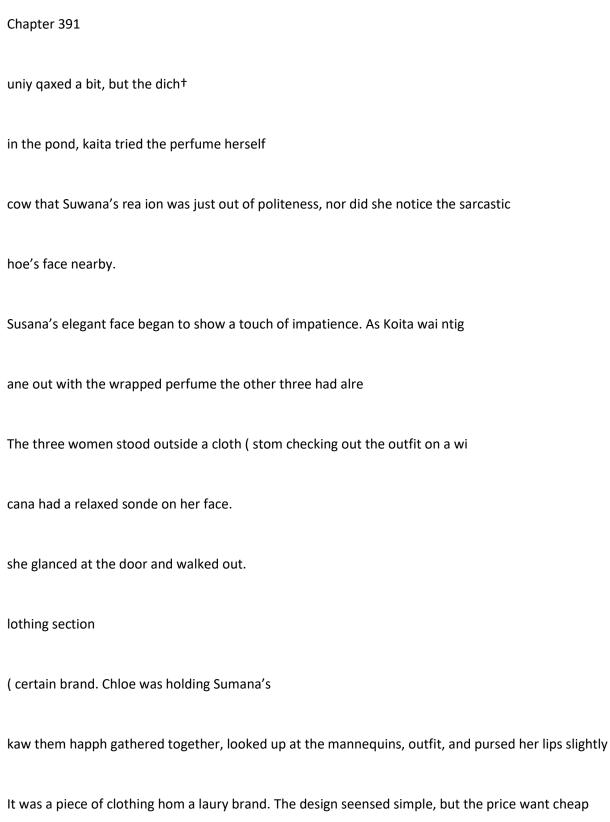
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Before long, they stated aimlessly strolling around again. kera wen 10 where they had just stood and bought the outfit in Susana s size "The w ing Susana's hand wandered around, and eventually eased out of the luxury section. The crowd grew thicket and the clothes looked more appealing erfume becomes stronger when it's hot, especially when mixed with sweat, it can have unexpected effects. But after a while, the sam pate a lot Be patient, break, some sweat, and the perfume will diffuse faster Chloe Bard Susana nodded with a smile. "Thanks to you" Keira watched the two of them closely her fists clenched and a gloomy look showed on her face Why was it that despite her careful service to Susana, all she got was a cold attitude wale Chloes casual attitude was more favored? Before meeting Susana today, she had carefully dressed herself up Why did Chloe, in casual clothing a white blouse, and a dark gray skirt, receive a

Biting her teeth, Keira caught up and handed the expensive dress she'd just bought to Susana

"Susana, | xaw you liked this dress earlier Take Keira said.

Susana looked down at the logo on the bag her eyebrows furrowed slightly "No need, it's too expensive"

How could that be" if you like it, take it I'm giving you a gift, i don't care about the price" Kera said.

"No I cant take it" Susana said. "Susana don't be polite with me!" ra thought Susana was being polite But Suxana pushed her hand away turned to Chloe and Rose and said somewhat weanly "Im a bit tired let's find a place to rest "Sure" Chloe agreed, but Susana tumed and walked away first Keira stood there, biting her fig, embarrassed and not knowing what to do. "Chloe, did you say something to Mrs Watson Speaking ill of others behind their back, don't you think it's boring" Keira said. Chloe looked at her and smiled slightly. I dont have as much time as you to speak ill of others. If you think I've done that, you can tell her bad things about me tell her how I framed you before? Let Mrs. Watson know just how vicious I am?" Chapter 392 Choe eneered. Tien a koolide like you wouldn't dare to poll such a stunt in hart of Mrs Watson, let alone anyone Au Chloe spoka, she took a step towarch, kera, ber voren dripping with ice cold disdain. Thought I would need to put some effort into securing the investment. But Keira. who would have thought it would be the many Lance really thought he could win the Watson family's investment through you? What the hell was he thinking? Chloe dart continue but mahead broke into a kiswing amuck

