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Chapter 2074

Chapter 2074 Infighting About Aesthetics

Nicole avoided Chatty as if she was fleeing from a plague.

Chatty did not realize that her mother was disgusted by her. The big fish was still flapping its tail in her little arms, splashing water everywhere.

The little girl grinned happily.

Nicole could not help but laugh and took out her phone to take a photo of Chatty.

"Our little Chatty is so strong!"

"Mommy! Carry it..."

"Mommy doesn't want to carry it. You can carry it yourself! " 1

After Nicole finished speaking, Chatty pouted unhappily, carried the big fish, and turned to leave.

Chatty even snorted before leaving.

Nicole looked at her daughter in shock. "Who did she learn this from?!"

Floyd glanced at Nicole. "Why don't you think about who's been at home during this time?"

Nicole paused. "Third Brother?"

This was very much like Kai's temper.

Chatty got back into the water, let go of the fish, and caught another fish to play with.

The few fishes in the fountain were exhausted from Chatty playing around with them.

Seeing that it was almost time, Mr. Anderson instructed the maid to cook.

Nicole told Mr. Anderson that Clayton would be eating out, so he did not need to keep aside food for Clayton.

In the evening, Chatty was tired from playing. She put on her clothes and started a new round of games.

Nicole looked at the crown on Chatty's head. The gold crown looked familiar and expensive.

She squinted her eyes.

"Dad, this crown is a bit like..."

What was it like?

Nicole had not thought of it yet.

Floyd raised his head and casually said, "Oh, Chatty said the crown the Queen of England wore was very beautiful, so I got someone to make an identical one with gold. The pearls on it are taken from the necklace you put in the safe. Isn't it pretty?"

He raised his head proudly and raised his eyebrows.

Nicole was silent and speechless.

Chatty seemed to notice that Floyd was complimenting her crown. She shook her little head and ran to her mother. Then, she leaned closer to Nicole and imitated Floyd's tone.

"Is it pretty?"

Nicole looked at Floyd helplessly A?AyL3SP said, "Isn't it heavy..."

Moreover, it was just a toy. Chatty would get sick of it in a few days, so why did Floyd make it out of gold?

Floyd even dismantled the pearl necklace in her collection.

Nicole was completely speechless and mourned her pearl necklace.

Of course, she also pitied herself.

Chatty already had such precious jewelry at such a young age. With Floyd pampering Chatty like that, it was no wonder that Chatty always wanted to come back to the Stanton Mansion.

Floyd was pleased as he sized up Chatty.

"It's not heavy. She'll get used to wearing it. I also prepared a few gold beaded necklaces for her. They're gorgeous! Girls ought to dress up when they go out. Otherwise, she'll look too dull. Look at Old Master Leahy! He always brings his granddaughter out and shows off how well-dressed she is! Our little Chatty is so beautiful, so we can't lose! If his granddaughter wears pearls, we'll wear gold. If they wear gold, we'll wear diamonds! "

Nicole's heart trembled a little.

Chatty was so young, yet she was already involved in the infighting between affluent families.

Why was the competition between old men so strange?

"Dad, Uncle Leahy's granddaughter is probably eight or nine years old. That's why she has to dress appropriately for social events.

How old is our baby?"

Nicole held her forehead speechlessly.

Floyd glared at Nicole in disdain.

"Aesthetics are cultivated from childhood! When you were young, I dressed you up well every day. How could you just make do when it's your turn to dress Chatty up?"

He snorted in dissatisfaction.

Floyd stood up, carried Chatty, and left.

"Come, Lil Chatty. Grandpa will take you and Tigger for a walk.

Nicole helplessly sat on the sofa while eating a pudding. Coincidentally, she received a message on her phone.

Clayton typed. [They plan to stay here overnight. Do you want to come and pick me up?]

Nicole instantly understood that Clayton needed an excuse to leave the event.

Just in time, Kai walked in with his car keys while he hummed a song. He seemed to be in a good mood.

Nicole raised her eyebrows. "Third Brother, why have you been staying here these days?"

