

## Mr Conrad 1051

Chapter 1051-The handlers nodded and left, but returned to Franklin in less than a few minutes' time: "Mr. James, their men were always near the lady, in front and at the side door, with cars parked outside."

Franklin frowned tightly and was about to say something when Darnell came up to him.

Both sides just one look, they know each other have something to say.

Franklin gestures to his men to protect Elaine, and leads Darnell into the study.

Darnell spoke lightly, "I have something to tell you."

Franklin's head felt big as he listened to the "you".

He sat at the desk and did put up a front: "Just in time, I have something I want to say to you too."

Darnell sat across from him, "As I said before, as long as you leave with Elaine, I won't see her again."

Franklin wasn't surprised he started this way, but simply said, "You regret it?"

"Hmm."

Franklin: "....."

At the word, Franklin's temples twitched uncontrollably.

He originally wanted to deliberately humiliate Darnell, but did not expect him to answer so quickly.

Darnell continues, "In two years, I can handle everything on this side of Riverside City."

"You don't have to tell me this, I always knew that what you wanted was never Riverside City, and even if Elaine returns to Riverside City in two years and stays with you, can you guarantee that she won't be in any other danger after that."

Darnell said, "I can't guarantee that."

Franklin's face changed: "You ....."

"But I will protect her with my life."

Hearing this, Franklin calmed down a little more: "Why should I trust you this time, you have no credibility left with me."

Darnell spoke calmly and slowly: "You have no other choice but to trust me."

Franklin's face changed slightly, but did not retort.

He's powerless to pull Elaine out of the Riverside City mess now, but Darnell can.

Darnell continued, "What do you want to tell me."

Franklin handed a file bag to Darnell: "Inside are all the assets in my name, which were transferred to Elaine some time ago, but I can't give these to her directly, so when she leaves, you give them to her for me."

Darnell didn't pick up: "I said I'd let you leave with her."

Franklin got up and walked to the window: "It's just that, even if I take her away with me, how long can I stay with her, the James family situation is changing, with me in they will still restrain a point, once I leave, Caesar will immediately incite them, I know you are not afraid, but I do not want Riverside I know you're not afraid, but I don't want Riverside City to fall victim to your struggle."

After a silent moment he added: "Elaine is right, this is our home, we always have to come back, and I have my share of responsibilities."

Darnell's thin lips are pursed and silent.

Franklin turned his head to look at him and added: "You're right, I only have the choice to trust you now, so you can't make a single step wrong, what Riverside City becomes in the future is in your hands, this is your grandfather's last wish and my last wish for you. I hope that when Elaine returns to Riverside City, she will not be in any danger."

Darnell looked up at him, "You've made your decision."

Franklin said, "You take Elaine away right now, and whatever happens to me, wait until after you leave before you tell her."

As he spoke, he added: "Elaine is devoted to you, even if you don't like her anymore, don't hurt her. Elaine's grandfather left her a place in City B. If you ever don't want to see her anymore, you can send her there and someone will take care of her."

Darnell nodded gently, in a late-bloomer gesture.

At this time, downstairs once again noisy.

Franklin said, "Go down and take Elaine with you."

In the hall, Caesar's figure slowly appeared.

Even though the James family people know that he is still alive and even the money chain behind Carl, but others do not know, they only know that he is the James family traitor and also once tried to kill those people of the James family.

Caesar appeared and ignored the flurry of chatter, but walked purposefully up to Elaine and spoke with a smile, "Elaine, we meet again."

Elaine took two guarded steps back and subconsciously uttered, "Uncle Caesar ....."

Caesar smiled even more, "I thought you'd stop calling me that."

Elaine snapped back and bit her lower lip, "What are you ..... doing here today?"

"Today is your father's birthday, how can I not come?"

Elaine could never forget that he had threatened her that if she left Riverside City, the next time she would return would be for her father's funeral.

So she lost her filter for this "Uncle Caesar" and got a little angry and said, "You're not welcome here, my dad ....."

Caesar laughed out loud at the article, "Elaine, it looks like you care about your dad."

Elaine frowned, thinking his words were underhanded and conspiratorial.

Caesar turned around and looked at the crowd: "Guys, I think for a question that we've all been curious about for a long time is how my big brother Franklin's wife, Elaine's mother, actually died."

At these words, the whole audience was stunned.

Elaine's mother, who died shortly after she was born, died of what they always claimed to be an illness.

At first, some people thought there was something strange in it, there was no news of her being sick at all, and when she gave birth to Elaine, there were people who saw her in the hospital, and she seemed to be in good shape.

So not many people believed the news of her death after a long illness.

But as Elaine grew older and Franklin became a father and mother, doting on her, no one doubted the matter anymore.

But now such an old story is suddenly brought up by Caesar, can there really be any hidden agenda in between?

Elaine also froze there, she had no memory of her mother as a person, and had never even seen a picture of her at home.

She thought that it was her dad who looked sad and that's why she put it away.

What exactly does ..... mean?

Meanwhile, Franklin and Darnell came down from the second floor and said coldly, "Caesar, shut the hell up!"

Caesar laughed: "What's wrong, why don't you dare let me talk about it, afraid I'll explode your scandal?"

Franklin ignored her and instead said to Elaine in a hushed tone, "Elaine, come here."

Elaine just took a step, Caesar said: "Elaine, don't you want to know, how your mother died? It took me a lot of work to find out."

Elaine clenched her fists, ignored him, and ran in stride toward her dad.

Caesar stood still, his hands behind his back, his voice raised a few notches: "Elaine, standing over there, not your father, but the murderer, he killed your mother!"

Chapter 1052-At the word, Elaine's footsteps gradually stopped.

The entire hall, too, was instantly quiet, exchanging glances with each other.

At this point, they all turned their attention to Franklin, as if they wanted to hear what he would say.

Franklin's face was taut and he did not speak for a moment.

At this time, a cold voice rang out, breaking the eerie silence: "Elaine, come here."

The crowd raised their eyes to find that the voice came from the man next to Franklin, Darnell.

He stood there with an upright figure, his eyebrows were bitterly cold, and coldness emanated from all around him.

Just a look, it calls for a daunting look.

Elaine looked over at him with her hands gripping her skirt at her side, her mouth open and her face a little white.

She wanted to go over, but for some reason, her feet seemed to be filled with lead, so heavy she couldn't lift them.

Caesar saw this and the smile on his face widened: "Elaine, don't you really want to know the truth, don't you want to know what kind of person this father who loved you so much was, and why he killed your mother?"

Elaine closed her eyes slightly, took a breath and turned her head to Caesar: "Uncle Caesar, I don't know what you are trying to say, all I know is that I have lived with my father for more than twenty years, no one knows him better than I do, and no one can slander him from me. If it was really like you say, my father is the kind of person you say, you would have used this as a handle to blackmail him long ago, instead of being here in front of everyone and insisting on telling me the truth."

There are many people who came to the birthday banquet today, each with a distinguished status, and word of tonight's events spread, even if it is confirmed that Caesar is nonsense, but the impact has been created.

The smile on Caesar's face remained the same: "Elaine, you have indeed grown up, but what am I going to hold him hostage for, all I want is for him to lose his reputation in front of everyone, just like me."

