Mr. Kane Got Blacklisted by Eleven Jewell

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Dahlia pressed her lips together and said, "I knew Grandma invited you. I just thought since you were having a hard time in your family, you probably wouldn't be in the mood to come. Well, I underestimated your ability to handle your emotions." Stella cast a look at her. 'She could have simply said that she misjudged my brazenness. Yet, she was tactful in her delivery.' Stella replied, "I initially wasn't in the mood. But, Keegan kept calling me, and it drove me insane. So, I decided to show some respect to him. After all, we were once husband and wife. Although I don't have to be considerate to you, I do have to show Keegan some consideration."

Dahlia stared at Keegan with a stern face. Keegan did not attempt to refute it as if he had confirmed everything she said. Keegan's behavior jarred Dahlia's nerves. 'What a spineless person!'

"Keegan is just being filial. He didn't want to upset his grandma on such a joyous occasion." Dahlia hinted that Keegan's phone calls were for Grandma's sake and that Stella should not think so highly of herself.

Stella smirked. "He sure is filial. He even gave me a necklace because he was afraid that I wouldn't come," she said as she touched the red diamond on her neck. "The charm of a 47 million was quite attractive."

Keegan looked at her in silence, watching her as she blabbered on and bragged. Dahlia was taken aback, and her expression turned dark. The group of wives behind them went into a frenzy. They were discussing how genuine the diamond necklace on Stella's neck was, but now she suddenly revealed the price. Along with that, Keegan was the one who gifted it.' Didn't the two of them divorce? Or, did it turn out all in vain? And, Stella was completely different after the divorce. She used to be all timid and submissive around Dahlia and never dared to contradict her. How did she change completely after the divorce?' The crowd thought.

No matter how stupid one was, everyone could tell that Dahlia and Stella were both aggressive in their remarks. However, it was clear that Dahlia was slightly inferior. The 47-million-dollar necklace itself had knocked Dahlia out. In front of the 47-million-dollar worth necklace, her 7-million-dollar ring had instantly lost its luster.

Dahlia clutched her hand and suppressed her anger. "You left the marriage with nothing. It's normal for him to compensate you. Forty to fifty million is not a big deal for the Kane family."

Stella turned her head and looked at Keegan. "Your mom said it's not a big deal. If that's the case, could you give me a few more?"

Keegan thought, 'Why do you need so much? To use it as a dog chain?' Keegan glanced at her and said coolly, "Alright."

The group of wives was all speechless. Dahlia was so angry that she felt as if she was about to spit out blood. However, Dahlia restrained her rage." Keegan, Aurora and Jackson had gone to wish your grandma a happy birthday. You should go too. Don't miss the timing and make a fool of yourself."

Keegan looked at Stella and said, 'Let's go together."

Stella said lightly, "You are the eldest grandchild, while I'm just an outsider. You go first. I'll go when it's my turn."

Keegan frowned. He was not comfortable with leaving Stella there. Dahlia's scheme had gone beyond his expectation, and Stella would be at a disadvantage if she stayed there.

Stella softened her voice to coax him. "Hurry up and go. I'll wait for you." Stella was worried that Keegan would defend his mother if he stayed.

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Keegan pursed his lips and handed Stella the coat. 'TH leave once you put it on." The corner of Stella's eyes twitched. 'Keegan is so old-fashioned. He's making it a big deal out of showing my back as if no one here had ever seen a woman's back.' Stella impatiently took the coat and draped it over her shoulders. "Happy now?" Keegan was satisfied and before he left, he said, "I'll be back." He did not forget to give Dahlia a warning look before leaving. Dahlia turned red from anger. Keegan walked toward Aldor, took a new coat that Aldor had brought him, and put it on. As he buttoned the coat, he instructed, "Keep an eye on her. Don't let her get bullied."

Dahlia's expression turned cold as soon as Keegan left the scene. She glanced at Stella and said, "You're able to fool Keegan effortlessly. Looks like I really underestimated you."

Stella smirked and said, "Thank you, Mrs. Kane. You flatter me."

