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Byron's steadfast heart began to waver for Patricia's happiness. "But, I feel like Thro's feelings towards El linor seem

Patricia quessed what he was about to say, not wanting to hear him out, she lightly interrupted him

"I know, Theo is indeed treating Ellinor well now since he did marry her after all, he cant just ignore her. This is at least what the elders of the Blanchet family expect. And besides, Theo is a responsible man. Eve n if he doesn't have feelings for Ellinor, he wouldn't abandon her

Byran frowned, "That's not it

I think Theo's attitude towards Ellinor is a bit different, even better than towards you."

Patricia interrupted him again. "That's just him pretending to be affectionate, so he doesn't blow his cover in front of the Blanchet family elders. His care, gentleness, and protection towards Ellinor are all because she is his wife in name only, not because he has personal feelings for her! Theo told me, this marriage is just to appease his family elders Once Putnam Blanchet's health stabilizes, he will end this sham marriage. And besides, a cold—

hearted guy like Theo couldn't possibly fall for another woman in just over a month. I know Theo best, he wouldn't!"

After hearing this. Byran felt Patricia made sense. Theo wouldn't be someone to easily fall in love with so meone else!

He thought for a moment, looking at

Patricia's pained expression from love, he finally gave in, "Alright! For you, I'll go apologize to the Blanch et family tomorrow and take all the blame..."

"Byran!" Patricia, was so moved that she burst into tears, hugged Byran tightly, "Good boy, I know you lo ve me the most! Don't worry, I'll definitely find out how those things got into your computer and who fra med you. I'll clear your name!

Byran nodded firmly

Patricia finished crying, got up and wiped her tears, then pushed all the snacks she brought to Byran, "By ran, these are all your favorite snacks. Have some, don't starve yourself, it'll break my heart!"

Byran didn't feel like eating at the moment, but seeing her sincerity, he didn't want to refuse. So, he opened a bag of toast and took a big bite.

Patricia, looking at this easily persuaded Byran, felt a sense of accomplishment.

Now that she had successfully convinced Byran, this matter had nothing to do with her.

Anyway, Byran taking the fall wouldn't lose him anything, at most he would get scolded by Balfour!

But if Balfour found out

she did something wrong, she would definitely lose Balfour's trust and Theo's favor. She couldn't let that happen!

Byran was her brother who loved her so much, so just let him continue to bear this responsibility!

The next day

In the morning. Theo walked out of his study, Ellinor was still asleep.

He returned to the room, knocked on the door, there was no response. He tried to turn the door handle, but the door was still locked...

Seeing this, Devin immediately understood: "Wait a moment, I'll go get the spare key right away."

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Theo waved his hand dismissively,

"No need. From now on, as long as she has locked the door and there's no safety issue, absolutely nobod y is allowed to unlock it with a

key"

Devin was taken aback, yes"

This was a total departure from Mr. Blanchet's previous stance.

In the past, Ellinor would also lock her door, which always ticked Mr. Blanchet off. He would have someone unlock it.

His room was his territory No one was allowed to lock it, let alone lock him out of it.

Yet now, he seemed to be totally fine with it What a turn of events!

Instead of knocking again, Theo pulled out his phone and called the person inside.

It rang for a while before being answered by a groggy sounding Ellinor, "What's up?"

"It's time to get up, let's have breakfast together"

Ellinor had stayed up late working on designs and only went to bed in the early hours. Right now, she just wanted to sleep.

"I'm not hungry Enjoy yourself."

With that, she hung up.

Being hung up on. Theo's face darkened

Usually he was the one calling the shots, rejecting others. Now Ellinor was giving him a taste of his own medicine, and it was quite a bitter taste at that.

The man redialed, "Open the door. Let me see you."

Ellinor picked up again, sounding a bit irritated, "Didn't I send you a picture yesterday? You can look at it anytime, anywhere!"

"You want me to just look at the picture? Just look at the picture without doing anything?"

How could he be satisfied with looking at that picture?!

Ellinor became a bit more alert, 'Are you seriously starting with the sexual harassment this early in the morning? Have you no shame?"

Hearing her indignant response, Theo smirked, "Alright, go back to sleep. I won't disturb you anymore."

"Hmph! Next time when you're sleeping soundly, I'll call you and make you get up and go back to bed!"