Elaine shook her head gently: "Uncle Caesar, you want a lot, if you just wanted my father to lose his reputation, you would have gone to a press conference, that would have achieved the effect you wanted."

Caesar's eyes narrowed and he looked at her for a few seconds before saying, "You're right, you're still thinking ahead."

Elaine pursed her lips gently, then turned back to walk quickly in the direction of her dad and Darnell.

Franklin gave her an approving look, then turned toward the crowd and said, "Everyone, I have family business to attend to today, so that's the end of the birthday party."

This statement, some people have the sense to leave, some people stand still, it seems to want to wait and see again.

About what Caesar said, it must not be empty, there must be more secrets.

As more and more people left, Elaine suddenly felt her hand being held.

The next second, she was led out of the place.

When you get out of the hall, the side entrance is so quiet compared to the noisy hall that you can hear the wind blowing the leaves.

Elaine tugged on his sleeve, "Where are we going."

Darnell stopped and turned to look at her, "I'll go with you wherever you want to go."

Elaine whispered, "I want to go back to my dad."

Darnell said, "He doesn't have time to see you right now."

"I know, but I ....."

"Elaine," Darnell said slowly, "you don't have to take what Caesar says seriously or take it to heart."

Elaine nodded gently, "Uncle Caesar he ..... he obviously came from a bad place this time, he also once told me ..... that... .."

Darnell said, "What was said?"

Elaine hung her head: "He said that as soon as I left Riverside City, the next time I'd come back would be for my dad's funeral."

Saying that, her voice choked a bit uncontrollably.

Darnell pulled her into a hug and patted her back, saying nothing.

After a while, Elaine calmed down a bit before she said, "My dad, he'll be fine, right ....."



There was a note of caution in his tone.

Halfway through the day, Darnell said, "No."

He let go of Elaine, retook her hand, and struck out.

Outside the side door, a car was parked.

Darnell pulled open the back seat door, let her sit in, wiped the tear stains from her face and whispered, "Elaine, get out of here first, I'll come pick you up after a while."

"Don't, I ....."

Before she could say anything, the car door was closed.

Elaine rapped hard on the door and cried, "I don't want to go, you guys left me behind again, I want to go to my dad ....."

Just as Elaine was crying her heart out and desperate, a faint male voice came from next to her, "Shut up."

Elaine froze, turned her head to look at the man sitting next to her, and didn't cry, a sob.

Clarence glanced at her, "My daughter isn't even as loud as you are."

Elaine deflated her mouth, aggrieved: "But my dad ....."

Clarence lifted his wrist to check the time and instructed, "Let's go."

Elaine thought about it and suddenly saw a glimmer of hope, she picked Clarence's arm: "Did Darnell ask you to pick me up, so if that's the case, you should have already planned it, my dad will be fine!"

Clarence calmly turned his head: "Don't have such high expectations of me, I'm only responsible for getting you to City N."

"But ....." Elaine frowned and made a small request, "I want to see my dad one more time, just one more time, please, I know you must have a way! "

Clarence was unmoved.

Elaine finally made the killer move: "Uncle? You're my real uncle!"

Clarence: " ....."

Elaine continued: "I will never badmouth you in front of my sister, I will praise you every day, three times a day!"

Clarence said, "It seems you've said a lot of bad things about me."

Elaine was speechless for a moment, not expecting to be exposed like that.

She was just about to speak again when Clarence said, "Don't Darnell find you annoying when you talk so much?"

Elaine sat back in defeat, and sure enough, she should not count on Clarence.

Just as she was lost, Clarence had opened the car door and was standing outside the car, "What are you still sitting there for, waiting for me to treat you?"

Elaine sniffed, her eyes instantly lit up and she hurriedly got out of the car.

But she and Clarence had only gone a few steps when a gunshot from inside cut through the night air.

Elaine looked startled and hurriedly lifted her skirt and ran over.

Clarence frowned slightly and turned to look at Nathan, who immediately understood and quickly followed behind Elaine.

Elaine ran to the garden in one breath, the guests had already gone, only the cold white light shining on the ground, no longer the daytime bustle.

Elaine gasped for breath, all with a cold evening breeze.

She held her breath and walked in quickly.

Chapter 1053-In the hall, only the coldness of the departing guests remained.

Drinks and pastries have not even had time to clean up, full of wreckage.

Elaine did not see anyone downstairs and immediately ran to the second floor. She stared at the half-open study door, as if in a trance, she saw a bloodstain spreading out, and she felt her mind go blank, leaving only the sound of her own violently restless gasps.

Elaine walked past as if on her last consciousness, and with each step she took, she became more fearful.

Just as she was about to enter the study, her wrist was gripped.

Elaine turned her head, her eyes unfocused, looked at him blankly, opened her mouth, and only after a long time did she make a sound: "Is my dad ..... in there?"

Darnell took her shoulders in both hands and spoke in a calm tone, "You get out of here first."

Elaine shook her head and mumbled, "I'm going to go find my dad ....."

As she spoke, she recklessly pushed Darnell out of the way and stumbled into the study.

The floor of the study, full of blood, and her father, fell in a pool of blood, with a quiet face, as if he was asleep.

And in his hand, he was still holding the doll she had given him the night before.

Elaine was deeply stung by the scene in front of her eyes, she hurriedly ran over and sat on her knees next to Franklin, crying and pushing his arm: "Daddy, you get up, don't scare me, okay, I promise, I'll be good from now on and never make you angry again, this time it's really, really... ..I have promised you to leave Riverside City, I can also ..... never come back in the future, I listen to you, you beg you to get up quickly ....."

To one side, Archer looked at Elaine and then at Darnell, probably not expecting her to return suddenly.

Darnell stood in the doorway, his thin lips pursed.

Elaine was sobbing uncontrollably and her words were broken, but no matter what, her father would never wake up again.

At this time, Clarence also arrived, he looked at this scene inside, his dark eyes narrowed.

Darnell spoke up, "I thought I told you to take her straight away."

Clarence withdrew his eyes: "She was crying and clamoring to get off, so what could I do."

Archer see these two people actually chatted on the sky, look like there is no intention to manage, can only take up the big responsibility themselves, walked over to pull Elaine up: "Okay, people can not come back to life, you confess here is useless, and your father can not hear."

Elaine was crying up and down, and was made even more uncomfortable and painful by his words.

She hated herself for not listening to her father, for always singing against him with his affection, for not knowing anything at all.

Although she knew that it was all her fault, Archer had to use such a relaxed tone, not knowing whether he was comforting her or mocking her.

It is as if human sorrow and joy are not inherently connected.

Without a word, Elaine pushed him away and knelt beside her father, and did not speak, just wept silently.

Archer was at his wits' end, about to cast a pleading glance at the two men at the door, when Darnell had already lifted his leg and walked over, crouching on one knee in front of Elaine: "Elaine, let's get out of here, okay?"

Elaine's eyes were full of tears, "But you promised me that my dad would be okay ....."

Darnell whispered, "I'm sorry."

Elaine shook her head gently, she wasn't looking for an apology from him, and she knew the situation was never hers to control, she just wanted her dad to come back alive.

