

## The Return 31

### Chapter 31

Fortunately, Davian and Irvin were only slightly injured. They were all right after the doctors sterilized their wounds and applied some ointment.

And Jaydon was also not badly hurt. He just needed to be simply bandaged,

“Joann, if you don’t want to send them abroad, how about sending them to Venturas?

They’ll be in kindergarten soon. There is an exclusive private kindergarten there.”

“You can send them there to study. Venturas is also close to Greyport. It’s only an hour away by boat, and you can visit them every week.”

“Let them take shelter for some time. After Bruce and Roxanne get married, he will probably forget it and won’t disturb you.”

Pausing for a while, Jaydon continued, “Lilia still has not been exposed. You don’t need to worry. about her. Just let her stay by your side.”

Hearing that, Joanna looked at him with hesitation.

Greyport and Venturas were separated only by a sea.

Although Venturas was small, it was the only city in the country where gambling was allowed.

The Grimm family was one of the top three gambling tycoons in Venturas.

“But it’s too close. I’m afraid it will be easy for Bruce to find them.”

Jaydon smiled, gently put his arm around her shoulder, and comforted her, “It doesn’t matter. I can send someone to protect them. Don’t worry.

Besides, you can tell him the children are abroad. When things calm down, you can bring them back.”

“All right...”

“Then I’m gonna arrange it.”

“Okay, thank you,” Joanna said.

“Mommy, where are we going?”

“You are old enough to go to kindergarten. Soon, you will be a big boy and begin to study.”

“We get it,” the kid answered.

The next day.

Jaydon drove Joanna and the two little boys to the dock to take a boat.

They prepared to take them to Venturas.

Roxanne also went home tiredly.

As usual, Gavin took her to the city on a motorcycle.

Then she would take a taxi to the designated place and ask the driver to pick her up.

The main reason they went to all this trouble was to keep it secret.

She was also afraid of being photographed with Gavin.

The motorcycle just drove past Jaydon's car.

Coincidentally, Joanna was looking out of the window.

motorcycle, who resembled Roxanne very much from  
back.

wearing a helmet, her figure looked exactly like Roxanne's.

person. Is that Roxanne?"

the rear-view mirror. "Looks a bit like her from the

couldn't see the person

the

got off, and

Gavin kissed Roxanne's cheek again and

with her.

the woman. It was

looked like she had an affair

it's Roxanne. Bruce is really a cuckold,"

said, "Maybe they

you

couldn't be

short in the middle

show his

it to

Joanna hurriedly stopped him and said,

Don't do this."

"Why?"

don't want to hurt  
was sent to the  
of being cyberbullied.  
you don't want to hurt her, but she can hurt you."  
sigh, "Anyway, she is my sister.  
failed to marry Bruce.  
was my fault.  
I can cut her some slack. I hope she  
It's up to  
gas pedal again, and the  
At Haynes's house.  
and turns, Roxanne finally returned  
stayed out all  
Gavin, her legs were  
was back, she walked over with a  
I'm gonna go upstairs and take a  
out last night. Did you sleep with  
dismay. "Mom, don't be gossipy. I'll  
Go ahead.  
I told you that you should make the first move when  
speaking, Roxanne  
daughter was in low spirits. Her legs were weak, and they  
her neck. Obviously, she'd had a  
was very happy because she thought Roxanne  
if she knew her daughter was sleeping with a poor guy for the  
children were ready

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When Lilia finally fell asleep, Joanna sighed and turned off the light, going out of her daughter's room without making any noise.

“Beep–beep.” The phone rang and gave her a fright.

Joanna saw a strange number on the screen.

“Hello.”

“Joanna, where did you hide the children?” It was Bruce.

It was obvious that he was quite angry at present.

Joanna replied in a brusque tone, “What’s wrong with you? They are my children and have nothing to do with your family. Don’t disturb us anymore.

I will sue you if you abduct the children again!”

