

## **Our Billion 991**

Chapter 991-Joanne might as well get herself pregnant with someone else. She could not conceive a child anyway, and she would definitely be exposed if this dragged on.

It was getting dark. Joanne leaned against the railing by the road to rest as she could not walk anymore.

Feeling tired and hungry and in a very bad mood, Joanne eventually fell asleep on the spot.

The cold wind blew recklessly as she slept...

Joanne had a dream which brought her back to the days when she used to live with her family.

The Winters Family ran a small and medium-sized company.

Her father was always very busy with work. While Missus Winters was pregnant with Joanne, her husband actually had a mistress outside, and he even got her pregnant!

During the second stage of Missus Winters' pregnancy, she accidentally fell down the stairs. In addition to the dystocia, she died as she gave birth to Joanne.

From there, her stepmother moved into the Winters Residence, which was where Joanne's nightmare all began...

For various reasons, she was constantly suppressed by her stepmother. Joanne tried to please her father to gain some family affection, but she was always ridiculed by her stepmother. Eventually, her relationship with her father went down the drain, and Mister Winters started to hate Joanne more and more as time passed by.

Once, she was chased and bit by a dog in the woods. In the midst of it, she accidentally fell into a cave.

It was dark and scary.

Joanne thought that her father would come to her rescue. However, three days had passed without him showing up. Joanne was on the verge of starving to death before she was rescued by a kind-hearted passerby.

Joanne eventually returned to the Winters Residence. She thought that perhaps her father could not locate her after she had gone missing, and he must be worried sick.

However, reality just slapped Joanne right across the face.

No one in the Winters Family actually cared about her life and death. When she went back, she happened to hear her father telling his mistress' daughter that he would spend a huge amount of money on sending her to the best university in the country.

In other words, Joanne was nothing to her father.

Since then, she ran away from home, cutting ties with the Winters Family.

Luckily for Joanne, she was born with a pretty face due to the excellent genes of the Winters Family. Eventually, she befriended Catelyn, who helped her financially before she got into college.

Even in her sleep, Joanne was afraid of this horrible memory. She hugged her knees as tears flowed out from her eyes...

Suddenly, two strong rays of light suddenly lit up in front of Joanne. She was instantly awake, raising her hands subconsciously to block the blinding light.

She realized that a Ferrare had stopped not too far away from her.

The door of the sports car was pushed open, and out came a person.

Joanne stood up. Immediately, Edwin's slender body appeared, walking toward her against the light.

She could not see his face, but she could feel his intimidating aura from his presence!

Joanne wiped her tears and cried, "I must be dreaming..."

How was it possible for her to see Edwin here?

Did he not hang up the phone on her angrily?

Chapter 992-Joanne rubbed her eyes, trying to dispel the fact that Edwin was here. Instead of disappearing, Edwin got closer to her.

Joanne could not help but pinch her thigh. The pain was so great it made her gasp. Before she could regain her senses, she saw Edwin's angry face.

"Joanne! Seriously? Can't you see the no-pedestrian sign?! What if you get hit by a car?! I don't care if you die, but am I supposed to support you for the rest of your life if you're paralyzed?" scolded Edwin.

Edwin's face was furious. He was not only angry with her, but he was also mad about himself as well!

He obviously wanted a child, and there were many ways to get what he wanted. Joanne was such a stupid girl, but he just could not let her go.

Even the thought of having a child with her excited Edwin...

Joanne was frightened by the sharpness in his eyes. She ducked back in fear.

"No... I didn't want to be here... I was forced..."

Edwin walked in front of Joanne and pressed her body against the railing. He lowered his head and grabbed her hips.

Joanne struggled, but she forcefully lifted her up by Edwin. He then kissed her deeply, his palm grabbing her waist. Joanne felt pain and chills running down her spine, but her mouth was so tightly fixed on his that she could not even have the strength to shout.

Joanne shoved him off with all her might. "Don't touch me!"