Archer did not expect Darnell also can not help, then can only make the killer: "your father's body, can not be put so, have to send to the funeral home. If you really have that filial piety, give him two more columns of incense and burn more paper money in the future."

Elaine couldn't stand it: "Your mouth, how can you say such icy words!"

Archer: "....."

He was just telling the truth, why is it cold?

Archer was about to speak again when Darnell swept a look over, he immediately shut up and took two steps back to say no more.

Darnell forcibly pulled Elaine up and carried her in his arms as he headed out the door.

Elaine had probably never resisted his approach so much except when she didn't want to marry him, and she struggled hard: "I'm not going anywhere, I'm staying with my dad!"

Darnell said, "Didn't you just swear that you'd listen to your dad from now on and promise him you'd leave Riverside City."

"Provided my dad can wake up ....."

Darnell coldened his voice: "Elaine, you should know what your father wants most, do you think that you crying here now would be what he would like to see?"

Elaine was instantly silent, but the tears couldn't stop flowing down.

Darnell lifted his hand and wiped the tears from her face, "Okay, listen, get out of here first, and I'll pick you up when all this is taken care of here."

Elaine turned her head and looked at her dad with reluctance for one last time.

She murmured, "Did my dad know this was going to be the day, and that's why he tried to arrange for me to leave early ....."

Darnell didn't answer, just said, "Let's go."

Elaine turned around and went downstairs, each step extremely slow, tears falling down one after another, unable to finish wiping them away.

After re-sitting in the car, she leaned quietly against the window and looked out with a lax gaze, without a glow.

Clarence sat next to her and spoke slowly, "Why are you not crying?"

Elaine said, "Don't you think I'm too noisy?"

"Depends on the situation."

Elaine didn't say anything, just kept wiping her tears.

Clarence didn't say anything else, and blandly ordered, "Drive."

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The plane landed at City N at 2:00 am.

Elaine looks at the city she used to love, but now she can't get the slightest bit of interest.

Why would she ever be so stupid as to desperately try to leave Riverside City?

It was her home, the place where she grew up.

There was her great grandfather, and her father.

And now there is no going back .....

When they arrived at Star Lake Mansion, Stella had not slept and was waiting for them.

Seeing Elaine come in with red eyes, she went up and asked, "Elaine, how ....."

Before Stella could say anything, Elaine hugged her tightly and cried as hard as she could.

Stella sighed and patted her back, silently comforting her.

Clarence stood by and spoke slowly, "Keep your voice down, don't wake the baby up."

Although Elaine was in pain and sad, she reduced her voice in the end.

When she was tired of crying, Stella sent her to her room: "Elaine, don't think about anything else, get a good night's sleep."

Elaine hugged the blanket and nodded sullenly.

Stella patted her on the shoulder, then turned off the light and exited the room.

Chapter 1054-Every day when Stella called her to eat, she only took two bites of food, and then went back to her room, burying her head under the blanket, trying to isolate herself from the world.

Just as she was silently shedding tears, a childish voice came: "Aunt Elaine, are you asleep already?"

Elaine sniffed, wiped the tears from her face and poked her head out, speaking in a nasal voice: "Not yet, what's wrong?"



Noah placed the milk on her bed and spoke in a milky voice, "Mommy said you didn't eat at night and would be hungry, so she asked me to bring you milk."

Elaine looked at the little guy in front of her, he had grown quite a bit since we last saw him, and his features were becoming more and more like Clarence's.

His large eyes are extremely beautiful and resemble Stella.

She sat up slightly, leaned over the bed, and reached out to rub his head, "Thank you."

With that, she lowered her eyes again and said, "I'm sorry for worrying your father and mother."

Without forgetting his mission, Noah retook the warm milk in both hands and handed it to her on tiptoe.

Elaine couldn't refuse such a cute little guy, so she took the cup and reluctantly finished the milk under his eager gaze.

She had just put down the cup when Noah, as if by magic, took out a cupcake from nowhere: "Aunt Elaine, my mom made this by hand, the last one, I grabbed it from my dad."

Elaine sniffed and finally couldn't help but show a smile, "Your dad won't beat you up."

Noah said, "I grabbed it and ran away, he couldn't catch me."

So Elaine, with a certain inexplicable pleasure, gladly ate the cupcake.

The fruit is really delicious.

Noah saw her finish eating, picked up the empty glass, and waved bye-bye to her, "Aunt Elaine good night."

Elaine said, "Good night."

Noah exited the room and stomped towards his mother who was waiting a short distance away.

Stella knelt down to catch him, "Baby, did Aunt Elaine eat?"

Noah shook the empty cup in his hand to indicate, "Eaten oh, and finished the milk."

Stella smiled, rubbed his head and picked up the cup, "Good boy, go to bed."

Noah and she pressed their faces together, "Good night mom."

"Good night baby,"

Stella took the cup downstairs to the kitchen and washed it before returning to the room.

In the bedroom, Clarence is standing in front of the floor-to-ceiling window, making a faint phone call.

Stella stood there and listened, waiting for him to finish typing before walking over, "How did it go?"

Clarence threw the phone aside: "Once Franklin died, the James family was in turmoil, and Caesar took advantage of the opportunity to rise to the top with the James family."

Stella said, "Is it still not settled."

"Caesar is fighting to the death this time, it's not that simple."

Stella thought about it: "I remember you once said that Caesar is not hard to deal with, what is really hard to deal with is the person behind him."

Saying that, she couldn't help but frown, "Who the hell are those people?"

Clarence's lips hooked down and approached her: "Worrying so much every day, you're not afraid of growing gray hair."

Stella did not have a good mood to speak: "Do I want to worry about this, you see Elaine just a few days, people are thin a large circle, and then this continues ....."

Clarence said, "She hasn't had any setbacks since she was a kid, so it's good to teach her a lesson."

Stella was about to say something else when Clarence said, "The kids are asleep?"

She hummed, "Noah's probably still awake, so I'll go tell him a bedtime story."

Clarence pulled her back, "No, he can coax himself."

Stella: "....."

Clarence pulled her into the bathroom, "Okay, do something serious."

Stella whispered and spat: "You have no decency all day long, what decency ....."

Clarence's fingers gently grazed her lips and whispered, "I'm immodest, where did those three children come from. Hmm?"

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Elaine slept through another night, and finally got out of bed the next day.

As she walked to the table and sat down, Noah said, "Good morning Aunt Elaine."

Two little girls sitting on the children's dining chairs, also followed his milk voice vaguely called out:  
"Aunt Elaine good ~"

Elaine lifted both eyes, which were swollen into walnuts, and squeezed out a small smile, "Good morning to you too."

Clarence unhurriedly drank the porridge in front of him, "It's not even dark, what are you doing up."

Stella kept the smile on her face, stepped on Clarence secretly, and then asked Elaine, "Elaine, what do you want to eat? Porridge or milk?"

Elaine said, "Drinking porridge ....."

Stella turned around, went to get a bowl and spoon, and served a bowl in front of her, "It's a little hot."

Elaine nodded mechanically, then looked around breathlessly, "Isn't Uncle Dolores here?"

Clarence said, "Good, I thought you'd have to wait at least a month to find out she wasn't here."

