His attitude made everything clear.

Once Floyd left, this group of people had no one to rely on. Nicole and Kai arranged for a car to send them away.

The sky lit up slightly.

Only Noah was left. He was very vexed as well.

"My house is out of town..."

Kai smiled. "Don't be silly, Uncle Noah. This has nothing to do with you. I'll tell the butler to arrange the guest room for you..."

It finally quieted down.

The ones most removed from what had happened were Maverick and Molly. They went to bed early and had no idea that so many things happened in one night.

The next day, everyone except for Nicole and Kai got up early.

Some people came to give their greetings early in the morning.

Kai had always been sloppy and did not care about anything.

However, Nicole paid attention to her beauty sleep the most. She needed eight hours, and not a minute less!

Julie and Nicole slept together, and they were sleeping soundly.

It was only when Tigger could not resist wanting to go out and join the fun that it bounced around them, making Nicole get up reluctantly.

Julie was also woken up and pinched Tigger. "Can I beat this tiger up?"

Tigger shook its whiskers. "I don't have pain receptors..."

Nicole laughed. The two of them washed up and put on a face mask before going

downstairs.

They did not think that there were guests at home.

Nicole looked at Eric sitting in her living room like he was a ghost haunting her. On the other side were Old Master Ferguson and Ingrid Ferguson. Time seemed to freeze.

Floyd was drinking tea. Seeing her lazy appearance, he almost choked and felt a little helpless.

"You two are really impolite. There are guests over!"

Nicole and Julie immediately turned around and went upstairs.

Eric had a smile in the corner of his eyes that was filled with softness.

Nicole's lazy look when she went downstairs in her pajamas was too different from her usual thunderous and strong woman persona.

What a cute and lovable lady.

Old Master Ferguson smiled. "It's fine. We're all family, so Nicole can be more casual."

Floyd did not dare to easily pick up the implication in those words.

"It's because I spoiled her too much. It's good that you don't take offense to it."

After talking for a while, Nicole and Julie slowly went downstairs.

Julie greeted them and was pulled over by Kai, who insisted on showing off the toast he made.

Nicole was stared at and could not leave, so she could only give a few polite remarks and resumed her usual coldness and indifference.

It was expected that the two families greeted each other for the New Year, but she did not expect Ingrid to come along this time.

When Nicole looked at Ingrid, the latter stood up.

#### **Chapter 690 Stop Dreaming**

Ingrid changed from her usual arrogant and domineering attitude. Instead, she walked over and apologized.

"Nicole, I was ignorant in the past and did a lot of wrong things because I didn't know better. Thinking about it now, I really regret it. I specially asked my grandpa to bring me here so I could apologize to you face-to-face. I was wrong in the past. Can you forgive me?"

Ingrid stood there obediently, her gaze flickering to Eric's face from time to time.

If not for Eric's obsession with Nicole and Ingrid's desire to go back to the Ferguson family, Ingrid would not take the initiative to visit Nicole for New Year's!

However, in order to return to the Ferguson family, Ingrid could only bear with it because she did not want to go back to the days where she had a meager salary every month and had to acquiesce to people's whims.

Nicole sat there and smiled with a cool expression.

"Don't be silly, Ms. Ferguson. I've already forgotten what you did before. It's best for everyone to be at peace with each other in the future."

Nicole did not have time to ponder about Ingrid's change, but she also believed that a leopard could not change its spots!

Old Master Ferguson nodded in satisfaction.

"All children fight and make up. We're family after all. It's fate when families join together, and it's not impossible that we won't become a family again. We can't say when it comes to the fates of our children..."

Floyd smiled. "That's true. After all, Nicole is still single. I have to arrange several

- blind dates for her before she goes to work. Many old friends want to introduce their excellent sons and nephews to her. Sigh... I'm afraid she has to go on two to three blind dates every day..."
- Floyd's words made the Fergusons' expressions turn ugly.
- Floyd did not want to go this far, but Old Master Ferguson's implications had been too obvious.
- Did Old Master Ferguson think that Nicole could not marry anyone except Eric Ferguson?
- Floyd had to make him dismiss that thought.
- He welcomed dealings with the Fergusons in terms of business.
- However, when it came to a private friendship... Forget it.
- Eric suddenly raised his head and looked at Nicole.
- Nicole's expression was bland as if she had already known for a long time. Had they discussed it beforehand?
- Two or three blind dates per day?
- Eric's expression darkened as his eyes became cold. "In that case, it's not good for us to disturb you. Goodbye."
- Nicole raised her brows slightly. Eric's sudden change was a bit strange.
- However, it was good if he left. She could not be bothered with him.
- Floyd quickly stood up to send the guests off.
- Old Master Ferguson gave a meaningful glance at Eric. Then, he exchanged a few pleasantries and led the people away.

