#### **Timeless 211**

#### CHAPTER 211 STAY WITH ME FOR THREE DAYS.

After returning to the Taylor's, Hathaway didn't tell Paul and the others about Leon's pestering to-night. She didn't want them, especially Paul, to worry about her, for even her affairs with Leon. Moreover, tomorrow was Paul's 60th birthday, so she couldn't cause any trouble for him.

However, when she thought of Leon saying that he would come to Paul's birthday party tomorrow, she had a headache about it.

In all conscience, as the hottest powerful businessman in the South City, Leon's visit to Paul's birthday party was a matter of great respect for him, but because of her past with Leon, Paul would certainly not care about this respect.

If they had broken up simply because they were inappropriate, Paul would not be so disgusted with Leon and the Davis. But in the past, Adeline hurt Cynthia and humiliated Hathaway, so Paul loathed her very much and didn't want to have anything to do with her son.

Judging from this, Paul would be furious if he saw Leon appearing at his birthday party tomorrow.

A shrewd person like Leon could not have been unaware of his situation, but he told her firmly that he would come.

To be honest, Hathaway had no idea whether Leon would come tomorrow. If he came, Paul would be angry. And he just recovered from a serious illness...

Hathaway couldn't afford to take any risks, so she thought about it and finally made a call to Leon.

Leon quickly picked it up and said in a good mood, "Do you miss me? We've only just been apart for half an hour."

Hearing this, Hathaway took a deep breath to suppress her urge to roar. She had no idea why the coolest and most reserved President Davis in South City had turned into such a slick talker.

Hathaway knew that it wasn't the right time to be angry with him, so she calmed down and made a request to him, "Can you please not come to my father's birthday party tomorrow? You know he has just recovered from a serious illness and can't get angry!"

Hathaway's tone was not tactful, nor did she need to be. Leon must have known that he was unwelcome.

Hathaway was about to persuade Leon but never thought that he would readily agree to it.

Hathaway was startled by this, but she was resourceful and asked him bluntly, "Do you have any

conditions?"

Hathaway would never believe that Leon was so easy to deal with because she wasn't that naive.

On the other end of the line, Leon laughed at her intelligence, "Of course I have. I am a businessman and never do business at a loss."

Hathaway asked calmly, "Tell me what you want."

Leon spoke slowly, "I know that it's unrealistic for me to ask you to come back to me. In that case ... you can stay with me for three days."

"No way!" Hathaway refused without even thinking about it and then said in a fury, "Leon, if you need a woman, you can spend money to find one, and there will be a bunch of women sent to you. Do you have to force me?"

Hathaway instinctively misinterpreted what Leon meant by saying that he wanted her to stay with him for three days. It wasn't her fault, as every move he made revealed bad intentions, including his previous kiss.

After she finished yelling, Leon spoke unhurriedly, "I don't need a woman but an assistant."

Hathaway was confused, what did he mean? Why did he ask her to be his assistant?

Leon explained, "I'm going on a business trip for three days. Vivian is pregnant with her second child and has severe morning sickness, with her big kid at home, so I left Warren to take care of Vivian and their child."

Leon's words made sense, but Hathaway felt that he was talking nonsense, "You have so many employees. Can't you find another assistant to go with you?"

Leon said faintly, "I've only trusted Warren for so many years."

Hathaway suddenly didn't know what to say. He only trusted Warren. Now that Warren was tied up with something, Leon asked her to work for him as his assistant, did he trust her as much?

Hathaway felt that his trust was too much for her to bear and continued to refuse, "I've never been an assistant before and don't know how to be one, so find someone better qualified."

Leon didn't get angry and said in a threatening tone, "If you don't agree, I'll go to Mr. Taylor's birthday party tomorrow."

Hathaway ground her teeth and scolded him, "You're despicable!"

He didn't do it on a whim but must have been planning it for a long time.

Knowing that she cared about Paul's health, he deliberately disturbed her mind by saying that he would come to Paul's birthday party, and when she took the initiative to ask him not to come, he took the opportunity to make conditions to get her consent.

Hathaway felt so tired.

Even if she was an intelligent girl and had a strong fighting spirit, she wasn't the opponent of Leon who was as calculating as an old fox.

Hathaway gritted her teeth and let out a sneer, "Since you think so highly of me, I will follow your order. If you are not afraid that I will sell all of your trade secrets, you can let be me your assistant!"

After threatening him, Hathaway felt that she didn't vent her spleen and added, "By the way, have you forgotten what I said? I said I would make you hate me. We'll see."

After saying that, Hathaway hung up the phone and didn't want to say a word to Leon anymore

As soon as she hung up, she received a message on her mobile phone, "See you at the airport at 9 a.m. the day after tomorrow".

Hathaway had the urge to throw her phone away.

Soon the second message came, "Don't worry. I'll let you stay with me for three days as my assistant and won't do anything out of bounds to you. You think too much."

Hathaway stroked her chest and told her to calm down and take a deep breath.

Did she think too much?

If he hadn't shamelessly kissed her and wanted to press her under him, would she have thought the wrong way?

After sending a message to Hathaway, Leon called Warren, "You can send Hathaway those materials I asked you to prepare earlier and let her look through them. Although I just want to create the opportunity to spend time with her, she can't go there without knowing anything."

Warren said worriedly, "President Davis, do you not want me to go?"

"No need," Leon added to Warren, "Warren, do you know? I don't want to see you now at all. I don't want to see you smiling all day long."

After Vivian was pregnant with her second child and the test showed that it was a girl, Warren changed

from a cold and serious look as the president's assistant to a smiling face throughout the day.

This was a big blow to Leon, who was single. Warren was speechless at this, was it his fault that he had a happy family with a son and a daughter?

#### CHAPTER 212 DOES LEON'S MALE FUNCTION FAIL

After Hathaway had dealt with Leon, she was finally able to get a good night's sleep.

Early the next morning, she went to the hotel to pick up Henry, who had come to celebrate Paul's birthday. Surprisingly, as soon as they walked out of the hotel, they were surrounded by a group of reporters.

Those reporters snapped photos of her and Henry, not even giving them a chance to dodge.

Henry was a bit annoyed, but he was a well-educated and sociable person. So he was outwardly generous and allowed them to take pictures while whispering to Hathaway next to him, "What's the situation?"

Hathaway sneered, "Someone saw me coming back and deliberately put me to trouble."

If she guessed right, the reason why these reporters didn't take pictures of her when she entered the hotel but at the moment when she walked out of the hotel with Henry was that the mastermind wanted to create a negative image of her spending the night in the hotel with a man. She had to say that these tactics were too dirty.

Although she came to pick up Henry in the morning, few people knew that she was here to pick him up. Most viewers just believed the pictures they saw. When they only saw her walking out of the hotel side by side with Henry, they would conclude that she had spent the night with Henry.

Moreover, she had such a bad reputation before, so it was easy to place another label of a messy private life on her.

The mastermind racked her brains to keep her notorious. Hathaway guessed that the mastermind was probably Bella.

