Turner family,

It was unexpected that Selena dared to be so tough with Nicholas. The silent banquet hall was filled with gasps of shock.

Nicholas was notorious for his ferocity when he was young, and no one had ever dared to speak to him like this, except for a few old *men*.

Even many members of the Soo family turned pale.

Nicholas, who had been smiling all along, showed some changes in his expression for the first time. He stared at Selena with his gloomy eyes.

Selena met his gaze without flinching, with a smile on her face. Her dark and slender eyes looked clear at first glance, but upon closer inspection, they were cold and *profound*.

The already quiet atmosphere in the hall became even more suppressed because of Selena's sudden act **of rebellion.**

Everyone held their breath and looked at the old man and the young girl in disbelief.

Nicholas stared at Selena for a long time and was somewhat shocked to find that he could not intimidate this 19-year-old girl, whether with the authority of the head of the Soo family or the dignity of an **elder.**

Nicholas' face suddenly became more fierce.

The tension in the room became even more palpable.

Breaking the silence was a sudden, childish voice, "Miss."

Selena looked down and saw a chubby child holding her leg and looking up at her. The child eagerly bounced up and down and handed her a bright red rose, "Miss... flower!"

her head and smiled, taking the flower and patting the child's head, "I'll accept your gift and consider the debt between

of the Soo family

Pudgy couldn't understand, but seeing this fragrant lady finally paying attention to him, he waved his chubby arms and smiled

the same time, Nicholas burst into laughter, "Selena is right, my big brother loves his granddaughter the most. If he knew that I took his place, he would definitely be

her eyes and smiled faintly, playing with the rose between her slender fingers. The red petals almost fell to

changed the subject, "But Selena you will eventually call me grandpa for the sake of

Nicholas finished speaking, he turned his head to the side where Alfie had been silent since entering

you going to see

forward, his eyes fixed on Selena's face without blinking. His eyebrows curved gently and he walked towards Selena step

raised his eyebrows and was about to pull Selena

her head at him,

raised her head and looked over to the opposite side. She was rare stunned when she saw the young man walking towards her with outstanding charm. She easily recalled that she had seen this man on the Capital

Chapter 1156 | Refuse

The crowd was surprised.

The young ladies of the wealthy families present looked at the young man kneeling half-bent at Selena's feet with horror on their faces. Even their breaths became sour in an instant.

The young leaders of the major families also turned slightly pale.

Constance's smile froze for a moment, and she had to exert great self-control to avoid losing her composure like everyone else.

After glancing lightly at Selena, she arrogantly averted her gaze. Only the tight grip of her fingers betrayed the unrest deep in her heart.

What on earth did Selena do to deserve the Soo family's lifetime fortune and effort to marry her?!

Vivian trembled and stared at Selena with a pale face, looking like a ghost.

After realizing what she had heard, everyone immediately turned to look at Nicholas.

Nicholas' face was calm, but his eyes were dark and inscrutable, showing no emotion.

However, the shock and horror on the faces of the other members of the Soo family were the same as those of everyone else present.

Obviously, even the people within the Soo family did not know that Alfie would make such a decision.

But if he made such a statement in public, if Selena truly accepted the Soo family's proposal, what the Soo family would give to the Turner family would only be more, not less.

That was half of the Soo family's fortune...

than what they had taken from the Turner family all those years

this fact, everyone present could not conceal their deep jealousy and regret when they looked at the Turner

the young ladies present, their envious and hateful gazes at Selena

of the fortune for a betrothal

could this heiress who had just been found by the Turner family be so

Cameron suddenly closed his eyes.

