

Chapter 851 Nosy

"Why should I believe you?" Nicole asked.

Nicole sat there and looked elegant, generous, and unmoved.

If there was danger, Yuliana should find the police. Why did Yuliana find a woman like Nicole instead?

Yuliana was trembling with anxiety.

She found a photo on her phone. It was a photo of Yuliana and a baby. Yuliana looked like she was only in her early twenties at the time.

"She's really my daughter. She's only six years old. Andrew Zeno has a habit of abusing children. He'll kill her if he takes her away!"

Even if Nicole was slow to react, she could hear that something was wrong.

"The child is yours and Andrew Zeno's?"

Yuliana paused for a moment and nodded. She said through clenched teeth, "When I first started in showbiz, he supported me. After he got tired of me, we separated. I hid the child from him

separated. I hid the child from him because he really abused children. He often went to some orphanages to send gifts, but he's only going to abuse the children!"

She showed Nicole a few photos of Andrew smiling brightly as he held a child covered in bruises.

In an instant, Nicole felt extremely repulsed by this man.

Yuliana was wary and nervous. "He has something over me, so if I step forward, he won't let the child go even if he beats me to death. Please help me and bring my daughter out..."

Nicole's heart had begun to waver at this point.

What Yuliana said did not sound like a lie, but Yuliana was a professional actress after all!

Should Nicole believe it?

Logan hurried over with the contract and was slightly stunned to see Yuliana there.

"President, this is the contract. Please look over it..."

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Nicole thought about it for a moment and stood up. "Logan, distract Andrew Zeno."

Logan froze and saw that Nicole had already turned around and went to the elevator with Yuliana.

"Do you know which room she's in?"

Yuliana nodded. "Yes!"

When the two women got to Andrew's room, Yuliana was nervous and scared.

Nicole shot her a look and went over to knock on the door.

Not long after, the person inside opened only a small slit through the door. The bodyguard-looking man looked out warily.

"Who are you looking for?"

It was quiet inside, but they could hear the faint whimper of a child whose mouth was covered up.

Nicole smiled faintly. "I'm from Stanton Corporation. Mr. Zeno asked me to wait for him in the room."

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That was not impossible.

Just as the bodyguard was about to take out his phone to confirm, Nicole suddenly kicked open the door.

Fortunately, Nicole wore casual clothes today. Otherwise, she would not have been so agile.

The bodyguard reacted and went over to stop her. He reached out his hand and slashed at her neck.

Nicole dodged and fiercely twisted his arm to the back. There was a sharp sound of his arm getting dislocated.

It was an incredibly fast and precise movement.

The bodyguard was shocked and clearly did not expect that this woman knew martial arts. He was too careless, so she got the upper hand.

At this time, Yuliana ran in from behind.

The bodyguard recognized Yuliana and knew that the situation was awry. He

knew that the situation was awry. He wanted to run in to stop her, but Nicole held him tightly from behind and kicked him to the side. Although Nicole looked slender and soft, she was very strong.

The bodyguard grunted. A strange woman's voice came from inside.

"Let go, you b*tch! Give me the girl!"

Yuliana cried hysterically. "She's my daughter!"

There was a loud shatter of glass when something smashed on the ground.

Then, Yuliana ran out, holding a girl in her arms.

Nicole gave her a sign to go first. Yuliana did not think much about it and ran with all her might.

Nicole stayed there and looked at the dedicated bodyguard who was struggling. She sneered and turned to walk out.

When Nicole got out the door, the strange woman spoke again.

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Chapter 852 Who's Lying

In the next second, a strong force tugged on Nicole's arm and yanked Nicole to the side.

Instantly, there was a sound of a vase shattering, and the pieces landed right where Nicole was standing earlier.

Nicole then crashed into a clean, warm, and sturdy embrace.

It felt somewhat familiar.

"Mr. Sloan?"

Nicole was surprised at why Clayton would appear here?

In the next second, Clayton dragged her behind him. His gaze swept harshly over the woman who chased after Nicole.

The woman wanted to chase after Nicole again, but when she saw Clayton, who was behind Nicole, her body froze in place.

She also recognized Nicole at that time.

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Andrew Zeno, who heard the commotion, rushed over and was visibly startled.

"What's going on here?"

The woman went over with a displeased face.

"That b*tch snatched the child away..."

Andrew was shocked. "Two people can't even watch a child? You guys..."

He was aware that there were outsiders here, so he did not say any harsh words. He turned to the side and looked at Nicole and Clayton, slightly surprised.