She panted, gasping for breath. "I know, I'm dumb and stupid. I have no brains!"

But what can I do? I don't have a good life like you. I wasn't born rich, powerful, and adored by many family and friends!"

She continued, "Don't worry, even if I were to get hit by a car, I don't need you to take care of me!"

"No... In fact, we are two different people. Perhaps we should divorce! Yes, let's divorce then? Aren't you worried that grandma couldn't take it? I'll tell her!"

Whatever it is, I'll never let the old lady implicate you, and it'll also save you all the time and effort from scolding me every single day..." said Joanne.

Joanne's shoulders twitched, and her eyes flushed as she wiped away her tears.

Edwin just stared back at her with cold silence.

Joanne was indeed a hopeless, stupid girl.

Still, even if Cedrick had come looking for her, she should not have gotten off here!

However, seeing Joanne's angry and aggrieved look, Edwin could not help but regret saying all those hurtful things to her.

His unruly eyes suddenly became complicated and irritable. Without saying a word, Edwin grabbed Joanne's wrist and dragged her into the car, wanting to get her out of this dodgy place.

As soon as Edwin's hand touched Joanne's skin, she felt as if a poisonous snake entangled her.

She was so nervous, feeling her soul was leaving her body.

'It's over... It's all over...' She could not afford to provoke Edwin. Her life and stardom were all in his hands.

He must have wanted to kill her because she was getting dragged into the car!

"I'm not getting in!" shouted Joanne. Without hesitation, she lowered her head and took a bite of his wrist.

Chapter 993-Edwin cursed out loud as he felt the sting from Joanne's bite, and immediately loosened his grip on her wrist.

Joanne quickly crawled up and started running forward...

High heels were inconvenient, so she took them off and held them with her hand as she ran frantically, as if she was chased after a wild animal.

Edwin was in pain. He lifted his cuffs to check his wound, and sure enough, a circle of teeth marks was seen on his skin.

Darn it!

Edwin cursed angrily as he ran after Joanne. In the midst of it, she suddenly ran into the middle of the road and stopped a car in a desperate attempt.

She was heard talking to the driver agitatedly, and the driver let her into his vehicle for some reason.

“Joanne! stop right there!” yelled Edwin with a pale face.

Vroom!

The car sped away, releasing its exhaust smoke on Edwin’s face.

He stood there in silence.

Wonderful... Just wonderful!

You better watch out, Joanne!

Edwin went back to his Ferrare with a dark face. His car was not parked properly at the side of the road, creating some inconvenience for upcoming traffic. The cars who approached honked and looked at him with contempt.

Who was the driver of the vehicle earlier that Joanne had gotten up? It was already so late. Would Joanne be in danger with him? She was a female celebrity, after all. If she gets into any scandal, her reputation will definitely be negatively affected.

No. Edwin could not leave Joanne running wild on her own like this.

He instantly imagined her being held hostage by that driver earlier. Immediately, he started the ignition and went after Joanne.

However, the car drove away pretty quickly earlier, and Edwin was way too far behind.

He dialed his assistant's number. "Go check the whereabouts of this vehicle!

The license plate number is..."

Meanwhile, in the director's office of a private hospital.

"Sir... Master Cedrick, I swear that whatever I've said is true. Miss Catelyn wasn't aware of anything. Here's the report of the operation. You may check it yourself.' The female doctor tremblingly handed a stack of reports to Cedrick.

Catelyn had given her a warning before she left. If Cedrick found out from her that the child was still alive, her family's life in Sapphire City would be ruined!

Since she had already betrayed Cedrick, there was no choice but to continue with the deception.

Cedrick stared coldly at the stacks of medical reports in front of him, and among them was the page where he and Catelyn had jointly signed to agree with the abortion.

He shoved the reports back to the doctor. "There's no point for me to read these. Give me the surveillance footage of the operating room."

"But..." The doctor was suddenly dumbfounded.