Elaine: "....."

She first turned her head to look blankly at Clarence, only to realize she had the wrong target, and then at Stella.

Stella fed the two little girls as she said, "She's back in Riverside City."

Elaine subconsciously spoke, "When ....."

Halfway through the sentence, she suddenly reacted and looked at Clarence again, "Was it when you picked me up in Riverside City that Uncle Dolores went over?"

Clarence was non-committal.

Elaine's mind was now completely spinning, wondering what Uncle Dolores was doing back in Riverside City at this time.

But she vaguely felt that the whole thing, it seems to have a faint connection.

When Elaine wanted to say something else, Clarence had already gotten up and said to Noah, "Are you done eating and ready to go?"

Noah immediately stood up and wiped his mouth, grabbed his little school bag and ran after his dad with his legs while waving at them, "Bye mom, bye Ella, bye Estelle, bye Aunt Elaine, bye Grandpa Bianca~"

After he finished in one breath, Clarence had walked to the door and turned his head to look at him thoughtfully, "Aren't you tired of talking so much."

Noah's face was sincere: "It was a little tiring today with the extra Aunt Elaine."

Clarence: "....."

"Hard work."

He took Noah's book bag and inclined his head slightly, "Get in."

When they left, Stella finished feeding the two little girls as well and said to Elaine, "Elaine, I'm going to the studio later, are you going."

Elaine still can't raise any interest: "I'll play with two little girls at home, just not ....."

Stella said, "Sherry's pregnant, are you sure you don't want to check it out?"

Chapter 1055-Since Sherry's pregnancy, Daniel has been with her every step of the way, not allowing her to go outside the studio or carry heavy camera equipment.

Sherry had no choice but to let him come.

Under Sherry's guidance, Daniel's photography skills have become increasingly sophisticated and he is fully ready to be a master.

Sherry was also happy to relax and have a snack on the side while Daniel was working for her.

Her camera assistant wiped the lens cap as she lamented, "What made a premier international musician turn to photography, it was love."

Sherry, with one hand on her cheek, looked at Daniel, who was shooting not far away, and the corners of her lips lifted slightly: "I can't help it, I'm too charming."

At this time, a staff member came in the studio and said to her, "Sherry, Stella wants you to come over."

Sherry answered, withdrew her eyes and got up.

She is just four months pregnant, except for the smell of oil and want to vomit, other features are not obvious, the belly is only slightly bulging, wearing loose clothes can not be seen at all.

That is, usually Daniel around, fearing that she bumped and touched, even walking a road to support her, but in fact Sherry feels as light as a swallow, can run and jump.

She pushed open Stella's office: "Stella, you wanted to see me ....." Is something wrong?

Before the last three words could be uttered, they were drowned in the piles of baby items and toys that littered the office.

Sherry took a few more steps back and looked out the door, "This is the right place, huh?"

Stella's voice came in, "Come on in ....."

Sherry looked at the office where she could not find a place to put her feet, and suddenly felt that she was not so light as a swallow .....

Just as she had managed to find a narrow path and was about to cross it, Stella had already crossed a number of hazards to pick her up.

After sitting in the couch, Sherry caught her breath and marveled again, "You're not pregnant again, are you? Clarence exaggerated, too."

Stella said, "It's not me."

Sherry: "?"

She wondered, "Who is that?"

As soon as Sherry's words were out of her mouth, a female voice came through: "Yes, this is the place, just put it in. There's nothing left, right? Thank you for all your hard work."

Sherry heard it was Elaine's voice, and before she could make a sound, Elaine had pushed her way through the pile and looked at them with a big smile: "Sherry!"

Sherry raised her hand and waved it at her, speaking incredulously, "Did you buy all this stuff?"

Elaine walked up to them with extreme difficulty: "Yeah, I'm giving it to the little baby in your belly."

"But ..... I can't use that much even if I'm pregnant with ten."

Elaine turned her head to look at the things piled up in the office and fell into a pensive mood, buying and buying and not being able to stop, and now it does seem like a lot.

Sherry added, "The mom-and-pop stores all have to come from you to get their goods."

With that, she looked at Stella, "Why don't you stop her too."

Stella said, "Do I look like I can stop her to you."

"It's okay Sherry," Elaine said as she took her hand, "you pick the ones you like first, and when you can't use them all, just give them to friends around."

"I don't have that many friends who are going to have kids in the next two years either." Sherry said, "Or how about this, where did you buy it, I'll contact it and see if I can get a refund ....."

Stella coughed, touched Sherry with her elbow, and then said to Elaine, "For now, go to your executive sister and ask her to contact a moving company for you to take all these things to Sherry's house."

Elaine sniffed and immediately replied happily, "Yes!"

Waiting for her to leave with great interest, Sherry only looked at Stella with a sad face: "Daniel also bought quite a lot, I really can't put it at home ....."



Stella said, "Let's put it in a pile and wait for some time to free it up. Elaine has been depressed for several days, that's why I told her you were pregnant, she was so happy today."

Sherry had heard a little bit about Riverside City from Stella the other day, so she didn't refuse anymore, and said after a silent moment, "Shopping really does make you feel better."

Stella smiled, "Well, go ahead and get some rest, I still have to wait for them to move the stuff out of here."

Sherry shook her hand, thanking her profusely and thankfully, "It's a good thing she didn't send it to my office."

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Elaine was very busy all day, going out in the morning to the mall to buy things for Sherry, and after buying things and let the delivery people to Stella's office, delivered to Stella's office, buttocks not yet warm, and then contacted the moving company to move these to Sherry's home.

After all this, it was already dark.

Sherry invited her to dinner as a token of her appreciation.

Sitting in the hot pot restaurant, probably because she was tired all day, Elaine had a rare appetite and ate more than the previous days.

Noah sat next to Stella, holding the watermelon juice in his hand and sipping it, and spoke with some curiosity, "Aunt Elaine, is it my mom's cooking that you don't like?"

Elaine: "....."

She had half a bite of lotus root in her mouth, and didn't know whether to keep eating it or put it down.

Stella smiled and rubbed his little head, "Aunt Elaine was sick two days ago, that's why she couldn't eat."

Noah's little face flashed with a flash of realization and pushed the small snack in front of him to Elaine as well, "Aunt Elaine you need to eat more oh so you can get better faster."

Sherry was listening and laughing, and whispered to Daniel, "This little guy, his mouth is just like his father's."

It's true that some things are inherited from the bloodline, subliminally.

After dinner, Stella drove the little one and Elaine home.

Elaine looked out the window and suddenly spoke, "Sister, I want to go home."

Stella knew, of course, where she was referring to as home.

She said, "Elaine, are you not happy here."

Elaine said, "Happy, I love it here, but Riverside City is my home."

Stella didn't persuade her, but just said, "Can you wait for a while, when Noah's kindergarten is out, I'm going to take him to Riverside City too."

At that, Elaine froze slightly.

Noah's little hand took hers: "Aunt Elaine, we're going to Riverside City to see Grandma when we get out of school for the summer, so you can come with us."

Elaine took back her eyes and looked at him, and couldn't help but pinch his cute little face: "So how long before you go on summer vacation?"

Noah held out his hand and compared it to a number: "The teacher said there was one month left."