Bruce swallowed and growled coldly, “Tell me, where are the children?”

“I have sent them to study abroad. Don’t waste your time.”

Bruce explained, “Joanna, Grandma is getting old. She just wants to see the children...”

“I’m sorry. But I’m under no obligation to meet your request.”

She knew that if the children went to see Margaret, they would be forced to stay there.

She knew how shrewd Margaret was. She would not release them easily.

Bruce was lost for words. Being upset, he said, “Joanna, you have one day left. You will be screwed if you don’t take the children to see her.”

“Beep. Joanna directly hung up the phone without saying anything.

On the other end of the line.

Seeing Joanna hang up the phone, Bruce was very angry.

No one had ever hung up on him.

“Beep–beep.”

“Beep–beep...”

a dozen phone calls in succession but

more she hung up,

the line. “Sorry. The number you dialed

wait and see!” Bruce gasped with

right now that the Haynes Group is about to be acquired. Within two days, let the Haynes Group’s shares fall below the daily

“Yes, sir.”

cell phone was slammed to the ground, and its screen was shattered.

The next day.

facing bankruptcy and was about to be acquired quickly

rattled many investors.

the Haynes Group's

many small investors began to sell their shares

lost hundreds of millions of dollars in

soon face

Haynes Group.

for three days. Will the company go

today?

away with the

goes on like this, it would be impossible to become one of the world's top 500 enterprises. We need

is just blowing hot air."

she's not afraid at all. But it's not gonna work out for us. If the company

believe she has signed the Valuation Adjustment Mechanism with Mr. Everett. Now, before the contract expires, she will

I guess she is too afraid to

lot of negative news about

jinx

in a heated

appeared unexpectedly

his face turned pale.

hurried back

guys don't need to come

looked

to lay

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Shaun drew on his cigarette and sighed. "What can I do? That rebellious girl disrespects me. Will she be polite to your people?"

“You’re such a wimp. You’re her father, and you can’t even control your own daughter! I think you should hold a press conference and sever ties between father and daughter with her!”

Shaun slapped his thigh and said with a wry face, “Hey, let’s not bring something like this to the press! Isn’t it disgraceful enough? Besides, even if I’m not the chairman, our family still has a lot of savings and so many side businesses. We can still live our lives!”

Ingrid snapped back, “How is that the same? Haynes Group is a family business and has managed to get on track to become a listed company! However, something big like it has fallen into others’ hands. easily now! I will not tolerate it.”

“So what? My father can give his inheritance to anyone.”

“Come on. Who would give his inheritance to his granddaughter instead of his son? If I had known you were such a coward, I would never have married you!”

Shaun sighed and shook his head in frustration.

He would not have betrayed his family if not for Ingrid seducing him back then.

Shaun had just married Joanna’s mother and was on their honeymoon back then.

However, Ingrid seduced him.

He only wanted to have a little fun with her, but Ingrid got pregnant after that.

straight to Joanna’s mother and told the latter that she was pregnant

temper. She left the Haynes residence and was determined to get a divorce without a second thought.

Shaun really felt sorry for Joanna’s mother.

he had no choice but to marry Ingrid.

has been in the company for nearly 20 years. If

“I’ll call Joann and ask what’s the situation now!”

Beep! Beep!

bullet and

Dad. What’s up?” Joanna answered

I heard you’ve laid off a dozen old employees. Is

other end of the line, Joanna hesitated for a few seconds before

have worked in the company for more than 20 years.

no suitable job arrangement, which will only drag the company’s development!” “Joann, I’m not being harsh to you, but you can’t be so cruel! These people are Mdm. Lowe’s relatives have worked with me for 20 years! Call them now and

have been fired, and it’s impossible

Chapter 33 “Joann...”

you want to discuss, I’m hanging up!”

hung up the

and scolded, “That gal

miserable for us! If she doesn’t give us an easy time, you mustn’t give her an easy time too! Hold a

next day, the shares of Haynes Group hit rock bottom again as soon as the market

would no longer be able to survive within

sit still anymore,

fallen

share price has never had such a dramatic decline since it became a listed company. At this rate, Harrison

think of something!”