Hathaway had lost her fighting strength, and she had been publicly identified as Carl's daughter. Even if many people in South City disliked her, only a few would dare to make a move against her. People were afraid of Albert and Carl's identity, except for Bella, who was arrogant with such a famous elder brother.

The only thing Hathaway didn't understand was that she had broken up with Leon and left the South City, why didn't Bella stop targeting her? She just came back for a day to celebrate Paul's birthday, but Bella didn't even want to let her go.

Didn't Bella stay overnight at Leon's house after she left the South City? Why hadn't she got him yet?

Then Hathaway smiled even more mockingly. If Bella had captured Leon, he wouldn't have pestered her like this.

She generously let the reporters finish their photos and gave them a bright smile at the end. In this way, she announced that she didn't care what they had photographed or what they were about to make up about her.

A reporter took the opportunity to ask, "Miss Taylor, is the man your boyfriend? I heard that today is Mr. Taylor's birthday party, is he coming back with you for the party?"

"Miss Taylor, what do you find more appealing about this man than your ex-boyfriend, Mr. Davis?"

The reporters were always tricky on such topics. Hathaway wanted to roll her eyes at them and turn to leave, but it occurred to her that she had boasted that she would make Leon hate her. Then she took Henry's arm beside her and smiled brightly at the reporters, "As you can see, his biggest advantage is that ... he is younger than Mr. Davis. You know that."

Immediately a reporter caught the emphasis of her words and her ambiguity again, "Young? Are you indirectly implying that Mr. Davis has failed in some way?"

Hathaway continued to smile innocently, "I didn't say that."

At this point, silence spoke better than sounds, and sometimes a glance from her was enough to indicate everything.

When she just said, "Henry was younger than Leon, and you know that", this was tantamount to indirectly announcing to the whole of South City that Leon's male function failed.

Hathaway was proud of herself. Now that she spoke so badly of Leon, he was probably going to be furious.

The man cared about his face in that matter, but now she disliked him in public. He must hate her because of this disgrace and would never want to see her again in his life. Even if he saw her, he would only want to strangle her to death.

After saying this, Hathaway breathed a sigh of joy and left with Henry.

She could imagine that after the reporters broke the news, the Public Relations Department of the Davis Group would be in a mess, and Leon would direct them to solve it reasonably with a gloomy face. Then Leon would cancel his plan to take her on a business trip tomorrow and kicked her out of his life.

After getting into the car, Henry took a look at Hathaway's happy expression and couldn't help but ask

her, "Was it appropriate for you to say that just now?"

As a man, Henry felt ashamed for Leon.

Hathaway burst out laughing, "What does that matter? It's just a small start."

Didn't he say to wait and see how she annoyed him? So she didn't need to be polite about it.

Henry didn't know that Hathaway wanted to make Leon hate her, but he was well aware that Hathaway was irritating. Not to mention others, what she had done just now was enough to make any man turn his back on her.

However, Henry wanted to see Leon and Hathaway fall out, so he did not say anything else.

Hathaway drove Henry back to the Taylor's to happily and enthusiastically wish Paul's birthday, followed by Albert, Jessica, Cynthia, and Carl. Soon after, Albert received a call, and after listening to the content, he smiled and gave a glance at Hathaway, who was joking with Jessica, and then ordered, "Suppress the news first and wait to see what Leon's men will say."

Ever since Albert confirmed that Hathaway was his young sister, he had sent his people to control any information about Hathaway in South City. The good news could be ignored, but he had to forcefully suppress the bad news. He did not allow anyone or anything to damage Hathaway's reputation...

For example, news about the scene in front of the hotel today, he would not allow divulging a single word of the news story that the reporters deliberately misrepresented Hathaway's relationship with Henry and discredited Hathaway's image.

But as for the rest of Hathaway's words that Leon's male function failed, Albert was in high spirits to have them reported, because he was interested in looking at the picture of Leon's disgrace and fury. As excellent men, most of the time they appreciated each other but looked forward to seeing each other embarrassed.

Of course, Albert knew that it was impossible for Leon not to take action against such news about his face as a man. If Leon suppressed it, he wouldn't be able to watch the fun. That was why he instructed his men to sit tight for a while to see what measures Leon would take.

## CHAPTER 213 I KNOW WHAT KIND OF PERSON SHE IS.

Leon's men also received the news. After all, it was a matter of Leon's face as a man, and media executives had to pay attention to it. If it was about something else, they wouldn't have to make a fuss, but this matter...

So they informed Leon in advance, but he was indifferent and told them to release it as normal. The Public Relations Department of the Davis Group couldn't stand it anymore. The P.R. Manager went to

Leon in person and spoke in a sincere and earnest tone, "President Davis, how can you put up with such a thing as a man? We have to suppress it."

Leon said calmly, "Why? Wouldn't it mean I'm guilty by doing that?"

The P.R. Manager, "..."

The P.R. Manager thought about it and continued, "That's true. But it's better not to be known by outsiders because it's related to your marriage. Once this news about you comes out, no woman will want to be with you, even if you are rich and powerful."

The P.R. Manager, as a middle-aged man with a family and a career, told Leon from his experience that this matter was important so he should cherish his reputation.

As a result, Leon was so stubborn as to refuse to take his advice, "I wish they don't want to be with me and leave me alone forever."

Anyway, he only wanted Hathaway.

Anyway, whether his male function was failing or not, whether his physical strength was good or not, and whether his quality was high or not, all he wanted was for Hathaway to know.

He intended to use this opportunity to let the rumors come out, and as the P.R. Manager said, those women would stop coveting him because of this. That was a good thing, and it would be quiet around him.

"President Davis!" The P.R. manager was going to cry.

Leon didn't look up at him and waved his hand, "Go out and let them release it as normal."

The P.R. Manager met his first miserable failure. After going out, he was disheartened and wanted to resign.

So, about half an hour later, Albert received the news that Leon would not intervene and gloatingly called Leon, "Hey, that's a matter of a man's face, why don't you suppress it?"

Leon's tone was indifferent, "As long as your sister knows about my physical strength, others are not important."

Albert sensed the provocation in Leon's words and asked him back unhappily, "Aren't you going to stop the gossip about her and Henry either? Do you stand by and watch her being labeled as a loose woman again?"

Leon still spoke coldly, "I know what kind of person she is."

Albert snorted, "Do you know what kind of person she is? Do you know her well?"

Leon answered him with ease, "From the moment I knew I was her first man, I knew who she was."

Like other men in South City, he once thought she was as debauched, disgusting, and bottomless as those rumors said.

But after he came into contact with her, he found her bright, pure, kind, and cunning.

Albert was speechless by Leon's words, but he felt that Leon was owed a beating for saying so.

What did he mean by saying that Hathaway knew about his physical strength and he was her first man? It was obvious that Leon had bullied Hathaway.

Albert's stomach ached with anger. "If you put it that way, you and Hathaway can do whatever you want. I don't care about you."