kera felt a bwinge of pain. What do you meant

(Nya he beat with a macking kook. "Why should I tell you?! With that she ignited keira and walked away bled with anger. She had been so careful, not daring to let her guard down for a second. Who did Chloe think she was? or walked over to Susana. After a brief discussion, they decided to chill at a dessert shop. After canfully asking about Susana a preferences, Chloe didn't get her She and Rowe also got themta Yes some it cream Keira, on a diet, just ordden Susana was thrilled to see the ice cream. How did you know Hove having ice cream while shopping! ** Ded and nodded. "Who doesn't enjoy shopping with ice cream in hand" As Susana chatted more with Chloe, she found it increasingly riyoyable. After finishing their ice cream, they seemed to be recharged and continued shopping The the became fa duar with each other laughing and joking around, like besties. However, the one totally left out was Kaira She was holding fancy perfume and fur packaging, and her carefully chosen high heels were now a burden, causing her feet unbearable pain. She gritted her teeth and persevered. Every time Susana was about to pay for something, she would always rush to pay first. Yet, Chloe and Rose just provided opinions and ined indflyfert

Each time this happened, ra felt Chloe must be embarrassed, thinking CMor was missing out on opportunties and passing them to her instead. They went shopping and all Chloe did was treat her to a cheap ice cream and then remained silent when it was time to show off?

each time she volunteered to pay Susana gently declined. Towards the end. Súsana began outright refusing

After shopping, Chloe said, "Td like to take some 8 City specialties back Mrs Watson, could you recommend some for me?"

Susana was taken aback. "Oh! How could I forget about that" Come with me. I'll show you?

in the end. Susana paid for the B City specialties for all three of them. Keira felt incredibly awkward Looking at the simple pastries in her hand, she wanted to decline

However Chloe just thanked her and without any hesitation accepted Susana's gift. Rose didn't refuse either

Thank you so much, Mrs. Wation. Next time you visit P City, please let me know. I'll show you around" Chloe said

"Sounds good. We can enjoy ice cream together then" Susana said

Chice laughed it off. That's a must!"

At that moment, a luxurious bla car pulled up at the entrance of the shopping mall Chapter 393

Susana instantly recognized her car and quickly gestured for Chloe to keep it zipped

Chloe blinked rapidly, then hugged the local specialties in her arms tightly

Then, the car door opened, and out came Angie, tall and commanding a vibe of nobility surrounding him, his handsome face more mature under the wear and tear of time

The party last night was packed, so Keira hadn't laid eyes on Angie. Today was her first time getting a close up look at him, and she was a bit smitten

Was it possible for a guy to be this good-looking?

Angie's aloof gaze swept over everyone, not lingering on anyone for too long, finally resting on his wife. His cold eyes instantly warmed up, he strode towards Susana. casually slinging his arm over her shoulder, "Done with your shopping spree?"

"Mm-hm." Susana nodded with a smile.

Two seconds later, Angie frowned, lowered his head to look at his wife, and asked quietly. "What's that smell on you?"

Susana sighed softly and glanced helplessly at Chloe, who gave her a comforting look.

Keira snapped back to reality, hurried over and handed her perfume and fur, "Mrs. Watson, these are for you"

Susana's gentle expression turned icy in an instant, "It's fine, Keira"

Keira felt a little awkward, and she looked at Angie, hoping he would back her up

Angie took a glance at the perfume bag in Keira's hand, his eyes turned cold.

"Let's go. Time for a bath" He said, didn't give Keira another look, and got into the car with his wife.

Keira just stood there dumbfounded, her face flushed.
Susana got in the car, and rolled down the window, "Chloe, did you get enough rest this afternoon? Come over for dinner tonight, okay?"
Chloe responded with a polite smile, "Won't I be intruding?"
"Nah You must come, I want you to try my cooking" Susana said.
"Really? Then I'll definitely come! But just to warn you, I'm a big eater Chloe said.
"No problem! And Rose, you must come too!" Susana said.
"Sure!" Rose chimed in instantly
After confirming with the two, the car window rolled up and the car slowly drove away. Chloe retracted her gaze, shot Keira a cold look, and snickered inwardly
"Rose, let's go Chloe said
"Okay" Rose said
Just as they were about to leave, Keira blocked them
"Chloe! What did you say to Mrs Watson? Do you have any idea how crucial the Watson family's investment is to Lance?" Keira asked
Chloe frowned, her tone dripping with sarcasm and indifference, "What's it to me if Lance needs the investment or not?"