Indeed...

laboratory dispute at Capital University, the resources promised by the Soo family were not for Penelope, but for

did not appear to help Penelope, but to help

if Penelope had won against Selena, she could not have become the owner of the

Capital University laboratory was originally a gift Alfie had prepared to give to

was just that it was intercepted by Osvaldo's people midway, causing his gift to be

there had been speculation before, Cameron couldn't help but feel emotional when he heard Alfie's words with his own

If Penelope had known earlier, even if she had calculated everything, she would not have had a chance to win over Selena, so why did she gamble everything to compete with **Selena?**

The only one in the room who was not affected by Alfie's words was probably Selena. She stood upright, playing with the rose between her fingers, looking down at the man kneeling in front of her. Even the corners of her mouth did not change a bit.

She met Alfie's gaze without flinching and smiled slightly, "I refuse."

The whole room was in an uproar.

Just as everyone had returned to normal, they twisted their faces in shock and looked at Selena in disbelief.

Miss Turner, does she have a problem with her brain?

The dowry promised by the Soo family could easily restore the Turner family's position as the number one wealthy family. Even if the person from the Anderson family liked her, it was difficult to guarantee that he could do this *for her*.

In the world of fame and fortune, everyone knows that personal feelings are nothing compared to the interests of the family. Especially for the Turner family, who already have deep-seated enmity, power is of the utmost importance to **them.**

And yet Selena refused so casually...

Everyone in the room looked at Selena and felt that this Miss Turner really didn't know what was good for her. How could personal love be more important than the interests of the family?

Vivian shouted, "Selena, Mr. Soo is kneeling in front of you, and the Soo family is willing to give you half of their territory. What more do you want?"

Freddie looked at Patrick with a sly smile, "It seems that Miss Turner doesn't care much about your Turner family..."

Compared to Selena being with Osvaldo, the Shaw family wanted her to fulfill her engagement with Alfie. After all, once Selena lost this backing, it would be much easier to deal with **her**.

tone was light, "Don't worry, Selena's marriage is her

as he said this, there was another gasp from

looked at the Turner siblings and felt that the Turner family was not normal. And those who had just mocked Patrick and forced Selena into marriage for their own interests felt a burning pain on their

huge temptation of interests, yet Patrick did not even flinch. He did not look like he wanted to use his sister's marriage to benefit the

the members of Zone Six who were invited by the Turner family showed no surprise. If the Turner family had been chasing fame and fortune, they would not have reached this

no attention to the screams of others or the strange glances around her. She looked at Alfie, whose eyes were dim, and said softly, "I don't like you, and you don't like me. There's no need to be forced together because of a marriage

she took a step forward and turned to walk towards

voice, gentle yet cold, came from behind her, "But what if... I said I

in her tracks and turned her head to look at

curved his lips, and the blood-red mole between his eyebrows was so distinct that it was different. His gaze fell on Selena's face without moving. "We're not forced together. I've been looking forward to meeting you for a long

Selena frowned.

who had a marriage contract with the Soo family was

no relationship with the Soo

Chapter 1157 Marriage Proposal

"Mr. Soo is handsome and deeply in love with Miss Turner. They are a perfect match. It seems that it won't be long before we can attend the wedding of Miss Turner and Mr. Soo," said one woman.

Selena glanced coldly at the two women but didn't say anything.

Patrick looked at Alfie and said coldly, "Selena doesn't like you."

Alfie's smile didn't waver, but his gaze dimmed slightly. He looked at Selena with a gentle tone and deep meaning, "Not all marriages stem from love. In the future... anything is possible, isn't it?"

Patrick's face darkened. "Although Selena is the daughter of the Turner family, the Turner family didn't raise her for over a decade before. She has no obligation, and the Turner family has no right to demand that she fulfill this marriage contract."

Nicholas' face suddenly darkened, and his voice became stern. "Patrick, the sincerity of my Soo family has already been laid out. The Turner family should not overstep your bounds!"

"The engagement between Selena and Alfie is clearly written in the marriage contract. The Turner family may have a thousand reasons, but it is not an excuse to break off the engagement!"

Nicholas looked at Patrick with a pained expression, "Alfie is your cousin. If he cannot marry Selena, he is doomed to a lonely life!"

"From both a moral and logical standpoint, you shouldn't stand in the way of your cousin's marriage!"