Dahlia's face darkened with anger as she lowered her voice. "Stella, don't get carried away. It's not easy to enter the Kane family the moment you divorced Keegan. Even if I don't take action, Grandma would never let you remarry Keegan with just the fact that you couldn't bear children. Not to mention your identity is currently unknown." Stella felt a little down, but she did not show it on her face. She looked at Dahlia indifferently and replied, "I'm not interested in remarriage now. Even if I did, I would let Keegan kick you out of the Kane family before I remarry him." She lifted her eyes. "That's not a treat. It's a warning."

What Dahlia depended on was nothing more than the identity of Mrs. Kane. As a widow with no power in Rivera, there were many ways to drive her out of the Kane family. Stella had respected her in the past and always put filial piety first as she was Keegan's mother. However, once Stella thought back about it, not all elders deserved to be treated with respect.

Dahlia was agitated and was about to speak when a pleasant female voice came from behind. "Dahlia."

Dahlia's expression softened when she saw that it was Darcie. She immediately put on a polite smile and said, "Mrs. Saun, you're here."

Darcie was wearing a dark green gown with a slightly retro curled hairstyle that looked like something from the 1920s to 1930s. It looked like the attire of a socialite from the old days. Her eyebrows were delicately drawn. She did not look as striking as Dahlia, but she was still quite attractive. Beside her stood her daughter, Jaylene. The two were about the same height and bore a slight resemblance in their eyebrows. Darcie took good care of herself, and they looked like sisters when standing together.

Darcie saw Stella and paused before she said, "Ms. Jewell, you're here too." Stella nodded in response. She was uncertain if it was just her imagination, but she felt that Darcie was not as friendly toward her as she had been at The Deli. "Jaylene is such a beauty. She looks exactly like you when you were young," Dahlia was so friendly toward Mrs. Saun and her daughter that she even forgot to taunt Stella.

'Come to think of it, Keegan's father and Wenham were classmates. It's not odd that their wives would know each other. Dahlia has a high status in the group of wives in Rivera. One could even say that she ruled over them. So, it's quite rare to see her being so polite toward other wives. On the other hand, Mrs. Saun is being quite magnanimous. She just buried the hatchet about Aurora locking Jaylene in the toilet,' Stella thought.

Stella was thinking about the birthday gift she prepared. She walked over to a side and sent Felicity a text message after noticing that no one was paying attention to her. [How long are you going to take?]

[Between half an hour to forty minutes. There are too many things,] Felicity replied. Stella answered, [Thank you, I appreciate it.]

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[Think about the future when you live in Clouditude International. You'll realize that all this is worth it,] Stella replied with a Don't forget me when you're rich' sticker and smiled. She played with her phone while a few ladies could not resist gossiping and chatting in hushed voices.

"Since when did Mrs. Kane become so close to Mrs. Saun?"

"They were old acquaintances. It's normal that they're close."

"Oh, really? I've never heard of her before."

"That's because she's not the former Mrs. Saun."

Stella's ears twitched, and her sense of picking up gossip perked up.

"Is she a mistress that took over the position of the wife?" a lady asked.

"Not exactly. I heard that the former one passed away due to some complications during childbirth. Mr. Saun remarried after five or six years."

"So, does that mean that Trevor isn't the son of this Mrs. Saun?"

"He's her stepson. Jaylene isn't Wenham's biological daughter either. The new wife brought her over. She was liked and favored by the Saun family despite not being Wenham's biological child. That's why they say the new wife was lucky and married well. Even her daughter from her first marriage was able to enjoy the blessings." "Having good luck isn't enough. One must also need a good fate. Look at the previous wife, she had a short life, and she didn't get to enjoy this fortune."

"What's the background of the first wife?"

"I heard that she wasn't a local but was from the capital. She was a perfumer, and she was extremely beautiful. She founded the former Caline, which was called Fragrance Trace. Their classic perfume was her creation. Even till this day, it sells very well." Caline had been a company specializing in making perfumes under the umbrella of Wings Group. They not only had their own constant perfume collection, but they also had custom- made perfume services for their customers, which was quite popular in cities.

The essential oil in Stella's bathroom was Caline's product. It's a small world. Stella did not expect that it was a product of the Saun family. Stella thought back to the fragrance in Trevor's car, and it was a unique aroma formulated by Caline. 'No wonder it has such a distinctive smell,' Stella thought.

After Dahlia chatted with Darcie for a while, Mrs. Chapman interrupted. 'Ms. Saun, how old are you?'

Jaylene lowered her gaze and replied politely, "I'm 26."