Kai glanced at her. "Julie's on the set that's closed-off. She has to stay there for half a month."

Nicole smiled. "Just as well, you should buy some snacks near the set and send them to Julie."

Kai glanced at Nicole weirdly.

Why would Nicole be so proactive?

It was very rare.

Nicole wiped her mouth and said with a smile.

'Then you can drop by Green Club and help me bring Clayton back."

Kai looked at her in shock. 'How dare she boss me around?!'

"Are you insane?!"

Nicole wanted him to pick up his brother-in-law?

If word got out, people would start laughing at him!

Nicole blinked and took out her phone.

"Then I'll tell Julie that you don't want to bring her some snacks." 1

"Don't—"

Kai clenched his teeth and glared at her.

Although those two places were not far apart, Kai inexplicably felt angry.

Was Nicole even his sister?

It was not that Nicole did not want to go. But if she could ask Kai to go instead, she would save all that trouble.

They could go home together when Clayton came back to the Stanton Mansion.

Kai had no choice but to accept his fate to be bossed around.

However, Kai specially ordered supper from a private chef that

took some time and delivered it to Julie before he slowly made his way to the Green Club.

The people there naturally recognized Kai, so he quickly found out which private room Clayton was in.

Clayton could not reject the others' enthusiasm, so he drank a little.

However, he knew what he could handle. Although Clayton looked like he was almost drunk, he was actually very sober.

This session had been arranged a long time ago, and several foreign bigwigs came, so Clayton could not push it off.

Clayton watched as time passed by the second.

He became more anxious as time passed because he had not heard from Nicole after she said she would come to pick him up.

Clayton was worried that something happened to Nicole on the road.

However, Clayton had his people protecting Nicole at all times. If something happened, they would notify him as soon as possible.

Everyone moved from the bar to the poker table.

The business talk was almost over, so the atmosphere became more casual.

Everyone was just chit-chatting.

Clayton looked at his phone from time to time. A man across from Clayton could not help but tease him.

"Mr. Sloan, you've been a little absent-minded. Are you thinking of going home at such an early hour?"

Clayton chuckled and replied, "My assistant said he would send an important document, so I just took a glance."

"Mr. Sloan has become a lot more low-key ever since he settled down in Mediania. You never had to make excuses before!"

Clayton smiled and did not continue to defend himself.

Suddenly, Clayton's phone beeped.

It was an unfamiliar number.

[Come out. I'm here.]

This looked like what Nicole would say, but when did she change her number?

Clayton did not have time to think about it, so he put down the cards in front of him.

"I'm sorry. My wife is rushing me to go home because my daughter can't sleep without seeing me. She's already at the entrance." 1

The others looked at Clayton in shock. 4

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Chapter 2075 The Way to Apologize

Clayton's lips could not help but curl up when he said that. He looked radiant and did not feel restrained at all.

He seemed like he was proudly showing off.

One of Clayton's close friends stood up and said, "Just as well. Ms. Stanton has quite a reputation in Atlanta. We should've gone to visit her. Why don't we go out and say hello?"

"That's right, Mr. Sloan. Let's go out and say hello to your wife. You won't mind, right?"

Seeing everyone's enthusiasm, Clayton raised his eyebrows. 1

"Of course, I don't mind!"

Clayton took his jacket and walked out with a few people behind him.

When they got to the downstairs lobby, they did not see Nicole. However, Kai stood there looking tall and slender as he asked the waiter about the latest gossip.

Clayton paused and swept a glance. He could not see Nicole anywhere.

He was about to walk past Kai when Kai beckoned to him.

"Brother-in-law, my sister asked me to pick you up! Shall we go?"

Kai swaggered over, nodded to the people behind Clayton, and put one hand on Clayton's shoulder.

Clayton froze.

He frowned and took a deep look at Kai.

Everyone at the back stood there in astonishment.

Kai looked at Clayton inexplicably and winked.

"Why? Are you upset that I came to pick you up? My sister asked me to come, and you know that I can't say no to her."

Kai shrugged his shoulders to express his helplessness.

Clayton's face gradually stiffened.

He looked a little aggrieved.