Cedrick rubbed his fingertips and glanced at the doctor with his sharp eyes. "Don't tell me the video has been erased."

Private hospitals generally have their own surveillance room. It was usually used to supervise and promote medical doctors and was also commonly utilized for the family members of the patients in case there was a problem.

An operation procedure such as abortion was even more heavily scrutinized, and Cedrick was also very sure that this current private hospital had surveillance in every ward.

'I didn't erase it! Are you sure you want to see it? The child is not in complete form, just bloody mass, and..."

stammered the female doctor. Cedrick's cold eyes sank as he yelled, "Show it to me!"

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Chapter 994-In any case, Cedrick also had to figure out why Catelyn was suddenly so distant from him.

At times like this, he needed her by his side even more.

Twenty minutes later, the doctor retrieved the surveillance footage of the operating room.

In the video, Catelyn was seen lying flat on the bed. She was told to spread her legs to do some preliminary examinations. Moments later, the laparoscopic surgery began, which lasted about forty or fifty minutes...

Cedrick did not blink an eye as he watched the entire process, including the bloody part.

As the female doctor said, the child was not in complete form. It was just a lump of flesh and blood.

Cedrick's heart froze, and his lips pursed tightly.

"Master Cedrick, are you okay?" asked the female doctor with a face full of concern.

"Send this video to my email," said Cedrick. He stood up as he finished, resting one hand on the edge of the table, feeling uncomfortable, as if there was something very heavy stuck in his chest.

The surveillance video was not very clear. Cedrick needed to send it to his media team to check it.



“No problem. You don’t look so good. Would you like to take a rest?” said the female doctor.

Cedrick ignored her and left the room without looking back.

The air in the hospital was filled with the smell of disinfectant, which was heavy and depressing. As Cedrick finished watching the video, he finally understood why Catelyn wanted to escape the hospital so badly.

In this case, this was the execution ground of their child!

As Cedrick left the hospital, the female doctor did what she was told and sent the surveillance video to his email.

And after that, she dialed Catelyn’s number with another mobile phone...

“Hello? Miss Catelyn? You’re right. Master Cedrick really did come to check on the surveillance video! And I have shown him the edited video according to your previous request...”

At the other end, Catelyn was standing in front of the huge window, looking down at the conservatory from the second floor.

The conservatory was filled with various flowers. However, the floral fragrance has been processed so that its scent was not too strong in the air.

Catelyn took a deep breath. She avoided seeing Cedrick these past few days, which only made him feel suspicious. It would be dangerous to see him now for fear that she would be exposed even more.

“Did he believe it?” asked Catelyn.

The female doctor recalled Cedrick’s expression while he was watching the video and nodded. “I think so. The moment he saw the ‘child’ was treated as a medical waste, he was really sad.” Catelyn’s heart

tightened, but her voice was cold. “When he tried to lie to get my child aborted, did he even consider my feelings? He deserves to feel sad!” However, the doctor’s words did comfort Catelyn a little, making her feel that perhaps Cedrick was not completely ruthless.

However, why did he want to abort her child?

Boom!

Thunder was heard above the gloomy sky, followed by pouring rain.

The heavy raindrops hit the window, producing a loud crackling sound.

What intimidating weather...

Catelyn received a call from Joanne.

“Hello? Kitty? Could you get someone to pick me up? I’m stuck...”

Edwin managed to get the coordinates of the car from his assistant and found its owner at the end of Third Rings Road.

It was raining heavily, but the bad weather did not bother Edwin. Not even caring to use an umbrella, he rushed over and knocked on the car window.

He knocked the glass really hard, as if he was about to smash through it.

The driver lowered the car window and scolded, “Are you crazy? Trying to break the glass?!”

Chapter 995-Edwin glared at him coldly in response.

He stood in the rainstorm. His coat was all wet, sticking to his skin.

Despite the chilly surrounding temperature, his eyes were colder than the winter wind.

