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You dare to slap me?"

Hannah remained silent, gripping Melina's hair and forcing her to face her own reflection.

"See how worked up you are, a far cry from the composure of a lady with a distinguished family background. I've put up with you because you're Mr. Mitchell's friend. But don't think for a second I haven't caught on to your insinuations."

As Melina squirmed, feeling the painful yank on her scalp, she wanted to scream, but Hannah cut her off with a scoff.

"Go ahead, scream for help. Let's see who ends up more embarrassed when people find you like this. Will it be me or you?"

Relaxing her hold, Hannah left Melina leaning against the sink.

"Miss Glyn, a word of advice. Don't push me. My patience has its limits, and it's hard to restrain myself from hitting you again."

After she spoke, Hannah shook loose any stray hairs clinging to her hand and calmly exited the restroom.

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Left alone, Melina stared into the mirror, her fingers clenched and her eyes clouded with rage.

Returning to the banquet, Lydia questioned Hannah, "What took you so long? It was just a restroom break."

"My dress had a minor stain. Took me a bit to clean it up."

Upon hearing this, Bryson cast a quick look at the hem of Hannah's dress.

"Would you like to return and change outfits?"

Hannah offered a smile.

"No worries, I've already handled it."

Just then, Melina stepped out of the restroom, a faint red mark marring her face.

"Did something happen to Miss Glyn? Why does her face look somewhat flushed?"

Catching sight of the mark, Lydia sarcastically remarked, "That wasn't there before she entered the restroom. Did she accidentally collide with something?"

Melina's eyes seemed to radiate murderous intent!

Carefully composing herself, she spun around and offered a restrained smile. Her shadowy eyes fixed on Hannah.

"It's nothing, likely a minor allergic reaction."

Hannah responded with a gentle smile, "Is that so? Miss Glyn, be cautious next time. Allergies have a way of coming back."

"Your caution is appreciated, Miss Moore," Melina said, her fist tightening.

"I have other matters to see to, so I'll cut this conversation short."