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Bruce sneered and drawled, “Stop pointing fingers if you don’t have any proof. What did I do? What does the plummeting of Haynes Group’s shares have to do with me?”

Infuriated, Joanna took a sharp breath and clenched the phone.

“What the hell do you want?”

“What do I want? Isn’t it clear to you?”

Joanna roared into the phone, “I’m telling you that there’s no way it’s going to happen! The child has already gone abroad and is unlikely to return soon! And, for the record, the child has nothing to do with you and the Everett family! We’re all adults. Please don’t resort to this underhanded tactic.”

Bruce stuck his tongue out. “Hehe. Are you angry?”

Joanna was rendered speechless by his response. “I’ll be damned if I’m not!” she cursed in her mind.

A wicked grin broke out on Bruce’s face as he spoke deliberately in a rascal tone, “I just love it when you’re pissed off but can’t get to me.”

Bruce burst out into laughter after saying that.

Joanna rolled her eyes in annoyance.

She would’ve killed him a hundred times if the killing wasn’t against the law.

“Do you want to stabilize the share price of Haynes Group?”

Joanna growled with exasperation as she thought, “Do you really have to ask?”

“Beg me then!”

“Fine. I’ve had enough of this. Bruce, please don’t do this again!”

“Is this your way of begging? Fix your attitude before you talk to me!”

With that, Bruce hung up the phone. He felt slightly better for being able to vent out his frustration.

“Hello! Hey! Hello?” Joanna called a few times before she realized that the call had been disconnected.

Joanna, seething with rage, immediately called him again.

He knew that she was anxious and angry. He raised his

voice and said, “I want you to know the price of hanging up on me and how frustrating it is when someone deliberately does not answer the phone,”

“Ring!”

His phone kept

ringing on purpose, but he didn’t switch his phone off

because of the feeling of leaving her hanging.

When he came to the office to deliver some documents. Noticing that the phone kept vibrating, he couldn’t help but remind Bruce,

“Do you want to answer it?”

“No, I will pick it up when this damned woman calls a

time. I was convinced that Joanna would do

millions of dollars in

business five times, but the latter still didn’t pick up the

phone. He gulped and put away

his work for the conference tomorrow. Please make preparations for

“Okay, Miss Haynes!”

Joanna was concerned about the public image of Haynes Group and spread the news of their partnership with CI Technologies at the

moment. For the time being, she had to reassure the investors that everything would be all

right. That in mind, Joanna took out her

phone and quickly answered, “Hi, Joann!”

“I’m on packaging myself. I’m holding a press conference

heard over the phone. “Finally? I told you a long time ago. A desirable image. is needed for both yourself and the company. You can rest assured that I



camera!”

I’ll call the public relations

“All right!”

up the phone, Joanna went to

washed her face with cold water and heaved a long

practicing her smile in

down, she wasn’t

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Bruce smoked two cigarettes in a row. His throat felt parched.

Meanwhile, his handsome face darkened.

He couldn’t take it anymore.

He took out his phone and took the initiative to call Joanna.

“Ring!”

Joanna’s phone started to ring.

It was a pity that Joanna missed the call as she was still in the bathroom, practicing facial management and body movements.

“Ring!”

The phone was still not connected.

“Hello, the person you’ve dialed is currently unavailable...”

“Damn!” Bruce cursed.

With a bang, the phone slammed to the ground.

“This damned woman! How dare she not answer my call!” Bruce cursed in his mind.

Andy frowned upon seeing this.

He picked up the phone, whipped out the SIM card, and replaced it with another phone.

This was the fifth phone that Bruce had broken this month. “No wonder people say that the rich can do whatever they want,” Andy thought to himself.

“Andy, notify Well Street financial market to block Haynes Group...”