The people behind him hurriedly stepped forward to help ease the situation.

"Sigh... Ms. Stanton must be too busy. Shall we meet next time?"

"That's right. I didn't prepare any gifts for her, so it'll be too rude."

They liked to joke around, but no one dared to make fun of Clayton.

Kai could not help but laugh and greeted the people behind Clayton.

'Then I'll take my brother-in-law home. Goodbye, everyone!"

Kai held Clayton's shoulder and left.

Sitting in Kai's convertible sports car, Clayton was so depressed that he had no interest in looking at the car.

Kai touched his forehead when he saw that Clayton was silent.

"Brother-in-law, did you have too much to drink?"

Clayton said in a low voice, "Not really. Thanks for picking me up, Third Brother."

Kai raised his eyebrows. "It's nothing since I was just in the area. Anyway, this isn't the first time I ran errC>_vLyWTs for my sister, so don't worry about it! If you need someone to pick you up in the future, just call me directly..."

Kai babbled all the way back to the Stanton Mansion.

Clayton pushed the door open and got out of the car without saying a word.

The Stanton Mansion was brightly lit.

Nicole put on a face mask and sat on the sofa, watching the news.

Chatty was jumping up and down with Floyd. When she saw Clayton coming in, she simply ditched Floyd and ran toward Clayton.

"Daddy!"

Her baby voice was so soft that it swept away Clayton's gloom from earlier.

Clayton squatted down and picked up the little girl to give her a light kiss.

"Chatty is such a good girl! "

The little girl happily hugged her dad's neck and did not let go. She was very energetic.

Nicole heard the commotion, tore off her face mask, stood up, went over, and reached out to hug Clayton.

"Hubby, you're back..."

Finally, Clayton's expressionless face softened.

He glanced at her, put his arms around her waist, and said in a low voice, "We'll settle the score when we get home."

Nicole was speechless.

Kai sent Nicole a message to preempt her. That was how she knew that she had inadvertently provoked Clayton.

Mr. Anderson served Clayton a cup of hangover tea.

Clayton accepted the butler's good intentions and sat there to drink the tea before leaving.

They did not stay for long before Luca sent them back to the apartment.

Ever since Chatty could run, dance, and express her will independently, they could hardly control that little girl.

However, Chatty was very obedient in Clayton's arms.

Chatty struggled to get to Nicole. She was extraordinarily active today that Clayton had to forcefully carry her back, after which she tried to run off to another place. 1

Nicole smiled, pinched Chatty's cheek, and clicked her tongue.

"Are you happy?"

Chatty grinned. She was clearly elated.

Clayton glanced at Nicole, coughed, and was about to say something.

Nicole immediately moved over, leaned on Clayton, and said with a smile, "I wanted to pick you up earlier, but I couldn't bring Chatty, and I was reluctant to leave her. You won't blame me, right?"

Clayton glanced at Nicole and snorted. "No."

Nicole said, "Great!"

However, Nicole was too complacent.

She should not have believed what Clayton said.

Before they got home, Chatty exhausted her energy and fell asleep soundly in Clayton's arms.

Nicole watched as Clayton got out of the car carefully for fear of disturbing his precious daughter. She smiled and walked quickly to the front to open the door.

Mrs. Zoe had already gone to bed, so Clayton put Chatty in the adjacent room.

Nicole watched as he tucked Chatty under the quilt, then she went to the kitchen to get a glass of water.

After drinking a glass of water, Nicole also poured a glass for Clayton.

She felt that she was very attentive.

Nicole went to the bedroom with the glass of water, but as soon as she opened the door, she saw Clayton standing at the door, about to come out.

His collar was slightly open, revealing his protruding Adam's apple. Clayton, who was standing under the light, looked gentle and handsome as he looked down at her.

Nicole smiled and handed over the glass of water.

"Are you still angry?"

Clayton gave her a deep look and loosened his collar.

"What do you think?"

Clayton finished the glass of water while he wrapped his other arm around her waist tightly and pulled her closer to him.

He lowered his head and pressed his lips that were stained with water onto hers.