In the car.

Old Master Ferguson snorted coldly. "The Stanton family clearly doesn't want to have anything to do with us anymore. Can you really let her go?"

Eric's eyes were stern as a cold light flashed in them.

"That's not something they can achieve just because they don't want to. I want to see who dares to go on a blind date with the woman I have my eye on."

Old Master Ferguson snorted coldly. "If you had used the method I taught you, Nicole would have been yours by now!"

Eric's face darkened for a moment as his eyes became grim.

The atmosphere inside the car was cold and depressing.

"What are you guys talking about? Grandpa, what method?"

Ingrid could not help but ask.

Eric glanced over at her coldly. "It has nothing to do with you. Don't be nosy."

Ingrid shrank her neck timidly.

She had experienced Eric's methods before. For a woman, he could even ignore his sister!

Ingrid learned a lesson after suffering so much.

In the Ferguson family, no one could fight back against Eric!

She paused and asked cautiously, "Eric, do I have to go back to work in a few days?"

Eric's eyes were clear and cold, but he did not speak.

Old Master Ferguson coughed twice and glanced at Eric before turning to Ingrid. Old

Master Ferguson said in a deep voice, "Since you know your mistakes and came over to personally apologize to Nicole, we'll let the past remain in the past. Remember your lesson in the future, understand?"

Ingrid nodded happily. "Yes, yes, I understand. Thank you, Grandpa..."

She excitedly pulled the old man's arm and acted spoiled. That was great. She could finally leave those miserable days behind!

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#### Chapter 691 A Hypocritical Family

In Stanton Mansion.

Everyone obviously relaxed after Eric left.

Maverick and Molly personally cooked breakfast for everyone.

Needless to say, this was definitely not Maverick's idea.

It must be Molly who wanted to find a chance to "prove herself".

Julie and Kai helped out from the side, and Lil Michael was having his morning lesson in the study.

As usual, Grant held a regular meeting with the foreign executives before coming downstairs slowly.

Nicole was sitting on the sofa nibbling on an apple when she saw Grant and greeted him.

"Big Brother, are you going to help out in the kitchen?"

She raised her hand and pointed.

Nicole had never seen Grant in the kitchen before, so it was quite rare.

Grant hesitated for three seconds and shook his head. "No."

Nicole sighed in disappointment and smiled. "Big Brother, you're going to be the only one who's still single in this family. You have to hurry up..."

Grant frowned. "There's still you and Kai, right?"

It was clearly only Maverick who was no longer single.

Nicole smiled meaningfully and leaned in.

"Kai is ready to be a substitute at any moment. I think he'll marry sometime soon. As for me, Dad said that he arranged a lot of blind dates for me. I'll start tomorrow..."

Grant's lips stretched in disbelief.

Floyd came out with an apron and interrupted her.

"Stop dreaming! I was just lying to them. There are no blind dates for you, but you still have to put up appearances, understand?"

Nicole and Grant were speechless.

Grant could not help but curl his lips. He looked at Nicole and saw that she was seemingly quite disappointed.

It was finally time to eat.

Noah also came down.

Everyone greeted him and was not distant.

At the dining table.

Floyd and Noah sat in the main seat and second seat.

They were brothers after all, so any estrangement was quickly solved.

Maverick and Molly served the dishes to everyone.

Molly made a creamy millet breakfast porridge, toast, and some small side dishes for breakfast.

It looked very appetizing.

"Go ahead and try it." Molly looked at them expectantly.

Nicole and Kai were really hungry.

They both coincidentally chose the breakfast porridge.

In an instant, the saltiness simulated their taste buds and made them freeze immediately.

They were just about to spit it out, but when they saw Maverick's warning look on the side, they swallowed it down at the same time.

Their movements were completely synchronized!

"How is it?" Molly looked at Nicole expectantly.

Nicole smiled and nodded without a change in expression.

"It's good... It melts in your mouth and is so packed with nutrients. Molly, you have a talent for cooking!"

Molly almost jumped with joy. "Really? It's my first time cooking, so I just followed the recipe. That's great!"

Beside her, Maverick smiled faintly and said, "Naturally. Our research and hands-on ability are much better than the average person's."

Nicole and Kai stiffened slightly.

No one said anything.

Everyone had a bowl of millet porridge. Molly was also excited to try it, but she was stopped by Maverick.