Now that the car window was lowered, Edwin quickly glanced at the rear seat.

It was empty.

“Where’s the girl in your car?” Edwin asked in a frightening manner.

The driver was taken aback by his intimidating aura. “Who? There’s no one in my car,” he stammered.

“I watched her get into your car with my own eyes. Shall I bring you to the police station with me?” replied Edwin as he raised his voice, his eyebrows rising slightly.

“Oh, you mean that girl from earlier? She asked me to stop as soon as she got off the elevated road,” said the driver as he suddenly realized and hurriedly pointed to the direction behind him.

Edwin did not speak, and just stared at the driver.

“What I said is true. She suddenly rushed out of the road to stop the car, saying that she couldn’t walk back, so I kindly gave her a ride. I asked her for her address, and she said that I could just drop her off after we got off the elevated road. I don’t know where she is now.” and I don’t know where she is now,”

explained the driver.

Edwin asked, “Did she tell you where she was going?”

“No.”

Edwin was all soaking wet. However, he was not bothered by the rain at all.

Joanne was still wandering somewhere alone out there, and he was too worried.

He drove to the location where the driver had dropped off Joanne, which was not very far away.

The storm was so heavy she should not have gone far. Perhaps she took shelter in a bus stop or a shopping mall nearby.

Edwin started searching for nearby gas stations or large shopping malls within three kilometers.

In the end, he found nothing. Edwin could not help but to feel a little panic.

Where was this stupid woman? Let US hope she did not run into any trouble.

He tried calling her, but her phone was off, apparently.

At this moment, Edwin happened to pass by a bus stop. He habitually lowered the window and looked around for her.

Raindrops drifted into the car window, damping his already wet clothes even more.

He heard two girls gossiping on the platform.

“Hey, that girl over there was crying so pitifully, and her clothes were still soaking wet. She must have quarreled with her boyfriend.”

“Really, if my boyfriend dares to quarrel with me on a rainy day and leaves me alone, I will break up with him immediately! What a heartless man...”

Edwin looked at the two girls.

Crying pitifully? Quarreled with her boyfriend?

Could that be Joanne?

The two girls noticed a handsome man in the Ferrare staring at them, and their eyelids flashed wildly.

Edwin calmed down and got out of the car. He smiled evilly at the two girls and asked them about the place where the girl was crying.

He saw a girl all curled up under the overpass, sitting on the stone steps. She wore the same light pink jacket as Joanne, with her head buried in her knees.

Looking very lonely, as if abandoned by society.

Edwin's eyes brightened as he saw her and quickly rushed over.

"Joanne, why are you running around like this?!" Edwin scolded harshly as he grabbed the girl's hand and pulled her into his arms.

Chapter 996-The girl who was sobbing raised her head and ducked back. "Who are you?"

Edwin was stunned. He quickly said, "I'm sorry, I was mistaken."

It was not Joanne!

Where did she go?

An hour later, Edwin received a call from the manor housekeeper, asking when he was returning and whether he needed to prepare his portion for dinner tonight.

Edwin asked for Joanne, only to find out that she had already gone back.

So his efforts to look for her were all for nothing?

Edwin eventually returned to the manor.

The servants were all shocked to see his drenched and gloomy face.

Edwin did not even bother with them, and he walked straight to Catelyn's room.

At the moment, Joanne was watching TV and listening to music with her for prenatal education in Catelyn's room.

As she heard the door knocking, she thought it was Kelly who was bringing her food again. She threw away the picture book, turned her head, and walked towards the door. 'Aunt Kelly, are you trying to raise me as a pig? The doctor told me to eat less but more frequently, and I've gained a lot of weight...'"

She opened the door and stopped talking abruptly. It was not Kelly who appeared at her doorstep but Edwin.

He was all drenched wet. The droplets of water at the tip of his hair slid down to his jaw and collarbone, making him look extremely sexy and masculine.

How tempting!