With that, she hung up indignantly

Theo didn't get angry Instead, he laughed softly, his eyes full of affection. He put away his phone and loo ked at Devin, "Let her be. When she wakes up, ask her what she wants to eat and make her breakfast"

The look on Devin's face was one of disbelief, "Yes, understood, don't worry"

Was he seeing things? The usually stoic Mr. Blanchet was acting like a lovestruck teenager, all happy and giddy even though he was denied entry and had to communicate through the phone?

Mr. Blanchet seldom smiled and was always good at keeping his emotions to himself. Yet today, simply b ecause of a phone call with Ellinor, his face was lit up with such a gentle smile..

Unbelievable!

It seemed they would have to pay more attention to Ellinor from now on. Mr. Blanchet had clearly fallen for her!

Without waking Ellinor, Theo went downstairs alone for breakfast.

Collin entered the dining room respectfully, ready to report on the task Mr. Blanchet had assigned him yesterday.

"Mr. Blanchet, we've found that internet celebrity."

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Ever since she offended the elders of the Howard family at The Bund of Trent River, she got a severe puni shment from the folks in Balfour. Her live streaming account was

live anymore permanently banned, she couldn't go

She felt that she could not continue to live, so she went back to her hometown that night

Theo listened, eating his breakfast slowly

Collin went on, "The female influencer claimed that ever since she found out she had offended some big s hots from the Howard family, she was worried that it would affect her family's jobs So, she's been hiding out in the country, loo scared to go online. She said the tweets bashing Ellinor weren't from her, her account had been hacked She'd been

warned by the Howard family not to publicize the incident at The Bund and the punishment she received afterwards. Her phone was taken away by the Balfour guys on the spot, so she didn't have the original vi deo footage Even if she did, she wouldn't dare to post videos involving the elders of the Howard family o nline. Mr. Blanchet, it seems that there are other people slandering Ellinor online."

Theo remained unfazed, not surprised at all

The night before, he had technically analyzed that the real IP address of the video leak was from the How ard family, not the female influencer.

He picked up his milk, his expression dark and silent

Seeing his expression, Collin thought for a moment. "I've already had the female influencer record a vide o to clarify that she didn't post the rumors online, explaining that the truth isn't as the internet says. All we need to do is give this video to the media to clear part of the suspicion for Ellinor. But of course, it wo n't be as convincing as the full original video. Most netizens these days are pretty picky, they'll probably s uspect that the influencer was threatened to change her story, and they'll question why she didn't post t he original video for them to see. The Howard family really messed up this time! Ellinor was obviously trying to help their elders when she clashed with the influencer, and now it's blown up online, but the Howard family just stays silent and doesn't help clarify anything"

Theo squinted his eyes coldly

Collin understood Mr Blanchet's concerns, 'Ms. Howard once saved your life, so it wouldn't be right for y ou to go against the Howard family"

Because it was the Howard family, the situation was tricky

Theo finally spoke, his tone calm but filled with a cold dominance, "The Howard family and Patricia are t wo different things."

Collin was taken aback, a little surprised, but quickly understood that Mr. Blanchet wasn't going to be po lite with the Howard family any longer out of respect for Ms. Howard He asked solemnly. "What should I do next?"

Just as Theo was about to give Collin his orders, Devin rushed in, "Mr. Blanchet, someone from the Howard family is here."

The Howard family? Speak of the devil!

Collin was puzzled. To his knowledge, besides Ms. Howard, this was the first time someone from the How ard family had visited the Blanchet family.

The two families had deep-

rooted grudges. The younger generations might not meet like enemies, but they hardly ever visited each other.

Theo raised an eyebrow, "What are they here for?"

"They said they've come to apologize to you and Ellinor. A high—ranking subordinate brought Byran, and Ms. Howard is in the car, too."

Theo's face darkened, 'Let them in."

"Yes sir" Devin responded and left to fetch the guests.

Soon, Balfour's right hand man, Quinton, came in with Byran.

But Patricia didn't come in with them....

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get back at Haillie stole the orginal video from a female influence context and posted it online, twisting the truth and making Ellinar look bad on the steel It was all me!"

Collin looked at Byram in surprise, not expecting hum to be the colpet

In his view, although Byran was a bit reckless, he wasn't a bad person and wouldnt do such vicious things

phone at Balfour place edited it out of

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But then again, Byran had picked on Ellinor several times before, so hoi confession didnt really come as a surprise, and theje:

After Byran finished his confession, he got no response from Theo Quinton wasnt sure what to do, so he t ried again.

"Mr Blanchet Byran is young and impulsive and has caused some trouble Mi Balfour was very angry whe n bel and out and has severely disciplined Byron He asked non to bring Byran in front of you. You're free to punish him however you see fit?