Albert hung up the phone after finishing speaking, and at this moment, Hathaway happened to walk towards him with a smile. He was furious and reprimanded her with a long face, "Do you feel proud to announce in public that there is a problem with Leon?"

Hearing Albert's words, Hathaway realized that he knew about what happened in front of the hotel and said carelessly, "What does it have to do with me?"

She deliberately made up stories about Leon so that he was disgraced.

Besides, did Leon's problem have anything to do with her face?

Albert glared at her and gritted his teeth, "If you get together with Leon in the future, how you end up!"

How could she possibly feel proud when she found a man with male dysfunction as her husband and was criticized all the time for being unhappy?

Hathaway, "..."

Then she said in an indifferent tone, "Don't worry, we won't be together. Your assumption is invalid."

After a sunken glance at Hathaway with pursed lips, Albert ignored her and turned away.

Was his assumption invalid?

He felt that his assumption would be valid soon. Based on Leon's current state, she wouldn't be able to escape! Moreover, he heard that Leon was against Jason and persuaded Jason's ex-girlfriend to come to

South City to give Jason a hard time.

Albert didn't take the news about Leon seriously, how could he have male dysfunction?

After Albert left, Hathaway stood still reflecting on Albert's words and felt that he was a worrywart. She was afraid that Leon would kick her out after this, so how could they possibly be together?

Before Paul's birthday party started at noon, Hathaway's comments about Leon spread all over the internet, and everyone was talking about him.

The people who attended Paul's birthday party looked at Hathaway with complicated eyes. Only Paul didn't know about it because he didn't look at his mobile phone and the others deliberately hid it from him for the sake of his health. However, Hathaway looked calm as if nothing had happened. Halfway through the meal, Carl was the first to lose his cool, called Hathaway out and asked her sternly, "Is that true in the news?"

Carl didn't care if Leon had a problem, but he had always felt that Cynthia didn't strongly object to Hathaway being with Leon, so he had to ask Hathaway to clarify the issue. If Leon couldn't give her happiness in some way, it would be useless.

He was well aware of the importance of such a happy life for a woman. If Leon had a problem, he was completely out of the picture!

On several occasions, Carl would like to discuss with Cynthia whether to let Leon be out of the game and also wondered whether she still hated Adeline. However, that would inevitably mention Merlin. He didn't want to discuss her old lover with Cynthia, so he kept it to himself.

Hathaway pulled a wry face and explained, "Dad, if he has a problem, how did I get pregnant before?"

Hathaway just wanted to make up Leon's story, but she didn't expect that she would be implicated and have to explain it.

Carl, "..."

He had forgotten about it, but getting her pregnant was different from giving her a quality pregnancy.

CHAPTER 214 IT'S TIME TO FIGHT BACK.

Carl opened his mouth and wanted to discuss this with his daughter, but found it hard to say, "Er..."

Hathaway said promptly, "I know what you want to say. There's nothing wrong with him. I made up his story on purpose so that he would hate me and never pester me again."

Hearing Hathaway's words, Carl shifted the focus, "Is he pestering you again?"

Carl roared, "Bastard! I'm going to teach him a lesson!"

Hathaway stopped him quickly, "No, Dad, don't be angry. It's not your turn yet. I'm dealing with him myself, aren't I?"

Hathaway didn't want Carl to take action because that would inevitably involve the previous generation again. They had already been entangled for a long time, and they had better not have any more interactions in the future. Hathaway was satisfied with the way she was getting along with Cynthia and being pampered by Carl. If the past was involved, their peaceful life would be disrupted again.

Carl was a little reluctant, but chose to respect Hathaway's opinion, "Can you handle him?"

Hathaway took his arm and smiled brightly, "Yes, I have to. I've inherited a genius for upsetting people from you. Do you have no confidence in yourself?"

Carl glared at her and laughed, "Are you praising me or mocking me?"

Hathaway shook her head and said boastfully, "Of course, to praise you is to praise me."

It was not a bad thing to upset people, as this could prevent her from being bullied a lot less. Hathaway felt the need to take action against Bella and couldn't always allow her to give her a hard time in secret. She was previously worried about the Taylors Group and the Taylors, and the Taylors were no match for the Wilsons at that time, so she did not bother to deal with Bella.

But now it was different. She was Carl's daughter and Albert's younger sister. As Barry said, she could do whatever she wanted in South City, so it was time for her to fight back.

After Carl and Hathaway were back at the table, Paul looked at the two of them and Cynthia and said, "Here's the thing. I've wanted to tell you something since you recognized Hathaway."

"It's time to change Hathaway's name. Her surname is Feyrer after all." Paul paused for a moment and then said in a pleading tone, "But I hope you can keep her given name. I think it fits her temperament, pretty and intelligent. I did a lot of work to give her this name."

Paul's love and affection for Hathaway could be seen all in one name.

In Hathaway's generation, the genealogy required a two-character name, which was much more difficult to give than a three-character name, because it had to represent everything in a one-character given name.

Kenny's name implied a generous heart and brought all things hit vitality. Paul wanted him to manage the Taylor Group with such a feeling in mind.

Ashley's name represented her gentleness, innocence, and elegance.

And Hathaway's name represented her intelligence, beauty, and vivacity.

Each of these names was a tribute to his painstaking efforts, especially Hathaway's name, so Paul hoped that Carl and Cynthia could keep it.

After Paul's words, Carl, who was sitting next to him, laughed out loud and answered him straightforwardly, "I've discussed it with Cynthia. We won't change Hathaway's name and keep calling her that. The surname Taylor is for your kindness to her upbringing, and we think that her given name is good, so let's just leave it at that. Besides, she's not so young now and will not be used to changing her name."

After Carl finished his words, Cynthia said softly, "Yes, there's no need to change it. Let's keep calling her Hathaway."

Carl and Cynthia had discussed it in private and agreed that there was no need to change Hathaway's surname to Feyrer to represent her as their daughter. Carl was an unconventional person, while Cynthia was more reasonable. For Paul's sake, they felt no need to change it

Whether Hathaway's surname was Taylor or Feyrer, she was their precious daughter in their hearts.

Paul was surprised by their decision, "But she is a member of the Feyrers—"

Carl continued, "It's nothing. Don't bother about Hathaway's surname anymore! Even if Albert goes by another surname, I have no problem with that. They're my children no matter what their surnames are."

Albert, who was mentioned inexplicably, was speechless.

He never wanted to go by another surname, okay? Was it necessary for his father to use him to show his sincerity in not caring about Hathaway's surname?

Seeing this, Jessica began to provoke him, gently poked him in the waist with her hand, and leaned in to gloat in his ear, "How about you take my surname? After my dad is gone, my mom is also fond of you and want you to join my family."

Albert, "..."

It was so frustrating. He might be "tortured to death" by his father, sister, and wife. In South City, he was a formidable business leader!

Paul differed from Carl in personality. Paul was gentle, cautious, and even a little conservative, whereas Carl was not punctilious and didn't care about formalities. Paul thought that since Hathaway had found her biological parents, she would naturally take their surname, while Carl thought that her surname

didn't matter.