"President Nicole, why are you here?"

"Ms. Stanton helped that b*tch to take away the child!" The woman could not wait to speak.

Andrew's face changed slightly.

His eyes when he looked at Nicole had more wariness and dissatisfaction.

"Ms. Stanton, may I ask why?"

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Did she have to mess up their good cooperation?

Nicole thought about it. If this was true, then she was willing to lose this cooperation to save a child. Moreover, it was inherently risky to cooperate with such morally indecent people.

If it was not true, Nicole would at most learn a lesson from this and get Grant to clean up the mess.

Anyway, Nicole had the power to do so.

Nicole looked at them and came out from behind Clayton.

"That's Yuliana's child. She begged me for help, so there's no reason for me to not come to her rescue in her moment of need.

Andrew took a deep breath and suppressed the twitching of his facial muscles.

"That's also my child! She repeatedly abused the child, so I just want the child to live a normal life. Is that so wrong?"

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Andrew asked, "Did that crazy woman say that I abused the child? She's crazy and mentally unsound! She's acting all day long, so her brain is fried. She hides the child away all day and brings the child to various men's houses. She's the most terrible woman!"

Nicole was heckled by Andrew, and she did not know how to react. 'Did I do something wrong?'

Clayton was a lot calmer.

He went over and took Nicole's hand, then said in a deep and cold voice, "In that case, I think it's better to call the police. Nicole had good intentions. If she accidentally helped the perpetrator, we're willing to compensate and apologize for any losses."

Nicole turned to the side. When she heard Clayton's words, she was confident.

'That's right! If there's anything, we can still call the police!' Nicole thought.

Andrew's face was pale. Just as he was about to speak, the woman could not hold

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"No, why should we involve the police? We can solve our own family matters, so why should the family scandal be publicized?"

The woman tugged on Andrew's clothes. "Hubby, say something..."

Nicole heard this address and raised her eyebrows.

Something was off about it.

Who was the liar here?

The woman had called Yuliana a "b*tch", but she wanted to snatch Yuliana's child?

According to logic, the woman should want Yuliana and the child to leave, the further the better so that they were out of sight and out of mind.

Andrew wiped away the cold sweat on his forehead to calm himself down.

"Forget it. There's no need to make a big deal out of this since it's a scandal. We'll solve it ourselves."

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sign the contract...”

Chapter 853 Infrequent Meetup

Nicole was silent and thought about it for a moment.

"My company's lawyer hasn't arrived yet and will be delayed on the road. Let's make an appointment some other time."

Since the matter came to this point, signing the contract was not so important anymore.

With that, Nicole simply turned around and left.

Clayton nodded slightly and followed behind Nicole. He completely avoided the gaze of the couple behind her.

Inside the elevator, Nicole's face sank.

"Mr. Sloan, who do you think is lying?"

Clayton did not know what Yuliana said, but he saw her running out with the child in her arms earlier.

He recognized Yuliana from the celebration party.

Clayton narrowed his eyes and hesitated for a few seconds. He said with certainty, "They're all lying."

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Nicole looked at him in surprise. Clayton
smiled faintly and swept away the panic
and intense feeling that Nicole felt earlier.

It was like fine spring rain that made her
relax.

Nicole also smiled.

The elevator arrived at the lobby.

Only Logan was left waiting there.

"Where's Yuliana?"

Logan said, "She ran away. I couldn't
stop her."

Yuliana did not even say a word of
thanks, but Nicole did not care.

Logan looked at Clayton and nodded. "
Thank you, Mr. Sloan."

Nicole was suspicious.

Clayton smiled warmly and explained, "I
was just here discussing some business
and happened to pass by, so Logan asked
me to go up to help out..."

No wonder.

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Clayton had saved her twice, so Nicole felt bad if she did not treat Clayton to a meal.

Nicole proposed. "Let's eat together?"

Clayton nodded. There was no reason to refuse.

"Sure."

On the way, Nicole called Grant and told him about Andrew's situation.

Grant did not know much about Andrew as a person either because they only had a cooperative relationship.

After Grant heard the story, he was silent for a moment. "You did the right thing. Don't sign the contract until things are clear."

Too many bosses with corrupt moral character caused the demise of their businesses because of certain things.

Not to mention, this even concerned Yuliana, a public figure, as well as abuse, which was a vile behavior that would make anyone infuriated.