Nicholas' sudden outburst scared several young ladies, who turned pale on the spot.

Selena's gaze grew colder.

it weren't for fear of tarnishing the Turner family's reputation, she would have stepped forward and taught this shameless old man

gaze also turned completely cold, "Don't forget, Nicholas, what the Soo family did to the Turner family in the

engagement between the Turner family and the Soo family was broken off at

remained unchanged, and he said forcefully, "Regardless of what happened in the past, the engagement between Selena and Alfie is

elder brother personally comes to break off the engagement, the engagement between the Soo family and the Turner family

Selena grew up as an orphan, so she is naturally a bit willful. As a descendant of the Turner family, how can you join her in such reckless behavior and tarnish the Turner

right," Vivian sneered, "Miss Turner may have had a valid excuse for dating other men before she knew about her engagement, but now that she's fully aware, continuing to be involved with other men is simply

Shaw is right, Miss Turner. Even though you come from a privileged background, you cannot openly pursue two men

may have been ignorant of your engagement for the past ten years while you were away, and it may have been forgivable to be involved with other men, but after today, you should know

"If Miss Turner knowingly has a fiancé and still insists on being with other men, even going so far as to persuade her indebted brother to help break the engagement, it makes one question the upbringing of the Turner family..."

"Miss Turner, you are engaged to another man, please spare Mr. Anderson! He is a distinguished man and should not have to bear the label of a third party because of **you**."

"Miss Turner, I heard that you grew up in a wealthy family, and you should know what it means when two great families unite in marriage. You cannot sacrifice the Turner family for your own love and disregard the future of *Mr. Turner.*"

Many of the elite daughters of the wealthy families have long been envious and resentful of Selena, and now they have caught hold of something to accuse *her of*.

While envy is a factor, the true reason lies with the men.

Although Alfie is outstanding, the strict rules of the Soo family have prevented anyone from coveting the position of the Soo family's *mistress*.

But Osvaldo is different.

For over twenty years, he has been revered and countless aristocratic ladies have fallen for him, yet he has never shown any interest.

Everyone thought he was incapable of emotions and would never fall in love with any woman.

So even though they were not willing to accept it, they had to accept the fact that they couldn't get him.

with Selena's appearance, that conclusion

extreme indulgence and affection for Selena made a group of young

Selena marries Alfie, the position of the next mistress of the Anderson family will be

the cutthroat world of the capital's aristocratic circle, there is no one who

long as Selena is out of the picture, they will have

Even if the chance is slim.

it was Osvaldo himself or the power and wealth of the Anderson family, they were all worth all women to pursue relentlessly and take a gamble on. Therefore, for the sake of their own interests, the people of the major wealthy families were happy to see Selena and Alfie's engagement come to fruition. Even though they envied the bride price offered by the Soo family, their jealousy was mixed up like a mess in their hearts

to the numerous accusations without changing her expression and held Hattie, who was about to rush out and confront someone. Hattie angrily said, "Selena, don't listen to their nonsense. These women are just being mouthy! They need to be taught

her hair and said, "It's okay, I don't take it

really care about these shouting voices. What she really paid attention to were those who remained silent. Selena's cold gaze swept over Freddie, Christ, Alfie, and Leon, then she withdrew her

Chapter 1158 No Kingdom is Better Than You

Upon hearing the sudden voice, Vivian and her group, who were laughing proudly, stiffened.

A shadow flickered in Nicholas' eyes.

Selena was stunned for a moment, and when she realized who was speaking, a sweet smile of joy unconsciously appeared on her beautiful face. She walked towards the door.

The guests who were surprised by the Soo family's strong style finally remembered that there was more than just the Soo family seeking marriage with the Turner family today.

Facing the many scrutinizing gazes, the group walked in mightily.

When they saw the people walking in, there was a sudden gasp in the room.

It was expected that Osvaldo and Antonio would come, but no one expected that Benjamin would also come.