"Uncle Noah has a large appetite and usually gets a second helping, so let's give it to him and eat the toast instead..."

Noah looked up in shock. Was that sarcasm?

Floyd nodded in satisfaction. "The children have grown up and become more sensible. They know how to take care of others now. Noah, don't hold back and eat more!"

Only then did Noah breathe a sigh of relief.

However, the moment he took a bite of the millet porridge, his swallowing action clearly froze.

### Chapter 692 Wealthy Bachelorette

- Noah looked like the breakfast porridge was especially hard to swallow.
- For the first time, Nicole felt sympathy for this old man.
- He did not have hypertension, right?
- Floyd had the same expression.
- After wiping his mouth, Floyd smiled and uttered some long-prepared words of praise.
- Nicole and Kai were dumbfounded upon hearing him!
- Nicole thought to herself, 'How scared is Dad that Molly won't want Maverick?'
- Grant simply took a tiny spoonful and refused to touch it again.
- Sure enough, the smartest person in the family was always Grant!
- Molly watched the family admire her cooking skills in satisfaction, especially Floyd, who made her feel extraordinarily satisfied.
- Maverick looked at his hypocritical family and ate the toast made by Kai with an expressionless face.
- Ever since he saw Molly put in salt instead of sugar, he felt that he could not let Molly cook anymore in the future.
- This meal was the first and last!
- After breakfast, everyone drank several glasses of water.
- Molly prepared to go back to see her parents.
- The butler prepared many gifts for her to bring back. Nicole and Julie also helped

Molly to pack up.

Floyd asked her nervously, "Molly, are you satisfied with our family?"

Molly nodded solemnly. "Yes, of course!"

She could marry the Great God Maverick and join his wealthy family. Of course, she was satisfied!

Floyd smiled. "Then, when Maverick goes to your house, put in a good word for him. He's not good with words, but you two are a great match for each other. If your parents are satisfied with him, let us know. We'll set a time for the wedding date!"

"S-So soon?" Molly was secretly shocked and elated.

Who said that it was difficult to marry into a rich family?

Molly thought that it was too easy!

"It's not soon at all. You're both busy, so let us worry about the rest!"

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After sending Molly away, Nicole contacted the company to come up with the copywriting for the product and had it sent to her.

Nicole felt that there were no problems with it, so she uploaded it on her social media account.

She already had many comments and private messages, but she never read them.

Soon, with Eric's name still on the trending topics just second to the New Year's wishes, Nicole also quickly posted her own content.

She uploaded a picture of her right hand holding a cup of coffee.

Her fingers were slender, long, fair, delicate, and soft like a beautiful work of art.

- The index finger of her right hand was wearing a delicate diamond ring as she casually held a cup of coffee.
- The ring happened to be on the center point of the picture, making it hard for people not to notice it.
- The caption was, "New Year, New Beginning!"
- Soon, traffic to her post skyrocketed.
- By posting this dynamic at this time, it was obvious that she was trying to express something.
- The netizens picked at the details like vultures. There was nothing to pick out from the coffee, so they could only focus on the ring and where it was worn.
- The right index finger represented a gentry who was single.
- It was her response to Eric's senseless gossip.
- No matter what the netizens said, Nicole had her own opinion and would not be easily shaken.
- This post declared her position.
- With silence and practical actions, Nicole clarified the rumors about Eric and her getting back together.
- The product that she wanted to launch was the ring.
- It had an exquisite design, perfect workmanship, and a crystalline diamond. It complemented her hand like the perfect ornament.
- There was not a single imperfection with it.
- Nicole Stanton was truly a perfect wealthy bachelorette!

#### Chapter 693 Don't Bring You Out to Play

Some rich women and celebrities liked to wear large diamonds to show off their unique identities.

It was as if the larger the diamond, the nobler they were.

However, Nicole's ring was just a one-carat diamond. It looked very inconspicuous, but it was delicate, dazzling, and radiant.

On her hand, no one believed that it was a cheap product.

Soon, the netizens used their strong detective skills and their keen eyes to discover the new product to be launched by Stanton Corporation: The Single!

This diamond ring named "The Single" was specially designed and polished to the highest international standard.

It had a price point that was acceptable to everyone but with an exquisite design. It looked low-key as it was mysteriously worn on Nicole's hand.

It attracted the intense interest of the netizens in an instant.

[Woah. A CEO can wear jewelry that's not on the market? I'm so envious!]

[Only President Nicole could have such a simple and neat response. Long live the single gentry!]

[Can you hurry up and introduce it to the market? I'm anxious here!]