Joanne was initially still angry with Edwin and wanted to give him a slap on the face. However, seeing his charming appearance, she could not help but feel a little starstruck.

Joanne shook her head. No, she could not be charmed like this. She had to prepare for the divorce agreement.

She rolled her eyes innocently. "What happened to you?"

Edwin felt relief seeing Joanne was safe and sound. However, a storm was brewing within him. "You still have the guts to ask? Why didn't you stop running when I told you to?!"

'Why shouldn't I? Should I just stay put and allow myself to be abused by you?' said Joanne. She glanced at Catelyn, who was in the corner of the room. She felt confident Edwin would not do anything rash with Catelyn around.

The blue veins on Edwin's temple bulged as he stared at her, speechless. Eventually, he said, "Since you're already home, why did you turn off your phone?"

Joanne took out her phone. The screen was black. She scratched her head innocently. "No battery."

The more she talked, the more she felt the low air pressure around Edwin, and she could not help shivering.

"You're all wet. Why don't you go back to your room to take a shower?"

Edwin glared at Joanne, feeling that his IQ was lowered by just talking to her.

Could she not just tell him that she was already back home safely earlier? 'Hey, why are you wet?' said Catelyn in surprise as she came over.

Chapter 997-'It's all thanks to her!' said Edwin as he looked at Joanne.

She retorted angrily. "What does it have to do with me? I didn't ask you to come to look for me in the rain.

Why are you blaming me?"

Edwin's face turned dark as he heard Joanne's words. Catelyn was speechless as well. Joanne was pretty bold today.

"Kitty, I apologize," Edwin said suddenly.

Catelyn was confused. "What for?"

"I'll be taking Joanne away from you for now," replied Edwin. He then stretched his hands out and dragged Joanne to his bedroom.

"Ah! No! Kitty, save me!" Joanne let out a piercing cry.

As Edwin brought her into his room, he pressed her against the door and kissed her deeply.

They both were doing it until it was almost midnight. After two hours, Edwin was finally done. He lowered his head and left a kiss on Joanne's forehead. "Don't you ask me for a divorce without giving birth to a child. I know that you want to break the contract. Because of that, you'll never make it big for the rest of your life. Oh, and all those actresses who were related to you, they'll all be banned as well," said Edwin.

Joanne was silent. Soon, gurgling water was heard in the bathroom as she cried in there silently.

If she wanted to divorce him, she had to give birth to a child?

Why had she been unable to conceive?

Suddenly, Edwin's cell phone started buzzing on the bedside.

Joanne feebly reminded him from the bathroom, "Wild Beast, your phone is ringing."



No one responded.

Joanne just ignored it, but the constant vibrations made her sleepless.

Unable to take it anymore, she kicked off the blanket and lazily got up off her bed to take the phone.

Joanne wanted to mess around with Edwin's phone to avenge his evil deeds.

However, as soon as she picked up the phone and heard the voice on it, she was instantly stunned.

"Eddy! Eddy! Why won't you forgive me?" A woman's mournful and humble plea was heard from the other side of the receiver. The background sound was pretty noisy, like being in a certain bar or club.

Joanne's breathing froze.

"It was your father who threatened me to leave you back then, and I didn't want to. Now that I have finally come back, can't you give me another chance? I know you have a wife, but I won't disturb her. I just want to be close to you..." wailed the woman.

The woman was obviously drunk, and her sobbing could be heard from time to time.

Joanne did not say anything to the phone. Noticing the long silence, the woman said, "You still hate me! But did you know that hate is love? That only means you still love me!"

Soon later, Edwin returned. He saw Joanne, who was supposed to be sleeping soundly on the bed. He sat beside her with his knees bent, holding a pillow in his arms.

Edwin's eyes flashed as if he was expecting something. He raised his eyebrows and said, "I was a little tired just now. Wanna do it again?"

'Wild Beast, your first love just called.'" Joanne licked her lips and pointed to the phone on the bedside table.