Theo took his time, chewing slowly. He finally put down his knife and fork, picked up his water glass, and wiped his mouth with a napkin

exert a strong pressure

The Blanchet family's mansion was spacious, and the dining room was large, but the atmosphere was un usually oppressive

"Do you know what happened to Ellinor that day at The Bund of Trent River?

Theo finally spoke, his tone calm, as he glanced at Byran

Byran nodded, "I know

"Since you know why don't you tell me?

to say

Byran looked nervous as he answered truthfully.

"Ellinor helped my grandpa that day at The Bund of Trent River. My grandpa's vision has been poor recently, he can't see clearly. It it wasn't for her, my grandpa would've been hurt by that female internet celebrity

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Theo's face darkened, "Is this how you repay her? The behavior style of the Howard family is really the sa me as before, so ruthless!\*

Byran felt wronged and ashamed, but he couldn't explain, he could only bear all the blame himself

"No, it's not like that, Balfour and Patricia

have always taught me to be grateful. I messed up, I'm the ungrateful one, and I even slandered Ellinor! I deserve to diel Theo, this is all on me, not the Howard family Please don't punish the rest of my family because of me, just punish me alone!\*

Theo snorted coldly, his face icy. "The Howard family does such a low thing and dares to teach me what to do? My wife has been wrongly accused because of her kindness. You and the Howar d family are both responsible..."

\*Theo

Patricia suddenly burst into tears and rushed in, standing in front of Byran, "Byran is still young, he didn't know better, he made such a mistake in a moment of confusion, it breaks my heart too! But... I can't abandon him! Theo, can you spare him for my sake?"

Looking at the crying Patricia, Theo's brows furrowed

Seeing Theo's face showing some hesitation, Patricia hurriedly tugged at Byran's arm, signaling him.

"Byran, kneel down

and apologize to Theo now! Theo isn't heartless, as long as you truly repent, he will forgive you!"

Byran looked at Patricia in surprise. Although he was reluctant, he obediently prepared to kneel down...

"Stand up!"

Before Byran's knees could touch the ground, a girl's voice from upstairs suddenly stopped him.

It was Ellinor's voice

Everyone looked up at the sound, only to see Ellinor yawning lazily as she walked down the stairs....

A hint of brightness entered Theo's gloomy eyes. She woke up?

Ellinor descended the stairs, looked at Byran disdainfully. "Is your dignity worthless, that you kneel so eas ily?"

Byran stood up straight, lowered his

head in shame when he saw Ellinor, "Because I did something wrong.

Ellinor raised an eyebrow at him, "Are you sure it was you who did it?"

Byran was taken aback. He

looked up at her in surprise. Could it be... she didn't think it was him who did it?

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# Seeing

this, Patricia felt something was off. She quickly stepped forward, shielding Byran behind her, and pleade d pitifully to Ellinor.

"Ellinor, if you have any dissatisfaction, just aim at me! Byran is still young, he doesn't understand things.

Please let him off this time. Balfour and I will educate him properly when we get home!"

"Huh? Did I hear wrong from upstairs? Didn't this gentleman just say he was going to hand Byran over to Mr. Blanchet? Ms. Howard, why are you pleading again? Who really calls the shots in the Howard family, is there a clear rule? Do you guys have any principles when you do things?"

Patricia's face stiffened, she was speechless, 'Ellinor, no matter what, I beg you..."

Ellinor quickly made a stop gesture, Enough! Ms. Howard, your tears aren't worth anything here. If you w ant to cry, go cry to those who would pity you!"

## After

saying that, she deliberately nodded towards Theo, who was sitting in the main seat at the table, with a meaningful look.

Theo was speechless.

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Patricia's eyes were

misty, holding back tears. I'm sorry, I know I shouldn't cry, but I'm really worried about my Byran..."

Supporting the trembling Patricia, Byran reassured her, 'Don't worry about me, I'm fine! I can handle the consequences myself, no matter how Theo plans to punish me today, I'll accept it! You s hould go home with Quinton first!"

"Byran..." Patricia choked up.

"Ms. Howard, I truly admire your charisma' Ellinor chuckled.

Byran looked at Ellinor, puzzled. Why was she laughing?

Patricia, tearful and confused, asked Ellinor, "What do you mean, Ellinor? You admire me?"

