

Mr Conrad 1011

Chapter 1011-Archer walked over and crouched down next to her, just about to check her for injuries, when the hotel staff ran over with security and shouted at him, "Stop!"

Archer: "....."

The hotel staff helped Natasha up and looked at Archer with a wary expression, "What have you done, how can a person suddenly faint."

Archer stood up, the umbrella leaned on the shoulder, lazily spoke: "How do I know, I passed by and saw her head on the pole, I guess the head injury is not light, send it to the hospital."

With that, he was just about to leave when he was stopped.

The hotel staff said, "Since this is the case, then please go to the hospital with us first, when the police come to make a statement, I can also explain."

Archer knew that she didn't believe what he said.

He admitted that he was unlucky, who let him go to that shitty concert, and came back to the rain.

"Let's go."

After the hotel party took Natasha to the hospital, the police came over soon after and asked about the situation.

"It's like this, Miss Osborne was harassed in front of our hotel, the other side kept blocking the door, so Miss Osborne got scared and ran into the rain, by the time we caught up with her, Miss Osborne had fainted on the ground "As she spoke, she quietly pointed at Archer, "And this gentleman, right next to the fainted Miss Osborne, didn't know what he wanted to do to her."

The police officer finished making a statement and asked, "Where are the people who harassed her?"

"At our hotel, it's under control."

The police officer nodded and went back to Archer: "Sir, please show your ID."

Archer handed over his ID card.

When the other person took it, he froze for a moment and gave it back to him quickly.

Archer yawned, "No more registration?"

"Sorry Mr. James, there should be some kind of misunderstanding, we will check again when Miss Osborne wakes up."

Archer got up, "I'm off then, call me if you have any questions."

The hotel staff smiled and their faces changed slightly as they came forward and said, "Mr. James, I'm sorry, I didn't know you"

This surname, in Riverside City, is enough to show his status.

She misunderstood this one, misunderstood into people who want to plot against Natasha, said simple point to lose work, there may be more serious consequences

Archer tossed and turned for most of the year, is already sleepy: "What is there to apologize for, if my sister meets a responsible person like you out there, I'm kinda relieved to go."

He had just taken a few steps outside when he saw a figure run in quickly, passing him by and bringing up a gust of wind.

Archer paused, "Elaine?"

The figure suddenly stopped and turned his head in surprise, "Cousin Jiang"?

Archer looked over at her, "What are you doing running around blindly again instead of sleeping."

The hotel staff immediately came over and explained, "Mr. James is this, I sent Miss Osborne to the hospital, first notified her home, but did not contact, so I tried to find Miss James"

Elaine nodded: "It's so late, Uncle Matthew must be asleep, I'll contact tomorrow"

"So this is what you get for sleeping late?"

Elaine: "....."

She asked rhetorically, "So what are you doing here at this late hour?"

The staff again hurriedly continued: "Yes is Mr. James to see the righteousness, Miss Osborne was injured fainted, he has been watching over Miss Osborne, waiting for us to pass."

Archer didn't expect his image to become so glorious and magnificent instantly, he said numbly, "I was just passing by."

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Natasha woke up with a headache that felt like it was about to explode. She opened her eyes in a daze and saw Elaine sitting next to her with an anxious look on her face.

The memories from before the coma suddenly began to attack her.

Natasha got up and hugged Elaine fiercely: "Ooooooooooooooooooooo, Elaine has bad people chasing me, it's scary"

Elaine patted her back, "It's okay it's okay, he's been arrested, you're in the hospital now, you're safe."

Natasha cried for half a day, finally slowed down, she wiped her tears, suddenly saw behind Elaine, a strange man leaning on the locker, bored to death watching her.

Natasha instantly widened her eyes, pulled Elaine's hand tightly and lowered her voice: "Elaine, let me tell you one thing you must not be afraid!"

Elaine: "?"

Natasha said nervously, "I think I can see ghosts."

Elaine: "....."

Natasha saw her disbelief and pointed towards Elaine: "There, there's a man, staring at me all the time, you can't see it, can you?!"

Archer: "....."

Natasha continued: "I saw a lot of foreign movies is that the heroine in what happened fainted, woke up with the ability to see ghosts, did not expect this thing is actually real, but also happened to me!"

Archer came over: "Tell the doctor to take your friend to have his brain checked"

Natasha screamed and backed up, "Aaaahhhh, Elaine he's coming over!"

Elaine pulled her back and stifled a laugh, "Natasha, that's not a ghost, it's my cousin."

Natasha looked at her with a bewildered look on her face, "Huh?"

"This is my cousin, Archer, who found you after you fainted."

Natasha was silent for a few seconds and suddenly quiet: "Table cousin?"

Elaine nodded, "Yes, my cousin."

Natasha remembered that stupid look she had just given and instantly turned red.

Archer saw this and said to Elaine, "I'll wait for you outside."

"Oh, good."

When Archer left, Elaine whispered, "What's wrong with you? I thought you said your boyfriend would pick you up tonight, where is he?"

Speaking of this Natasha is angry: "Do not know him, he better not appear in this life, looking at him I am annoyed."

After Elaine chatted with her for a while longer, Natasha said, "Elaine, you go home first, your cousin is still waiting for you outside."

"I'll stay with you a little longer."

"No, I can do it alone, just call the nurse if something happens, not to mention that when my dad wakes up, he will come over immediately."

Elaine said, "Well, then, you call me anytime."

Archer is expected to wait for the temper.

Out of the ward, Elaine didn't see Archer.

She searched along the corridor and shouted in a low voice, "Cousin, are you here, cousin"

Before the words were out of her mouth, Elaine saw the figure standing on the balcony not far away.

He was wearing a white shirt and black pants, standing there on the phone, the cuffs pulled up, and the blood stains that had not dried.

Elaine's breath lagged for a moment and she hurriedly walked over.

Darnell heard the footsteps, looked back, his eyes slightly paused, and spoke lightly: "That's it."

As he put away the phone, Elaine stood in front of him, her eyes slightly red and her voice a little shaky: "Are you, like, hurt?"

Chapter 1012-At that, Darnell glanced at the blood on his sleeve and explained, "It's not mine."

Elaine was stunned, tears hovering in her eyes, not falling, "Huh?"

Darnell spoke lightly, "It was Ariel who was hurt."

Elaine said in a rush, "Then she"

"Archer went for it."

Elaine didn't know what to say for a moment and took a few steps forward to lean against the wall and stand next to Darnell.

The hallway was quiet, and all you could hear was the growing rain behind you.

I do not know how long it took, Elaine hand over the mouth, a shallow yawn, eyes somewhat open.

Darnell looked over at her, "Still not going home?"

"I I'll wait for Archer, my friend fainted at night, and he was the one who sent her to the hospital, so"

"He should be a long time."

Elaine hung her head and whispered, "Then I'll wait, too."

Darnell looked at the time, it was 2:00 am.

He said, "I have things to do."

Darnell had just taken a step when his coat was pulled by the corner.

He looked back and Elaine looked at him accusingly, "Actually, I wanted to stay with you."

Darnell was silent for two seconds and slowly spoke, "Elaine, your father should have told you that staying around me would be dangerous, and now you've seen it for yourself. So, go back to your own world."

Instead of letting go, Elaine clenched her hand: "You promised me that I could meet you in the restaurant if I needed anything, but now it doesn't count?"

"You can go to me if you have something, but you should know exactly where the line is."