"She seems to be drunk in a bar, and she is alone. It's dangerous for a single woman like that to be drunk.

Don't you want to go take care of her?"

Edwin glanced at the phone and casually threw the towel in front of Joanne.

Chapter 998-You don't look tired. Wipe my hair for me," said Edwin.

Joanne suspected that he did not hear her words clearly, and repeated, ' Your first love, she is now..."

'Did you hear me? Wipe my hair for me, or don't sleep tonight. Your choice, ' said Edwin as he sat down at the edge of the bed.

It looked like he did not care about that girl's safety after all.

After all, Edwin was a well-known playboy in Sapphire City.

It was said that the most difficult thing for a man to forget is his first love. However, Edwin did not seem bothered at all that this girl was alone and drunk in a bar.

Would Joanne be treated the same way the moment she gave birth to a child and divorced him?

She took the towel and started wiping Edwin's head. His hair was of good quality. Even though he had just finished bathing, it was still very fluffy. It seemed that he had applied some essential oil while bathing earlier.

Joanne could not have but to play with his short hair. She was having a little fun until she realized Edwin was glaring back at her.

She then quickly stopped messing with his hair and continued wiping obediently.

Joanne took a long time, and eventually, she got sleepy. Her eyelids were drooping, so Edwin allowed her to stop and rest.

She fell to the bed and was asleep almost instantly. The surrounding temperature was hot, and tiny water droplets could be seen on the skin of her neck.

Suddenly, Edwin's cell phone rang again.

He got off the bed, annoyed, and grabbed the phone.

"Hello?"

"Eddy! Save me... No! Ah!" A woman's shrill scream was heard from the other end of the receiver.

"Noah? What happened-" said Edwin.

Beep...

The call was suddenly cut off abruptly.

Edwin's eyes sank. He quickly got out of bed, put on a jacket, and was about to leave.

Joanne heard the rustling sound around the room. She turned her head around only to see Edwin opening the door. "Where are you going?" she blurted out.

Joanne quickly regretted asking that question.

She had heard Edwin calling Noah's name in the phone call earlier.

She must be his first love.

What a nice name.

"Something happened to a friend of mine. I'm going over to have a look. I'll be back soon," said Edwin.

He left as he finished speaking.

Joanne sat up from her bed. The huge room seemed so empty all of a sudden.

She obviously wanted Edwin to look for his first love girlfriend. If they got back together, Joanne could just easily divorce him without having children.

However, for some reason, she was feeling a little upset about this

Chapter 999-dwin did not return all night.

Joanne suffered from a severe lack of sleep and woke up with two big dark circles under her eyes the next morning.

Her eyes were closed when she went down for her breakfast.

'Joanne, I heard from Kelly that Eddy came back angrily last night. Did you both argue? Is that why you couldn't sleep?' asked Old Madam Atherton with concern.

“Ah?” Joanne’s eyes widened in shock. She shook her head repeatedly. ‘ No, no! We didn’t quarrel, but I had a nightmare...”

“Look at your dark circles... Get some more sleep after dinner. Don’t tire yourself out,” said the old lady.

“Okay. Thank you, Grandma.” Joanne nodded.

Old Madam Atherton admired Joanne’s simple temperament.

She had seen a lot of women with bad intentions in her life. Joanne’s character was something very pleasing to her.

Catelyn was the calmest among the people present, as she knew what had happened in the room between Edwin and Joanne.

From the outside, Joanne was a pregnant woman, and Edwin could not touch her. However, Catelyn knew very well that it was a lie.

In fact, she and Edwin were busy making babies!

Later in the afternoon, Joanne accompanied Catelyn to a private hospital for her regular pregnancy check-ups. The Atherton household was not equipped with advanced medical items. Therefore, they had to go to the hospital.

“We must be quick! If someone sees US here, we will be in trouble,” said Joanne as she tugged Catelyn’s hand, looking very vigilant.