She paused, then slowly moved closer to Keira, "Actually, because he's so intent on this investment, I'm going to snatch it from him. I helped build the Olson Group from scratch, so now I'm going to tear it down, piece by piece! You know why? Not just because tance betrayed me, but because of you"

Chloe got closer to Keira, each word she said was like a sharp dagger, stabbing Keira's heart over and over again, I reclaim everything you took from me Everything you care about, I'm going to destroy, bit by bit"

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Keira suddenly felt a wave of fear wash over her, causing her legs to give way. Without warning, she found herself sat on the floor, all the things in her hands scattered around her, creating a rather awkward scene.

Chloe slowly stood up, looking down at her from above, "Don't question me. Keira, at least for now, the Watson family's investment is out of the Olson Group's reach"

Leaving behind these cold words, Chloe turned around and left with Rose. However, they hadn't gotten far before a black car pulled up in front of them.

After the car window rolled down, the man inside was revealed to be Damon.

"Get in Damon said

Chloe was surprised by his sudden appearance, but obediently got into the car nonetheless.

"Why are you here? Chloe asked.

"How could I not worry when you're not around?" Damon's face looked rather unhappy. He had only been gone for a few hours, yet when he came back, she was nowhere to be found

Rose chuckled from the side, "Look at you, all worried. You seriously think someone's going to kidnap Chloe?"

Damon didn't reply, and just shot her a cold glare

Rose's smile faltered, making her look a bit awkward, "You really thought someone might take her away?"

After a moment of stunned silence, she burst into laughter. Elbowing Chloe, she laughed till tears streamed down her face.

"Chloe, you're something else! Look at Damon, he's practically ready to keep you by his side 24/7. What exactly did you do to our boss?" Rose asked.

Chloe smiled and quickly buckled her seatbelt.

"If I hear you laugh again, I kick you out of the car!" Damon's cold voice held a clear warning, his expression becoming even more gloomy, which made Rose immediately stop laughing

Chloe, who was sitting next to him, glanced at him and felt that nothing seemed out of the ordinary. She pursed her lips, a look of confusion in her eyes

Rose rolled her eyes, her gaze falling on the rearview mirror where she saw Keira still sitting on the ground. Her smile slowly faded, "Chloe, when we arrived at the mall, you went straight for the luxury section. Did you already guess that Keira and Mrs. Watson would be here?"

Chloe's gaze also fell on Keira, but she arrogantly looked away.

"She's used to being pampered. Now that she needs to please others, she naturally does things based on her own preferences. Unfortunately for her, Susana is not like her." Chloe said

Rose nodded. "Yeah! Susana is the wife of a major corporation's CEO. She could get whatever she wants. Keira is really working herself to the bone, flattering her, and all for nothing"

Chloe's expression was cold, "Susana is the real power player in B City How could she tolerate an outsider messing with her status? Keira always likes to show off, repeatedly behaving rudely. It's no surprise she's not liked"

Rose sneered, "Most importantly, her character sucks! Time will reveal all truths Lance will realize how wrong he was to be involved with her!"

Chice looked out the window and casually said, "The world is full of people like Lance"

Chapter 395

After taking a shower, Chloe found Damon lounging on the sofa outside the suite, his tall figure exuding an aura of dignity and pride.

There he was, gazing out at the artificial azure sea beyond the window with a cool and profound look God only knew what was going through his head.

Chloe felt a bit anxious and slowly made her way to sit next to him.

A delicate fragrance wafted over, and Damon turned his head to look at her, a gentle smile spreading across his face.

He stretched out his arm to pull her into his embrace, and Chloe willingly leaned into him.

"What's up with you" Chloe asked

"Hmm? Damon didn't respond directly.

"You look like you've got something on your mind?" Chloe said.

Damon's eyes deepened, he nodded, his large hand gently running through her hair, "Yeah, got a bit on my plate."

Chloe looked up at him from his embrace, "If you've got something on your mind, spit it out. Maybe I can help."

Damon looked down at her, their faces close. Even though they had been together for a long time, Chloe still felt a little overwhelmed every time she was this close to his handsome face

How could there be such a good-looking man in this world?

Damon looked at Chloe's focused gaze, couldn't help but brush her hair behind her ear, his eyes never leaving her face.

Then he suddenly leaned down and kissed her, his voice low and slightly hoarse, "You're my trouble. What do you think we should do about it?"

Chloe was startled by his words, she hadn't expected to be so drawn to his voice. Turned out, she was just another gal who lost her mind over handsome guys! Remembering Damon's words, her face instantly turned red

"Heh." Damon broke into a smile. This woman, always a few beat behind.