"So are you drawing the line with me again now?" Elaine sniffled, "I know it's dangerous to stay by your side, but but I'm not afraid, don't you push me away ok"

The tears instantly slipped from her eyes, like beads on a string, and could not be stopped.

Darnell turned and took her in his arms, his hand resting gently on the back of her head, not speaking, not knowing what he was thinking.

Elaine obediently wrapped her arms around his waist and choked: "No matter how long it takes, I can wait, I can also not see you all this time, I will obediently wait for you to come to me even if it is a year, three years, five years, ten years... .."

"Have you ever thought about what you would do if you liked someone else in the future?"

Elaine hugged him tightly, "No way."

Darnell said: "Elaine, human feelings are very complex things, and so on time, you may be bored, or perhaps be attracted to new things. But once, you are involved in the danger, there is never a day to turn back. Do you understand?"

"I understand, but the feelings are also uncontrollable, I like you, see you will be very happy, and stay with you will also be happy, can not see you will miss you, more will be sad"

Halfway through the day, Darnell let her go, "I'll walk you back."

Elaine wiped her tears and nodded sobbingly.

On the road, Elaine leaned back in the back seat, not knowing when she fell asleep.

Darnell looked at her, his thin lips slightly pursed.

Outside the car window, the sound of rain is dull and busy.

The car pulled up in front of the cottage and Darnell opened the back seat door and bent down to carry Elaine upstairs to her room.

After putting the person in bed, he had just left the bedroom when he saw Franklin, who had been woken up.

Franklin looked at the blood on his shirt and frowned, "What happened to Elaine."

Darnell pulled the door to his room shut, his expression unchanged: "Asleep."

"You guys"

"Is it convenient to talk."

Franklin sulked and took Darnell to the study.

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The next day, Elaine slept until noon. She stretched, moved her neck, and shuffled downstairs as usual.

Seeing Franklin sitting on the sofa reading the newspaper, Elaine yawned and said, "Good morning, Daddy, aren't you going out today?"

Franklin said, "It's not early, it's almost noon dinner."

Elaine: “.....”

The maid brought over hot milk, and after Elaine drank it, she sat down next to Franklin: “Daddy, what are you looking at?”

Franklin put down the newspaper and asked instead of answering, “Where did you go last night, you came back in the middle of the night.”

Elaine rolled her eyes and said, “Natasha met a bad guy and went into the hospital, and they couldn’t reach her dad, so they asked me to come over.”

“So how is she doing.”

“She didn’t” the words came out of her mouth and Elaine frowned, “It’s pretty serious, I have to go check on her later after lunch.”

Franklin doesn’t say anything, he just looks at her.

Elaine was so weak from his look that she couldn’t help but look away sideways and try to change the subject: “By the way dad, how did you know I came back in the middle of the night ah, I”

Halfway through, it occurred to her that Darnell had sent her back.

But she fell asleep in the car and doesn’t remember anything behind her.

Franklin reopened the paper, “The maid said so this morning.”

Elaine tried out, “So have you seen”

“See what?”

Elaine immediately said, “No no, nothing.”

After lunch, Elaine put down her chopsticks and ran upstairs to change and get ready for the hospital.

But when she came downstairs with great enthusiasm, Franklin spoke without delay: “Don’t go anywhere today.”

Elaine said, “Natasha is still in the hospital and I have to go stay with her.”

“There are doctors in the hospital, what’s the use of you going there.”

“Of course it works.” Elaine sat down next to Franklin again and shook his arm to pout, “Dad, Natasha is my best friend, she’s in the hospital, how can I not be there for her, she’ll be bored and uncomfortable alone.”

Franklin looked outside, gesturing to the rain that was still falling, “It’s raining too much to go out safely.”

“I’ll have the driver drive a little slower, very, very slowly, and absolutely make sure it’s safe.” Saying that, Elaine began to squeeze his shoulders again, “OK, Daddy, please.”

Franklin sighed helplessly, “Elaine, do you really have to go see him.”

Elaine nodded: “I’ll just go to the hospital to see her, and I definitely won’t wander off.”

Franklin was about to say something else when one of his men came in and reported on the job.

Seeing this, Elaine got up smoothly: “I’ll go first then, Dad, you go about your business.”

After saying that, a slip of the tongue ran out.

Franklin simply could not do anything about her, sighing and looking at his men, "Did you get the information?"

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Chapter 1013-In the hospital.

Brendon was sitting next to Natasha's bed and took her hand to apologize: "Natasha I'm sorry, I really had something to do yesterday, I didn't expect you to encounter such a thing, it's all my fault, don't be angry, okay?"

Natasha completely do not want to care about him, pulled his hand out: "I called you so many calls, you are busy again even to return a message time is not, you can not come to say can not come, why do I have to wait for you again, if not waiting for you, I will not" "

The more she spoke, the more aggrieved she became, tears welling up in her eyes, furious.

Brendon was sincere and swore, "It's all my fault, it's all my fault, and I promise there won't be a next time!"

In fact, he arrived yesterday afternoon and never showed up because he saw that Elaine was standing next to Natasha.

His family was talking about her engagement to Elaine, and if he showed up then, it was all over.

Seeing that Natasha didn't say anything, Brendon brought out his prepared gift again: "Haven't you always liked this necklace, I spent a lot of effort to buy it back, how about it?"

Natasha glanced at it and couldn't help but take it: "It's a Starry Sky Studio show model, I heard there's only one, how did you get it?"

She asked her friends several times, how can not buy, said this necklace was left in the fashion week exhibition.

Brendon's gaze flickered a bit as he took her hand and said, "Whether it's a show model or something else, as long as you like it, it's worth it to me to spend more money."

Natasha heard him say that and didn't get suspicious. Brendon was talking about getting her a birthday present a long time ago, mysteriously, like a big surprise.

If this is the case, he should have thought a lot before buying this necklace.

Brendon took the opportunity to get up and take the necklace out of the jewelry box, "I'll put it on for you."

Natasha picked up her phone and took a picture of the screen.

Brendon said, "It looks good on you."

Natasha grunted: "You don't think I'm just going to forgive you, you tell me what the hell you were doing yesterday."

"I" Brendon saw that he really couldn't avoid it and made an excuse, "My mom suddenly fainted and I've been taking care of her in the hospital."

Natasha sniffed and her eyes snapped open, "Really?"

"Of course it's true, how could I lie to you with this."

Hearing him say that, Natasha instantly some self-condemnation, she did not know Brendon's specific situation, so this is not some unreasonable?

Natasha asked nervously, "So how is your mother, is she better."

Brendon nodded, "Much better."

Natasha is still not quite at ease: "That then you better go back to take care of your mother, I have nothing here, and will soon be discharged."

Seeing that Natasha was no longer angry, Brendon went along with it: "Okay, I'll go back then."

Natasha nodded, "Get out of here."

After Brendon left, Natasha sat on her bed and, after a while, couldn't help but pick up her phone again and look at the necklace around her neck, liking it more and more.

At this time, a knock on the door sounded.

Elaine poked her head in, "Natasha, are you better?"

Natasha looked over at her, "There."

When Elaine sat down, Natasha was quick to share her new necklace with her, "Does it look good, does it look good."

Elaine looked and nodded: "Nice to look at, just a little familiar"

Natasha said happily, "It's from the 'Starry Sky Studio' fashion week show a few months ago, and my boyfriend gave it to me for my birthday."