Elaine murmured, "One month ....."

Stella inclined her head and glanced at Noah, who immediately understood, took Elaine's hand and shook it, with big eyes full of sincerity looking at her: "Aunt Elaine, can you come with us?"

Chapter 1056-Back in her room, Elaine collapsed on her bed and fumbled with her phone, scratching away in boredom.

Nothing but a Twitter number to follow and a system message.

Even Natasha, didn't send her one.

Elaine has been trying not to search for any news about Riverside City and not to inquire about anything, as if this is the same as every time she used to come to City N. After having fun for a while, she went back and Riverside City remained the same as before.

After staring at the phone for a while, Elaine went into the bathroom to take a shower, and then lay back down on the bed, closed her eyes, and fell into a deep sleep in a short while.

It was the first time she had really, really fallen asleep since she left Riverside City.

The next day Elaine got up early again, and her whole spirits looked much better.

After breakfast, when Clarence wanted to take Noah to kindergarten, Elaine volunteered, "I'll go, I'll go, I don't have anything to do at home anyway, I'll be in charge of picking him up and dropping him off this month."

Clarence gave her a sideways glance and handed her Noah's book bag.

Elaine took it, held the little one, and the two bounced away.

When they left, Clarence looked to Stella: "What month?"

Stella put down little girl's bowl and slowly spoke, "It's ..... me telling her that I'll take them to Riverside City when Noah is out of school for the summer."

Immediately after, she added: "Anyway, Noah and two little girls, both miss their grandmother every day, so it is good to take them over to see."

The two little girls smiled and waved their little hands at the same time and spoke one after another.

"Grandma~"

"Grandma~"

Clarence looked over at them, "There you go, two repeaters."

"Read the chicken~"

"Read the chicken ....."

Seeing that they had something to say, Aunt Zhang took the two children away.

Stella spoke tentatively, "Is it not working? If it doesn't work ....."

Clarence raised his eyebrows slightly: "When did you hear me say no to you like that?"

Stella: "....."

Why do you think this sentence is weird.

I blame this dog man, always playing rubbish, so that now she listens to what he says, she feels that it is in the words.

Clarence got up, "Well, no more light bulbs today, I'll walk you to the studio."

Stella laughs, "Let's go."

The two of them have a clear division of labor, with Clarence taking the little one to kindergarten in the morning and Stella going to the studio after feeding the two little girls breakfast.

In the evening when the little one is out of school, Stella goes to pick him up and take him home.

Clarence usually comes back late and occasionally works late.

Sitting in the car, Stella said, "Do you think Elaine seems to have grown up a lot this time?"

If Elaine used to have eyes full of light, looking at anyone happy and pure, she is now, the light in her eyes is gone, just seems to be trying to keep it up and make herself look happy and relaxed.

Clarence held the steering wheel with one hand and spoke lightly: "She is not young, it is time to mature a little."

Stella bristled: "I wish she could always be as pure as a child, what's wrong with a girl being kind and cute."

Clarence said, "Haven't you been working part-time outside of class since middle school? Knowing so much about people and their interests doesn't stop you from being kind and lovely."

Stella: "....."

There is something wrong with this person.

Stella didn't bother to pay attention to him and continued, "She was originally a little princess who grew up in a fairy tale world, all things look beautiful in her eyes, if she has someone around her who can protect her for the rest of her life, then why must she face this cruel world."

Clarence was silent: "You're right."

Stella: "?"

It's not right, he didn't play his proper level in this fight.

After a while, Stella couldn't resist saying, "Say a few more words, I haven't made enough noise."

Clarence hit the steering wheel: "You win, I concede defeat, can't argue with you, and what's more, you're really right."

"Where is it right?"

Stella decided that if he couldn't say it specifically, she'd found another point she could cut to.

Clarence said, "It was my failure to protect you for the rest of your life that made you come out early to face this cruel world."

Stella: "....."

It is not necessary.

She whispered, "I'm talking about the matter, where are you going with this?"

Clarence stopped the car, turned his head to look at her and said seriously, "I'm not kidding, you're right, I'm the one who's underthinking."

Stella had a hard time accepting his serious look and unnaturally rubbed her neck: "Well, I was just saying that, don't take it to heart, and we're not talking about Elaine, why are you substituting yourself again."

Clarence said, "I was reflecting on myself."

Stella looked out the window and noticed that she was already at the studio door, she reached out to open the window, "I'll go to work then, take your time to reflect."

She was just about to leave when Clarence pulled her back again.

He looked at her with downcast eyes, "That's a pretty good lipstick number today."

Stella didn't have the heart to say, "I'm almost out of this one, and you're just finding out now?"

Clarence raised his eyebrows slightly, "Then I'll re-buy it for you."

"No, there's plenty more at home ....."

Before her words were out of her mouth, Clarence was caught off guard and lowered his head, biting her lips and eating her lipstick dry.

It took nearly half an hour of dawdling in the car before leaving.

Stella got out of the car, while refilling her lipstick, while walking inside, should have known not to let him send, the dog man never go empty-handed every time.

She had just entered the studio when Elaine ran over in her work clothes: "Sister."

Stella stopped in her tracks, "Elaine, how are you ....."

Elaine skillfully tied up her hair: "Anyway, I have nothing to do, so I'm here to help, don't worry, I'm already familiar with the process, I won't add to their mess."

Stella nodded, "Okay, go ahead then."

It's good to do something to distract her.

So, Elaine kept herself busy, getting up early every morning, sending Noah to kindergarten, then going to the studio to work, and then rushing to work in the evening to pick up Noah, and coming home to play with two little girls.

She thought that a month would pass quickly, but when she stopped to look at the time, she found that only a week had passed.

Elaine leaned against the wall somewhat sluggishly, the time is so hard .....

At that moment, a voice came from outside: "Elaine, did you find it?"

Elaine hastily perked up, picked up the contents of the shelf in front of her, and answered, "Found it, here it comes."



Just after leaving the warehouse, a staff member said, "Elaine, there is someone there looking for you, saying he is your friend."

Elaine looked over and not far away, Ariel was standing there with her hands clasped to her chest, looking at her with an uncertain expression.

Chapter 1057-Elaine took her to the lounge, "What did you come to see me about."

Ariel sat down in the sofa: "I came to see if you could live well away from Darnell or not, and now it seems that there is no problem."

Elaine understood her hostility and had little expression on her face: "If he didn't ask you to come, then it's none of your business what happens to me."

Ariel said, "How can you be sure that he didn't ask me to come?"

At that, Elaine paused slightly.

When she left Riverside City, Darnell said he would pick her up when things were done.

Did Ariel come to pick her up?

Soon after, Elaine shook her head and rejected the idea.

Ariel didn't like herself, she could feel it, and Darnell should be more than able to, so there was absolutely no way that he would, let Ariel come and pick her up.

Elaine said, "I don't believe you."

Ariel laughed indifferently, "Don't you want to know what's going on in Riverside City?"

Elaine's hand on her knee slowly closed and clenched.

Ariel continued, "After your dad died, you Uncle Caesar united the James family against Darnell, forcing him to step aside, but guess what, Dolores went back, you should know who Dolores is and who she is, right?"