He playfully pinched her chin, chuckling lightly, "What were you thinking just now?"

Chloe's eyes flickered, "Nothing

"You're lying" Damon smiled at her, this woman, smart as a whip but a terrible liar

Every time she tried to skirt around a topic, he could easily see through her

"I really wasn't thinking about anything" Chloe stressed. She would never admit that she was just mesmerized by his looks and voice!

That was just too embarrassing!

Chloe blinked, sat up straight, rolled her eyes and suddenly smiled, "Mrs Watson dropped by some local goodies today. Til go get them, you should give them a try"

With that, she got up and quickly walked over to the coffee table. The scent of her shower filled the air, and Damon's gaze followed her

Chloe opened the box of local treats from Mrs. Watson, and in it were some local snacks

She sat down next to Damon with the box, took out a piece of candied fruit and popped it into her mouth.

This is really sweet Chloe said

After her comment, she looked at Damon regretfully. "You don't like sweets? What a shame"

Damon was lounging on the sofa, facing her, lazily watching her with a tilted head Chapter 396

Damon lounged on the couch, arm casually draped over the backrest as if enveloping her shoulders, lazily tilting his head to gaze at her face, his Adam's apple bobbing slightly

Her face was fresh and gorgeous after a bath, her tempting red lips incredibly alluring

"Aren't you sick of it?" he asked

"It's okay if I only have a little now and then" Chloe said.

"Really?" Damon glanced at the snack box on her knee

Chloe quickly picked up a piece of candy and held it out to him, "It tastes great, try some

"Mm "Damon responded softly

But he didn't pay attention to the candy in her hand. His hand pressed down on Chloe's head, forcing her towards him and planting a kiss on her lips

The view outside was a stunning blend of sea and sky, creating a romantic atmosphere Their shared tranquility was intoxicating The soft, warm contact made Damaris heart race, filling him with passion.

Chloe, candy still in hand, was taken aback by the sudden kiss. The man's tongue boldly invaded her sweet mouth, hungrily savoring her sweetness

Chloe regained her composure, but it was too late to resist. His hand, firmly anchored at her waist, pressed her tightly against him. She melted into his embrace, her body tingling with pleasure.

Her hand still clutched the piece of candy, but she was already rhythmically entwined with him.

The sunshine outside was brilliant, illuminating the azure sea and streaming through the large windows, making the room exceptionally bright.

The air was filled with fine dust particles, pierced by the bright light. The room was eenly quiet, the rustling of clothes and their rapid breaths the only sounds. The romantic atmosphere heated the air, making it almost unbearably hot.

His kisses grew more passionate, and her body began to lean backward uncontrollably in the moment she lost her balance, she instinctively grabbed his shoulders. Her body reflexively jerked forward, their lips and tongues separating as a result.

Chloe panted lightly, her eyes hazy and enticingly dangerous. She looked up at the man before her, his handsome face, originally dignified and serious, now filled with passion, incredibly sexy

His deep eyes were fixed on her, the passion in them hot and intense. "So sweet"

Damon's voice came, Chloe's expression slightly dazed as she unconsciously licked her kissed, swollen, and painful lips.

Damon's eyes narrowed suddenly, and the next second, Chloe felt the warmth wrapped around her dissipate. The familiar scent left her with a gust of wind

Startled, she came back to her senses, but the man's figure had already disappeared at the bathroom door

Mouth agape, she instinctively wanted to stop him, but the bathroom door had already been slammed shut

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As her agitation gradually subsided, she took a deep breath and popped the candy in her mouth.

His taste still lingered, unbelievably sweet

After Damon finished showering, Chloe had already fallen asleep on the couch Walking towards her, he saw her curled up and sleeping, it was heartbreaking.

These days, they would occasionally sleep together. Typically, in the latter half of the night when she was sound asleep, she would instinctively curl up, trying to make herself as small as possible.

A few times, he had to hold her tight to keep her from turning her back to him, and in the middle of the night, she would unconsciously snuggle into his arms

At first, he was thrilled, but gradually, it saddened him. Because it was a sign of insecurity

Such an independent and strong woman, yet alone in the night, she revealed her inner fragility and unease.

Her mother made an extreme choice night in front of her, her family never supported her, and Lance even chose to abandon her at the line between life and death. With contempt and misunderstanding no one was on her side.