[Every time Ms. Stanton faces a scandal, she gets full marks for her PR ability! There's no hope for Mr. Ferguson!]

[Poor Mr. Ferguson. He should buy one for himself...]

[A moment of silence for Mr. Ferguson... Hahahahahaha!]

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Soon, the ring that Nicole wore completely occupied the trending topics.

All the muddled gossip was gradually annihilated by the hype for the ring.

Nicole's actions could be called a model example of how to utilize a wave of hype!

Eric never would have dreamed that he would lose to a one-carat diamond.

Imperial Gardens.

Eric was not in the mood to stay with Old Master Ferguson. He went straight back to Imperial Gardens after socializing.

As soon as he reached the door, he received a call from Keith.

"Hahaha, Ferg. I think Nicole finally let her greed out!"

Eric frowned. "Get to the point!"

"You don't know? Nicole used the hype you made to launch Stanton Corporation's unlisted jewelry. Her ability to promote goods is really no joke. She got tens of billions so easily. Stanton Corporation's shares rose beautifully. Nicole is certainly the biggest winner for the New Year!"

Keith laughed so hard that he gasped for air. "Last time she did this, at least she brought Ferguson Corporation along for the ride, but this time she didn't take you out to play at all!"

Eric really did not want to hear Keith's annoying voice anymore and simply hung up.

Keith was already unable to fend for himself, yet he still had the cheek to laugh at Eric?

Eric's expression was dark as he walked in and scrolled through the website.

Articles about Stanton Corporation's new product, The Single, were everywhere!

'Huh... This was her response?' Eric sneered and felt a little helpless.

In terms of benefits, Nicole won this wave beautifully. He had nothing to say about that.

However, while he was seriously talking about his feelings, Nicole was working diligently instead?

Eric suddenly felt a little disappointed.

Soon, he called Mitchell.

"I want one of the rings that Nicole is wearing."

Even if it was not on the market yet, he could still get it.

In less than two hours, the ring was placed in his study.

He sat there, looking at the delicate and familiar ring, and suddenly smiled.

These days, he had people keep an eye on Nicole's movements.

Floyd's words that she would have several blind dates a day made Eric more alert than ever before.

Fortunately, although numerous people went to the Stanton family to give their greetings, there were basically no instances of Nicole being alone with other men.

'Sure enough, she still had me in her heart!' Eric thought.

#### Chapter 694 Extremely Strange Situation

In the new year, Grant went to work earlier than everyone else. He went to the office two days in advance to arrange things.

Nicole declined the invitation to go to work together on the pretext that she had to accompany Julie abroad to find Roman.

The two ladies and Kai toured around for two days before they followed Julie to Milan.

Since Roman inexplicably disappeared on New Year's Eve and did not answer his phone, Julie did not take the initiative to contact him.

However, the strange thing was that Roman did not take the initiative to contact Julie either.

Only then did Julie start to suspect that Roman was hiding something from her.

When Nicole and Julie decided to go to Milan to find Roman, Kai jumped up and down in excitement and insisted on going together. No one was able to stop him.

Nicole saw through Kai's motive at a glance, but fortunately, Julie was not in the mood to wrangle with him. The three of them went to Milan by plane.

After getting off the plane.

Julie's expression was getting more unpleasant by the minute. She knew which hotel Roman was staying in, and she could also contact his friends at any time.

However, she did not want to startle him.

At the entrance of the hotel, Kai was strangely excited. "Do you want me to ask which room he's in?"

Nicole looked at Julie. "Or do you want to call and ask where he is?"

Julie looked conflicted for a moment.

"No need. I booked him a suite in this hotel for a year. He won't be anywhere else."

With Roman's spending habits, he could not afford to spend on more expensive hotels.

Then, after showing her membership card, Julie led the Stanton siblings to the elevator.

Nicole and Kai exchanged a glance. To be honest, Nicole was a little excited.

That was because she vaguely felt that things might not be that simple.

This scene looked as if they were about to expose adultery!

When they reached the private room upstairs, Julie regained her composure. She pressed on the doorbell.

After pressing it a dozen times in a row, the person inside finally got a little impatient.

An enchanting foreign girl wearing a sexy silk nightdress opened the door, sleepyeyed and extremely impatient.

"Who is it? I said no room service..."

The woman's neck was exposed, dotted with ambiguous red marks.

Julie, Nicole, and Kai stood dumbfounded at the door.

Even if they had been mentally prepared, they still found this scene somewhat unacceptable.

After all, the three of them were quite innocent...