Elaine pursed her lips slightly and did not speak.

"Dolores is the former patriarch of James family only daughter, if not expelled from Riverside City, her status, far higher than the James family anyone, including your father. "

"So what, since Uncle Dolores isn't the James family anymore, what exactly are you trying to say."

Ariel said again, "Do you remember, two years ago, Darnell forcefully said that it is to follow the wishes of the departed patriarch of the James family, to take Dolores back to the James family."

Elaine said, "But they didn't agree."

"No consent?" Ariel laughs, "Have you forgotten, those who did not agree with the clan has long since died, not to mention, Dolores is Clarence's mother, do you think the James family now remaining those who dare to disagree."

Elaine frowned slightly.

"As you think, Dolores was once expelled from Riverside City, so she should not be considered the James family. But you don't forget that you, Uncle Caesar, were also expelled from Riverside City, and you think, these two the James family people who were also expelled from Riverside City, which one has a more important status? If Caesar can lead the James family to force Darnell to abdicate through your father's death, why can't Dolores show up at the James family and support Darnell?"

Elaine gradually understood her meaning, she Uncle Caesar nor Uncle Dolores are not on the James family tree, but since the James family can acquiesce to her Uncle Caesar's return, it can not veto Uncle Dolores.

They could only be forced to agree.

Moreover, Dolores as Grandpa Bancroft's daughter, she is on Darnell's side, the other the James family people have been completely and utterly, no rotary power.

Ariel said: "Elaine, Darnell deal with those the James family people is actually very simple, but what he wants, is always the name, the James family side once the poor handling, hidden problems will always exist. So he began to layout from two years ago, picking up Dolores back to the James family."

"But what does this have to do with me, and why are you telling me this?"

"Don't you understand that your father's death was a part of his plan?"

Elaine's face changed: "No way, I won't believe you, you don't ....."

Ariel interrupted her: "If your father does not die, Caesar how can have the opportunity to take the James family all together to force him to abdicate. Elaine, I told you once that Darnell was going to do something more than just love, do you understand now?"

Elaine tightened her fists and pursed the corners of her lips.

Ariel smiled: "I came just to remind you not to take your feelings too seriously, the only one who will be hurt is yourself. Maybe you think what I'm saying now is alarmist, but when you think about what's going on, you'll understand."

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Ariel had already left by the time Stella heard the news that a friend of Elaine's had come to see her.

Only Elaine was left alone in the sofa, her head hanging slightly, wondering what she was thinking.

Stella walked over and gently tapped her on the shoulder, "Elaine, what's wrong?"

Elaine raised her head, her eyes red: "Sister, have I always been willful and uninformed?"

Stella said, "No, you're good."

Elaine shook her head, tears falling silently, and choked up, "If it weren't for me, Sherry's baby wouldn't be ....."

Stella reached out and wiped her tears: "How long has this been going on? Didn't we say long ago that it's over?"

"But ..... but no matter what it happened, nothing can be undone ....." she said, adding, "I never listened to my father's words, he asked me to marry Darnell, I sneaked away to City N to escape the marriage, I know it should be hard for him and Grandpa Tai to do at that time, but I still ran away regardless ....."

"Then my dad sent me to study in Switzerland and I snuck back in, and he wouldn't let me be with Darnell anymore, and I preferred him ..... I seem to have always been against my dad and never let him save my mind... .."

The more Elaine talked, the sadder she became, sobbing uncontrollably.

Stella hugged her and patted her back gently, "Elaine, your father doesn't care about that, he just wants you to live in peace."

Elaine sobbed, "But I want him to live well too, and I can't do it anymore ....."

"Elaine, as long as you don't forget your dad, he will always live in your heart."

Elaine sniffed and cried even louder.

Release all the emotions that have been suppressed for days.

Stella listened with some eyes burning, she always felt that Franklin could not just die, but tried Clarence several times, he either avoided answering, or just diverted attention, and did not get any useful information.

Now it is true that the forces behind Caesar have not been removed.

And although Riverside City's civil unrest is over, there's still a lot of things that need to be cleaned up thoroughly.

In the evening, Elaine knocked on the door of Stella and Clarence's room with her eyes swollen with tears.

Clarence sat in the sofa and looked at the person standing in front of him like a wooden stake: "What do you have to say in the middle of the night?"

Elaine whispered, "I'm afraid I'll wake up tomorrow morning and regret it."

Clarence: "....."

Stella, fresh out of the shower and with her hair still blow-dried, walked over and kicked Clarence, then looked at Elaine: "Elaine, you say."

Elaine said, "I want to go to Switzerland and go back to school to continue my studies."

Chapter 1058-Elaine nodded: "My dad's ..... wish has always been that I could go to Switzerland to finish my studies, and I used to find reasons to put it off, but I've thought it through now and I'm going."

Perhaps because of meeting Ariel, or perhaps because of crying today, she seems to have gradually accepted the fact that her father is not in this world.

Clarence was also a little surprised: "You're not going back to Riverside City?"

Elaine gently shook her head: "I will only add to the mess if I go back, and .....Darnell he should be very busy now, so many things in Riverside City are waiting for him to deal with, anyway ..... Anyway, even if I go back to Riverside City, the final result will probably be to Switzerland, might as well go directly now."

Stella thought for a moment before saying, "Elaine, is it because of the person who came to see you this afternoon? What did she say to you?"

"It doesn't really have much to do with her, it's just that I've thought it through." Elaine said, "I have lived for more than twenty years, since I was a child, I do not have to worry about anything, like the same thing, want the same thing, open your mouth my father will buy me, very easy to get, so long, I seem to really, do not know what I really want."

Elaine continues: "I sometimes really envy my sister, you have been working for what you like, keep the love, hard, even if the more painful and tired, but also happy. Sherry is also, she is a photographer, for a favorite photo, can go to many, many places, and do not feel tired."

"But I, it seems, really just don't have any goals and live in my own world every day. I also want to go find something that I love and keep going with it, so that one day I can have and hold on to what I love, just like my sister and Sherry. I think that's what my dad would like to see."

Clarence and Stella looked at each other, neither of them said anything.

Elaine added, "I know it seems to you that I don't have the independence to live on my own, but I will try."

Stella said, "Elaine, that's not what we meant. Then you ..... and Darnell ....."

Elaine laughs easily, "My dad and I made a deal to talk about me and him when I finish my studies in Switzerland and return to Riverside City."

Ariel has a good point about how she shouldn't take her feelings too seriously, above everything else.

It was only after a long time that Clarence spoke, "That's good, I'm glad that you think that way."

He got up and said, "You can go pack your bags now."

Elaine was slightly stunned: "So soon?"

Clarence said, "Didn't you say you were afraid you'd regret getting up in the morning? Hurry up, I'll wait for you downstairs."

Elaine hadn't reacted much yet, and answered dumbfoundedly, turning around and running back to her room in a hurry.

Stella looked at Clarence and frowned, "Did you really just let her go, I always felt that the guy who came to her today must have said something to her, otherwise Elaine wouldn't ....."

Clarence said, "Whatever that person said, the fact that Elaine can have these thoughts now means she already knows what she has to do."