"That's about the same age as my eldest son." Mrs. Chapman smiled and added, 'Do you have a boyfriend?" Jaylene smiled and glanced at Darcie with a flushed face. Darcie grinned and said, 'When Jaylene studied abroad in the past, her classmates were all locals. I only have one daughter, and I didn't want her to marry overseas. So, I didn't let her date anyone."

"Now that she's back, you don't have to worry about this problem anymore, "Mrs. Chapman beamed. "There are many young talents in Rivera today. You could get to know them."

"What's the point of getting to know them?" Aurora suddenly interrupted while grinning. "They're talented, but they're nothing compared to my brother. Jaylene, if you're looking for a boyfriend, why don't you consider my brother?"

Dahlia lightly scolded her, "What nonsense are you talking about?"

"How am I talking nonsense? What's wrong with saying that when they're both divorced? In terms of their background, education, and appearance, Jaylene is miles ahead of Stella. Isn't she a better match for my brother?"

Stella sneered in her heart. 'Did they really think that Keegan was such a catch? The daughter of the Saun family could easily find a man with any desirable qualities she wanted. Why would she settle with a divorced man like Keegan?1

Stella thought that way, but she pursed her lips after turning her head and noticing Jaylene's expression.

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Jaylene blushed and looked down. "Aurora, stop saying that, " she said softly. Her words were filled with girlish bashfulness.

If Jaylene was not willing, she could have given a direct refusal.

But, all she said was "stop saying that", which meant that she was not against being paired up like that.

Stella felt uncomfortable.

She was reminded of the photo she saw on Vermont's feed a few days ago. 'Keegan, that bastard. Could it be that he got drunk and said nonsense to Jaylene and gave her the wrong idea?

'Why else would a lovely girl like her wants to be paired up with a pig like Keegan? Stella grabbed a piece of watermelon from the table and took a bite.

When Dahlia saw Jaylene's reaction, she realized that they had a shot.

"Aurora is not wrong. Both of them are single and unwed, so it wouldn't hurt to let them interact more." Mrs. Chapman cheered.

"Watch what you're saying, Mrs. Chapman. Both parties are single, but it depends on what type of 'unwed' you are referring to. If 'divorced' is also considered as unwed, isn't it ridiculous to pair him with Ms. Saun?"

A bejeweled Cyrene chuckled and came over with Jackson by her side.

Dahlia's expression subtly darkened.

Mrs. Chapman, however, was sleek. 'Cyrene, things are different from our times now," Mrs. Chapman smiled as she spoke. "As long as you don't have a child, having a past marriage or not doesn't make much of a difference. Plus, having experienced a failed marriage, divorced husbands would know how to treat you better."

Cyrene smiled. "Since you're so accepting, Mrs. Chapman. Why didn't you accept my nephew's wedding proposal?

Mrs. Chapman choked on her words.

Dahlia was slacking in her work for the past few months, so Mrs. Chapman wanted to get close to Cyrene instead.

However, Cyrene was not that gullible. She lacked neither money nor connections and was not easily swayed by small favors.

Mrs. Chapman not only failed to get her husband a new project but she also got put in her place by Cyrene.

Cyrene introduced her own nephew, who had divorced three times previously, to Mrs. Chapman's eldest daughter.

Cyrene said that if they got married, anything could be on the table.

Mrs. Chapman was calculative, but she treasured her husband and her three daughters. How could she be willing to let her daughter marry a man with such a bad reputation?

After that, she never approached Cyrene again.

Mrs. Chapman was all talk when she said that there was no difference if someone had been divorced. But, when it came to her own daughter, she was naturally unwilling. She was crestfallen as soon as Cyrene mentioned that incident.

Dahlia glanced at Cyrene solemnly. "We're just joking around. You didn't have to make a big deal out of it."

Cyrene covered her smile with her hand. 'Don't mind me, Dahlia, I'm a straightforward person." As she talked, she turned her head and smiled at Jaylene and her mother." Jaylene, do you remember me? I carried you once when you were a kid."

Jaylene nodded. "Aunt Cyrene."

Cyrene held Jaylene's hand and examined her. She smiled as she said, "You're all grown up now. You're getting more beautiful each day." She continued, "This is Jackson. You two played together when you were little. Do you remember? M Jaylene shook her head.