They both wore sunglasses, masks, and long hooded coats.

“Don’t you think it’s more eye-catching when we dress like this?” asked Catelyn.

Joanne had been a celebrity for a long time, and she was used to concealing herself in this kind of outfit. ' Anyway, we can take the elevator directly to the gynecological department," she said.

The two entered the elevator. In the closed space, Catelyn stroked her lower abdomen.

She hoped the baby was in a healthy state...

On the seventh floor, in the corridor of a certain department, a doctor was reporting to Cedrick.

He glanced past the doctor and looked at Edwin in the room. He was seen leaning on the sofa lazily with gauze wrapped on his forehead.

'How is he?" asked Cedrick "It's just a minor skin injury, nothing much to worry about. He should have more rest. Try to quit smoking and drinking, especially," said the doctor.

"Okay, I'll tell him." Cedrick nodded slightly.

Apparently, Edwin had a fight with someone in a bar last night. With his brute strength, he would usually win in a fistfight. However, his opponent played a dirty trick and punctured the tire of his car.

Afraid that Old Madam Atherton might be worried about him, Edwin chose not to go home for the night.

When Cedrick arrived to see him in the hospital during the afternoon, seeing that Edwin was awake, he asked, 'What happened to that woman last night?' Edwin remembered that Noah was drunk and surrounded by a few hooligans last night and went to save her by himself. "What do you mean?" he asked knowingly.

"Stop pretending. I've asked the bar owner. The woman had been shouting your name non-stop while being drunk," said Cedrick.

Chapter 1000-Edwin smirked. "Every man has their ex-girlfriends. Why are you being so nosy?"

'I'm just afraid you'll get into trouble and affect Catelyn and me indirectly. The doctor says you should quit drinking and smoking," said Cedrick as he glanced at Edwin indifferently.

Edwin had been refraining from smoking and drinking as he yearned to be a father.

The fact that he had started picking up the smoking habit again only meant that this Noah lady was someone who was pretty important to him.

Cedrick left Edwin's ward and went straight to the elevator.

Ding!

The elevator door opened. As Cedrick was about to step inside, he was met with a fully coated woman.

Catelyn was also stunned for a second, looking back at Cedrick in surprise.

What was he doing here?

No, she was so heavily clothed and masked. Perhaps he would not recognize her.

Catelyn and Joanne ducked back together. At this moment, there was no one else in the elevator. They had nowhere else to hide.

Cedrick shifted his gaze down to Catelyn's arm and stared at the medical record book she was holding.

She instinctively kept the medical record book in her bag...

Cedrick entered the elevator with a blank expression and pressed the close button.

As the elevator door gradually shut, he glanced at the two women through the reflection of the elevator walls like a mirror.

6th floor. 5th floor. 4th floor...

Catelyn kept quiet and lowered her head. The atmosphere in the elevator was so tense that it was about to explode.

They were about to arrive at the ground floor. It seemed that Cedrick did not know she was here with him.

The elevator door finally opened. Just as Catelyn wanted to make a run for it with Joanne, her wrist was suddenly grabbed tightly.

'How long are you intending to avoid me, Catelyn?'

Cedrick's voice calling out to her was terrifying. Catelyn had never felt so scared.

She widened her eyes. The next moment, Cedrick removed her sunglasses and mask from her face, revealing her familiar facial features.

Catelyn smiled awkwardly. "Ceddy? What a coincidence. I didn't expect to meet you here."

"Why are you hiding from me?" Cedrick wrapped his arms around Catelyn, pressing her toward the elevator wall.

'I wasn't avoiding you,' replied Catelyn nervously.

Cedrick pinched her jaw with his two fingers, lifting her head up. She had no choice but to look him straight in the eye.



He sneered, "You say that, but you pretend not to see me earlier."

Cedrick stared at Catelyn intently. Seeing the panic in her eyes, he was more certain now than ever.

She really was avoiding him!