“Noted! By the way, I just got the news that Miss Haynes is holding a press conference tomorrow. There might be an announcement!”

Bruce gulped and scowled deeply. “What? Joanna is holding a press conference?”

“Yes!”

“When did you get the news?”

“Just now.”

damn woman up to this time?”

out a wild laugh and

Both were well-groomed, thick, and

when he raised

when he was at ease.

pity that his venomous

surprised by

this, Mom!”

tomorrow. I wonder what she’s going

news and swore, “This bitch sure is getting more and more capable. A press conference, huh? Just in time! Tomorrow, ask your uncle and the staff who had been laid off to have a protest in front of their company during the press conference. Get two more people to stir up the scene. Splash

day, the venue of the press conference

Joanna to hold

were personally arranged

press and undesirable parties were all shunned

Group is

if the news is true!”

true. The shares of Haynes Group have

Miss Haynes going to announce the bankruptcy in this press conference?”

“Quite possibly!”

Haynes Group! Besides that, Haynes Group has laid off many of its employees this

Haynes Group is going to be taken over by another

not capable enough. I didn’t expect that she would lead the company into bankruptcy in

news is going to hit the

morning, Bruce turned on the TV to see what Joanna was up to.

broadcast had been prepared for a  
a commotion outside as a limousine pulled slowly into the parking lot of  
get invited could only wait patiently downstairs.

up! Here comes

reporters swarmed over.

large number of security guards were also standing guard to maintain

Rolls Royce stopped.

got out of the car first

and waved

that...

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“Miss Haynes, you’re so beautiful. Are you interested in joining the entertainment industry?”

Joanna smiled gracefully toward the camera. “Nice joke. I’m more than content if Haynes Group would flourish.”

“Excuse me, when are you and Mr. Grimm getting married?”

“That’s personal. I can’t answer it right now!”

Joanna had been non-committal about her affair with Jaydon over the years.

After all, she still needed Jaydon as her patron at the moment.

Of course, the partnership was a two-way street.

With her title as Mr. Everett’s ex-wife, she would automatically be dragged into the limelight.

That way, she could bring more attention to Jaydon’s film and television company.

“Mr. Grimm, when are you going to propose to Ms. Haynes?”

Jaydon smiled, looked lovingly at Joanna, and said in a half-earnest and half-in-jest manner, “That depends on when she’s okay with that! If she wants to marry me now, I can propose immediately!”

“Wow, that’s sweet!”

“Propose now!”

The reporters cheered.

Joanna smiled bashfully and turned to Jaydon.

She made an eye gesture to him not to let the press digress in this direction.

Under the watchful eyes of the crowd, Jaydon gazed soulfully at Joanna.

His demeanor indicated that he did not just throw out a joke.

“You two even have your babies. So you’d better hurry up and get married! Don’t forget to invite us to your wedding too!”

Joanna couldn’t look Jaydon in the eye again and quickly withdrew her gaze. “I’m not going to answer any questions about this topic outside of work. As you know, my grandfather has just died, and I’m still mourning. Marriage will not be in my plan for the upcoming three years! I hope everyone will stop asking.”

After the reporters heard that, they stopped probing.

After all, they need to respect someone who was mourning her loss.

Jaydon listened and suddenly felt a little despondent.

He had met countless women in his life, be it an innocent girl or a coquettish seductress.

He was finally tired of love hunting.

mindset and didn’t mind that Joanna would

always used this excuse

put aside his inner turmoil and smiled. “I will stop hogging the limelight now

Jaydon smiled politely

of the camera, someone

cigarette before he stopped his movement in

in his hand burned right up to the end. He only snapped back to his senses when the

the cigarette butt in

undeniably good-looking.

her beauty, that she also carried a strong

didn’t lessen the disdain he felt

woman always carries a wicked heart. Isn’t Joanna a good example?” he

“Hmph!”