The foreign girl in the room looked at the trio in confusion. She frowned slightly when she saw Nicole and Julie, but her eyes lit up when she saw Kai.

Kai's face instantly darkened, completely disgusted. His expression was very glum.

Suddenly, a familiar, lazy, and awful voice came from inside. "Who is it? Hurry up and come back. Do you want to go on stage or not?"

It was Roman!

The foreign girl froze and turned his head to ask him, "Did you call someone else to join us?"

In a daze, Kai kicked the door open with an extremely nasty expression.

"Get outta here!"

His voice shocked the people inside for a moment.

The person inside hurriedly got dressed, seemingly a little nervous.

"Who is it ...?"

As soon as Roman revealed himself and saw the three people, he instantly froze.

His face turned pale.

Nicole was taken aback. In the few times they met, she had felt that Roman was a rare upright and transparent person.

How could he do such a thing when he was dating Julie?

Nicole was doubtful when they knocked on the door, but when she saw Roman in person now, she had no choice but to believe it.

The atmosphere was silent and tense.

The next second, a second woman came out from the room...

#### Chapter 695 Drugged His Wine

It was clear that the woman had just woken up, similar to the other woman at the door. She draped her arms over Roman's shoulder ambiguously. "Roman, who is it?"

Roman shuddered with fear and immediately pushed the woman away.

"What's wrong?" The woman asked.

Roman's face changed dramatically. "Get inside now..."

He pursed his lips and was about to walk towards the door when the silent Julie spoke up.

"Get dressed and go down to the lobby. We'll wait for you there."

There was no emotion in her voice.

However, Nicole felt that it was impossible for any woman to be too happy if she encountered something like this.

Then, Julie turned and left.

Nicole followed her. When she turned around, she saw Kai still standing there, looking at Roman inside with cold eyes.

Julie borrowed the hotel's office to print the documents.

Less than ten minutes later, they waited downstairs for Roman.

At that moment, Roman had changed into clean and tidy clothes, looking as wellgroomed as he always did.

However, the paleness of his face had not recovered, and he looked tired and drained of energy. To put it bluntly, he had overindulged in debauchery.

He looked around. "Where's Julie?"

Nicole said, "She'll be here soon. Sit down."

Since no one wanted to have a fallout, they naturally could not do something as undignified as beating and scolding the other in a public place even though Nicole really wanted to do so.

Roman had just taken a seat when Julie came back with the documents. He immediately stood up, looking nervous and apprehensive.

Before anyone could speak, he quickly tried to explain himself.

"Actually, those two women were friends that someone else introduced to me. They wanted to get acquainted with The KEY Show's executives through me, so they drugged my wine at last night's party..."

Nicole looked at him speechlessly. 'Huh ... Did he think that we're idiots?'

Julie raised her hand and interrupted his explanation. Her face was as still as a pool of stagnant water without any emotion.

She put the printed document in her hand in front of Roman. "Sign it."

Roman's face changed fiercely when he saw the document clearly.

It was a termination contract.

Julie single-handedly promoted Roman. From the time when he was unknown to the world, where he occupied a position in an international show, he had undoubtedly become the most valuable model in Julie's hands.

However, she was giving him up so easily?

Roman found it a little unbelievable.

"Julie, these things are very common in this circle. You should know that..."

Roman still attempted to explain himself, but Kai could not hold back any longer. He walked up to Roman, reached out, and smashed Roman's head onto the table.

There was a loud noise.

He grabbed Roman's collar and spoke with a cold and impatient voice.

"She told you to sign it! Are you deaf?"

Roman's nose was bleeding. He wiped it in a wretched manner, but it was useless.

Out of fear for Kai, Roman opened his mouth to say something but then closed it again.

Putting aside how large the capital chain of the Stanton family that was behind Kai, Kai himself was someone that nobody in the circle dared to provoke. It was really not appropriate for Roman to try and go against him by force.

Roman looked up at Julie and picked up the pen to sign his name with trembling hands.

Julie put away the document expressionlessly and smiled coldly.

"You're free now, Roman. You won't have to go to the international show for the next few years. I've officially withdrawn you as the company's representative and nominated a newcomer to the stage."

Roman was stunned. "That's impossible! How can you use a newcomer for the show?"

It was an internationally renowned show in the fashion capital that had the world's attention. All the models who went were carefully selected after several rounds.

It was impossible to bring in a newcomer!

Chapter 696 You re On Your Own

#### Chapter 696 You're On Your Own

Julie laughed and reminded Roman in a cool tone. "When I promoted you, you were just a newcomer as well. Without my recommendation, do you really think that you're capable enough to walk on that runway?"