"Yes, I really admire you! Haillie cleverly plotted against me for your sake, but ended up getting herself th rown in jail. Byran standered me and spread false information online for you, and ended up being punished here when he was found out. Yet you're innocent and unaware of it all. The fact that those around you are willing to sacrifice so much for you, you must have some senous charisma"

This was an overtly positive statement Patricia felt a pang Ellinor was really smart!

At first glance, Ellinor was just a pretty face, a bit of a ditz, seemingly harmless.

Only now did she know that she was wrong at the beginning. Ellinor was no simple person.

Patricia looked at Ellinor with innocent eyes: "You might have misunderstood me, I really didn't know ab out those things..."

Ellinor didn't bother to respond, she turned

and walked towards the dining table before Patricia could finish her sentence. Seeing only Theo's breakfa st on the table, she frowned and asked, "Where's my breakfast?"

"Now you're hungry?" Theo looked at her, "I called you to get up earlier, didn't you say you weren't hungry?"

"I was planning to sleep in, but you guys were making so much noise downstairs, so I had to get up, eat b reakfast and go back to sleep

As she was speaking, Collin walked up and respectfully pulled out a chair next to Theo...

Ellinor sat down.

Theo glanced at Ellinor, his brow furrowed, "You said you weren't eating just now, the kitchen didn't prep are anything for you, you'll have to wait."

Ellinor pouted, "Alright then!"

She had to wait for the kitchen to prepare her breakfast.

When she first woke up, she wasn't hungry, but as soon as she got up, she felt an emptiness in her stoma ch that was uncomfortable, so she reached for the milk next to Theo, ready to take a sip to fill her stomach...

But Theo grabbed her hand and unceremoniously took the cup of milk away.

"Why Can't I even have a sip?" Ellinor was obviously unhappy.

This gentleman who claimed to like her yesterday was now so greedily protecting his food! What kind of I iking was this!

Seeing the frown on her face, Theo knew she was thinking negatively again. He looked at her seriously, "You can't drink milk on an empty stomach, what if you get a stomachache?"

"Mr. Blanchet, when did you become such a nag?"

"Isn't it for your own good?"

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"Hmph Ellinor pouted

Patricia, looking at their interaction, had a gloomy expression and clenched fists

At this moment, Quinton pulled out a mobile phone from his pocket "Mr. Blanchet, Mr. Balfour asked me to give this to you. It's the phone of the female internet celebrity. It contains the unedited onginal video, hopefully to help Mrs Blanchet clear up the rumors on the internet"

Collin stepped forward to take the phone from Quinton, checked the content inside, and only after makin g sure it was fine, nodded at Theo.

Quinton then asked, "What's Mr. Blanchet's plan for Byran?"

Theo didn't answer him, instead he looked at Ellinor, raising an eyebrow slightly

Though Theo always seemed dominant in

front of anyone, at this moment he seemed to be seeking Ellinor's opinion.

Ellinor was a bit puzzled Was he asking her how to deal with it?

Ellinor gave Quinton a glance, then turned to a downcast Byran. "Leave him here. We'll take care of it. Yo u guys can go now"

Upon hearing that they were going to keep Byran, Quinton became somewhat worried Mr. Blanchet, Mrs . Blanchet, Byran is still a kid, you

Ellinor cut him off. "The Howard family is really interesting. If you didn't plan to let us handle him, then d on't bring him over. Since you brought him here, stop beating around the bush. Don't just talk the talk, b ut not walk the walk. The Howard family makes mistakes but want us to deal with the consequences, wit hout paying anything themselves, right?"

Quinton was left speechless by her words, his face turning pale

Quinton originally thought that Theo would be lenient with Byran because of Patricia, but he didn't anticipate Ellinor's attitude.

Despite feeling indignant, Byran didn't want the

Howard family to lose their dignity, so he straightened his chest and showed a firm attitude: "Quinton, you take Patricia and go first. I'll stay here, no matter what the consequences are, I can handle it."

He was ready for anything, no matter how Ellinor decided to deal with him.

Quinton hesitated a bit. He knew if he forcibly took Byran away now, it would break the relationship with the Blanchet family, a consequence they couldn't afford

He decided to go back and discuss with Balfour before making a decision.

So, Quinton decided to leave, turning to Patricia and saying. "Let's go."

Patricia glanced at Quinton, but didn't respond.

Her eyes shifted back to Theo again, but this man didn't look at her, he was just staring intently at Ellinor sitting next to him....

Feeling frustrated, Patricia thought for a while, then turned to Quinton and asked:

"Quinton, do you need to rush to Balfour's company now?"