It was twenty years ago, so no one would remember.

"It's okay if you don't. You can reintroduce yourselves."

Stella peered and saw that Jackson was wearing a suit for once. He looked like a decent person as he stood there straight.

Jackson offered a handshake and smiled. "Hello, Ms. Saun."

Jaylene drew her hand back after her fingertips lightly touched him. "Hello, Jackson." Dahlia was at the side, watching with fire in her eyes.

'Cyrene and her son are like flies. They poke their noses everywhere!' Dahlia thought. Apparently, Jaylene was the one who was most sought after, not Keegan.

Judging by the situation, both women from the Kane family wanted Jaylene to be their daughter-in-law.

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Stella took a strawberry and ate it while she watched on. Suddenly, her back felt warm, and she heard Keegan's voice.

"Who gave you permission to take off the jacket?"

Stella took a bite of the strawberry. 'I heard a lot of Rivera's talented and handsome young men would be here today."

Keegan did not understand.

Stella finished the remaining half of the strawberry and slowly said, "I'm a divorcee. How can I compete with these ladies if I don't show more skin? How would I get the men's attention, then?"

Keegan's expression darkened. "We divorced just a few days ago, and you already can't wait to find a new partner?"

Stella glanced at him. "Your mom is already looking for a new partner for you, so I can't waste time. I can't let you get married again before I do."

Keegan's eye twitched. Before he could ask for clarifications, Dahlia's voice interrupted.

"Keegan, you came at the right time. Show Ms. Saun around the place, and introduce her to your friends."

Keegan looked up for a glance and pursed his lips. "I'm not familiar with the place here. Let Jackson bring her around."

The corner of Dahlia's eye twitched.

'Not familiar? He had a lot of business events here in Dragon Lagoon.'

Jackson was more than happy to take up the responsibility." After you, Ms. Saun." Jaylene lowered her gaze. "How about next time, Jackson? The party is starting soon. We need to greet Grandma."

Jackson smiled patiently and said, "Well then, we always have next time."

Stella had watched enough of the fun, and she wanted to turn around and leave.

Keegan pulled on her and said, "Let me show you something good."

"No." Stella rejected him without thinking.

Keegan did not waste another word and just dragged her along.

Stella wanted to fight it, but she noticed Dahlia's angry gaze. Stella stopped fighting back, held on to Keegan's arms, and gave her a provocative smile.

After Keegan and Stella had left, Jaylene looked up and glanced at the direction that they were heading. Then, she looked away again.

As the name suggested. Dragon Lagoon had a lake within its grounds.

It was a man-made lake of more than ten acres and was filled with running water. Because the lake was managed well, the water was so clear that the bottom could be seen.

There were also lights at the bottom of the lake. When they turned on the lights at night, all the creatures in the water could be seen clearly.

"What's the thing you wanted to show me?"

Stella was dragged to the lakeside, but she did not see anything. So, she could not help but ask.

Keegan squatted down and knocked on a little metal bowl on the ground. A second later, a white ball appeared and dashed toward Keegan's leg. It chirped and flipped around to show its belly as a sign of happiness.

Stella was shocked but when she took a closer look, she saw a white stray dog with a pinch of black hair on its head.

Keegan put on a pair of gloves, took out some meat jerky from his pocket, and put it in the bowl. The stray instantly sat up and ran over to eat the jerky.

Stella was frozen for a while. Then, she asked,' Is this Pinchie?' Keegan nodded.

Stella squatted down and carefully reached out to touch its fur. "It grew up a lot." Last year, when she and Keegan came to Dragon Lagoon for a business dinner, they found a month-old puppy near the entrance.

Stella loved animals and wanted to take the puppy home, but Keegan was allergic to animal fur. So, He did not agree to let her adopt the puppy and wanted her to throw it away.

Stella begged and begged but it was no use. The puppy was then left at Dragon Lagoon, and Keegan said that the puppy would be taken care of.

At the time, Stella did not believe what Keegan said. She thought that Keegan was cruel and purposely lied to deceive her.

'This is such a big park, and it's such a small puppy. Who would help take care of it?' Stella thought.

The next day, she brought a box over. She wanted to take it to a pet shop and put it up for adoption.

But, she searched for a whole day but could not find the puppy. She thought that the puppy might be dead overnight since it was too young and had not even been weaned vet.