Elaine paused: "Did your boyfriend visit you?"

Speaking of which, Natasha felt a little guilty: "He explained to me that he didn't come yesterday because his mother was sick, and I didn't even know and almost misunderstood him."

At that, Elaine couldn't say anything else.

But it always feels weird somewhere.

Natasha patted her, "Elaine, take the necklace off for me, I'll wear it when I get out of the hospital."

"Good."

Natasha then turned over, and as Elaine helped her take the necklace off, her eyes couldn't help but fall on the brand name at the end.

She still worked part-time in Stella's studio for some time, and had long been familiar with the brand's logo, but one of the letters on this necklace was a little crooked, and the rest of the lines were a little thicker.

Natasha saw her looking at her seriously and asked, "Elaine, what's wrong?"

Elaine said, "Nothing"

She thought about it and spoke up: "This necklace of yours, can I take a picture of it?"

"That's fine."

Elaine took a picture and sent it to Stella immediately, and edited the text.

Meanwhile, the doctor came in to examine Natasha.

Natasha asked, "When can I get out of the hospital? I'm dying of boredom staying here."

"Miss Osborne your test results are in, minor concussion, anytime"

"Wait!" Elaine jerked her head up and held down Natasha's restless shoulders, "I think, concussion is not a trivial matter, we should observe in the hospital for a few more days, we can't rush to be discharged."

Natasha was filled with confusion, "Huh?"

The doctor nodded: "Miss James has a point, you can observe more if you are not sure."

Natasha said, "But I feel, nothing uncomfortable anymore and stay here"

Elaine said, "Natasha, don't worry, I'll come and stay with you every day. And"

She racked her brain, “You let the driver go home last night, your father must have scolded you, right, you are now discharged from the hospital, home he will certainly still talk about you, and maybe also let you are not allowed to go out, you will stay in the hospital for a few days, when your father’s anger subsided, and then go back.”

Natasha’s father did give her a lecture when he came in this morning.

She immediately found Elaine’s method reliable: “Then I’ll be discharged in a few days. Elaine, it’s you who thought of it!”

Elaine spoke up somewhat sheepishly: “Should should, if you have anything you want just tell me and I’ll bring it all to you.”

“You’re the best.”

Elaine stayed in Natasha’s room for a while, waiting for her to take a nap before sneaking out of the room.

She was in the hallway, going from room to room, looking at the names on each ward.

Suddenly, there was a tap on the shoulder.

Elaine jerked her head around and her scream caught in her throat.

Archer was wearing a white coat and had his hands behind his back, “What are you doing sneaking around here?”

Elaine stammered, “I came to find Ariel, I heard she was injured, how is she now?”

Archer put his hands in his pockets: “With me out of the way, what can I do.”

With that, he scanned Elaine up and down again, "I see, you're not here for Ariel, are you?"

Being pierced, Elaine did not weasel out of it and simply asked him directly, "So is he in?"

Chapter 1014-Archer said amused, "You think you'd be happy if he was here?"

Elaine nodded and said seriously, "It's fun, I want to see him."

"And I don't know whether to say you're simple, or brainless."

Elaine pouted unhappily, "You're scolding me again."

Archer smiled at her perfunctorily and said as he walked forward, "I'm complimenting you."

Elaine hurried to follow: "So then you haven't answered me, is he here?"

"Not in."

Elaine froze, followed by, "When is he coming over ah, I can wait"

Archer paused in his steps and turned his head to look at him, "Really want to know where he is?"

"Sure."

Archer raised an eyebrow and said unhurriedly, "Go out the side door, there's a Cayenne, you go straight in, tell the driver that I sent you to Darnell and he'll take you there."

Before Elaine could raise the smile on her face, she worried again, "But what if someone finds out?"

“Don’t worry, everyone in the James family is on their own now, no one will bother you.”

Elaine’s smile unfolded instantly and she didn’t bother to ask the James family what was going on. She responded and was ready to leave when she was called by Archer again.

He said, “Before you go, you have to be mentally prepared in advance, don’t say that I, as a cousin, did not remind you.”

Elaine didn’t quite understand: “Huh?”

Archer slowly spoke: “You will know when you go, that is, Darnell’s world.”

Not waiting for Elaine to react, he added, “Go ahead, if you regret or get scared in the middle of the day, let the driver take you home, and I won’t tell Darnell about what happened today.”

Elaine pursed her lips gently, “So can you help me go check on Natasha later, she’s here alone

Archer waved a hand at her and nodded.

Elaine smiled, said thank you, and turned to run toward the side door.

When she got into the car, she explained her intention to the driver, who nodded slightly.

Elaine lowered the window and let out a breath.

Her hand on her knee tightened slightly, a little nervous.

It was apprehension about the unknown world.

After half an hour, the car stopped in front of a private club.

The driver said, "Miss James will go straight in."

Elaine nodded and pushed open the car door.

She forgot to bring her umbrella, and the cool raindrops fell on her face. Elaine shivered from the cold, but luckily the rain was not too heavy at the moment, so she ran into the clubhouse in a few steps.

The clubhouse was surrounded by Darnell's people, who saw Elaine and did not react, just stood in their places.

Elaine therefore gave up on the idea of asking for directions.

After she took a few steps inside, she heard a subtle sound coming from the distance and immediately moved forward.

Inside the clubhouse, there is a long corridor with a Chinese style pavilion at the end.

The eaves on both sides were dripping with rain, flooding into the small lake.

Elaine vaguely saw the figure of Darnell, and just as she was about to go over, her eyes fell on the bloodied man in front of him.

Even though the man's features had been covered with blood, Elaine recognized him immediately as an uncle of the James family who had held her as a child.

Elaine stopped in her tracks, her breathing slightly stalled.

In the booth, the faint sound of struggle blurred, "I didn't do it and I have nothing to do with it"

Darnell sat there, no emotion on his face, looking at him as if he were a dead man, he spoke lightly: "It's okay not to talk, I have plenty of time."

At the sound of his words, Darnell's men threw a body next to the middle-aged man.

It was one of the killers from yesterday.

The middle-aged man saw the situation, instantly shaking like sieve chaff, difficult to voice: "Darnell, the James family so many people, why do you have to seize me not to let go, I I"

Darnell picked up his cup of tea and looked cold: "You're not the first, and certainly not the last."

"You disregard the James family family rules, more against the ancestors, brutalize the clan, the James family how can there be a person like you"

"I thought that you already knew. Is this the first day you've known me?"

The middle-aged man shook even more, his eyes filled with fear and hatred.

Suddenly, he didn't know where the strength was, and fought his way up from the ground to run away from the people next to him.

But before he could run out of the pavilion, he was overpowered and fell heavily to the ground with a painful and dull sound.

Elaine looked at the scene, blushed and subconsciously took two steps back.

In the pavilion, Jiang Ying just about to go over, Darnell raised his hand, he did not even look over there, just said: "Go back and tell Carl, within two days, I do not get the information I want, the next person who is here, is him."

The middle-aged man could no longer answer the question, and was driven away with his lips moving in an urn.

As he passed Elaine, he braced his half-eye, which was almost covered with blood, and saw that she seemed to want to say something, but no sound came out.

Soon, the surrounding men gradually retreated, and the bodies and blood were disposed of.

In the pavilion, Darnell was left alone.