Of course, Carl was able to consider Paul's feelings and knew that Paul would feel sorry if Hathaway did not take the surname Feyrer, so he proposed, "Here's an idea. Let Hathaway keep her surname Taylor, and when she gets married and has a child, her child's name must have the character Feyrer in it, what do you think?"

As soon as Carl finished his proposal, Kenny took the lead to applaud before Paul could say something, "I think Uncle Carl's proposal is very good."

Then he said to Paul, "Dad, I think we should follow Uncle Carl's advice. After all, Hathaway has been using this name for over twenty years and it will be troublesome to change it now."

Kenny had to admit that Carl's proposal was a good solution to Paul's concerns.

Nick, Albert, and the others then all responded that it was a good proposal. Paul turned to look at Hathaway and asked, "Hathaway, what's your opinion?"

Hathaway held her cheeks and sighed with a frown, "I don't want to change it either. If I change my name, my phone number, ID card, bank cards, and all kinds of account numbers will have to be changed accordingly. It's too troublesome."

Hathaway didn't want to change her name and agreed that Carl's proposal was good.

Paul finally nodded, "Okay, it won't change."

Paul knew that their insistence on keeping Hathaway's name unchanged was a sign of respect and gratitude to him and accepted it.

## CHAPTER 215 SHE WILL MAKE A MESS OF HIS THREE MEALS A DAY.

Nick's attendance at Paul's birthday party was his first official visit to Ashley's father. Although he had been in contact with Paul many times before when he was in the hospital, it was not the same as being allowed to attend Paul's birthday party. It was an affirmation of his identity, so Nick was so nervous the whole time that he had no time to care about what happened to Leon.

Nick felt less nervous the first time he went on the operating table than when he faced Paul, his future father-in-law.

He was under too much psychological pressure because he was afraid that Paul would hate him because of his relationship with Leon.

It was only after lunch when the others were sitting there talking that Nick had the chance to call Leon, "Hey, did you just let Paul talk about you like that?"

Leon replied indifferently, "Yes."

She could say whatever she liked, but she needed to pay for what she said later.

Nick hesitated for a moment and finally asked, "You don't have a physical problem, do you?"

It was no wonder Nick was so suspicious that he didn't even know that Leon could cook after knowing him for so many years. Hence, it was not surprising that he didn't know about such an intimate thing.

Hearing Nick's question, Leon was angry and laughing, "You have a problem. It's said that a man in love is zero in intelligence. I think your IQ is negative now."

Nick had been an excellent student since he was a child, and later a top student of the medical college. With a little brainstorming on this matter, he could understand that Hathaway deliberately discredited him, but as a result, he was now asking if he had a problem.

Leon felt that Nick had a problem. He had become retarded because of Ashley.

Nick didn't get angry at Leon's words, but said with a smile, "Ashley can prove that I'm fine, but now Hathaway says that you have a problem."

Leon, "..."

Leon didn't bother to argue with Nick in such a childish manner and asked, "How about her? What's she doing?"

Nick knew who Leon was talking about and turned to glance at the girl who was chatting happily with Henry. Then he held back a smile and told Leon the truth, "She is flirting with that young man with good physical strength."

Leon responded to him coldly, "So now for the sake of Ashley, you can't get along with me and talk to me properly, can you?"

Upon hearing this, Nick corrected himself at once, "Fine, she's chatting with Henry."

Only then did Leon's tone soften a little, "Hang up if there's nothing else."

Nick ended the call speechlessly. Leon didn't mind Hathaway smearing him, did he?

How broad-minded he was!

If Ashley dared to say that about him, he must have punished her and made her stay in bed for several days.

But Nick thought that Leon had no chance to make Hathaway unable to get out of bed.

Hathaway was chatting happily with Henry and suddenly heard her mobile phone ring. Then she took it out to see and instantly lost her good mood because Leon sent her a message to remind her to be on time at the airport tomorrow morning.

Hathaway stared at the phone and gnashed her teeth in anger.

Shouldn't Leon be mad at her now? Should he not want to see her again? Why did he continue to ask her to come along on business trips?

Because of the message, Hathaway was in no mood for anything.

Henry frowned and asked her, "What's wrong?"

Hathaway put away her mobile phone, "It's nothing. You'll go back to Hong Kong tomorrow, and I have something to do somewhere else for a few days."

Hathaway didn't want anyone to know that she was going out alone with Leon, which was difficult for her to speak out. She wanted to distance herself from Leon, but now she was going out with him instead.

Henry was not easy to fool and immediately saw something in her uncomfortable expression, "Hathaway, don't tell me that you are going out with Leon, you—"

Before Henry could finish his words, Hathaway interrupted him, "I know we will never be together, and I don't want to have anything to do with him either."

Hathaway met Henry's gaze and slowly calmed down. Just now, she was annoyed by Leon's message and made a gaffe.

"Henry, I know what's between me and him." Hathaway looked relaxed and even a little hostile, "If he has to force it, I'll make him regret it."

Henry knew what Hathaway's expression meant. Although he didn't know what her plan was, he realized that she was up to something bad, so he asked her, "Are you going to do something to his company?"

Hathaway laughed, "Henry, you think too highly of me. Do you think I can shake the company under Leon's control? But it won't difficult for me to spoil his business when I go out with him this time."

Hathaway said and stroked her smooth chin thoughtfully. Seeing her expression, Henry laughed, "If you spoil it, aren't you afraid he'll strangle you?"

Hathaway snorted, "He'd better strangle me, or stay away from me!"

She had already smear Leon today, and if she were to spoil one more piece of his business, Leon would have to give her up after all this.

If Leon had to be with her, she would make a mess of his three meals a day and give him a headache 24 hours a day.

On the whole, the birthday party had a very pleasant atmosphere. After lunch, everyone ate the cake and then left separately. On the way out, Cynthia said to Hathaway, "If you want to stay for a few more days to accompany Mr. Taylor, you can stay. I'll ask for leave from the studio for you. Besides, I may have to go back a few days later. Your father insisted on taking me to your grandparents' graves and also said he had something else to do."

Grandparents here referred to Carl's parents.

Carl's father passed away when he was very young, and his mother died a few years ago because of her poor health. His childhood family was not well, or else he wouldn't have embarked on that path early. Now that Carl was reunited with Cynthia and finally got his former goddess, so he would take her to see his parents, even if it was just a formality.

Cynthia was important to Carl's entire life, not only because he loved her, but because she had changed his life.

If he hadn't met Cynthia, he wouldn't have known there was such a perfect woman in the world, and wouldn't have been so strict with himself to be worthy of her. Perhaps he would muddle through his life every day.

There was a saying that only when you had seen better did you realize how stupid you used to be and how much you didn't want to go back to your old life. Cynthia's presence showed him a better world outside and made him strict with himself as well as his son, so they were excellent and happy now.