But she still persisted until now, facing it all alone, which was heartbreaking

He bent down, picked her up, and gently put her on the soft bed, lying down with her.

She opened her eyes hazily her eyes filled with clear wariness. Seeing Damon, her tense body instantly relaxed, she closed her eyes in relief and snuggled into his arms. Damon smiled slightly, his

eyes filled with deep affection.

He liked her trust like this. He always knew she was cautious of people, including him.

Sometimes her caution gave him a headache. Sometimes he felt her wariness of people was not so big, otherwise, how could she trust him so much? Such a paradox

He wanted her to trust him, yet he felt she might be like this with everyone.

He might have just appeared in front of her when she was vulnerable, but what if it wasn't him but someone else at that time?

He sighed lightly and held her tight. He was caught in a tangle of emotions.

She had slept all afternoon and felt particularly comfortable.

She vaguely remembered being carried to bed by Damon, but Damon was not in the bed.

She got out of bed, barefoot, walked out of the bedroom. Sure enough, she saw Damon sitting on the couch, leaning against it. He had changed into a white and blue striped shirt at some point, looking down at the tablet in his hand, expressionless, engrossed in his work.

Men at work were the most attractive. Especially Damon

She just leaned against the door frame of the bedroom, quietly watching the man working attentively

The evening sun was still plentiful, but much softer than before. The sunlight shone on his perfect face, and he was the one who brought her warmth.

"Had enough? After a while, a deep voice suddenly sounded, Chloe was startled Damon had already put the tablet aside and was looking at her

Only then did Chloe straighten up and walk towards him.

Damon pulled her down to sit

"What do you want for dinner, fill take you" He said

Uh before Chice could settle in, she already felt the urge to run

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"What's up?" Damon could tell that something was off with Chloe

Chloe hesitated for a moment, then plucked up the courage to say, "I agreed to have dinner at Mrs. Watson's tonight"

Damon's face turned dark instantly
Seeing his unhappy expression, Chloe quickly grabbed his arm tightly. Til treat you to a barbecue tomorrow!
Damon glanced at her Two seconds later, he nodded, "Fine"
Chloe let out a sigh of relief. This man was so easy to appease
After freshening up in the bedroom, Chloe got everything ready, put on her shoes at the door, and gave Damon a shout, "Damon, I'm leaving! Eat more tonight."
Hearing her voice, Damon stood up from the sofa, already dressed in his suit
Chloe looked at him and said, "You don't have to see me off, I'm going with Rose."
Damon gave her a cool glance, with a hint of imitation in his eyes.
Im going too." He said.
The moment Rose saw Damon, she froze in place.
"Chloe, is it really appropriate to bring him along?" Rose asked.
They bought some simple gifts and headed straight to their destination.
When Damon showed up. Angie's disdain was quite obvious, "Were you invited?"
Damon didn't say a word, just sat down on the sofa across from Angie.

His nonchalant attitude made Chloe and Rose lower their heads in embarrassment. Who on earth taught him this?!
Susana chuckled and shook her head in resignation.
Men! No matter how mature they appeared, once they cared about something, they could be more childish than anyone else.
She glanced at her own husband and a smile crept onto her lips.
She headed to the kitchen, with Chloe and Rose following her to help out.
Im sorry. Mrs Watson Damon is. "Chloe started somewhat awkwardly, "He doesn't have much of an appetite."
Whether Damon came by himself or she brought him along, it all seemed a bit off.
Rose, who was preparing the ingredients, couldn't help but laugh, "1 knew Mr. Harper was unique, but he's outdone himself today. What on earth did you do, Chice, to make him so attached to you?"
Chice shook her head, "I didn't do anything"
Rose looked at her skeptically, then shrugged, "Well, with your charm, it's only natural that President Harper is drawn to you."
Susana chuckled at the side
in the living room, Damon sat expressionlessly on the sofa, while Angie seemed quite relaxed. It was only after a long while that he gave her a cool glance and picked up phone to send a message

Remember to buy a bouquet of roses on your way home, for my future daughter-in-law]