Elaine stood at this end of the corridor and tried to go over several times, but her legs felt like they were a thousand pounds heavy, so she couldn't move.

After a long time, Darnell got up and walked towards her.

Elaine clenched her hand, her body instinctively, and took a step back.

Darnell looked at her wet shoulders, "Go change."

She blushed and her voice was a bit astringent: "I"

Darnell said lightly, "I'll have someone send you back."

He was just about to leave when Elaine got up the courage to tug at his cuffs: "I can't walk, my legs are weak"

Darnell's eyes rested on her, "Scared."

Elaine nodded and immediately shook her head, half stammering before speaking: "That that uncle I know, what I'm afraid of is not actually... . in fact I have a little bit of blood sickness"

When she finished, she fell over to the side.

Darnell held her up, and after a two-second pause, still bent down and picked the person up.

Elaine immediately wrapped her arms around his neck and hugged him tightly.

Darnell: "....."

He was momentarily angry and amused: "Are you afraid or not?"

Elaine head buried in his arms, voice muffled: "You just that expression, that look, again, to push me away, I am very afraid, but but I have never seen this situation, change who will be afraid."

Archer says this is Darnell's world, and she came prepared for it.

She had heard more horrific rumors about him than that.

Just did not expect that the uncle

Elaine said to herself again, "That uncle must have done something to hurt you for you to do this to him."

Darnell looked down at him, "What if it's not."

Chapter 1015-Elaine thought about it and said seriously, "That doesn't matter. My sister once told me that it is not from other people's mouths but from my own fragments to judge whether a person is good or bad, and as long as he is good to me, then I can always trust him."

Darnell twitched his eyebrows and didn't say anything.

Elaine leaned back into his arms, in fact, she understood that there is no absolute good or bad in this world, just like her Uncle Caesar, and those uncles and uncles of the James family.

They can do anything to hurt other people for their own benefit.

But they will also do their best to protect the people who are important to them.

It's just a different position.

Darnell carried her into the room and soon, a staff member brought in clothes.

He said, "I'll wait for you outside."

Elaine took the dress and nodded.

After Darnell left, Elaine took her clothes into the bathroom, uncomfortably wet and sticky from the rain.

Standing in the bathroom, she turned on the shower and took off her wet clothes again and set them aside.

The hot water slowly converged on the ground, forming small pools of water.

Elaine's feet were still a little weak, and when she walked inside she didn't pay attention and stepped on the water, slipping instantly on the bottom of her feet.

"Ah..."

Outside the room, Darnell was on the phone, and when he heard the voice from inside, he put the phone away, turned and opened the door and strided inside: "Elaine."

The whole house was empty.

Darnell heard the sound of water coming from the bathroom and he quickly walked over, but stopped when he reached the door and flexed his fingers and knocked, "Elaine, can you hear me."

Elaine's voice was mixed with the sound of water and a little hard to hear: "You can hear it"

"What's wrong with you."

"I I fell down"

Darnell said, "Is it serious."

Elaine's voice was resigned, "It hurts."

Darnell was silent for a few seconds: "Put your clothes on."

"My clothes are next to me, I can't get up on the floor"

"Where are the bath towels."

"On the wall."

Darnell stood there, exhaled, and slowly said, "Try to stand up and go get your clothes, will you."

Elaine whispered, "I'll try."

She held onto the wall and stood up slowly, but obviously hadn't recovered from the shock she had just felt, and her feet went weak and she fell to the ground again.

Hearing voices coming from inside, Darnell didn't pause any longer and opened the door directly and walked over.

The bathroom, full of dense water vapor, blurred vision.

Darnell pulled a bath towel open, squatted in front of Elaine and carried the person out.

Elaine was surprisingly well-behaved and nestled in his arms without saying a word.

Darnell laid her down on the bed and pulled the covers over her again, wrapping her securely before asking, "Where does it hurt, let me see."

Elaine sat there with her hands gripping the covers, her little face red, not sure if it was from the steam inside or from embarrassment.

When she didn't say anything, Darnell whispered, "Hmm?"

Elaine looked at him and her mouth moved so that she could spit out two words, "Ass"

Darnell: "....."

Immediately after Elaine finished, she dug her head under the covers and blushed like hell.

Falling to the ground like that, she is really butt hurt ah.

How such an embarrassing thing happened right in front of him.

It was only after a long time that Elaine's voice came muffled from under the covers, "You go out, I'll just change my clothes myself later."

Darnell said, "I'll call a female doctor for you?"

"..... No need!"

Darnell turned his head, scanned the room, got up and re-entered the bathroom, turned off the water, and brought out clean clothes for her to put next to the bed.

"I'll be at the door, call me if you need anything."

The ball of quilt moved as if it were nodding.

Darnell saw this, the corners of his lips hooked down without trace, turned away.

It wasn't until the sound of the door closing came that Elaine slowly revealed her head from under the covers, feeling like she was about to suffocate.

She casually smoothed out her hair, which obscured her vision, and poked out a hand to get her clothes.

After the change, Elaine collapsed on the bed in a fit of despair.

Did he just, see?

I should have known that I should have bought a black underwear to wear when I went out today ooh ooh ooh.

After a while, Elaine had enough rest and struggled to get up, her feet were not as weak as before, and she could barely walk.

She pulls open the door and instead of Darnell, she sees the female staff member who brought her clothes earlier.

Elaine froze, "Where's Darnell."

The woman smiled and spoke, "Miss James, Master of Riverside had something to take care of and he said for me to give you a ride home if you wanted to."

Elaine looked at the time and it was indeed quite late.

If she doesn't go back, her father will find out.

Elaine took two steps, then turned back and asked in a whisper, "Is he gone already?"

The woman said, "I'm not sure about that."

Elaine sighed, okay.

She knew that he was quite busy.

So there is not that much time, and it is not possible to send her home every time.

When we left the clubhouse, it was still raining.

At that moment, a black car pulled up in front of them.

The woman saw the license plate number and immediately took a few steps back.

Elaine, however, drops her head and reaches out to pull open the backseat door.

Just as she was about to sit in, her eyes stopped.

She said in surprise, "I thought you were gone."

Darnell looked at her, "Not sure how much longer you have out, just the right time to get you home first."

Elaine immediately got in, pulled the door shut, and said to the driver in front of her, "Let's go."

After the car drove for a while, Darnell's voice rang out, "Archer said you went to the hospital today."

Elaine looked as if she had been caught on the wrong side of a book, and was inevitably a bit vain: "My friend is also in hospital, so I"

"Next time don't go to the hospital, I'm not there."

Elaine turned her head to look at him, "So"

Darnell said, "The restaurant."

Elaine's face lifted into a smile and instantly understood what he meant: "Good!"

Darnell added, "Does it still hurt, do you want to go to the hospital."

At that, Elaine couldn't help but blush: "No I'm not going to the hospital, I'll be fine in a couple of days."

“If it doesn’t get better tomorrow, a fracture can’t be ruled out.”

“I know la, I’ll look at it tomorrow tomorrow, and I’ll go if it hurts.”

Darnell was silent for two seconds: “I may not have time tomorrow.”

Elaine: “.....”

She said, “I don’t want you to accompany me even if you have time!”

Darnell looked at her and the corner of his lips curled down, “Really?”

Elaine was looking at him and blushed even more, while her heart was beating fast like it was going to jump out of her chest, and soon compromised: “That that’s fine too”

Darnell said, “If it still hurts tomorrow, call Archer and go straight to the hospital.”