#### CHAPTER 216 DON'T GIVE YOURSELF AWAY.

Hathaway had no opinion about Cynthia's arrangement with Carl and could understand Carl's decision to take Cynthia to his parents' graves, but she asked another question, "Don't you want me to go with you?"

She was going to honor her ancestors, wasn't she?

Cynthia took a look at Carl who was exchanging pleasantries with Paul not far away and chuckled, "Your father said that you'll go next time. After all, we have a tight time."

Both Cynthia and Carl thought that Hathaway would return to Hong Kong with Henry tomorrow, so Carl

didn't let Hathaway come along.

Hathaway felt that she had better tell Cynthia about her trip with Leon, so she pulled her aside and told her the truth. After hearing it, Cynthia didn't know what to say for a while and sighed helplessly, "You are really—"

Cynthia did not expect Leon to be so stubborn. Hathaway broke up with Leon just to live a quiet life and to completely break their relationships. But now because of Leon's entanglement, their grudges were becoming more and more complicated.

Hathaway conferred quietly with Cynthia, "Mom, don't tell my dad about this for now. I'm afraid he'll take his men to beat up Leon. I'll handle it myself, and if I can't, I'll ask you to help me."

Hathaway was not exaggerated, if Carl knew that Hathaway was going out alone with Leon for a few days, he would take his men to give Leon a good beating.

Cynthia frowned and asked, "Are you sure you can make Leon dislike you and have no thoughts about you?"

Cynthia had a sense that Leon was not easy to deal with.

Hathaway nodded confidently, "Don't worry. I've never been bullied or suffer a loss."

Even if she couldn't make Leon dislike her completely this time, she had to give Leon a headache.

Cynthia pondered and agreed, "Okay. I'll tell him that you're back in Hong Kong, so don't give yourself away, or else I'll be in trouble."

Cynthia uttered this sentence and coughed awkwardly. If Carl found out about this, he wouldn't get angry with her or reprimand her, but ... would punish her in another way.

Hathaway nodded knowingly, "Ms. Nelson, I won't get you into trouble."

Hearing this, Cynthia glared at her, while Carl just finished his conversation with Paul and came over to put his arm around Cynthia's waist. Cynthia struggled against it and didn't break free. In private, Carl often made intimate moves to her, but now in front of so many people, especially most of the younger generation, she felt very embarrassed.

However, Carl completely ignored her embarrassment, hugged her, and looked at Hathaway, "We're leaving first."

Hathaway repressed a smile and nodded, "Yes."

After everyone left, Paul was tired and Ashley helped him to rest.

Nick didn't leave but waited for Ashley.

Hathaway was also in the living room. Seeing her nonchalant expression, Nick couldn't help but speak up for Leon, "Hathaway, you're good!"

Hathaway heard Nick's unfriendly tone and knew that he was complaining for Leon, so she leaned lazily against the back of the sofa and played with her new nails, "It's his fault for messing with me."

With her head down, her long eyelashes with delicate make-up covered up all the emotions in her eyes. Nick couldn't tell if her words were true or not, but he felt very upset.

Nick had been friends with Leon for many years and was emotionally on his side, so he was not pleased with Hathaway's smearing Leon today.

But before Nick could say something, Ashley came out. Then he gave a glare at Hathaway and took Ashley out.

Kenny, who was always silent, came over and said to Hathaway, "Andrew sent a gift earlier, but Dad didn't take it."

"This is the right move. Cut ties with that family completely." Speaking of Andrew, Hathaway was filled with disgust.

Perhaps Hathaway had an unknown love for Andrew in her teenage years, but now the love had been ruined by him, leaving only disgust to him.

"Well..." Kenny nodded, "Dad has made a clean break with Uncle Tom and told them not to contact each other on festivals from now on."

Kenny asked Hathaway another question, "Do you know that Andrew has transferred Abby out of the mental hospital?"

"I know. I heard it from Jessica." The fact that Hathaway heard it from Jessica meant that Albert was the first to speak it out. Albert had always been much quicker and more accurate in receiving news than they were.

After weighing the advantages and disadvantages, Andrew decided to take Abby out of the mental hospital, because he felt that it was better to get her out of there and let her be prosecuted by Leon, Nick, and the others than to let her stay in the mental hospital all day long and be tortured into a real psychopath. After all, spending a few years in prison was better than in a mental hospital.

Kenny continued, "Anyway, Abby won't escape punishment. With her personality, it will be purgatory for her wherever she is."

Abby was not a tolerant person and had not suffered much since childhood. Even though she was released from the mental hospital, she had to endure a long and boring prison life. Hope that Abby and Barbara would start life anew after getting out of the prison, otherwise, that was their life.

The next day, Hathaway was at the airport with Henry, but they were not on the same flight. Henry was returning to Hong Kong, while Hathaway was flying to X City, a second-tier city that she had never been to before. It was the destination of Leon's business trip.

Henry's flight left first, so Hathaway gave him a send-off.

Leon arrived at the airport shortly after Hathaway and Henry arrived, and Hathaway wondered why he came so early when there was some time before their flight took off. She came early to see Henry off.

However, Hathaway didn't want to talk to Leon. After checking in their luggage, she went straight to see Henry off, but Leon followed them at a leisurely pace.

Hathaway turned back in annoyance and warned him in a low voice, "Please don't follow us, okay?"

Hathaway covered herself up today. Thanks to Bella, she became a celebrity again in South City, so she deliberately wore a hat with a big brim and sunglasses, and also asked Henry to keep a low profile to cover up to avoid being watched or attacked by crowds in public places like the airport.

As a result, Leon, who was even more famous in South City, came to the airport without any cover-up.

There were now rumors all over the South City that he had male dysfunction. Wasn't he embarrassed?

## **CHAPTER 217 DESERTER HATHAWAY**

That was why Hathaway asked Leon to stay away from them. She didn't want people to know that she would be leaving on the same flight with Leon later.

With one hand in his trouser pocket, Leon walked with his long legs and looked at her, "Aren't you going to see him off? I'll go with you."

Hathaway wanted to say that she didn't need his company and knew the way.

However, she didn't want to have too much communication with Leon in such a public place, so she had to pause and say to Henry, "Go by yourself, and I won't see you off."

If she went on to send Henry on the plane and Leon kept following them, she would be recognized sooner or later.

So she had to stop it, and Henry wasn't happy. All of a sudden, he caught sight of Leon's smile and deliberately wanted to ruin his mood. He went up to give Hathaway a big hug and said to Hathaway in a

reluctant tone, "Go back to Hong Kong early, otherwise, I will miss you."

Hathaway got goosebumps all over by Henry's intimacy, which caused Leon to be gloomy and purse his lips.

Henry embraced Hathaway with one hand and continued to tenderly instruct as if Leon was not here, "When you come back, call me in advance and I will pick you up at the airport."

"Okay," Hathaway responded with a smile. Henry was satisfied to see Leon's sunken face before releasing Hathaway. Then he waved to Hathaway and turned away.

Henry understood that if Hathaway could fall in love with him, she would have done so during those years in London.