Looking at the lazy and noble man in black clothes who was being led by Lady Lauren, the women in the room almost wanted to poke a few bloody holes in Lady Lauren with their gazes.

In the whole capital, Lady Lauren was the happiest and luckiest woman when it comes to marriage.

She had everything she wanted, and it was no joke.

As for the older generation of power holders, their emotions were even more complicated.

person had not changed at all after so

sweetly smiled and held her husband's arm, looking happy, but she was actually a bit

after so many years of marriage, Lady Lauren had a deep understanding of her husband's

was a matter of earth-shattering importance, she did not expect him to be moved

Benjamin came in person today, which was a rare

was a major life event for his son to get

his wife's head and said in a calm tone, "If I didn't come, your son wouldn't be able to marry

it was a bit troublesome, he had to come to prevent his wife from going home with tears in

didn't catch the deeper meaning behind Benjamin's words and thought he was referring to the Soo family. She coldly laughed and glared at him with a hint of coldness in her

couple were whispering, Selena had already walked up

in black clothes naturally hugged her in his

Selena looked up at him, pouting her red lips, her tone unconsciously accusing, "Why did you come so late?"

Osvaldo smiled and spoke softly as if he wanted to melt her, "Old people are slow with everything. Selena, you can go bother him **instead.**"

Antonio's eyelids twitched, restraining the urge to hit him. He looked kindly at the girl being held in his grandson's **arms**.

At first glance, this girl really resembled Nevaeh in appearance, but the temperament was just like *Callum's*.

Antonio assessed Selena, and Selena also saw the dignified-looking old man with a very gentle expression on the opposite *side*.

Although she was not happy with his previous meddling, he was Osvaldo's grandfather, so Selena still showed respect to him.

She obediently called out, "Grandpa."

Antonio burst out laughing, "Good!"

However, Selena's "grandpa" instantly made the already tense atmosphere in the hall even more **strained.**

She had refused to call the Soo family patriarch "grandpa" before, but now she openly called Antonio "grandpa," and the meaning behind it was very clear.

The faces of everyone in the Soo family, from top to bottom, became somewhat unpleasant.

lowered his eyelashes to cover the expression in

serious, his somewhat murky eyes fixed on Antonio, and it was unclear what he

about to pat Selena on the shoulder, but Osvaldo suddenly looked up, and his cold and ghostly gaze pierced straight towards

felt a chill all over his body, and his smile froze a bit on

a few seconds of hesitation, Antonio raised his hand and swung it behind him without any awkwardness, turning around and walking briskly to sit across from

have called me 'grandpa,' I will not allow anyone to bully you

sat down, the atmosphere in the hall became even

gritted her teeth and glared at Selena, who was being held

Freddie's relationship with Osvaldo since childhood, she often visited the Anderson family under the guise of visiting Mrs.

over the years, except for being familiar with Lady Lauren, she had never received any special treatment from the other members of the

for Benjamin, it goes without saying about his temperament, but even after all the effort she put in to please Antonio over the years, he didn't seem to have much affectio

Chapter 1159 I belong to you, and you belong to me

Although she was aware of the difficult situation of the Turner family, if the Soo family were to lend a hand and provide assistance, their situation, where they were constantly targeted and suppressed, would improve significantly. But marriage was a sacred thing. The Soo family's help could be earned and seized on her own, but once emotions went off track, it would harm more than just one person.

The most important thing was that she was already married. How could she betray her husband, who was so good to her, just for her own selfish desires?

Osvaldo's deep black eyes burned with intense excitement and eagerness. He gazed deeply at Selena and a sinister smile spread across his handsome face, indicating that he had finally gotten what he wanted.

Vivian was so angry that her whole body was trembling, and even her voice couldn't help but become shrill. "Mr. Turner has worked tirelessly for over a decade for the Turner family, and Miss Turner, for the sake of her own selfish desires, has abandoned the interests of the family. She's truly so selfish and cold-hearted!"