She bluntly showed him the industry's unspoken rules.

If she could hold him up to the sky, she could also drop him like a hot potato.

"Ability is certainly important, but when it comes to people like you who have the ability but are still struggling, you're the only one who stands out from others. Roman, you're the first newcomer who signed with my company. I said that I would spare no effort to help you, and I kept my word."

Julie smiled as her tone became cold.

"However, from today onwards, you're on your own..."

At that point, she did not even want to say the words "let's break up" to him. She simply gave up on him.

She smiled and stood up, looking at Nicole. "Let's go. I can't let you come here for nothing. Let's go shopping. I'll pay for whatever you like!"

Nicole got up with a smile. As expected of Julie, she always solved things cleanly and simply.

Without such strict means, how would Julie have gotten to where she was today?

She also knew very well that when it came to Roman, interests were the most important.

The scandal had only been barely exposed now, so she stopped the loss in time.

Julie walked away. Roman tried to go after her, but Kai pulled him back and gave him a warning.

"I took some photos just now. If you dare to approach her again, I'll let the whole world see your bedroom affairs!"

Roman's face changed fiercely.

Kai sneered and let go before turning around to leave.

Roman was frightened and did not dare to chase after her again.

Nicole and Julie strolled around the mall with Kai happily carrying their bags behind them.

Looking at Julie's indifferent expression, Nicole could not help but ask, "Julie, I just don't understand. Roman has always relied on you to get to where he is today. Why would he dare to do something like this now...? Was he always like this?"

Julie laughed and stroked the crocodile leather bag in front of her. She smiled at the staff. "Wrap it up."

Turning around, she looked at Nicole. "Just now at the hotel, I called and asked around. In the few days that he was here, he hooked up with a female executive of KEY. Of course, he only dared to cheat so openly because he found a backer stronger than me."

Nicole's eyes widened in shock. She never expected that.

"He wouldn't have been so reckless, but he wasn't clean anyway. After all, I had wanted to give him to you and he didn't refuse. He didn't have the opportunity only because you didn't want him."

Nicole raised his brows. Yes, the first time she attended an auction was when Julie told Roman to accompany her.

However, Nicole had just gotten divorced at that time and was focused on her career.

"But you just terminated his contract. Isn't that letting him off easy?" Nicole asked.

Roman still had that female executive, so it seemed like his career would be unaffected.

Julie laughed. "You don't understand, Lil N. My company has been working with KEY for many years and our interests are closely aligned. It's not something that one person can decide. Besides, the female executive was just playing around with Roman. She won't offend me for a man who's so easy to get."

Nicole nodded in admiration. She did not expect there to be so many unspoken rules.

Sure enough, her thinking was too simple.

If it were her, she would have just gotten someone to beat him up and take pictures of him to make him lose his reputation. ①

However, Julie's method was to slowly nibble away at his back roads and hopes little by little. To Roman, this might be even crueler.

#### Chapter 697 Cast A Long Line

Behind them, Kai came over with two cups of ice cream and urged them. "Here, rest for a while..."

Nicole took it and sat down. Julie gestured to a new dress in front of her, looking very satisfied.

Kai said, "Wow, it's beautiful! It's a nice style and color. Go ahead and try it on..."

Julie nodded.

Nicole looked at him. "Did you hear?"

Kai raised his brows. Nicole laughed and said, "You look like you're not curious at all. Why do I feel like you had something to do with this...?"

Before Nicole could finish, Kai covered her mouth and shot her a warning look.

"If you ruin my plan, you'd better give me back my black card!"

Nicole's smile deepened. Sure enough, her guess was correct.

Kai would not remain unconcerned. He would definitely use today's adultery incident to push forward!

"I'm casting a long line to catch a big fish, understand?"

Nicole smiled meaningfully. "Yes, yes, yes. Turns out that the big boss behind the scenes is actually you. You sure are pulling out all the stops for Julie!"

Kai snorted. "Am I supposed to count on you instead? You squander my money but didn't produce any results, yet you still have the nerve to say that?"

How could Kai just wait and see?

If Julie married someone else, it would be too late for him!

Julie changed into the dress and came out, and Kai immediately started to sing her praises.

"It suits you. It really suits you. You're drop-dead gorgeous! You're so beautiful that I forgot what my name is..."

The staff that was standing by the side was speechless.

In the end, everyone returned home with a full load.

They returned home on the same plane with an additional celebrity.

Kai was dead set on finding a chance to sit with Julie.

The celebrity sat beside Nicole.