He also knew that a girl like Hathaway, who was independent with a unique personality, would not easily forget him once she fell in love with a man because she thought she had made the best choice.

And Leon was the one she had loved and the best one for her.

They just broke up for more than a month, so how could she easily forget Leon?

He knew that he had no future with her, but he just couldn't control himself and wanted to insist on it.

After Henry left, Hathaway didn't look at Leon, reached down her hat, and ran into the washroom next to her, leaving him no chance to pull her. He stood there looking at Hathaway who disappeared into the women's washroom and couldn't help but smile.

Was this what she claimed to do to make him hate her?

In this way, she was a deserter, wasn't she?

Hathaway did flee because she didn't want to walk side by side with Leon.

She was sure they would be recognized within a few steps if they walked side by side, so what could she do if she didn't run away?

As soon as she ducked into one seat in the bathroom, Hathaway heard girls outside discussing. Girl A said, "Is that man Leon just now?"

Girl B answered, "He seemed to be."

Girl C sighed, "Alas, I just passed him by, but I have to admit he has a good temperament. From a closer view, he is handsome, and his features are sharp-featured and charming, but unfortunately—"

This girl swallowed back the words on the tip of her tongue, but other people around knew what she wanted to say.

Girl D said, "It's no wonder that Hathaway didn't hesitate to dump him. He has male dysfunction. Even if he is a rich man, it is useless."

Hathaway, "..."

She bit her lip slightly, and a trace of guilt crossed her pretty face. Was it too much for her to treat Leon like this? After all, he was a man with identity, status, and fame, but now she disgraced him...

The next second, she snorted and thought that it was his fault for pestering her endlessly to make her uncomfortable.

At this time, her phone rang, and it was from Leon. Hathaway pursed her lips and picked it up, however, she immediately wanted to kick the door in anger.

She heard Leon call her on the other end of the line, "Deserter Taylor."

He was satirizing her behavior of hiding in the bathroom. How sharp-tongued he was!

Hathaway gritted her teeth in anger, "You're a deserter. I'm in a hurry to go to the bathroom, okay?"

Leon chuckled and continued, "You know exactly how it is. Come out quickly, and I'll wait for you in the airport lounge."

With that, Leon hung up the phone, and Hathaway was furious.

Hathaway came out in a huff, washed her hands, and straightened her outfit in the mirror to make sure no one would recognize her before she walked out.

The tickets Leon bought for himself and Hathaway were first class. There were not many people in the VIP airport lounge and it was early now, so only Leon was there. Hathaway went straight to the seat farthest from Leon, sat down, and then bowed her head to play with her mobile phone, leaving Leon alone.

As for Leon, he sat there with long legs folded and looked through the magazine gracefully. When he saw her sitting far away from him, he just took a glance at her and didn't force her to do anything.

Hathaway calmed down and remembered that she would fight back against Bella.

Hathaway had endured Bella several times. She preferred Bella to stand up and fight against her openly. For example, when they both wanted Leon, she should stand up so that they could try to win Leon's heart by their own means, and was willing to accept defeat.

But Bella never showed up and had been always slandering her in secret. Especially when she was being scolded the most, Bella manipulated the media and public opinion to trample her into the mud even more, which made Hathaway despise Bella.

So after lounging on the sofa and thinking about it for a while, Hathaway got up, walked to Leon, and asked, "Lend me your boarding pass."

Hathaway intended to take a picture of her and Leon's boarding pass together and send it to Bella to ruin her good mood.

Seeing her traveling with Leon, Bella would get into a rage.

Hathaway didn't feel that there was anything wrong with her tactics, as Bella had first injured her secretly. She was just serving Bella with the same sauce.

After hearing her words, Leon refused without looking up, "No, I won't lend it to you."

Hathaway, "..."

She gritted her teeth in anger and was about to say something, but heard Leon spoke, "Take off your sunglasses first."

Hathaway had been wearing a big hat and sunglasses because she wanted to cover herself from being recognized, and even now she hadn't taken them off in the airport lounge. As a result, Leon asked her to take them off.

Hathaway was furious, "Why are you being so picky? Do my sunglasses bother you?"

Leon closed the magazine in his hands and looked up at her, "Yes. I feel uncomfortable not seeing your eyes. Your eyes are very beautiful."

This pair of eyes were dazzling, charming, and bright.

Hathaway, "..."

She never expected to hear Leon's sudden honeyed words, so she froze there and her face burned with shame.

**CHAPTER 218 SITTING IN HIS ARMS** 

In the past, it could be said that when Hathaway got along with Leon, she was in an active position most of the time.

She took the initiative to approach and provoke Leon, to get him by pregnancy, and to sweet talk the

atmosphere between them...

On the other hand, Leon's attitude towards Hathaway was always lukewarm, except of course when he was out of control in bed.

So now that Leon suddenly switched to such a tactic, Hathaway was caught off guard.

She thought that Leon only spoke sarcastic words but not sweet ones and that he had no warmth but coldness.

Just as Hathaway froze there, Leon reach out to remove the sunglasses from Hathaway's nose bridge, looked straight into her beautiful eyes, and asked, "What do you want my boarding pass for?".

Hathaway came back to her senses and was annoyed at his overbearing behavior of taking off her sunglasses, so he grunted back, "Don't ask it. I have my use for it."

Leon squinted and smiled wantonly, "Beg me and I'll lend it to you."

Hathaway, "..."

She stared at his handsome face for a while and said acidly, "No way. Forget it."

Then she turned away.

Leon suddenly tugged on her arm and slid his hand down to take hers. The moment their skin touched, the warmth of his palm spread into Hathaway's, causing her palm to be numb and her heart to tremble. After that, she realized that she was bullied unknowingly, and angrily tried to shake him off.

Leon held her hand a little harder and dragged her into his arms, or rather into his lap, and then wrapped his arms around her waist with unbridled intimacy.

Hathaway was very speechless. Where did Leon learn to do this? He even put on a vulgar show of letting her sit on his lap in the airport lounge.

When she caught sight of someone coming in at the door of the VIP airport lounge, she had no time to handle Leon and hastily jumped off his lap. At this point, she wanted to kick him!

Leon slipped his boarding pass into Hathaway's hand before the outsider came in, lending it to her.

Hathaway took his boarding pass, gave him a fierce glare, and then returned to her seat.

That man was also waiting for his first-class flight and took a seat nearby after coming in. Hathaway let out a sigh of relief, as long as she wasn't alone with Leon. She was so angry that he had just held her hand and dragged her into his arms.

Hathaway sat down on her seat and calmed down her annoyance at being molested by Leon. Then she took out her boarding pass and took a picture of it with Leon's. The names of both Hathaway and Leon on the boarding pass, as well as the flight number, seat number, and destination were clearly visible.

Hathaway was very satisfied with the photo she had taken, but when she wanted to send it to Bella, she realized that she didn't have Bella's phone number.

When Hathaway was in South City before, she had received several messages from Bella on her old mobile phone and kept her number. But after arrived in Hong Kong, she changed her number, so she didn't remember Bella's number.