Selena turned around, raised her chin arrogantly, and looked at Vivian with disdain. "What do you have to do with the Turner family, Miss Shaw?"

Vivian glared at her. "As an aristocratic lady, shouldn't you prioritize your family's interests? Miss Turner, you enjoy the protection of the Turner family and the indulgence of your brother, but you are not willing to make any sacrifices for the Turner family or your family... Do you know what this kind of behavior is called?!"

She sneered repeatedly. "Moreover, the Turner family's ancestors suffered a great disaster, but you don't seek revenge for your parents and families. Instead, you are only concerned about your own happiness. Aren't you afraid that they'll be unable to rest in peace?"

Selena's gaze suddenly turned cold. "Miss Shaw, you are right, the Turner family's hatred will undoubtedly come at a cost to the Shaw family!"

Vivian was suddenly chilled by the coldness in Selena's eyes. However, her words resonated with many people at the scene. In the world of high society, except for a few rare cases where two people fell in love and came from similar backgrounds, most marriages were based on benefits. Even those who didn't like the Turner family couldn't deny the fact that Patrick had supported the Turner family's doorframe with his ailing body for so many years.

If Selena had agreed to Alfie's proposal, it would have immediately relieved the Turner family's predicament. However, she openly refused for the sake of her own love.

the eyes of a group of people who grew up in a struggle for interests, such behavior is indeed

the Turner family already had a prior engagement with the

view, it was only natural for Selena to marry

pursed her lips and seemed unable to bear it anymore. She reminded Selena, "Miss Turner, the Turner family is not just Mr. Turner alone. As a daughter of the Turner family, you also have a responsibility. You cannot let Mr. Turner bear all the burden, while you only think of enjoying the

at the two women who were constantly picking faults and was about to speak, but suddenly a pair of slender arms reached out from behind her and hugged her delicate body tightly. Selena was stunned for a moment. The next second, the man pinched her chin and forcibly turned her face back. Selena looked at the man who was close to her

hooked his lips and his slender, fair fingers gently brushed over her cheek. His voice carried a hint of piety, "What's mine is yours, and I am yours

stunned and didn't understand the man's meaning at first. Not only did she not understand, but everyone else on the scene also looked at them

eyes of several young powerful figures were especially fixed on

Vivian and Constance had a shallow understanding and thought that grasping the handle of that engagement would make Selena helpless. But these men knew that in this matter, the Turner family's and Selena's attitudes were important, but the real decision-making power lay with Osvaldo. If he did not want to let go, no one could take Selena away from him! In this man's eyes, the so-called engagement and rules were not worth

the watchful eyes of a group of people as if facing a great enemy, Luke suddenly took a step forward, walked to Patrick, and handed him a document. Patrick's cold gaze looked over and was full

"This is Mr. Anderson's betrothal gift to Miss Turner!" Luke smirked, "Mr. Anderson's entire fortune is in there, and everything he has in the future belongs to Miss Turner."

Facing the stunned gaze of the crowd, Luke added, "Whether openly or secretly, Miss Turner will be the only mistress of the Anderson family. Everything he has will be treasured for her."

Several young ladies couldn't stand still and fell to the ground in *shock*.

Vivian stumbled back several steps as if frightened, her face turned pale.

Constance's heart tightened, she clenched her fists, and a strong feeling of melancholy and jealousy arose in her **eyes.**

Even Alfie's gentle and smiling face finally disappeared.

Christ's eyes became even colder.

Even Patrick was obviously shocked.

Even Lady Lauren's smile froze when she heard this.

Selena is the only mistress of the Anderson family?

her son's mother, could she not be considered the mistress of the Anderson family in her

felt a familiar pang in her heart, biting her handkerchief, and tearfully complaining, "I really want to stuff this bastard back into my belly and start

softly, but she didn't go over to scold her

touched his wife's hair and comforted her wounded soul, but he didn't show any

all, he hadn't really cared about his son since he

everything Osvaldo had achieved was done on

had nothing to do with his father or the Anderson

his son wanted to waste money, he couldn't be bothered to take a

Selena finished listening to Luke's words, she finally realized the meaning behind the man's words and widened her eyes.

at her tenderly, "Selena, I belong to you alone, and no one can take me away

Chapter 1160 A Big Fight

From top to bottom, the Soo family's faces turned pale.