Nicole had nowhere to hide, so she could only kiss him back.

Clayton wanted to show off his wife, but his wife stood him up. Finally, he found an outlet to vent his anger as he kissed her aggressively.

Nicole was in a daze as she looked at his sexy collarbone that protruded from his shirt that was still on his body.

However, her clothes were crumpled up and barely hanging onto her body.

Nicole did not want to lose to him and wondered why her clothes fell to the ground so quickly.

Thus, she simply ripped his shirt off.

However, she was so rough that Clayton's shirt buttons fell off.

Clayton froze for a moment, paused, and looked at her deeply. 1

The atmosphere was a little awkward for a while.

Nicole murmured an excuse, "The quality of this shirt isn't that great. How could the buttons fall off so easily with one touch?"

Clayton could not help but laugh. His eyes reflected the dim light.

He became gentler afterward.

The moon cast a gentle light through the window, lighting up the room.

Nicole never imagined that something unexpected happened the next day.

Zach Gilbert was dead.

When Logan called, Nicole was still asleep.

The space beside her was empty, so Chatty struggled to climb up the bed.

Chatty threw herself into Nicole's arms and acted like a spoiled child to wake Nicole up.

Seeing such a soft and cute child, Nicole did not feel the slightest bit annoyed from being awakened. 2

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Chapter 2076 Something Fishy

Nicole kissed Chatty, picked up the phone, and asked again, "Logan, what are you talking about?"

Logan said anxiously, "Zach Gilbert is dead. He jumped off the hotel building. The police investigation found that he met you at Stanton Corporation before he died. This seems to be a little troublesome, President."

Nicole woke up in an instant. Her eyes darkened.

"How could that happen..."

Someone as treacherous and greedy as Zach Gilbert could not possibly commit suicide.

Someone must have killed him!

However, was there a connection between Zach's and Tina's death?

Nicole's mind was a mess. She always felt that there was someone behind her triggering this series of events.

It felt like that person was pushing everyone into the abyss.

Nicole was unconsciously forced into this situation.

Logan's voice came through the phone. "President, the lawyers are ready, and we have already talked to the police. But rumors of Zach Gilbert privately signing the contract with you have gone viral, causing a strong reaction from the public that may be detrimental to Stanton Corporation."

Nicole pursed her lips, reached out to touch Chatty's little face, and smiled slightly.

"It's okay. Get the public relations department to refute the rumor. It looks like someone has a motive to pin Tina's death and now Zach Gilbert's death on me. I'm just a little curious who is targeting me?"

Logan said in a low voice, "I'm investigating it, but so far, there are no leads. We don't know who bribed the keyboard warriors. I 'll contact the platform first to reduce online traffic."

"Okay."

Nicole hung up the phone and felt down for a while.

There were already two deaths.

Although Nicole did not feel anything about Zach's death, she was still saddened about Tina's death because she had some relationship with Tina.

It was impossible for Nicole to be indifferent about it.

"Mommy, draw..."

Chatty smiled and nestled into Nicole's arms.

Nicole smiled, carried Chatty down, and washed the girl's face.

When Nicole felt that Chatty was about to resist, she immediately wiped Chatty's face dry.

"Wow! Chatty, you're so pretty!"

Chatty liked compliments C?_vK2WV immediately smiled shyly.

Nicole carried her out and saw that breakfast was served on the table.

Clayton rarely cooks. He glanced at Nicole and raised his eyebrows. 1

"You're early?"

It was somewhat unexpected.

Nicole smiled. "Our little girl wants to become a painter, so we can't delay her. Come, Mommy will get the tools out for you."

In order to cultivate Chatty's hobbies, their home did not lack any equipment.

The piano was not touched, and the paint brushes were still in its wrapper.

However, it seemed to come in handy today.

Chatty solemnly picked up the paint brush and painted three bugs.

Clayton glanced at it and could not help but praise his daughter.

"I guess Chatty has an eye for nature. Look, this bug even has eyes. What a good observation!"

Chatty looked up at her father with a smile and pointed to one of the big bugs.

"Daddy!"

Clayton's face darkened.