Hathaway looked up at Leon, who was sitting a short distance away across from her, and found that he was opening his laptop he was carrying and resting it on his long legs to focus on his work.

His eyes and brows were deep and distant. His expression was serious and attentive. And his strong muscular lines were hidden under his white slim-fit shirt. One sentence flashed through Hathaway's mind, "Wear clothes that make you look thin, and take them off that makes you look fat."

As Hathaway watched Leon fascinated, he suddenly looked up at her, with a trace inquiry in his eyes. Hathaway looked down in embarrassment and texted him on her phone, "Send me Bella's number."

Leon answered tersely, "I haven't."

Hathaway angrily texted him, "How could you not have it? You had her number on your phone before, didn't you?"

Hathaway remembered that Bella made a phone call to Leon after returning home from abroad, and she saw the word "Bella" displayed on Leon's phone. Now he told her that he didn't have Bella's number, which showed that he was making trouble for her.

Leon replied calmly, "I've deleted it."

When he was disgusted with Bella, he deleted her number. Bella called him several times later, but he never kept her number in his phone again, so it was true for him to say that he did not know Bella's number now.

Hathaway did not expect such a reply from Leon. She looked up at Leon and found that his expression was magnanimous as if he wasn't lying or deliberately trying to embarrass her. Then she took her eyes off him.

She trusted him for the time being.

She couldn't get Bella's phone number, so she sent the photo she had taken to Albert and asked him to

help her to let Bella see it. It was a piece of cake for Albert. Soon Bella saw the photo and trembled with anger.

Bella was angry and desperate.

She was angry that Hathaway and Leon were together again, that he was so obsessed with Hathaway, and that Hathaway deliberately sent such a photo to make her jealous.

Her despair came from Adeline's indifference and her brother, Jason's recent deep trouble.

Why on earth was this?

What was Bella so inferior to Hathaway that Leon couldn't even look up to her?

Bella took several deep breaths, forced herself to calm down slowly, and then took the phone to call Adeline.

Because Bella knew how deep the grudges between Adeline and Cynthia were in the past, she was sure that even though Adeline had given in to Leon's stubbornness, she still had a grudge against Hathaway and Cynthia and would not accept Hathaway for a moment, so she grudgingly told Adeline about Hathaway's trip with Leon.

Now that she was uncomfortable, she had to drag Adeline along with her to be uncomfortable. She couldn't be alone in her torment, could she?

When Adeline heard what Bella said, she was shocked, "What? Did they go to X City together?"

How could this possible?

Adeline knew about Paul's 60th birthday, so she also knew that Hathaway came back, not to mention the fact that Hathaway smeared Leon that he had male dysfunction...

However, Adeline didn't expect them to travel together. Normally, even if Leon insisted on asking for it, with Hathaway's character, she would be unable to continue to entangle with him.

Adeline couldn't understand what the reason was and only knew that the more she thought about it, the more her head ached, and the more she ... despaired, because her son, Leon, would take no one but Hathaway to wife, but she couldn't stop it.

CHAPTER 219 LEON IS AFRAID OF FLYING.

Adeline felt a rush of despair and said to Bella feebly, "I know it..."

Bella continued reluctantly, "Aunt Adeline, aren't you angry? Leon is such an excellent man, why does he have to be obsessed with Hathaway? What's more, Hathaway's slander has disgraced him..."

Bella quietly belittled Hathaway and provoked Adeline's limits as a mother. Any mother would be furious to hear her son being vilified like that, not to mention Adeline's personality.

Unsurprisingly, Adeline began to have mood swings and said in a resentful tone, "As a girl, she even talked about such things openly and didn't consider other people's feelings. She has the same temperament as her uneducated father!"

Adeline wanted to say more, but she felt a terrible headache and was in no mood to dwell on it with Bella, "I'm not feeling well, so I'll hang up first..."

On the other end of the line, Bella gripped her phone and sneered. Even though she realized that she couldn't be with Leon, she would not stand by and watch Hathaway live happily with Leon.

As long as she was in South City, she would do something to upset them.

After ending her call with Bella, Adeline leaned back on the sofa in pain and rubbed her forehead vigorously.

She has been having a terrible time lately. Not only did she not sleep well at night, but she was so preoccupied during the day that she always suffered from headaches.

She had thought that Leon's life should be on the right track after Hathaway went to Hong Kong, but instead, he had been going off track.

When Adeline's headache eased off, she picked up her phone and called Leon. Leon in the airport lounge found that the caller ID was Adeline and looked up at Hathaway across from him. She was reading a magazine leisurely, and Leon shook his head in amusement because he had guessed what she had just done from the moment she asked him for his boarding pass.

Now his mother called him, presumably as a result of her earlier behavior.

As expected, he picked up the phone and heard Adeline questioning him on the other end of the line, "Leon, why did you go out with Hathaway? Why are you still pestering her after her slanderous remarks about you?"

Leon denied flatly, "I'm not with her."

"Is this true?" Adeline said in surprise, "But Bella said that someone sent her a photo of your trip together—" Adeline broke off with these words because she exposed Bella in her haste.

Hearing this, Leon sneered silently, "Mom, don't you know the PS technique for editing photos? Maybe Bella processed that photo to deliberately try to manipulate you against me."

Leon made up a story in a serious manner, and it should be said that he was casting the blame on Bella.

After knowing what Hathaway had done, Leon guessed that Adeline would call him. Bella must be unwilling to be annoyed by Hathaway like that, and the measures she would take must be to sow dissension with his mother. Therefore, he felt at ease when he framed Bella in a false light now. It was Bella who made the first move.

Adeline felt incredulous and muttered, "Bella is not the kind of person like you said..."

Leon explained to Adeline sincerely and earnestly, "Mom, I think it is necessary for you to re-understand her. Sometimes, appearances are mostly false."

For example, Bella's gentle and generous appearance hid such a vicious mind, while Hathaway's infamous reputation hid her cleanliness and purity.

When Adeline wanted to say something more, Leon spoke again, "Well, I'm going to board the plane, so I'll hang up first."

After hanging up the phone, Leon gripped his phone and smiled coolly. He never felt that he was a good person because in this way he would not be able to survive in the treacherous commercial battlefield full of infighting.

Since Bella was always secretly sabotaging, he would let her take the consequences one day.

When that happened, she wouldn't blame him for being too ruthless.

The airport lounge was quiet, so Hathaway heard the phone conversation between Leon and Adeline and then put on a shocked and dumbfounded look. This was the first time she had seen Leon lie so brazenly.

He was ... lying through his teeth.

Hathaway didn't remember when Leon was no longer so aloof and indifferent in her eyes. Now he seemed to have receded from his halo and become an ordinary person.

But after her astonishment, Hathaway felt warm inexplicably, because what Leon did was tantamount to him and her being on the same side against Bella. He would rather lie to defend her to make Bella embarrassed...

Hathaway was distracted by the thought of this. At this time, she would prefer Leon to treat her badly, but he was good to her.