However, the embarrassing thing was that no one knew who he was.

This celebrity wore sunglasses and a mask. His face seemed to be smeared with a thick layer of powder, and he wore large earrings.

Nicole sat aside to read a magazine and did not even look up when the person sat beside her.

She suddenly remembered her headphones in Kai's bag and closed her book, looking towards the right.

"Hey..."

Before Kai could answer, an unfamiliar face appeared in front of her.

Nicole was startled.

The celebrity took off his mask and sighed. "Fine, I knew it. You recognized me a long time ago and finally couldn't hold back, right? Tell me. Do you want a photo or an

autograph?"

Nicole looked at him blankly. She did not recognize him at all.

"You want both? Well, since you went through all the trouble to follow me here..."

The celebrity took out his phone and launched the camera app, intending to take a selfie with her.

Nicole suddenly turned around and looked at Kai through the gap.

"K, pass me my headphones."

The celebrity was stunned, put his mask back on, and put away his phone.

The silence was awkward.

No one opened their mouths to speak.

Nicole did not know this person at all, but it was clear that he had undergone cosmetic surgery before, and he did not look as pleasing as Fabian either.

However, he looked like he had confidence in himself. Would such a popular actor not recognize who she was?

Did he really not recognize her or was he pretending, trying to leech off her popularity?

Haha... it was most likely the latter!

Nicole was sharp-eyed enough to see through it at a glance.

They got off the plane.

Kai and Nicole were both VIP customers, so they could take the VIP channel.

Their suitcases were sent home directly, so they traveled lightly without any trouble at

all.

Unexpectedly, the celebrity also took the VIP channel and looked back at them from time to time.

He seemed to have something he wanted to say.

However, Nicole had no intention to humor him.

Julie pinched Nicole. "You know him?"

Nicole shook her head honestly.

# Chapter 698 Putting On Airs

about? I wanna know..."

Nicole and Julie walked in silence.

Julie smiled. "Young idols who debut in the talent show have a lot of fans, but they're mostly elementary school students. He seems to have been peeking at you."

students. I like older celebrities more."

Kai caught up behind them. "What are you talking

Nicole pursed her lips helplessly and brushed her

hair. "I'm not interested in elementary school

No one paid attention to him.

The male celebrity walked in front of them. Before h

e reached the door, he put on his sunglasses and mask as if afraid that others would recognize him.

He took out his phone and ordered, "Are the bodyguards ready? Don't let anyone touch me. I'm a clean freak!"

Nicole and Julie exchanged a glance and smiled silently.

They felt like this man was purely superfluous. Most of his fans were elementary school students who would need to go to school instead of coming here to pick him up, right?

The celebrity got ready. As soon as the person in front opened the door, he took a deep breath, put on a black baseball cap, and hurriedly walked out with his head down.

It was as if he was afraid the people would recognize him but afraid that people would not recognize him a t the same time.

Unfortunately, they did not expect that the celebrity really did find a lot of bodyguards. They surrounded him in such a tight circle that not even a mosquito could get to him.

However, there was not a single fan who came to pick him up.

There was not even one placard.

It was a little embarrassing. Nicole secretly clicked her tongue. See? Elementary school students focused on their studies instead!

The male celebrity felt a bit bleak, but the reporters who came over made him excited.

The reporters came over and took 360-degree pictures of him, then called it a day.

The celebrity could not help but take off his mask.

"Where are my fans?"

It was clear at a glance that the reporter was a small-name one. He laughed and said, "You don't know the market price for this. One fan costs seventy bucks, and ten people cost five hundred. After renting the bodyguards, the fee given by your agent is only enough for us to take pictures of you."

The celebrity's face instantly turned ugly.

After the reporter finished speaking, he got a call and his expression changed slightly. Then, he turned and shouted at his colleagues.

"Nicole Stanton is coming! Get ready—"

Nicole and Julie, who had been watching the show from the side, did not expect to suddenly become the focus.

Everyone's eyes were instantly on Nicole.

- She did not have a mask, sunglasses, or a hat, so she panicked for a moment.
- Fortunately, Kai was experienced and took out a mask before handing it over.
- He put it on Julie before Nicole could take it.
- "I know you don't like showing your face in public. Just bear with it for a few minutes and act like my assistant."

To the side, Nicole was speechless. 'Is he even my brother?'

The next second, Kai turned around and revealed a wicked smile. He put one hand on Nicole's shoulder and pushed her outside.

He said softly, "Don't blame me. It hasn't been easy for me to be single for so many years. Just bear with it for now!"

If not for the reporters in front of her, she would have rolled her eyes at him.