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Although there were some social interactions in the mall that one needed to suit the other party's liking, there were some things that could not be tolerated because it would implicate the company's image.

They could not risk it.

Clayton chose a restaurant with a quiet atmosphere.

Logan ate with them. The meal was calm and pleasant, and not at all awkward.

After the meal, Clayton proposed to go to J & L Corporation to check on the closing work of the project.

Nicole had wanted to take time to go and see it, so she gladly agreed.

Gerard Lichman had something to do, so Molly Stewart accompanied them instead.

Molly knew more about the progress of the research, so she was brief and concise in her presentation.

Nicole was holding a cup of coffee when she saw Molly jumping over to her. Nicole hurriedly dodged her. "Molly, calm down!"

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Molly immediately stopped. "I haven't seen anyone outside the company for a long time!"

Nicole frowned. "You didn't get a break?"

Molly glanced at Clayton, then nodded and greeted him before she walked forward tugging Nicole's arm.

"Don't mention it. Mr. Ferguson dug up a few god-level geniuses from Denmark. Everyone's still getting to know each other. They're so hardworking, so of course, we can't lag behind. It's a matter of national dignity!"

Molly even raised a small fist. Nicole could not help but laugh, but she looked at Molly sympathetically.

"It's been a long time since you've seen my second brother, right?"

Molly was embarrassed and looked left and right. "Yeah! The Great God Maverick has a confidential national research project in his hand, so he's much busier than me."

Nicole heard Maverick mention that he would be in a closed study and would not

●uld be in a closed study and would not show up in at least two months.

However, Nicole still felt sorry for Molly.

She grabbed Molly's hand, pursed her lips, and begged pitifully.

“Molly, you can't dump him because of your infrequent meetups!”

Chapter 854 Heartwarming Feeling

Molly froze and immediately shook her head. "Absolutely not!"

Nicole could finally rest assured.

She smiled and took a sip of coffee. The few of them changed their clothes and went to the core research lab.

Clayton and Logan were very involved in the tour. In fact, they could just look at the data on the report, but the site visit was more impactful.

Molly introduced the latest progress in the front.

"In fact, our focus is on intelligent living, not only on the scope of smart home devices, but also in the decor and design, like maintaining the temperature and humidity throughout the year, waterproofing, and fire extinguishing. Of course, the most difficult thing to control is the change of human emotions. We have now completed the detection of human emotions, so the indoor space can be converted based on happiness, anger, sadness, or any subtle mood changes. We have applied the latest medical research t

sadness, or any subtle mood changes. We have applied the latest medical research to this. The artificial intelligence chip will automatically detect human health conditions and conduct a daily medical checkup without leaving the comfort of one's home. It can also respond to emergencies anytime and anywhere."

Molly's words made Clayton's eyes lit up. This progress was certainly more rapid than he imagined.

There were two huge labs in front. Molly reached out and said, "You can go in and experience it."

Clayton nodded and went in without much thought.

Logan hesitated a bit and followed inside.

Nicole stood outside. Molly looked at her. "Nikki, you're not going?"

Nicole shook her head. "The things in the lab are naturally the best, but it must be really cutting-edge technology to be applied to everyday life. Later, help me to set up one in my house."

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She silently turned around. Through the glass, she saw Clayton standing upright in the lab. His side profile was so handsome, and he had a sense of nobility.

Molly shook her head and could not help but compliment him.

“Mr. Sloan really looks better by the day. He’s good-looking and has a nice body. His waist is so lean, and more importantly, his legs are so long...”

Nicole froze for a moment and looked strangely at Molly, who was immersed in nymphomania.

“Molly, my second brother is also quite decent...”

Molly frowned. “I can’t see him right now.”

Thus, she could only admire other men in a dignified manner.

Nicole helplessly shook her head. ‘Forget it, Molly has always been like this...’

Molly gently bumped Nicole with her shoulder and squinted her eyes with a smile.

"Nikki, will your heart flutter when you spend all day with such a good-looking person? Isn't the feeling of an accelerated heartbeat very hard to endure?"

Nicole was silent for a while and corrected Molly.

"We're not always together, and my heart didn't beat any faster."

"How is that possible?!"

Molly did not believe there were hormones that a handsome man could not excite.

Nicole added. "Only the fluctuation of the stock market can make my heart beat faster."

In other words, Nicole only cared about making money.

Molly looked at Nicole and blinked. No wonder when Molly was wondering what birthday gift Maverick usually gave his little sister, Maverick did not hesitate to say, "I prepared a bank card for her."