Elaine reached out and poked the back of his hand with one finger: “Can I, like, just give you a call.”

Chapter 1016-When Elaine returned home, Franklin was not there, and when the maid saw her face was full of smiles and her whole body seemed to reveal a leap of joy, she asked, “Has Miss met something happy?”

At that, Elaine nodded, “Did my dad say when he’d be back?”

The maid shook his head: “The master took a phone call and left in a hurry, as if who was injured, and quite seriously.”

Hearing this, the corners of Elaine’s lips pursed slightly, the smile on her face gradually closed up.

It should be the same uncle that I met at the clubhouse.

Elaine said, "I'm going to my room. If my dad comes back, you call me."

"Okay."

However, Elaine waited all night and Franklin did not return.

The next morning, Elaine still couldn't resist and gave him a call.

When Franklin got through, there was only a brief reply, "Elaine, Dad's busy, so I'll talk to you when I get home."

Elaine hurriedly said, "Nothing, nothing, I just see you have not come back all night, a little worried about you dad you busy."

On the other end of the phone, Franklin seemed to want to say something, but in the end did not speak, daily barked a few words at her, and then hung up.

Elaine put her phone down, got up, washed up, got the things Natasha wanted again, and went straight to the hospital.

In the ward, Natasha was bored out of her mind, and when she saw Elaine coming, her eyes glowed: "Oooooooh, Elaine, you're finally here, I'm bored out of my mind alone!"

Elaine spit out her tongue: "Sorry, I had some temporary business yesterday, but I asked my cousin to come and chat with you, is he here?"

Natasha laughed dryly twice: "Might as well not come"

Yesterday when Archer came to the ward, Natasha was eating take-out and milk tea.

He gave her a very detailed elaboration of the harmful effects of these things on the body, rigorous and thesis defense seems to be, Natasha instantly felt the food in her mouth does not taste good.

But the good thing is that Archer just promised Elaine to come and see her and finish the task and then go away.

Natasha lamented again, "But your cousin is quite handsome, if I didn't have a boyfriend, I might have gone after him."

Hearing her talk about her boyfriend, Elaine suddenly remembered something and fished out her phone.

The message she sent to Stella yesterday has been replied to.

Elaine took a quick scan and decided it was better to talk to Natasha: "Natasha, that necklace your boyfriend gave you should still be in the showcase in Paris"

Natasha didn't respond for a moment, "What do you mean?"

"It's" Elaine said, "The designer of 'Starry Sky Studio', is my sister aunt? Well, according to the generation is so, in any case is that, I have spent some time in her studio before, I saw your necklace

yesterday, the brand logo is a little problem, so I asked her. She said that the necklace is still in the Paris showcase, not sold to the public."

With that, Elaine showed Natasha the reply Stella had given her, too.

"Starry Sky Studio" the brand until now, the price has not been expensive, in addition to private customization and the main models, as well as for different needs of the crowd, so to speak, for everyone who wants to buy it.

Natasha's boyfriend has given her many expensive gifts, so "Starry Sky Studio" is definitely not something he can't afford.

Elaine also thought about whether to give Natasha to say this problem, but if not, her heart overwhelmed, she did not want her good friend to be cheated, and also did not want her sister's brand, just to be replicated.

And she always felt weird about the boyfriend that Natasha never showed up with.

Natasha watched the message and gradually frowned.

Elaine said, "Natasha, I'm not trying to ruin the relationship between you, I'm afraid you'll be cheated"

Natasha clenched her fist and said angrily, "I told you how could he be so capable of getting the show money, this liar!"

"He should know that you like it very much, so he did so, the intention is good, but the practice "is shameful.

Natasha also understands this, so in this case, although she is a little angry, but also did not really think Brendon character problems.

Instead, she found another blind spot.

Natasha took Elaine's hand: "Elaine, you just said the designer of 'Starry Sky Studio' is your aunt and uncle, right?"

"Huh? Ah"

Natasha shook her hand: "Then can I customize, please, I called their studio earlier and asked, saying that the private customization list has been scheduled for three years, and has now suspended taking orders. Can I go through a back door? Please, please."

Elaine said, "I'd have to ask to be sure."

Natasha immediately said, "Yes, yes, feel free to ask, I can wait."

The two talked in the hospital room for most of the day again, waiting until after lunch and while Natasha napped before Elaine left.

She exited the ward and stood in the corridor for a moment, still walking towards the front.

This time, she finally found Ariel's ward.

Elaine stood outside and knocked gently on the door until a voice came from inside, and then she entered.

Ariel had just woken up, her face was still a bit pale, she obviously did not expect that the one who came to see her was actually Elaine, her eyes were full of surprise: "How is it you?"

Elaine closed the door and explained in a whisper, "I heard you were hurt, so I wanted to come see you."

Ariel leaned over the bed: "Did Darnell tell you that?"

"I saw blood on him in the hospital the night before last and asked"

Ariel looked at her for a moment before saying, "You like Darnell a lot, don't you?"

Elaine nodded gently, "Loved it."

Ariel laughed silently, unable to say what emotion, she said: "You should know, he has been in the kind of environment to survive, he is more ruthless than you think, more ruthless. As for the love affairs that your little girls aspire to, they are meaningless to him."

Elaine was silent before saying, "I know I'll do my best not to give him any trouble, I"

"Elaine, Miss James, have you ever held a knife, used a gun, killed a man."

Every question she asked, Elaine couldn't answer.

Ariel faintly continued: "You are a flower growing in the greenhouse, should not appear in the thorn bush, it will not take long, you will be unable to adapt to the survival environment, and slowly wither."

Elaine shook her head: "No, I won't, I'm very survivable and adaptable."

Ariel smiled: "You're really a pampered young lady with an infinite desire for a better life."

Noticing the vague hostility in her words, Elaine thought about it and still said, "I appreciate you taking me to the office that day, but I don't always have unrealistic fantasies, I"

"So tell me, if only one of your dad and Darnell could live, who would you want it to be?"

Chapter 1017-Hearing this question, Elaine was obviously a little angry: "Why would I make that choice, they are both the most important to me, and I won't"

Ariel said, "This is the reality, do you still think you are not holding unrealistic fantasies?"

Elaine opened her mouth to retort, but she couldn't get the words out.

After leaving the hospital, the sun outside was bright and a little shiny.

Elaine raised her hand to shade it, blocking out circle after circle of light.

But even so, the eyes kept flooding with tears because of the intense sunlight.

Reality seems to be just like the sun, you can't see it straight.

At this time, Elaine was tapped on the shoulder, she thought it was Archer, turned her head, but found standing in front of her, was a not very familiar face.

Brendon spoke up, "Miss James, we meet again."

Elaine slowly lowered her hand, "It's you"

Brendon smiled and nodded, "Does Miss James have a minute, I'd like to talk to you."

Elaine shook her head, "I don't want to talk to you."

At that, Brendon paused, probably not expecting such a response from her.

After a few seconds, he said, "I want to apologize to Miss James on behalf of my mother, I hope you won't take her words to heart."

Elaine said, "It would be hypocritical of me to say that I didn't take it to heart. I do get angry and I won't forgive her, but we won't cross paths again after that, and I won't let myself get upset because of that."

Every answer she gave was unexpected by Brendon.

He kept the smile on his face, "Miss James is right, that's what my mother is like, a knife's mouth and a heart of gold."