Joanna interacting with Jaydon, Bruce turned off the

he didn’t want to see her get too close

through the press conference, a ruckus

brought in more than ten people and started making

holding banners

has made several families' lives difficult due to the sudden.

greed and heartlessness. They do nothing

get out

no conscience at all!"

stopped them and tried to disperse

shouted at the media. Some even harmed the

frowned. "Who's making

happy

and made trouble."

out and give us an

bitch! Get out of Haynes! Get

being, you don't deserve to be a human."

this, they couldn't resist asking, "Miss Haynes,

a solemn expression. "This layoff was done in accordance with the

mistake that led to

also a means to break through the company's trouble. Haynes Group has uncovered evidence of corruption, bribery, and job pocketing by certain individuals. I can promise before the media that the police are welcome to come in and investigate at any time! Some individuals definitely need to go through

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they have inflicted on Haynes

answered every question thrown at her by the media. She made her statement reasonably and incisively, without the slightest hint

a big slap

dignity by not exposing her to the public.

statement was meant to be a

"This..."

broke into a cold sweat when she was watching the

realized she had underestimated Joanna.

press conference.

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Joanna looked even more stunning than a celebrity on TV.

It didn't look like she was holding a press conference. This was clearly a demonstration.

Roxanne was upset and felt more anxious than ever.

Ever since Joanna came back, Bruce had been treating her more coldly.

"Mom, look at Joanna's smug face! Do something! Don't let her get so cocky!"

Ingrid swallowed heavily, snorted, and swore, "Relax. Let her think that she has had her way first. Her plummet awaits her in a couple of days. By the way, have you been in touch with Mr. Everett in the past two days?"

Roxanne's eyes darkened when she heard that.

Bruce hadn't called her in two days.

Roxanne sighed exasperatedly.

"Why the frustration? You should strike while the iron is hot. In case of any undesirable complication, the matter between you and Mr. Everett shouldn't be put off any longer. If we keep stalling, I don't know what's going to happen!"

Resignedly, Roxanne retorted with gritted teeth, "What can I do? Surely, I can't beg him to marry me?"

Ingrid listened and poked her daughter in the forehead. "You are so stupid, forget it! I'm so smart. Why did I give birth to such a stupid daughter? If you were half as good as I am, you wouldn't be so bad at dealing with a man for so long!"

"Why don't you propose to him yourself since you're this tough? What's the use of blaming me here?" Roxanne said and stormed upstairs.

"Look at yourself! You sure have a way when it comes to dealing with me!"

Ingrid rolled her eyes. "I'll go propose to him myself. You're useless! You even need your mom to do something this trivial for you!"

Since Shaun stepped down as Chairman, the Haynes family seemed to have fallen out of the Greyport elite circle overnight.

Besides that, the marriage of Bruce and Roxanne kept on getting postponed.

Ingrid and Roxanne had been shunned out of the socialite gatherings.

if they still wanted to gain back their glory as one of the riches and elites,

the ladies would definitely change their impressions of them

decided to meet Bruce in  
to fight tooth and nail to  
at Everett  
looked at the  
the tallest and most luxurious business building in Greypoint.  
also where Bruce worked daily.  
she envisioned her daughter being the  
gets married into the Everett family! Mrs. Paul, Mrs.  
her sling bag and  
confidently like a  
wearing a rose red hugging dress today and a big little vintage ruffle hat.  
well maintained,  
looking at the gorgeous  
colorful butterfly that suddenly flew into a  
allowed unless you are an employee of the  
waist. She glared at the security guard. "Well, is Mr. Everett in  
Ingrid's domineering aura as he  
not to offend her further.  
manager. "There's a lady in the lobby asking for  
manager saw Ingrid through the recording in the surveillance room and didn't dare to  
to Bruce's special assistant, Lily.  
and quickly came downstairs to greet  
downstairs. "Do you know who I am? Do you recognize  
sorry, Madam! Outsiders cannot enter the group without an appointment! Please wait downstairs  
I'm Mr. Everett's future mother-in-law. How dare you call me an outsider? Believe it or not, you'll be  
fired by tomorrow!"  
Madam. Please calm down. When Mr. Everett's assistant arrives, she'll take you up!"  
greeted politely, "Hello Mrs. Haynes, please  
voice, "You're Mr.

woman?”

answering her question. “Mrs. Haynes, this way, please. Do you have

my son-in-law, Do

would need an appointment to meet him. Why don’t you hang

elevator card and took Ingrid to the 32nd floor.

burying himself with work

Everett, Mrs. Haynes is here!”