Selena blushed.

Alfie reached out to grab Selena, who was being held by a man.

Osvaldo sneered, his arm around Selena's waist tightening, pulling her into his embrace. With his other hand, he grabbed Alfie's neck and threw him out.

Whether intentionally or unintentionally, he landed right where Vivian was standing.

Vivian and the other girls who had accused Selena just moments ago were hit hard, screaming as they fell to the ground.

There was an instant of screams and chaos on the scene.

Alfie barely managed to stay upright and looked at Osvaldo, wiping the blood from the corner of his mouth with a smile. "No matter how strong you are, you cannot change the fact that she was born to belong to me!"

"She won't belong to you, not now, not ever!" Osvaldo's voice grew dark and threatening.

He rubbed Selena's hair gently, his voice low. "Selena, wait for me over there for a while."

held by the man, her head resting on his shoulder, feeling his dangerous aura. She moved anxiously and said, "Osvaldo,

at her and pushed her gently away. Seeing the situation was not good, Patrick strode over and took Selena away. When Selena came back to her senses, she was already standing behind Patrick, her eyes watery, her cheeks as beautiful as a blooming

watched as Osvaldo slowly took off his coat, feeling confused. "What is he doing?" she

she could finish her sentence, Osvaldo's cold, hard voice had already reached them. "Cover

grew cold as he covered Selena's eyes with his

Everyone knew about this man's cruelty.

scene that is about to happen will definitely be extremely bloody and violent, which may scare

went black and she couldn't see

the next second, amidst the horrified screams of the women present, Osvaldo punched Alfie

his crimson lips and his eyes instantly became extremely

men started fighting like two thoroughly

If it were someone else, this scene would definitely be more exciting than scary for the onlookers.

However, seeing the bright red blood gushing out like a faucet, no one at the scene felt excited. All they felt was fear and the urge to avoid *it*.

Mr. Anderson's cruelty and ruthlessness were well known to everyone.

But no one expected that Mr. Soo, who looked gentle and refined, would also be so amazingly skilled.

For a moment, the entire banquet hall was in chaos.

Constance watched as the young ladies who had just accused Selena were beaten one by one and retreated with pale faces, unable to hide their unwillingness and resentment. "What kind of magic does Selena possess that makes them abandon their dignity and image for her?"

Regardless of whether it was Osvaldo or Alfie, they both came from prestigious families and had topnotch education **and patience.**

Yet they were fighting for a woman on the spot.

Especially Osvaldo. In the eyes of everyone for over a decade, he had been as cold as if he had no human emotions. Yet he started fighting with Alfie directly because of **a provocation.**

He completely disregarded his image and reputation.

Constance was so angry that she almost wanted to scream.

and couldn't be bothered with such brainless

that men understand men best, and that is not entirely

mention the ties and connections between them and Selena, any man would want to possess a girl like Selena who is beautiful, noble, and

protagonist seems to have some misconceptions about her own

to think that only Osvaldo truly loves her. Both Christ and Alfie only calculate and use her without any good intentions towards her. But

at Osvaldo, who was still trying to conceal his brutal nature, and sneered while biting his

day, he would expose this man's true identity in front of Selena and make her see for herself what kind of person her "gentlemanly" boyfriend really

covered Selena's eyes, so she couldn't see anything, but she could hear what was happening and guessed what

became anxious and forcefully pulled Patrick's hand away from her eyes. The scene that met her eyes was a mess, with blood all over the floor. She watched as Osvaldo fought with Alfie, and she was

be said that Osvaldo had done a great job of maintaining his "gentlemanly" image in front of

Selena saw him fight for the first time, her expression was