Two minutes later a reply came [Are you planning my manage for me?
Angie raised an eyebrow replied You'll see
Sitting in the back seat of the car Claud looked at the message and raised an eyebrow slightly. His small gesture and expression were exactly like the man just sitting on
"Chidah" He mustered
Then he kyħtly tapped his forehead with his slender fingers, sighed softly, and told Taylor who was driving "Go to the flower shop"
Taylor's heart julled
car weered slightly off its orginal course Was Claud getting a grifendi Chapter 399
An imported Mercedes Benz S-Class smoothly pulled up in front of the mansion
Damon's brows were knitted tightly, his face a shade colder.
"Young master, you're back? The butler's voice sounded somewhat awkward from outside the door, even a little surprised.
Dinner had steadily been served, and at the sound, several people began to drift into the living room.
They saw a tall, handsome man carrying a bunch of vibrant roses, slowly making his way in
His gaze swept across everyone in the room, finally resting on Chloe, who was standing next to Susana.

His gaze paused slightly, then shifted to Damon sitting off to the side. A trace of something elusive flickered in his eyes, then he broke into a smile, walking towards Chloe with the roses in his hand "Nice to see you again" He said calmly, thrusting the roses straight into Chloe's arms Chloe didn't even get a chance to refuse, the roses were pushed into her arms. Susana tightly shut her mouth, feeling somewhat worried Could her son really win a woman's heart like this? By directly giving flowers to her? "Have we met before?" Chloe asked. If she had met him she would remember him "I saw you playing the piano last night. You were quite good." Claud said coldly Susana's gaze flickered, looking towards her son Did he see it? Not bad. "Oh, thank you" Chloe was a bit embarrassed, as indeed it was strange to be suddenly given flowers by a strange man. What was going on? Giving roses right off the bat? Just as Chloe was feeling awkward, the roses in her arms were taken away and thrust back into Claud's arms. Then Damon lifted Chloe's hand, the ring on her finger glittering under the light.

His lips moved slightly, coldly saying "Mine"

Claud remained expressionless, "The ring is yours. Who the person belongs to, is still uncertain
His words brought silence to the entire living room,
Although Rose was standing afar, she could feel the pressure building up in Damon
"Do you want to fight? Claud said calmly.
Damon's face grew even darker.
Chloe was startled, quickly grabbing Damon's hand, smiling at Claud, "You have quite a sense of humor, we've only met once."
"Can't it be love at first sight? Claud asked.
Darmon squinted his eyes
Was this love at first sight?
Chloe paused slightly, her expression turning serious, Tm sorry, sir, Damon is my boyfriend"
Claud stared at her for two seconds, not saying a word. On the other hand, Damon's displeasure gradually dissipated, his face lighting up. He looked at Claud his eyebrows somewhat smug "Hmph"
His smug and proud demeanor made everyone in the room want to laugh Chapter 400
"Alright, alright! Chloe, Rose, don't you have something to discuss with us? Let's eat first!" Susana quickly stepped in to ease the awkward atmosphere.

Damon, all pleased with himself, wrapped his arm around Chloe and headed to the dining room.

They sat side by side. Claud changed his clothes and sat directly across from Chloe This spot was perfect, he could see Chloe clearly.

Today Chloe was dressed in a simple white striped shirt and black capris, a stark difference from her fancy getup at yesterday's banquet. But all in all, she still looked pretty good

Susana was worried that someone might flip the table before they even got a few bites in.

After dinner, Chloe braced herself under Damon's piercing gaze and followed Rose into the study.

Claud sat in his chair, staring blankly at the two women across from him, "I know what you're after. You don't just want our investment, but also our investment in the Olson Group's, right?"

Chloe nodded frankly, "The Olson Group is not a good choice right now."

Claud gave a slight smile, looking at her, "Why? When you helped the Olson Group secure investments before, you didn't think so. Besides, right now, between the Spotlight Beauty and the Olson Group, there's a huge gap."

"Because the Olson Group doesn't have me anymore. Its future can't compare to Spotlight Beauty" Chloe was very straightforward.

She sounded very confident and arrogant, but in the business battlefield, who would favor a company that didn't have confidence in itself?

Claud nodded slightly Rose let out a sigh of relief, the negotiation was over.

"Give me your phone number, I'll take care of the Olson Group's investment." Claud said.



Chloe was stunned, "Is that my fault?"

Damon nodded, "Because you're too beautiful."

Chloe flushed instantly "Let's go back to the rose topic"

Rose, on the other hand, was fuming, clutching her chest, "You guys...?"

Was it fair to force single people to witness such scenes?