"And won't you talk to Darnell about it, will he agree to Elaine leaving?"

"Elaine is going back to school, what's he got against that." Clarence said, "Not to mention the Riverside City side, which can't be handled cleanly for a short time, and he wants her to go to Switzerland more than Elaine."

Stella bristled, "Sometimes I think Darnell is a lot like you, and sometimes I think you guys handle things very differently."

Clarence raised his eyebrows, "What's different?"

Stella said, "If it were you, you would never let me be that far away from you and still not see you for two or three years."

Clarence did not deny, silent for a while before saying: "Once I always felt that the Zhou family is a place that eats people without spitting out bones, but only later found that the old man did those things, more, is about their own interests."

The James family, on the other hand, is much more than that.

Riverside City's existence and branching is inherently complex.

Some people desperately want to get out, while others use all the intrigue to covet.

Clarence said as he walked out the door, "Darnell dealt with the man who killed his father when he first came of age, the whole family, no one was spared."

Stella sniffed and paused for a moment.

She had been thinking that Darnell might have a much softer style of action than rumored, so that he wouldn't be as forceful as Clarence.

But hearing him say that, Stella seemed to understand a few things.

The outside rumors are not false, Darnell is really the scary Master of Riverside, he agreed to send Elaine away, it is because, Elaine stay with him is really too dangerous.

Now Riverside City, because the forces behind Caesar's entry, is no longer the James family people and Darnell's civil unrest, he needs time, to uproot all this, so he does not have the energy to share to Elaine, but also afraid that she will therefore stir into this mess.



A just adult, has been ruthless enough to dispose of the enemy's entire family, that he is absolutely long calm and rational than any feelings.

For so many years, every step he took was probably like standing on the tip of a knife.

The slightest inattention will result in blood all over.

Stella snapped back to her senses and quickly chased after her, "Wait, I'm with you."

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When we reached the private tarmac, Elaine gave Stella a hug: "Sister, I'll go first then."

Stella gently patted her shoulder: "Elaine, you must take care of yourself, and call me immediately if you encounter any difficulties, okay?"

Elaine nodded, then let go of her, "I will."

After saying that, she waved at Stella and Clarence and said goodbye again before turning around and getting on the plane.

When he left, Clarence fished out his cell phone and dialed a number: "Elaine went to Switzerland."

On the other hand, Darnell stood in front of the floor-to-ceiling window of his office, looking at the river scene in the distance, and faintly responded, "Got it."

A few moments later, he put away his phone, and gazed down at the palm of his hand, the doll he received not long ago, the corners of his lips hooked down extremely inconspicuously.

After a while, there was a knock on the office door: "Master of Riverside, just got word that Ariel went to City N and is supposed to meet Miss James."

Darnell's palms closed, and when he raised his eyes again, there was only a coldness in his dark eyes:  
"When she returns, have her come see me."

The assistant nodded: "Yes."

Darnell said, "Elaine has gone to Switzerland, inform the people there and protect her."

At this time, the assistant's cell phone rang, he picked up the phone and then said to Darnell, "Master of Riverside, Caesar said he wants to see you."

Darnell looked at the time, exactly half a month.

It seems Caesar is not that patient either.

He placed the doll on his desk, "Go."

Chapter 1059-In the dark and lightless room, Caesar lay on the narrow bed, the whole person has lost the usual gentle and gentle, appearing irritable and eager.

After a long time, the door of the room was finally opened and a faint light came from far away and then penetrated the room a little.

Caesar subconsciously raised his hand to block it, and immediately afterwards, he heard Darnell's voice ring out faintly, "You opened your mouth in less time than I thought you would."

At that, Caesar laughed disdainfully and lowered his hand to look at the man standing in front of him, "You think you've won by keeping me here?"

Darnell sat in the couch, his voice inaudible with emotion: "I never felt that way, if I just wanted to deal with you, it would be easy."

Caesar blushed slightly, but then quickly reacted.

He sneered, "So you know everything I've done in Riverside City in the past two years, and instead of stopping me, you're just going to do what you're told so you can finish off the James family, right?"

Darnell didn't answer, his tone indifferent: "I'm here to hear you answer questions, not ask them."

Caesar leaned over the bed, "If I tell you who's behind me, will you let me out of here."

"No."

"And who am I to tell you?"

Darnell said, "If I let you leave Riverside City, do you think Clarence will let you go."

Caesar pursed his lips and stared at the ceiling without making a sound.

A long time ago, he spoke: "The other side of the specific who I do not know, the middle of the line of people, is Jon, he reconnected with me six months ago."

Darnell said, "Where is Jon now."

"I don't know." Caesar continued, "Jon that person, originally a mystery whereabouts complex, by trading information to earn money, between black and white, he changed his identity to change his name is easy, unless he wants, it is difficult for anyone to find him."

Caesar this is true, Jon since leaving City N, it seems to have disappeared from the world a little, which has accidentally leaked once the whereabouts, even Darnell personally brought people over, but also did not catch him.

Darnell got up, "One last question, what is going on with Elaine's mother."

Caesar listened to this, his expression showed a few odd, as if laughing, but also as if mocking: "This matter, you should ask Franklin. Of course, he certainly will not tell you."

I would never have thought that one day Elaine would become your weakness. Darnell, aren't you afraid that she will one day become a bargaining chip for your enemies because of you?"

Darnell spoke coldly, "Don't worry about it."

Caesar laughs: "Elaine is at least I grew up watching, called me Uncle Caesar for so many years, worry should not be taken for granted."

Darnell spat out the words without the slightest warmth: "If you were really worried about her, you wouldn't have spread the news."

Caesar indifferently spread his hands: "It's one thing to worry, it's another to find your weaknesses and leverage. That depends on whether you have that ability to protect her."

After Darnell left, the room was once again plunged into darkness.

Caesar sat there, minute by minute, staying in this endless time.

For a long time, the sound came back from the door and the light slowly shone in.

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Back in the office, the assistant came and said, "Master of Riverside, Miss Ariel is back."

Darnell hummed and loosened his tie with one hand.

At that moment, Ariel pushed open the door, "What do you want from me?"

Darnell looked back at her with an expressionless face, "I told you to stay away from Elaine."

At that, Ariel paused and closed the door before saying, "Yes, I went to her, but I just made her more aware of the situation of the James family, what's wrong with that, her father is dead, does she still live in the fairy tale world forever, or do you plan to take her in and take over from her father, like a child, to take care of her for the rest of her half of her life?"

Ariel continued: "You should not forget that you are patriarch of the James family, there are many things waiting for you to do, not to play house with a small child. Franklin is dead, Elaine is with you, there is no value, so you should not waste time on her anymore. "

Darnell said, "Is that what you told her."

Ariel pursed her lips for a moment, "I don't think, where I'm wrong."

Darnell walked in front of his desk and gently raised his eyes, his eyes all cold: "You're not wrong, but it's not your turn to tell me what to do."

Ariel was frozen in place, she had worked with Darnell for so many years, even if there were mistakes, he had never said such heavy words to her.

"I just did it for ....."

"From now on, leave it to Slade to do your business."

Ariel opened her mouth, "So what do I do?"

Darnell said, "Do what you want to do, it's none of my business."