Elaine didn't want to have these unnecessary conversations with him, and after a token nod of greeting, she intended to leave.

Seeing this, Brendon immediately followed: "Is Miss James going home, I'll give you a ride."

Elaine said, "I'll just go back on my own, thanks."

She had just taken a step when Brendon stopped in front of her again.

Elaine frowned vaguely.

Brendon said, "Miss James, in case you don't know, your father is at my home, discussing our engagement with my parents, and I think it's necessary for us to get acquainted a bit more and improve our relationship, don't you think?"

Elaine didn't even think twice before saying, "No way!"

"Miss James, I know you don't like me, but since the ancient times, marriage has been a matter of bringing more benefits to both families. The fact that your father's status and power, and your position in the James family, even if it's not me, you will still be engaged to someone else, this, you should be clear, right?"

He was referring to the fact that Elaine was once married to Darnell.

Elaine looked at him, lips pursed slightly, and took two steps back.

Brendon continued, "If you were aware of the situation in Riverside City and knew what your father is in right now, you wouldn't think what I'm saying is alarmist."

Elaine said, "You and your mother are the same, outwardly saying things for my good, but in reality you want my father to help you, and if he had no use for me, you wouldn't come to me three or four times."

Brendon laughs: "Miss James, I think you should be glad your father still has use, who would keep someone who is useless?"

Elaine couldn't help but clench her fists and blush a few shades whiter.

She heard and understood that he was threatening her.

Brendon saw this and his face looked more satisfied: "Miss James, let me take you home."

As he spoke, he reached out his hand to try to pull her.

But what Brendon didn't expect was to be stopped before his hand could touch Elaine.

Brendon couldn't help but frown, and his expression changed in shock when he raised his eyes to look over: "Darnell"

Darnell looked at him expressionlessly and spoke indifferently: "Even your father would not dare to say such things in front of Franklin, who gave you the guts."

The expression on Brendon's face changed a few times, and his lips moved in an urn, but no sound came out.

Darnell threw his hand away, "Go back and tell your father that I gave him one day left."

Brendon stammered a reply, "Know know"

His eyes hurriedly swept over Elaine, then turned and ran away without daring to look back.

When he left, Darnell withdrew his eyes, saw Elaine hanging her head, and his voice softened considerably: "No one can hurt your father, don't worry."

Elaine nodded her head, but she also knew in her heart that Brendon was exaggerating the threat, but since he dared to say such things, the actual situation, compared to what he said, should not be much better.

She exhaled slightly and looked up at Darnell, "Are you here to see Ariel?"

Darnell didn't answer, just said, "Does it still hurt."

Elaine froze and after reacting to what he was referring to, her face rubbed red: "No it doesn't hurt much anymore"

Darnell said, "Come on, let's get you home."

"Wait." Elaine took his hand, "I I'm not going back, I have to go find my friend, you're busy, don't mind me."

Elaine's eyes were completely afraid to look at him as she spoke, looking around sheepishly.

The words "I'm lying" were almost engraved on my head.

Darnell looked at her without saying a word, his gaze calm and penetrating.

Elaine swallowed and was about to pull her hand back when he took hold of her wrist.

She tried to continue to weasel out of it, "I"

“Tell the truth.”

Elaine was silent for a moment and whispered, “My dad never came back last night, and Brendon just said that, so I think they may have trapped my dad there, and if he doesn’t agree to let me marry Brendon, they won’t let him back in.”

Darnell asked, “You want to go to him?”

Elaine nods gently.

Darnell said, “By this afternoon at the latest, your father will be home.”

“Really?”

“Didn’t you all say that they were needed to get your dad’s help and wouldn’t do anything to him.”

Elaine was going to say something else, but always felt weird talking to Darnell about this topic, after all the James family those people and his father were discussing together, is how to deal with him.

She meekly voiced out, “Then I won’t go.”

Darnell said, “Ready to go home?”

Elaine nods, and the moment Darnell withdraws his hand, she pulls both hands into his palm.

Darnell side-eyed, “What’s wrong.”

Elaine’s mind was a bit scrambled and her clear eyes looked up at him, “You wouldn’t hurt my dad, would you?”

Darnell met her gaze without speaking.

Elaine said to herself again, "I always believed and trusted that you wouldn't hurt him, but I"

Chapter 1018-Probably because of Ariel's words and Brendon's threats, Elaine's mind was thrown into an inexplicable panic.

It's like trying so hard to grab something, but always falling short.

It forced her to step out of the fairy tale world and face the cruel world.

Darnell knew what she was thinking, and said half-heartedly, "I can't answer you now, and I can't sway his decision."

Elaine bit her lip, her eyes a little red.

She knew that she shouldn't discuss these issues with him, but she was really scared.

See the James family that look, should be will spare no effort to deal with Darnell, and her father and they belong to the same camp

Elaine never dared to think about how things would turn out in the end, nor did she want to face it.

But she couldn't accept that she had to choose one of the two of them.

But it's like Ariel says, it's not something that won't happen if she doesn't make a choice.

She really doesn't know what to do now.

Darnell raised his hand, wiped away the tears sliding down the corners of her eyes, and whispered, "I promise you that he will always be there for you."

The light reappeared in Elaine's eyes and she threw herself into his arms.

Darnell placed his palm gently on her head and looked quietly into the distance, remembering the conversation he had with Franklin that night.

Franklin said: "I know that the James family is long gone, Elaine grandfather also had the intention to support you, but you should know that what you are doing now, not only change the whole the James family, but also shake the James family survival of the foundation ."

"I know you're doing all this to try to completely excise the rotten rules of THE James family from their roots, except that for the whole of THE James family, the ancestral laws that you presume to change, they won't accept."

"One of the reasons why Carl has come so far and led all of THE James family to fight you is because of the huge money chain behind him, and the other is because, he knows what they want."

"I also know very well that you want more than Riverside City, and when that day comes, they will not be able to compete with you, so they choose to stand against you at this time."

"The end result they want is probably to force you to take a step back, agree to their terms, divide THE James family, and from then on, not to have anything to do with each other. But that's only temporary, and what's more, there's no way you'll agree to it."

"I can help you find out the forces behind Carl, but I only have one request, don't let Elaine get involved in any of this, I want her to be happy and joyful forever, and send her away from Riverside City after I die."

Clearly, Franklin has made up his mind.

When it was over, the James family, Carl, and even the forces behind Carl, would not let him go.

Franklin, on the other hand, had no intention of living.

If he doesn't die, the James family won't let up, and they will only take it out on Elaine.

He didn't want Elaine to be in danger every day for the rest of her life.

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When Elaine got home, she saw her dad's car parked in the yard and rushed in: "Dad, are you back?"

Franklin sat in the sofa, his expression was hard to hide his tiredness, but still smiled when he saw her: "You're back, you're back, I told you dad was busy, why are you still in a hurry?"

Elaine sat next to him, her mouth puckered, "I was worried about you when I didn't come back all night."

Franklin stroked her head, "What could be wrong with Daddy, worrying all day long."

Saying that, he added, "And where did you come back from this?"

Elaine's eyes glanced away, "I I went to see Natasha at the hospital"

Franklin saw through it and patted her shoulder twice: "Okay, I'm going upstairs to rest."

Elaine followed him, wanting to say something.

Franklin turned back, "What else is going on?"