Bruce

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Ingrid took a seat on the Epean leather couch.

Across from her was a rosewood desk that spanned several meters long.

Bruce perched back in his desk chair. Behind him was a glass bookcase that extended to the whole wall.

“Wow, what an opulent office!”

Ingrid couldn’t help herself from glancing around.

When she smiled, her cheeks puffed out on her face, which was pumped with hyaluronic acid.

Her plump lips were crimson red like blood.

Bruce glanced uncomfortably at Ingrid. He would be devastated.

He almost wanted to throw up at the pungent smell of Ingrid’s perfume.

Bruce looked grim. “Mrs. Haynes, is there anything I can help you with?”

“Oh, it’s nothing! I just came to see you,” Ingrid said with a flirty smile while staring at Bruce intently.

Bruce was really handsome.

It was like his angular features were carved by God.

did he have a stunning countenance, but his physique

was literally oozing hormones all

younger, she would’ve pursued this

stare

else, I need to



I know it's important. to make money, but you should also value your health. Why don't you join me for dinner at home after

up. She was wearing a low-cut top, and her bosoms were shown under the stretch of the

voice, "Well, I have a meeting tonight,

busy you are, you still need to have your meals regularly. Take good care

"Okay. Thank you."

with Roxy. Did you guys

was dumbfounded. "No..."

her thigh and said with a smile, "Well, it's normal for two young lovebirds to fight. with each other. I've been through this kind of relationship dilemma before. Roxy hasn't been able to eat or sleep for two days. She has lost a lot of weight! As a man, you should take the initiative sometimes. You can't keep giving her the cold shoulder

"Well..."

and said earnestly, "Bruce, you've been with Roxy for over six years. A woman's youth is only a few years! How many six years can one have in a lifetime?

Bruce was thrown off guard by Ingrid's statement and didn't know how to respond to that.

if it hadn't been for Ingrid, he and Roxanne

that his grandmother didn't like Roxanne, which caused their marriage to be dragged on.

whole Greyport saw him as a laughing stock. With that, Margaret objected even more to his

failed her before. Roxy can't stand the shock and has already harmed herself once! You can't let her down again. If

face changed instantly. She made a gesture of wiping her

"Mrs. Haynes, don't worry. I

when she heard Bruce's assurance. "Bruce, I know you're a gentleman with a good conscience. You will never abandon

"Yeah, I understand!"

heading

escort Mrs.

this

up and

whisper to one-another, "My goodness! Is this

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The phone started to ring.

When Roxanne saw it was Bruce on the phone, she immediately picked it up. She squelched her throat and said, "Hello!"

"Hello, Roxy!"

"Yes, Bruce?"

Bruce paused for a few seconds and asked in a deep voice, "Are you free tonight?"

Roxanne's heart was racing with delight when she heard that. Bruce hadn't asked her out for a long time. "Yes, I'm free!"

"Let's have dinner tonight!"

"Great! About what time?"

"I'll pick you up at eight o'clock! We're going to Blueiva Dinner. Remember to dress up."

"Sure. I'll see you tonight!"

"See you tonight!"

The phone hung up, and Roxanne jumped for joy.

Ingrid happened to be back. Seeing her daughter so happy, she sneered and asked, "Why are you so happy?"

"Mom, Bruce just called me and asked me to dinner at the Blueiva Diner tonight! Mom, come and help me pick the right dress!"