Ariel was about to say something else when the assistant knocked on the door and brought in the documents.

She could only leave.

The assistant said, "Master of Riverside, the Swiss side has been taken care of, is there anything else that needs to be done."

Darnell's thin lips pursed slightly, and it took a few seconds before he said, "Let Vincent through."

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Elaine's whole being has been very different since she arrived in Switzerland. She is active in class every day and more focused than ever.

After class, I went to a convenience store part-time.

In the evening, I also read various books and learn to make crafts and snacks from online videos.

Live each day to the fullest.

The way she worked hard made her classmates around her think that her family should be broke, otherwise they wouldn't be working so hard to study.

After Elaine had worked at the convenience store for a while, the store manager brought over a boy about her age and greeted her in English, "ning, this is also a classmate from your school, from today, the store will be in charge of you two, you take care of him."

Elaine nodded.

The store manager said to the boy again, "If you don't understand anything, ask her."

When the store manager left, the boy asked Elaine in English, "Are you from H?"

Elaine said, "I'm from Z."

The boy immediately laughed in Chinese, "What a coincidence, so am I. Where is your family from?"

Elaine was silent: "City N."

The boy said, "I'm from City H. Then we're pretty close to each other. Eh, what's your name?"

A customer just came in and bought a pack of cigarettes.

Elaine said in Chinese, "You can knot this one, I'll teach you."

The boy said, "Yeah."

He picked up the scanner, listened to Elaine's instructions, and quickly closed the order.

The boy said, "Not bad, you're quite skilled, how long have you been here?"

Elaine turned around and organized the shelves, "One month."

Chapter 1060-"The boy's name is Aaron, from City H. His parents are in the garment business and he came to Switzerland to study two months ago, almost the same time as Miss James."

In the car, the men were reporting to Vincent the news they had just found out.

Vincent leaned against the car window and looked at the boy in the convenience store who was about the same age as Elaine: "Since his family is well off, why did he come here to do part-time work."

And it just so happens that the timing of the appearance of Elaine's side has to be suspicious.

The handlers said, "He has been to two fast food restaurants part-time before, either late or early, or complaints by customers, it looks like he should be to experience life."

Vincent tapped his finger on the edge of the window: "Contact City N and send someone to City H to verify his identity."

The handlers nodded: "Yes."

Elaine was organizing the shelves at the convenience store, and Aaron was following her, chattering, "Just pay attention to me."

Elaine was busy with the task at hand and didn't look back: "City H and City N are an hour or two away by high speed train, where is closer."

Aaron's hand on the shelf next to him: "It's not close, think about it. I don't know what my parents thought, they had to send me here."

Saying that, he added: "Eh, why did you come here to study ah, like this city, or also forced by parents?"

Elaine turned her head to look at him, "Are you here to work or are you here to talk."

Aaron immediately shut up and shrugged innocently.

Elaine ignored him and went to stand at the checkout counter.



After a few minutes, Aaron followed her and stood next to her, whispering, "There's no one in the store right now anyway, so you can talk to me. I've been here for two months, and I don't understand what they're saying, so I'm suffocating."

Elaine's face remained unchanged: "I guess your parents thought you were too noisy, so they sent you here."

Aaron immediately spoke in surprise: "Your guess is too accurate! You're the first good friend I've made here!"

Elaine: "....."

She could finally appreciate how annoying her old self was.

But Aaron didn't seem to realize at all that Elaine didn't want to pay much attention to him, and instead played up his enthusiasm whenever and wherever he could.

Elaine would occasionally meet him at school, and from a distance, Aaron would run up to her shouting her name and drag her to dinner with him.

When he was at the convenience store, he would also volunteer to carry the goods and then chatter, "Tell me, what would you do without me for such heavy things, you have to buy me dinner tonight."

Elaine didn't want to owe him a favor, so she bought the meal.

In the end, however, Aaron secretly settled the bill.

He justified it by saying, "I'm a manly man, how can I let girls spend money and tease you."

Without saying anything, Elaine collected her purse and went home.

Aaron followed her: "Hey, today is the Mid-Autumn Festival, the two of us are alone out to dinner relationship, you still refuse to talk to me more than two words."

Elaine looked at the people on the street and spoke lightly, "Switzerland doesn't have a Mid-Autumn Festival."

"But we are not Swiss, and the holidays left by the old ancestors still have to be celebrated."

Elaine looked at him strangely, "Then why do I have to spend time with you."

Aaron spread his hands, "Do you know any other Z's here besides me."

Unable to understand his logic, and not wanting to argue with him, Elaine said, "I'm going home."

Aaron strides over to her and walks alongside her, "It's pretty late, I'll give you a ride."

Elaine said, "No need."

"This is not like the country, it's too late to be safe, besides, at least I brought you out to dinner, I'm not comfortable with you going back alone."

Elaine didn't say anything, she had been in Switzerland for so long that she had never actually worried about security.

Because she knew that there were always people following her, even if they never bothered her, but she could still feel it.

Not wanting to explain this to Aaron, Elaine acquiesced and kept walking until she was almost at the crossroads at home when she said, "This is it, thank you for today."

Aaron looked around and understood that she didn't want him to know the exact location of her house, so he tsked, "You're really defensive, you've known me for so long and you still don't trust me, but it's true, you're a girl living alone in such a faraway place, you should be more vigilant, then I'll send you here, bye."

Elaine nodded gently, "Bye."

Only after Aaron left did Elaine withdraw her eyes and slowly walk in the direction of home.

She looked up at the moon in the sky and was a bit lost in thought for a moment, so today is already the mid-autumn festival ah.

When Elaine returned home, she saw a gift box sitting on the doorstep. She bent down to pick it up and opened the door to go inside.

Since arriving in Switzerland, she has received a gift every month, unsigned and unaddressed and unaddressed.

Yet she knew who it would be from.

Elaine opened the gift box and inside was a delicate little mooncake.

She took one out and gently bit into it. It was sweet but not greasy, and there was a light fruity aroma, which should come from Nicolas' hand.

Perhaps it was because eating sweets can make you feel better, the next day Elaine also brought two to Aaron.

Aaron just did not eat breakfast, directly stuffed one into his mouth, swallowed it before saying: "quite delicious, where did you buy it? I'll go buy some tonight."

Elaine said, "It's from home."

Aaron patted her shoulder, his expression very pleased: "I knew it, we really are the best friends, your family to send you moon cakes can think of me a child."

Elaine said, "You're overthinking it, I'm afraid it will just go bad if I don't finish it."

"Before the store sushi rice balls are almost expired you did not give me to eat, had to report to the store manager to throw away, this is not enough to show how important I am to you now."

Elaine: "....."

Spring goes to autumn, the cold and heat alternate.

The only thing that remains the same is that Elaine still receives a gift every month, every holiday, and every birthday.

Time seems to pass by day by day in these long years.

Aaron sat at the bar with his elbows propped up on the tabletop, "Graduation is next week, what are you going to do when you get back home?"

Elaine's hand holding the water gave a start, and only after a long time did she say, "I haven't thought about it yet."

"So do you plan to go back to City N or go where, do not think what to do does not matter, as long as you follow me, you can guarantee that you can eat and drink."