"Nicole Stanton! It's really Nicole Stanton! That's Kai as well. Oh, what kind of luck is this?"

"Ms. Stanton, did you go abroad with Kai?"

"The siblings seem to have a good relationship..."

Nicole's heart felt bitter. 'No, we don't have a good relationship at all!'

She maintained a smug smile and stood there gracefully and calmly. Kai seemed to grow guilty and covered her eyes with one hand, so the camera flashes did not blind her.

Kai smiled charmingly. "Everyone, my sister is a little tired from the plane ride, so please show a little consideration for her. Please make way..."

He held her in his arms as he spoke, escorting her forward.

### Chapter 699 Hypocritical Sibling Bond

The Stanton siblings were just too dazzling. Some reporters heard the news, and it was only a matter of minutes before the empty airport was swarmed.

Nicole did not expect such a thing to happen. In order to protect Julie from being disturbed, Kai could not help but look back and let her find an opportunity to slip away.

Thus, Nicole stood in the center without anyone to shield her.

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Hehe...

It was like a dream!

"Ms. Stanton, can you tell us what you think about M r. Ferguson's feelings? Are you really not going to give him a chance at all?"

"Mr. Ferguson is very humble and everyone's hearts ache for him. What do you think about that?"

"Were the two responses just a way to build hype? How are the sales of Stanton Corporation's new products?"

"Will Kai handle the publicity for his own company?"

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Countless reporters and questions surrounded them.

Nicole could not move, and she was extremely angry.

It was all Kai's fault!

She took a step back and stomped on his foot deliberately.

Kai smiled without a change of expression. Knowing he was in the wrong, he explained on Nicole's behalf, "You should ask Mr. Ferguson if it was just a way to build hype. He was the one who started it every time! We'll let Nicole's feelings take their course. Don't be too concerned about it. After all, she's not in this circle. Why don't you all ask about me instead?"

As expected of a superstar, he was able to guide the topic when it came to difficult questions. There were no awkward silences.

The people laughed. "You've been single for so many years, Kai. When will you be sharing marital news with us?"

Kai pretended to think about it. "Soon!"

The crowd said, "That's what you always say!"

Just then, Nicole felt her smile freeze on her face. She suddenly thought of that unknown male celebrity.

She was so envious of him.

"Ms. Stanton, it's a new year. Do you have any plans for the company?"

Kai could not answer this question for her.

Nicole smiled and brushed her hair with one hand, revealing the popular ring — The Single!

"Thank you all for caring so much, but if I tell you the plan in detail, would it cause more hype again?"

Everyone laughed, and the reporter who had just asked the question instantly felt a little embarrassed.

"Please look forward to it..."

Then, she walked to the doorway and saw the male celebrity who was surrounded by bodyguards, alone and especially pathetic and miserable. It looked a little absurd as well.

recognized him.

Once they left the airport, Nicole and Kai got into the

The celebrity took off his mask, but no one

Everyone breathed a sigh of relief.

car and left.

Kai loosened his shirt collar and smiled carelessly. "I only earned a scene like today after I won awards for two movies. I didn't expect your popularity to be so high as well."

Nicole rolled her eyes at him and scoffed.

"Aren't you going to call to ask where Julie went?"

Kai froze. He almost forgot about that. He immediately took out his phone and called.

Nicole was speechless.

The sensational news of the siblings at the airport successfully made it to the trending topics again in n o time.

"The Single", the ring on Nicole's hand which was officially unveiled in public, instantly attracted a lot of attention.

However, in the strategy adopted by Stanton Corporation this time, there were no pre-orders. Instead, they would only sell a fixed quantity at a fixed time.

The sales department really used "hunger marketing" to the extreme.

Even so, the channels for buying the ring were very tight.

## Chapter 700 Mr. Ferguson's Aura

In Ferguson Corporation.

Eric looked at Nicole making the trending topic at the airport and pursed his lips, admiring her.

Stunning! Nicole was really good-looking.

Every angle was perfect. There were no bad angles at all!

Toto was in Eric's office changing the water in the fish tank while coming up with an idea.

"Mr. Ferguson, why don't you like the news?"

"Like it? Wouldn't it be better for me to share the picture along with a caption?"

Eric asked in a low voice.

How would Eric reflect his worth if he did not spend money on it?

He wanted nothing more than to spend money to make this trending topic stay on the top the entire day, but he was afraid that Nicole would come at him with a knife!

Toto's lips twitched into a smile. "That's too grand and will only seem like an eyesore. It's irritating and won't serve the purpose.