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“Is that so? Who is this girl anyway?” Edward did not quite believe Jada’s words, so he smiled faintly and looked over. As soon as he saw who was in the picture, he gasped and said, “My God! Isn’t that Sheila Ballard? Why is Sheila walking with Severin?”

The corners of Easton’s mouth twitched a few times. “He...he’s a boytoy? I didn’t think he’d actually get together with Sheila!”

Lucy saw the surprised looks of both men and could not help but wonder out loud, “Who is Sheila? Is she rich? Richer than Edward?”

Easton immediately replied, “She’s not just rich. Her family is richer than the Zelankos and the Longhorns. She’s the only daughter of Brookbourn Mansion leader, and those who marry her would almost certainly shoot to the top!”

Edward nodded too. “The biggest force in Brookbourn is Brookbourn Mansion. You might think that they’re sitting in their ivory tower in complete detachment from the world, but some of the upper-class families are required to pay them a certain sum of money every year. Moreover, as far as Brookbourn Mansion is concerned, there are many strong individuals there who could be regarded as true sovereigns!”

“Why would that damn Severin be taking a stroll with someone like that?” Lucy gritted her teeth angrily after knowing what was the situation.

The reason she chose Easton and abandoned Severin was because she wanted to live a rich life, and she believed that Severin was too poor to give her that. The only way she would feel vindicated with her decision was if Severin was poor and had a worse life than hers. Therefore, it was only natural that she could not stand to see Severin enjoying a better life than her, especially when Severin was richer and better than Easton.

Easton then said, “Hmph, I think it’s in his nature to live off other people. Sheila must have gone mad to choose Severin when there are plenty of rich young men from upper-class families that she could choose from.”

Lucy thought about what they said but still found it all hard to believe. “Are we overthinking? Aren’t they just taking a walk?”

Easton sneered and said, “Just a walk? You’re too naive. Sheila’s known to be a very proud person, and many of the rich and handsome upper-class young men were rejected by her when they asked her out for a meal. Why do you think such a pompous young lady like her would go for a walk with Severin? It’s a sign that she has a good impression of Severin!”

“That’s right.” Edward nodded in agreement. “Sheila is a rather arrogant person with high standards. Didn’t you notice that the two of them aren’t accompanied by bodyguards? They’re having a walk and chatting with each other. If their relationship has already progressed that far, you can bet that Sheila now regards Severin as a friend. There’s even a possibility that it would progress into a romantic

relationship!” As he said that, he clenched his fists and had a resentful look as he said, “Severin must be killed as soon as possible. If this drags on and he marries Sheila, we won’t even get the chance to target him anymore, and he’ll be the one who will make our life miserable by targeting us.”

Lucy nodded. “Okay, then let’s hire a six stars assassin. What’s the highest rank among the assassins?”

“For this organization,” Edward began. “The assassins are divided into one star to nine stars. The strongest one is nine stars. It’s rumored the nine-stars have already surpassed the attainment level of a grandmaster, but it goes without saying that they cost a lot too. I think hiring a six-stars is good enough.”

Easton sighed. “Black Rose, the one we hired earlier, is very strong, and she looks hot too. It should’ve been easy for her to seduce Severin, but in the end, her ruse was seen through and we wasted all our money!”

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Jada frowned and said, “I’ve been wondering who it was that hired the trio on the day of the Liberty City launching. It would’ve cost a lot of money to hire three people at once, so could it have been Rufus?”

“It could be, but we can’t even consider relying on other people. We’ll be in big trouble if Severin wins Sheila’s heart anytime soon. After all, his beef is with us, and none of us will be able to escape his wrath once he secures power!” Edward pointed out.

At that moment, Severin had finished his walk with Sheila and they finally returned to his villa. Once they were back, Severin looked at the time and said to her, “I’ll be busy tonight, Miss Sheila, but I can drive you home. Regarding your father’s illness, you can rest assured that I’ll check him soon, but based on my preliminary judgment, it’s likely that he has been poisoned!”

“Poisoned? That’s not funny at all! How did he get poisoned? He’s always been in good health, but he’s recently been a little weak, especially his limbs, but there aren’t any other symptoms. If a person is poisoned, shouldn’t they die or at least suffer some serious effects?” Sheila gasped. She then remembered something and said, “By the way, my dad went for a physical examination a few days ago, and there was nothing wrong with him. Could you have been mistaken?”