"I" Elaine thought about it or said, "I met Brendon when I was at the hospital, Dad, were you trapped there and they wouldn't let you go? "

Franklin frowned, "Brendon went to see you?"

Elaine nods her head.

Franklin was silent for a while: "Elaine, don't believe anything he says, and be more careful of him."

"I will."

Franklin took a few steps, then suddenly remembered something and turned around and said, "Does Brendon know Natasha?"

Elaine sniffed, "I don't know"

"The men said that Brendon was seen at Natasha's birthday party, so if you don't know him, forget it, and always be careful."

Elaine answered and sent Franklin to his room before going back to her bedroom.

She plopped down on her bed and opened Natasha's circle of friends, looking at the birthday group photo she had posted a few days before.

Checked over and over again to make sure there was no Brendon on it.

Then why did he show up at Natasha's birthday party?

Elaine was about to exit the page when a possibility suddenly occurred to her.

Natasha the boyfriend who always struck her as odd and never showed up!

Thinking of this possibility, Elaine rushed to dial Natasha's phone, but there was no answer.

Elaine followed up by dialing Archer's number.

"Hey"

"Cousin, are you in the hospital? It's a hundred thousand times more urgent!"

Archer: "..... is not available."

Elaine also heard the nurse on his side and said anxiously, "My friend is not answering the phone, I don't know if something is wrong, go check it out for me, please."

"What is it again, you have so many tricks in your day."

"This time it's really really urgent, I I can't talk to you for a while, anyway, you go to the ward and see if she's there, I'll be right over."

"All right, all right, got it."

Hanging up the phone, Elaine hurriedly ran downstairs.

On her way out, she also took along a couple of bodyguards her dad had arranged for her.

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On the hospital side, Archer took Elaine's call and walked slowly and leisurely towards Natasha's ward.

When I arrived at the ward, I saw that the nurse was packing the beds.

Archer said, "Where are the patients here?"

The nurse said, "She was just picked up and discharged by her boyfriend."

Archer stood in place for two seconds and chased after him with some headache.

Elaine is so good at finding things for him to do.

He ran to the hospital entrance just in time to see Natasha leave in her car.

Archer raised his hand and stopped a car, "Follow the one in front of you."

While he took out his phone, he dialed Elaine's number: "Picked up by her boyfriend."

"We can't let her go with Brendon, it'll be dangerous!"

"Got it, I'm not following it up." Archer added, "But that's her boyfriend, what's the danger."

Elaine quickly organized her thoughts: "That Brendon, is Aunt Maple's son, their family has been forcing my father, want me to marry him, this afternoon, Brendon came to see me once, but but was Darnell drove away, and Natasha is not answering the phone, I always feel that something will happen."

While he took out his phone, he dialed Elaine's number: "Picked up by her boyfriend." "We can't let her go with Brendon, it'll be dangerous!" "Got it, I'm not following it up." Archer added, "But that's her boyfriend, what's the danger." Elaine quickly organized her thoughts: "That Brendon, is Aunt Maple's son, their family has been forcing my father, want me to marry him, this afternoon, Brendon came to see me once, but but was Darnell drove away, and Natasha is not answering the phone, | always feel that something will happen."

Chapter 1019-In the car, Natasha was about to remind Brendon that it was time to turn right at the intersection when he stepped on the gas and went straight through the intersection.

Natasha looked back while saying, "You're going the wrong way, ahead of the transfer"

Before the words were out of her mouth, she saw Brendon driving up the elevated.

This path will only lead further and further away from her home.

Natasha spoke uncertainly, "Where are you going?"

Brendon said calmly, "Didn't I miss your birthday last time, I wanted to make it up to you."

Immediately after, he said, "By the way, didn't you say last time that you would introduce your friend to me, call over together."

Natasha skimmed: "Or forget it, my birthday is several days away, and you"

Afraid of hurting his pride, Natasha didn't reveal that the necklace he gave her was a fake.

She thought about it and spoke politely: "In fact, I have a birthday, it does not matter whether I received my favorite gift, as long as you are with me, I will be very happy, so no need"

Brendon obviously wasn't listening to the words that preceded her, interrupting, "I've got it all set up, you do what I say."

His tone took on a bit of impatience, much different from the usual pleasing and gentle.

Natasha froze for a moment and subconsciously rummaged through her bag, "I don't know where my phone went"

Brendon pulled over and handed her his cell phone.

Natasha gave him a look and slowly dialed Elaine's number.

When Elaine got through, her voice came quickly, "Natasha, where are you now?"

Natasha said, "I'm with my boyfriend, he said he's going to make up a birthday party for me, do you want to, come over and join"

As she spoke, Natasha watched Brendon's reaction, her gut feeling telling her that something was wrong with Brendon today.

Natasha turned his words and immediately said, "Don't you come over, I"

Before she could say anything, the phone was snatched up by Brendon, who quickly hung up.

Natasha struggled a few times, but could not resist Brendon's strength, and she spoke incredulously, "What the hell are you trying to do?!"

Brendon ignored her and just sent Elaine an address.

Natasha tried to get out of the car while he was texting, but Brendon sensed her intentions and quickly locked the door.

After sending the text message, Brendon only looked at the terrified Natasha: "Don't worry, I won't do anything to her, I'm just taking her to meet someone."

"You"

Natasha looked at him with the eyes of a stranger, full of caution and fear.

Brendon said softly, "I'm doing this for our future, Natasha, once I marry Elaine and get her father's support, the whole the James family will be mine, and I can wait for you for whatever you want, isn't that good?"

Natasha couldn't help but stare: "What are you babbling about, you"

Brendon made a shushing gesture toward her, "We should get going."

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Ten minutes later, Elaine arrived at the address Brendon had sent her.

But the only person waiting for her was Brendon, and there was no sign of Natasha.

Seeing her, Brendon laughed, "Miss James came quickly, and it looks like you're worried about Natasha."

Elaine cupped her hand into a fist: "Son of a bitch!"

Brendon pulled open the car door, "Miss James please, my father wants to see you."

"What if I don't go."

Brendon, as if he had expected this answer, opened his phone and showed Elaine a picture.

Natasha fainted in the couch, not knowing what was going on.

Brendon continued: "I also just learned that Natasha and Miss James are actually so close, it seems that I am quite lucky. I know Miss James doesn't want to marry me, but Natasha and I are at least boyfriend and girlfriend, even if I did something to her, it's a matter of course and reason, and I hope Miss James can come to our wedding then."

Elaine didn't expect to hear such disgusting words one day, and the person who said it was Natasha's boyfriend.

She said, "You're not allowed to touch her!"

"That depends on Miss James' cooperation or not." Brendon said, "My father just wants to talk to you for half an hour at the most, and I'll be sure to get Miss James and Natasha home safely."

Elaine stood still, clutching her skirt, not speaking for a moment.

Brendon said, "Miss James you don't have much time to think about it."

Elaine's lips pursed slightly as her eyes fell on the vehicle in the distance hidden by the bushes.

Archer has arrived.

Elaine looked again at Brendon, whose attention was all on her, even a little smug, completely unaware.

After a few seconds, she nodded, "I'll go with you."

The man at hand stepped forward to block: "Miss"

Elaine said, "You wait here for me, and if I don't come back in half an hour, you can go to the uncles and aunts of the James family and ask for a statement."

This time, apparently Brendon's father intended to see her alone and didn't want the James family side to know about it, which is why it took so much trouble.