With a bank card, what else could she not buy?

Molly thought that someone as high-spirited as Nicole would be speechless when she saw Maverick's tacky gift.

She did not think Maverick was actually just giving Nicole what she liked most.

Now, Molly was convinced that Nicole's taste was very much like commoners.

Nicole mentioned the topic with great interest. She grabbed Molly's hand and said, "Do you want to make money too? I can introduce you to stocks, or liquid and non-liquid assets. I can give you all kinds of recommendations!"

Molly gulped. She fully believed that Nicole truly wanted to take her on the path of wealth and prosperity, but she was not that ambitious.

Chapter 855 An Unattainable Wish

In J&L Corporation, Molly Stewart had millions of dollars in annual salary. She also had bonuses and allowances, so she was not interested in money.

Molly lowered her eyes and suddenly opened her arms and shouted, "I want to be famous!"

Nicole blinked and curbed her smile.

"This... Will be a little difficult."

It was also not as practical as making money.

After Molly was done daydreaming, she dragged Nicole to her research room and introduced her to the gadgets she invented.

It was true that scientists' brains were different from normal people's.

A regular girl's way to relax was shopping, eating, and more shopping.

However, Molly's way of relaxation was to do research.

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Nicole was afraid that Molly's body would collapse, so she dragged Molly to the nearest gym to sweat it out and relax.

They told Clayton about it and ran out.

Molly was familiar with skipping work, so she must have frequently gone out of the office during work hours.

She scrolled through her phone and said, "I heard of a new gym that just opened. Let's go there..."

Nicole did not object to it. If it was nearer to J&L Corporation, Molly could go over often.

This gym was well decorated. Once they went inside, someone came over to greet them.

Nicole swept a glance and saw a large advertisement board that read, "Annual membership: \$50,000 non-negotiable. Pretty ladies: FREE!"

The corners of Nicole's lips twitched as she thought that this gym was a little shady.

Molly looked at the sign on the side and was quite interested.

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She thought about it and took out her bank card. "I want the annual membership."

The receptionist was dozing off. He did not really expect to have business at this hour.

He saw the gorgeous woman in front of him and was slightly stunned. This woman looked familiar.

In a moment of hesitation, a surprised voice came from the side. "Nicole Stanton?"

Nicole turned to the side and recognized the guy. He was Eric's friend, Yannick Zabinski.

She had a slight impression of the guy. Last time, when Nicole and Xander appeared in the same frame on the trending topics, everyone thought that Xander was Eric, but Yannick came out to clarify that it was not Eric and cleared his name.

After that, Nicole did not see this person in the gentry circle again.

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When Yannick saw that it was really her, he ran over excitedly. "Nicole, is it really you?"

He was so happy that Nicole felt a little surprised.

"Mr. Zabinski?"

Yannick rubbed his hands. He was really regretful of his behavior back then.

He thought that he was doing something good for Eric, but he ended up ruining Eric's chance to save Nicole. Eric was so mad that he withdrew all of Ferguson Corporation's cooperation with the Zabinskis.

In just a few months, the Zabinski family's business declined, and everyone just added insult to injury.

Even with that compensation money from the contract withdrawal, they did not have the opportunity to rise again.

Yannick was ostracized from that circle.

Due to that, Yannick used that money to open a gym, intending to break into that circle again and only receive rich people.

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Yannick smiled and came over. "Ms. Stanton, if you want to work out, you don't need an annual membership. You can just come over anytime and use our facilities as you please. You're always welcome here."

Nicole pulled the corners of her lips into a perfunctory and polite smile.

"That won't do. I'm here to accompany my friend."

Nicole looked at Molly, who did not care who the boss was.

Yannick's eyes flickered. He walked over and instructed the receptionist, "Since it's Ms. Stanton's friend, we'll offer a 40% discount."

The receptionist nodded and answered.

Nicole thanked him and did not intend to be so clear-cut for this small amount of money. Yannick did not lack this money anyway, and he was just trying to please her.

She was clear about this.

"So, what do you two ladies want to try out? Running? Yoga? Our teachers here

●o, what do you two ladies want to try out? Running? Yoga? Our teachers here are all national professional teachers and are highly paid. We emphasize quality over quantity.”

Nicole looked at Molly, who pointed to one of the items and said, “I want to learn to meditate! I won’t need to move and just sit there.”

For a moment, everyone fell silent.

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Chapter 856 Look Down on Him