Quinton nodded, "Yes. After I drop you off at home, I'll head to the company"

"Then you dont have to go out of your way to drop me off Patricia said casually

Then, she looked at Theo again, "Theo, can you give me a ride? The route to Blanchet Corporation is closer to my home, taking me along shouldn't be a problem, right?"

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Hearing that, Theo threw a questioning look at Ellinor.

Ellinor frowned Why was Theo looking at her like that again? Was it because he was too embarrassed to refuse Patricia and asked her to play the role of the bad guy? This guy was always scheming!!

Oh well, since Theo has been nice to her recently, she'd help him out this time!

Ellinor, with one hand propping up her cheek, lazily turned her face towards Patricia: "Ms. Howard, you k now that Balfour's staff need to get to work on time, right? Don't you know that Theo also needs to get to work early?"

Patricia looked a bit wronged, her eyes downcast, looking even more innocent and delicate, "Ellinor, that 's not what I meant I just think that Theo, as the top leader of the company, wouldn't be blamed if he's a little late. But Quinton is

an employee, he needs to check in at the company. The rules at Balfour's are strict, so he would be fired if he's late"

Ellinor gave a slight smile, "You're so considerate, always thinking about others. It's no wonder they're all willing to give their all for you! But you're also a little naive! Don't forget that Balfour sent him here on business today. If he's late to the office, it's

just because he's on official business, he naturally won't be fined. If Balfour was really that harsh on his o wn people, I don't think he would have stuck with Balfour for so many years!"

With that, Ellinor let out a yawn, "But, if Mr. Blanchet is willing to give you a ride, I don't mind, after all, it's on your way!"

She turned her head to Theo, raising an eyebrow playfully, "Right, Theo?"

Theo looked at Ellinor. She clearly knew he didn't want to. She was obviously on purpose!

He didn't take the bait from Ellinor, instead he looked up and orders, "Collin, you take Ms. Howard."

Collin immediately took the order, "Yes!"

Hearing this, Patricia trembled a little, looking sad, "Theo, aren't you going to the office today? You could just give me a lift on your way, there's no need to trouble Collin.."

Theo's attitude was indifferent, pointing to Ellinor next to him, "She will be jealous, it's not convenient."

Ellinor was shocked.

Hello? Who's jealous here? Theo was really not playing fair, to shake off the 'life saver moral bind, he eve n labels her with the hat of jealousy!

Patricia was taken aback, looking hurt, and wanting to say something...

But Collin had already come over and interrupted her, raising his hand in an inviting gesture, 'Ms. Howar d, please come with me, I'll take you home now"

Patricia could only smile awkwardly, a hint of reluctance in her eyes, but she tried to be polite and unders tanding, "Alright, Theo, sorry for the disturbance, I'll go with Collin

now."

Theo nodded, not lingering on her.

Patricia gritted her teeth, "Ellinor, see you, I'll come to play with you next time!"

"Take care."

Patricia, with a hint of disappointment, followed Collin out, and Quinton wisely took his leave as well.

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Byran was the only one left in the Blanchet family, standing alone in the dining room, waiting for the next move.

The maid brought a freshly baked breakfast to Ellinor, the food on the plate still steaming

Ellinor was hungry. She picked up the fork and started to enjoy the fried eggs and bacon on the plate. Wh ile eating, she felt a pair of eyes staring at her, that look was full of insinuations, like hot silk threads twin ing around her, getting lighter and tighter.

She felt uncomfortable, frowned. "Theo, aren't you supposed to be at the office?"

Theo pretended to be angry, "Are you so eager for me to leave?"

Ellinor shook her head I didn't mean that, I just saw that you have finished breakfast but haven't gone to work yet, are you planning to waste time here?"

"I'm not in a hurry"

"Well, if you're not in a hurry, you can sit here, but please don't keep staring at me Ellinor tugged a smile

"I was alone in the study all night last night, and now I can't even look at you? Theo started to pretend to be pitiful when he failed to get angry.

Ellinor snickered softly and teased, "From ancient times to the present, any king who starts to slack off, c omes late and leaves early, will be said to be bewitched by a beauty, and then that innocent beauty will be crowned with the title of destroyer! Theo, you're not trying to 'no longer keep early court, are you? If so , I will be collectively scolded as a demon by the employees of the Blanchet Corporation!

Theo laughed at her words, "Who dares to scold

you?" He knew she was actually urging him to go to the company, but her words were so interesting that he had no reason to be angry

Ellinor rolled her eyes. "They may not scold me in front of you, but they will definitely talk about me behind my back, and they certainly won't say anything nice!"