And with her grandfather's reputation still intact, plus the need for her father's help, the James family would not have let her be left in the McPherson family, even if they had turned a blind eye to it.

After Elaine finished her explanation, she followed Brendon and left.

On the way, she glanced absently in the rearview mirror a few times to make sure Archer was following her.

Brendon, however, also had a plan and made a few circles, leaving the car following behind him clean.

He said, "Miss James, no need to look any further, the people protecting you, have not followed you up long ago."

Elaine pursed her lips and didn't say anything.

After half an hour, the car stopped in front of an estate.

Not the McPherson family.

Elaine got out of the car and thought the place looked a little familiar.

She seems to have come here when she was a child, it should be one of her grandfather's yard

As Elaine looked away, Brendon's voice came in, "Miss James, please."

Elaine withdrew her thoughts and followed him inside with an expressionless face.

Walk through the long garden corridor and enter the house.

Inside, however, was empty.

Elaine turned her head, "I thought you said your father wanted to see me, where is he?"

"Elaine."

The sound came from the corner of the stairs on the second floor.

Elaine's body lurched, snapped back, and when she saw the visitor slowly walking down step by step, her pupils contracted violently, and her face was full of shock: "Uncle Caesar?"

Caesar came to a stop in front of her, the smile on his face as always, "It's nice to still hear you call me that."

Elaine could not help but take a few steps back, shook his head, his face white, his voice with a few light tremors: "No you are not already dead, I saw you with my own eyes"

"Elaine, don't be afraid, I'm still alive." Caesar looked at her expression and spoke regretfully, "But it seems, you are not so happy."

Chapter 1020-Elaine opened her mouth and was about to say something when Caesar's men hurried in from outside: "Mr. James, Darnell is almost here."

The smile on Caesar's face was even stronger, and he looked at Elaine with a few moments of pleasure: "Elaine, it's really not in vain that Uncle Caesar loves you for nothing."

Elaine looked at him and frowned slightly, not understanding what he meant.

Soon after, Caesar relaxed, "If it weren't for you, how would I know so easily where Darnell's weaknesses lie?"

Elaine reacted, her eyes instantly widening, "Uncle Caesar!"

"Don't worry, I'm your UNCLE, how could I hurt you."

Elaine stepped forward and took his arm, her eyes full of tears: "Uncle Caesar, I beg you, don't make any more mistakes, since you're still alive, can you go somewhere where no one knows you and start over and stop doing bad things, Darnell he He won't be threatened by you."

Caesar smiled and gently patted her head: "Silly girl, today he will come here to look for you, it is enough to say everything."

"No, he didn't."

"In the end, I overestimated him, and never took that marriage contract of yours seriously. If he hadn't appeared immediately every time you were in danger, I wouldn't have thought that you were actually that important to him."

Elaine tried to retort, but all that came out of her throat was a lump.

These things that were once a dream for her, have now become a burden and a drag for him.

She really did give him trouble after all

Elaine gradually withdrew her hand and slowly spoke, "Uncle Caesar, did you have anything to do with my accident?"

Caesar did not answer, but simply said, "I explained that they would not endanger your life."

Elaine looked at him like a stranger: “So making me marry Brendon, as well as threatening my father, was actually all at your behest.”

Caesar sighed: “Elaine, I can’t be blamed for this, I didn’t know about your relationship with Darnell at that time, since you like it, of course I support you to be together, your father there, I can also go to help you say, how about it?”

“No!” Elaine shook her head, “Uncle Caesar, this is my own business, not yours, and don’t think you’ll use me to blackmail Darnell to get your way, there’s no way he’ll agree to that.”

Caesar laughed: “This was before, of course, he could not promise me, but now there are you, Elaine.”

At this time, the men came in again, “Mr. James, they’ll be here in two minutes.”

Caesar said to Elaine, “Elaine, think about what I’m saying, wouldn’t it be a good thing for you.”

After the words, he smiled and turned to leave, not forgetting to turn back and remind, “By the way Elaine, don’t try to leave Riverside City or when you next come back, it will be for your dad’s funeral.”

Soon, Elaine was the only one left in the large room.

She fell helplessly to the ground, hiding her face in pain and crying.

Why is this, why is her Uncle Caesar, the person she used to be the closest and most trusting to her the best, turned into this

When Darnell arrived, he saw Elaine sitting there intact, let out an inaudible breath, lifted his leg and walked over, bent one knee and squatted in front of her: “Elaine.”

Hearing his voice, Elaine looked up with teary eyes, then flung herself into his arms and cried louder.

Darnell gently patted her back and whispered reassuringly, "It's okay, don't be afraid."

Elaine cried sad and hard: "I saw my Uncle Caesar, he's not dead"

Darnell said, "Yeah, I know."

He had always known that the forces behind Carl were not simple, just that there was a lot more involved than just the James family side.

So it is impossible to conclude that it is Caesar or not.

Until today when Caesar finally made a move.

Elaine grabbed his clothes, sobbing and sobbing, for a long time before she slowed down, withdrew from his arms, both eyes red and swollen: "Let's us not see each other again, it was me who didn't know what to do before, I know... ..I know you're busy every day and have to find time to deal with me, I'm not mature or sexy not your type I really feel bad, I don't want to like you either"

Darnell wiped her eyes, "What did Caesar say to you."

Elaine shook her head and just held her mouth, trying hard not to cry again.

Darnell said, "Elaine, would I send you home over and over again if I didn't like you."

Elaine huffed, "But Archer told me that you were the elders taking care of the younger ones, and I could feel that it was me who had been unwilling to let you go, so I pestered you, but now that I've figured it out, I'll find a relationship with a guy who's the right age for me, just like you said, and I... .."

Before she could finish her sentence, she felt a chill on her lips.

Elaine froze in place, forgetting to breathe.

After a few seconds, Darnell slowly backed away and held her down in his arms, his voice low: "Home."

It was not until she got into the car that Elaine spoke back to her senses in general: "Natasha she"

Darnell said, "Archer sent her back."

Elaine oh-so-meekly sat there, hands on her knees, head hanging down wondering what was going on.

On the way back, Darnell took a few phone calls, and Elaine was so engrossed in her own world that she didn't listen to what he had to say.

The moment her shoulder was gripped, Elaine turned her head reflexively, "What's wrong?"

Darnell reminded, "Your phone's been ringing for a long time."

Elaine retracted her thoughts as an afterthought, fumbling to get her phone out of her bag, the caller ID was her dad's.

Elaine held the phone, a little afraid to answer it.

Seeing this, Darnell took the phone from her hand and swiped the screen to connect, in a light tone: "She's with me now, not hurt."

Not knowing what Franklin said on the other end of the line, Darnell hummed and handed the phone back to Elaine.

Elaine took it from his palm and timidly placed it in her ear: "Daddy"

Franklin said, "Elaine, how are you doing?"

The sound of his voice made Elaine's eyes couldn't help but heat up a little and she said in a sibilant voice, "Daddy I'm fine, I'm going home now."

"Elaine, Daddy's going out, you're going to stay at the hotel tonight, don't come home."

At that, Elaine couldn't help but grip her phone tighter: "Are you going to Uncle Caesar?"

Franklin didn't answer, but simply said, "Don't worry about me, they wouldn't dare to do anything to me."

"But"

"Elaine do as you're told and Daddy will come and get you tomorrow."

Elaine whispered, "Good."