Severin shook his head. “I haven’t done a careful examination yet, but I’m about seventy to eighty percent sure of it. I’ll go over and check his condition once I have some free time in the coming days, but not to worry, I can definitely cure it!”

“Okay. Since you’re busy tonight, I’d appreciate it if you could drive me back!” Sheila nodded. She had already asked the bodyguards to drive the car away in the hopes that Severin would drive her home.

While Severin was at the wheel, Sheila stole a few glances at him from the front passenger seat.

When she was already about to arrive home, Sheila pursed her red lips and said shyly, “Severin.why do you get more and more handsome the more I look at you? My attraction toward you. grows even more whenever I lay eyes on you. This is how it feels to fall in love, right? Is this what it means when they say beauty is in the eyes of the beholder?”

Severin did not expect that Sheila would say such a thing, and he immediately smiled awkwardly and explained, "I don't think so? Love is when your heart beats wildly whenever you see the person. Love is when you can't eat or sleep well if you didn't meet the other person. That's the feeling of being in love. You'd also have to know and understand each other for a long time before you can be certain that you love each other." Having said that, Severin immediately added, "For example, those who have known each other a short time won't feel that way!"

"Hmph! I don't believe your nonsense!" Sheila snorted coldly, folded her hands over her chest, and said again. "Then tell me: am I pretty?"

Severin was speechless and could only say, "Well, you are!"

"Since you think I'm pretty, you can like me too! I like you too, and I think we should get to know each other more and see where things take us, don't you agree?" As soon as Sheila heard Severin tell her that she was good-looking, she immediately turned her head and looked at Severin with a smile.

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"Hehe, you're just an immature little girl in my eyes!" Severin chuckled and did not want to entertain her question. He parked the car outside her villa and said to her, "We've arrived, Miss Sheila!"

Sheila looked down at her bust and frowned slightly. "Is this still immature for you? What's your definition of mature, then?"

Severin looked speechlessly at her. Sheila, being the immature girl that she was, had an adorably bubbly character. However, certain parts of her body seemed rather mature, and were further emphasized by the tight seatbelt around her waist.

His speechless expression amused Sheila greatly. She loosened her seat belt, but rather than getting off, she said to him, "You're handsome and capable, so why are you such a coward?" "Me? A coward?" Severin frowned. "When was I ever a coward?"

Sheila smiled slyly. "Yeah, you! I know many rich and capable people who have more than one wife, and the only reason you're afraid of marrying a girl who is cute, good-looking, and has a good figure is because you're a coward!"

"This isn't a question of courage. I'm content with treating Diane well!" Severin smiled wryly. He had to admit that Sheila, despite her young age, was bold enough to speak her mind when it came to those whom she liked or loathed. Any other girl would never be so brave as to make such a direct remark!

"I know that you're just trying to be responsible, and that you want to make it up for all the suffering she went through after giving birth to your daughter. I think she's a good woman too, so I'm not going to snatch you away from her!" Sheila pouted, then smiled again. "She'll always be the main wife, and I'll be the second. I'll even treat her as my big sister in the future! That should do it, right? You don't need to worry about me trying to hatch any sort of scheme against her. I'm not that kind of person, so you can rest assured."

Severin did not know what to say. He was well aware that it took a lot of courage for a girl to say such things, especially when it came to upper-class girls like Sheila. After thinking about what she said, he

persuaded her, “You’re a daughter of nobility, Miss Sheila. Are you sure you’re willing to be a second wife? Why are you even considering that?! You’re an only daughter, and I’m sure your father would want you to find a rich, powerful, and handsome man! He most certainly will not let you become someone else’s second wife. Besides, our age gap is huge, and it’ll be inappropriate!”

“Pffft!” Sheila snorted coldly. “Well that’s exactly what my dad thinks, but I don’t share the same views as him. I’ll decide who I want to be with, and I don’t care about the social status of the person I like. I’d still like them if they were poor, and I’ll never be persuaded to like someone that I don’t. That’s just how I am!” Sheila then paused and continued. “Besides, I’m not going to sacrifice my love life just to strengthen the Ballards’ status by marrying someone who’s similar in terms of social hierarchy.”

Severin smiled wryly. “Who knows, maybe you’ll get the best of both worlds and meet someone whom you like and who has a high social status too!”