He had been treating her well since she had provoked with him.

Hathaway raised her hand to cover her face and reminded herself that she couldn't keep thinking like this, otherwise, she was afraid that she would be shaken.

After boarding the plane, they sat next to each other. Then Hathaway fastened her seat belt, put on her blindfold, and began to close her eyes to rest, refusing to have any interaction with Leon or see stewardess' nymphomaniac eyes him.

Leon did not bother her, and they went about their business in peace.

When the plane took off and rose into the sky, Leon suddenly tightened his grip on Hathaway's hand on her lap.

Hathaway angrily pulled down her blindfold to glare at the playboy next to her and growled, "Leon, you're addicted to bullying me, aren't you?"

Leon turned to look at her with a solemn expression, "I'm scared."

Hathaway was angry and laughed at his words, "Scared? President Davis, is this your first time to fly?"

Hathaway instinctively felt that his words were an excuse for his shameless behavior.

"This is not my first time, and I've never been afraid before," Leon looked at her with deep eyes and continued, "Now I'm afraid because I'm reluctant after some good experiences. For example, I haven't yet started my family and career, I haven't had children, and I haven't enjoyed living with my beloved girl. So I'm afraid of leaving the world in an accident, which will make me have too much regret."

Hathaway looked at him in a daze, as if she didn't know Leon in front of her.

Her palm began to moisten uncontrollably in his grip, and a fine sweat oozed out, unsure if it was the heat of his palm or his burning eyes.

# **CHAPTER 220 STAYING IN A ROOM**

When Leon said this in front of Hathaway, he didn't mean to put on a show for her, nor did he say such nice words to tease her, but he revealed his inward feelings.

He was truly afraid.

He was afraid that life would be too short for him to experience his good life.

He was afraid that the accident would come before tomorrow because he had so many regrets.

Hathaway finally looked away from Leon's hot eyes and tried to withdraw her hand, but Leon's grip was so tight that she couldn't break free. She had no choice but to pull on her blindfold in anger and let him hold it like that.

What else could she do? She couldn't make a scene with him on the plane, could she?

As soon as the plane flew smoothly, Hathaway withdrew her hand, but Leon did not hold her hand by force this time.

It was a two-hour flight from South City to X City.

Hathaway closed her eyes to rest for a while, put on her headphones, and looked down at her fashion magazine, while Leon was working on his computer. She caught a glimpse of his slender and beautiful fingers dancing on the keyboard, and then her heart pounded as her eyes fixed on his ring finger.

Seeing the wedding ring she had designed on his finger, Hathaway didn't know how to describe her mood.

She was in disbelief, amazement, anger, and shame, but more than that, her mind was in turmoil.

However, she thought back to their reunion after the breakup. From the last time in Hong Kong to the dinner with Albert and the others that night and then when they were at the airport just now, she didn't notice he was wearing the ring. Did he wear it during her nap?

What was he up to?

Now that they had broken up, why was he wearing a ring designed by her? What was more, she had wanted to take back the ring long ago and didn't want to give it to him.

Hathaway couldn't stay calm anymore, so she pulled off her earphones, glared at Leon, and whispered, "The ring?"

Leon turned to look at her calmly, "What?"

Hathaway pointed at the ring on his left ring finger and complained in discontent, "Why are you wearing this ring?"

Leon continued to ask rhetorically, "What's wrong with it?"

Hathaway pursed her lips and stared at him for a while, and at the same time, she felt a deep contempt for his behavior of playing the fool.

But then she laughed derisively, "President Davis, don't you know that a ring on your ring finger means you're married? As an eligible bachelor, you're breaking other women's minds on you by doing this.

Leon gave a charming smile, "Aren't other women's minds on me completely broken by you?"

With that, Leon leaned over to her, as if he was whispering in her ear, "Hathaway, I never knew that you were so possessive of me. To break other women's minds on me, you even didn't hesitate to make up a rumor that I have male dysfunction."

Hathaway felt like she was going to faint with anger.

The reason why she started the rumor was to smear him to make him lose face. But as a result, he misinterpreted that she did it to stop other women from robbing him.

To tell the truth, she didn't mean that!

Hathaway didn't believe that Leon didn't know her intention, but he deliberately turned it upside down on her. When they used to be together, Leon was speechless with anger, but now it was her turn!

Hathaway stared at her, while Leon looked down at the ring in his finger and said coldly, "I don't need them to love me or put their minds on me."

He only wanted one person's love.

Hathaway averted her eyes from Leon with a pout, put her headphones back on, and didn't want to talk to him anymore.

Hathaway caught the meaning of his words that he didn't need those women to love him but only her love for him.

She wanted to love him, too. Unfortunately, she couldn't afford his love, nor could she not love him.

After getting off the plane, a special car came to pick them up and take them to the hotel. When they checked in at the hotel reception, Hathaway burst with anger again because Leon had only booked one room.

Hathaway couldn't share a room with Leon, so she urged him to book another room. However, the receptionist apologetically explained, "Miss, X City is holding a global business cooperation meeting in the next few days. The hotel is fully booked for these days, and there is no room available."

With a sincere attitude, the receptionist didn't seem to be lying, "It's not that we don't want to give you another room, but there is no room available."

Hathaway knew about this meeting in X City because Leon was here to attend this business meeting and a few other business negotiations, but she didn't want to share a room with Leon at all. Then she took out her mobile phone and thanked the receptionist, "Okay, I know. Please check this gentleman in first. I'll use my phone to see if there is a room available in the surrounding hotels."

The receptionist kindly reminded her at once, "As far as I know, there aren't rooms available around

here. The high-end hotels are all booked by the company executives who come to attend this meeting, while the lower-end hotels are full of staff and volunteers."

Hathaway didn't give up and searched the hotel desperately on her phone while Leon was checking in, but there were indeed no vacancies.

This frustrated Hathaway. Leon came over and whispered to her, "I've booked a large suite, so you'll sleep on the bed and I'll sleep on the sofa in the outer room."

Hathaway stared at him, ground her teeth, and sneered, "If Warren came with you today, could you book one room?"

Hathaway was not a babe in the wood and knew well that Leon must not be doing this with good intentions, so she deliberately retorted him in this way.

Leon smiled at her, "There are no assumptions in this world. Today you are here with me."

Hearing this, Hathaway rolled her eyes at him, turned to the hotel reception, and took out her ID card to check-in.

After entering the large suite, Hathaway went straight into the bedroom and left Leon to sleep on the outside sofa. A while later, she came out with her suitcase, dropped it in front of him, and bent down to open it. Then she stood there with her hands around her arms and said to Leon, "Excuse me, I came back to South City just for one day this time, so I only brought a change of clothes. Since you've brought me here, you're responsible for my clothes, right?"

Hathaway started to make things difficult for Leon on purpose.

She actually brought more than one outfit with her. As a girl who pursued beauty and worked in fashion design, she always brought a suitcase of clothes with her wherever she went and no matter how many days she stayed. Even if she didn't wear them, she would feel safe with enough clothes.