Chatty pointed to another big bug next to the previous one. "Mommy!"

Finally, she pointed to a small bug. "Baby!"

Chatty was referring to herself.

Nicole could not hold back her laughter.

"I guess it's abstract art?"

Clayton nodded with a sullen face. "Right. Let's eat first!"

He was afraid that if he stayed longer to look in detail, he would not be in the mood to eat.

Chatty happily threw the paint brush down and started to drink milk.

Clayton gave her some complementary food on the side.

Nicole paused for a while and said, "Zach Gilbert is dead."

Clayton froze and frowned. "The late Tina's husband?"

Nicole nodded.

Clayton fell silent. "It doesn't have anything to do with you, right?"

Nicole curled her lips aggrievedly, blinked her eyes, and nodded.

"Zach came to see me before he died, saying that he wanted to abide by the contract. After he went back, he jumped off the building. Clayton, why am I so unlucky?"

Nicole could feel that she had unknowingly gotten into a lot of trouble, but this was not what she wanted.

This time, someone around her died.

That kind of danger seemed to come out of nowhere, leaving her unprepared.

Nicole wanted to take precautions, but she did not know where to start.

Clayton pursed his lips silently.

Seeing that Nicole was about to cry, Clayton reached out and hugged her.

"It's okay. I'm right here. This is just a coincidence. Don't worry, it'll be alright."

Nicole did not take his consolation to heart. It was better than doing nothing.

She only had an emotional breakdown for a while.

After that, she still had to be strong.

Clayton lowered his head to kiss her face and coaxed her.

Chatty saw this and pointed at her own little cheek. "Kissy..."

Clayton covered Chatty's face with his big hands, which blocked Chatty's entire view.

Nicole and Clayton went out at 9:00 am.

Clayton did not let Nicole go to work alone and accompanied her to the office.

On the way there, Nicole could not help but take out her phone to check the news.

Indeed, her name was on the trending topics.

"Nicole Stanton suspected of murder..."

"Nicole Stanton suspected of embezzling property..."

[No way! Goddess Nicole is so rich, so why would she need to take such risks?]

[That's right! Isn't Zach Gilbert's company just a shell? His total assets are less than a fraction of Goddess Nicole's net worth. Why would she embezzle that?]

[I don't believe this! There must be something fishy going on...]

[It looks like the rich have no morals! They really like to push the limits of the law!]

Nicole glanced at the comments.

Although the situation was controlled, the share price of Stanton Corporation would inevitably be affected.

At this time, Nicole could not hide.

Otherwise, others would think that she was guilty, and the situation would worsen.

When they arrived at Stanton Corporation, they went straight to the underground parking lot. The security guards waited there to block the reporters who were at the entrance.

They went upstairs and bumped into Grant, who had just come out of a morning meeting. 1

Grant pointed at Nicole with a stern expression on his face and helplessly said, "Everyone in our family combined doesn't even have as many scandals as you do!"

Usually, only men would be involved in scandals.

As a result, it was the exact opposite with the Stanton family.

Grant never had any scandals. Kai, as a movie star, was revered by his fans. Thus, he was inviolable.

The two men, who were most likely to have scandals, were free from scandals.

On the other hand, Nicole would occasionally be on the trending topics.

Nicole smiled sheepishly.

Clayton, who was behind her, brought over breakfast and handed it to Logan.

"Distribute it to those who haven't had breakfast yet."

Logan nodded.

Grant glanced at Clayton but did not say anything.

Clayton patted Nicole's head and smiled.

"Go to your office and stay there. I'll have a chat with Big Brother."

Nicole nodded.

She clearly did not do anything, but she felt like she was being roasted over a fire until she was almost burnt.

Clayton knocked on the door and went in. Grant was not surprised that Clayton was the one who came.

"Have you heard?"

Clayton nodded.

Grant rubbed his temples.

"I've talked to the authorities. They are ruling out Nicole as a suspect because she has alibis for the two murders. But the public opinion is trying to pin those deaths on her."

Clayton smiled. "Nicole only looks fierce, but she's actually very timid." 1