Theo pinched her face with a spoiling look: "Fine, I won't let you be blamed, I'll go to work now, and I'll s ettle accounts with you when I get back!"

Ellinor giggled.

Theo stood up, reached out to touch the back of her chair, ready to lean down and kiss her Ellinor saw his intention, agilely forked a piece of ham, and fed it to Theo.

Theo looked at her a little dissatisfied, but still ate the ham.

Although he didn't get the kiss he wanted, the act of Ellinor feeding him made him feel satisfied.

Theo stood up, touched her head, then took the coat handed by the maid and walked out.

Ellinor watched his figure, a blush spread across her face. She picked up the milk cup and took a sip, tryin g to calm the heartbeat that had just been messed up by Theo.

Byran on the side was completely shocked. He had never seen such a lively Theo. The Theo he knew was a man without a sense of humor, not good at joking.

However, when interacting with Ellinor just now,

Theo was like a husband who deeply loves his wife, full of intimacy and warmth, chatting happily with his wife, teasing each

other.

If he hadn't seen it with his own eyes, he really wouldn't believe that that cold face could show so many r ich expressions...

Therefore, Byran became more alert to Ellinor. If this continues, Ellinor may really take away Patricia's beloved Theo!

What about Patricia? She can't live without Theo!

After finishing her breakfast, Ellinor got up and walked towards Byran...

Patricia followed Collin out with a little disappointment, and Quinton wisely left.

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Ellinor didn't pay any mind to Byran. She yawned strolled past him, and beaded upstairs to sleep.

Byran was left stunned. He turned around in a huff and followed her a few steps, "Oil What's your plan for me? Say something!"

Ellinor remained unresponsive and continued heading for the stairs

### Byran

felt ignored, annoyed, and tried to run after her But Devin from the Blanchet family came up and blocked him, 'Mr. Howard, Mrs. Blanchet is going back to her room to rest now Let's talk about your affairs after she wakes up!"

"Why is she so lazy? It's so late and she's still sleeping" Byran frowned

Devin was not pleased with Byran's attitude. He dropped his usual polite manners, "Listen here, you can't go upstairs and disturb her now Just wait downstairs!"

Devin then signaled a few servants to keep an eye on him, to make sure he wouldn't create a ruckus and disturb Mrs. Blanchet's rest.

Blocked by the Blanchet family's servants and feeling helpless, Byran realized that this wasn't his turf. He had to respect their rules.

So, he could only watch as Ellinor went upstairs to sleep. He plopped down on the living room sofa, pulle d out his phone to kill time......

The rumors on the internet had finally died down.

Collin was moving fast. Even though he was escorting Patricia home, he didn't let that stop him from han dling business. He had his people upload the original video and the confession video that he had the influ encer record earlier on the internet. The mass media picked up on it, and it quickly became the talk of the town.

Public opinion had reversed

Those netizens who once scolded Ellinor felt very ashamed at this time. Some apologized, while others quietly deleted their comments....

Ellinor gained a bunch of

fans from this incident Coupled with her inspiring journey from the countryside to a prestigious university , her outstanding grades, and

her humble personality, her popularity with netizens skyrocketed after the situation took a turn for the b etter.

It's a shame that Ellinor didn't have a Twitter account. Otherwise, her follower count might have shot up by millions overnight.

Seeing that things had finally calmed down on the internet, Byran felt a sense of relief.

After catching some shut-eye, Ellinor woke up in the afternoon

She got up, washed her face in the bathroom, changed her clothes, and turned on her computer to polish the design sketches she had rushed to finish the night before when inspiration struck

Once the designs were finalized and checked, Ellinor used the company's email to send her work to Theo, asking for the big client's opinion and waiting for a response.

She had managed to complete the designs that were supposed to take three days in just one day. Even th ough she had had plenty of rest, she still felt super tired. She decided to take a walk outside to clear her head.

She shut down her computer and headed downstairs.

As Ellinor descended the stairs, she saw Byran engrossed in a mobile game on the sofa....

# When Devin

saw her, he immediately asked with concern, "Mrs. Blanchet, you're up? I didn't want to disturb you during lunchtime when I saw you were still resting. What would you like to eat? I'll have the kitchen prepare it right away

Ellinor felt that Devin was treating her with more warmth.

Devin was a good guy who always respected her, unlike some of the Blanchet family's servants who were two—faced.

But previously, Devin didn't show her the same level of respect as he would Mrs. Blanchet. He just treate d her like a regular guest.