"Well, it's all thanks to me. I can only help you so far. The rest is up to you!" Ingrid hummed.

Roxanne was a little shocked. "Mom, did you visit Bruce?"

"So what if I did?"

"Mom, you're so annoying! I told you not to go after Bruce! Don't snoop your nose into our business!"

"How could I leave you guys alone? You definitely can't handle it by yourself. Look at you! You guys almost broke up. If I hadn't made my move, a random girl would've wooed Bruce away."

Roxanne's excitement immediately disappeared when she heard this.

"It looks like Bruce didn't ask me out because he misses me..." she thought to herself.

have a good time

was

daughter actually

“All right.”

Roxanne would never stand Bruce up. Thus, she went off  
and stop

they rummaged through the whole closet that was full  
or the style didn’t  
are so out of fashion!”

going on, you’re finally worried, aren’t you? I told you a long time ago. Clothes and bags are women’s  
weapons. You need to always be dressed up beautifully. How

rolled her eyes and stopped

didn’t start out

in different

with men was just not

wear the white one! It complements your figure

a shower, styled her hair, and put on

took the whole

in the mirror,

that she would drag Bruce to the

Bruce was bound to find out if they went to bed

had already got her secret weapon ready.

some sort of contraction pill.

it into her private part before she made an

body would be like a

o’clock

Maybach was parked outside the

to pick up Roxanne.

a white dress

face was embellished with sophisticated make-up. She

the most exclusive restaurant in Greyport. They would turn away customers that did not follow

dress up to the nines if they wanted to

“You’re here, Bruce!”

in the

“All right!”

opened the door and

a glance and casually complimented, “You

I’m not that gorgeous most days!”

handed her a bunch of flowers and kissed

“Thank you!”

and started

two cars following behind

were in the

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Bruce looked up and happened to see Joanna too.

She was wearing a black below-the-knees skirt. The black heightened her delicate swan neck and collarbone.

Although the dress didn’t expose her bosoms, she still looked gorgeous and s\*y.

It was the first time he had seen her in such revealing clothes.

Her entire collarbone and her calves were exposed.

Bruce frowned. He felt a surge of inexplicable anger.

What made him even angrier was that Jaydon was now intimately holding Joanna’s shoulders while eyeing her with adoration.

He could tell from Jaydon’s eyes that the latter really liked her.

The thought of them doing something unspeakable after finishing their meal irritated him.

Bruce was flooded with complicated emotions.

He coughed awkwardly and loosened his cravat with an icy cold expression.

“Bruce, what’s up?”

“Nothing. Go ahead and place the order.”

Roxanne’s face fell.

She had just ordered.

“Bruce, why do you seem so distracted?”

“No, I’m not!”

Bruce tried to contain his irritation but couldn’t keep his eyes off Joanna.

Roxanne finally realized that something was wrong.

She looked in the direction of Bruce’s gaze.

“Joanna!”

gaped when

surge of jealousy swept over

has such a reaction.

hello to her, Bruce?”

Let’s

wine

up her glass, and gently touched it against

“Cheers...”

he had gulped down the

Roxanne even more furious, and her complexion

this bit everywhere? It seems like today’s atmosphere is going to be

of red

doing? You’ll get drunk if you drink in such a hurry! You can’t drink

that!”

was worth a

took a small sip

Bruce was gulping down the

Jaydon and Joanna passed by Bruce and Roxanne and took a seat on the left side

location. However, in order to avoid Bruce and

restaurant was fully air-conditioned. Jaydon asked with

rubbed her arms and said,

waiter.

Grim. Just a moment,

waiter then handed them a dining-room

out the

“Thank you!”

of them exchanged

conference was a great

Jaydon’s public relations team, Joanna was packaged as an independent, strong, beautiful, and inspiring

of now, various articles and edited videos were being widely

reputation

CI Technologies spread

price of Haynes Group

that Joanna thought he deserved to

tenderly. He smiled and said, “What would you