“Impossible!” Sheila shook her head at once. She then looked at Severin. “I say that because the person I like is in front of me!”

That was the first time Severin had met such a difficult person in his life. Even his best efforts to persuade her had been rendered useless. Facing a thousand-strong troop of soldiers was barely enough to make Severin break a sweat, and yet a beautiful woman like Sheila had already made him helpless.

“Ahem, Miss Sheila. It’s about time for you to get down. I think being friends with you is good enough!” Severin cleared his throat and said with a serious expression.

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“I know that you have a sense of responsibility toward Diane, but you need to have a sense of responsibility toward me too!” Sheila immediately turned around and said to Severin.

“Why should I have a sense of responsibility toward you?” Severin smiled wryly and turned around to question her.

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Sheila then tilted her head, stretched forward suddenly, and gave Severin a peck on the lips. There! That’s why you should be responsible toward me! I gave you my first kiss, so shouldn’t you be responsible to me?” Sheila then turned her head away in an instant. Her face and ears were red, while her heart was beating non-stop. Severin was stubborn, and he was not a pervert either, so the only way for her to have a glimmer of hope is if she took the initiative to

kiss him.

Severin was stunned, for he never expected Sheila would be so bold as to give him a kiss. It all happened so suddenly too! More importantly, it was her first kiss, a moment that was important for any girl! He truly had no words for how bold she was!

“Why you little...how would I know if you’re just lying to me about the first kiss?” Severin turned away from her and asked solemnly, and his face was blushing uncontrollably too. Sheila clearly did not play by the rules.

“I swear it’s my first kiss. I’ve never had a boyfriend before, and I’ve never even held hands. with a boy, so if this isn’t my first kiss, I don’t know what is! Whatever it is, you kissed me back anyway, so you have to be responsible! Okay, bye, my love! I need to get off right now, because I’m so nervous that my heart is about to pop out of my chest!”

Sheila licked her lips, hopped off the car, and looked at Severin with a blush. “Don’t forget to come and check on my dad, love!”

The corners of Severin’s mouth twitched a few times as he said coldly, “I didn’t kiss you! You’re the one who kissed me, okay?”

Sheila smiled slyly. “It takes two to tango. Didn’t you kiss me too when I kissed you? Well, it doesn’t matter. The point is, I gave you my first kiss. You need to be responsible, so don’t try and play any tricks on me!”

As she completed her sentence, she turned around, covered her face, and ran towards the gate of the villa. “Ah, I feel so shy!”

Severin had a complicated expression as he watched the young and adorable Sheila running away so bashfully. He had to admit that someone as young, cute, and mischievous as Sheila would be the dream lover of many men, and she easily made one feel like she was one’s first love.

However, Severin shook his head when he thought of Diane and pretended as if nothing happened. He checked the time, and then drove away.

After arriving at the entrance of a bar, Severin called Stanley and told him the location. Stanley used to push Diane around and mock her a lot, so Severin was determined to give him a hard time.

Sometime later, Stanley drove over with five people, three of them were young and beautiful women, while the other two were men. They seemed like lackeys whom Stanley used to hang

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Severin sneered to himself when he saw Stanley arriving with three women and two men. That Stanley neglected to ask whether or not Severin would agree to it made it abundantly clear that he was trying to bleed Severin’s wallet dry, since he already knew that Severin was treating him that day. Moreover, Stanley must have planned to use Severin’s money to bolster his reputation, so the rest of the people would remember it as being a treat from Stanley.

However, Severin did not think it mattered much since it was never his original intention to treat Stanley to a drink.

“Yo, Severin! You came early!” Stanley immediately walked over and pretended to be friendly with Severin when he saw the latter standing there. He knew that Severin had placed something heavy into the medical box earlier that day to get back at him, and although he did not know what Severin could have placed in it to make it so heavy, Severin told him to carry the medical box without ever using it at all. As a result, he figured that Severin must’ve intentionally done that to get revenge on him.

None of that was important though. Since Severin had earned a lot of money, Stanley was adamant on extorting him that night.

"I just arrived too, so I guess we all came at just the right time!" Severin smiled. "Who are these people, by the way?"

"These two men are the sons of rich businessmen, and these three beauties, well...hehe, we have fun with them all the time, if you know what I mean! This here is Alrick, and the other guy is Neil. The one with the plump a*s is Tina, this one with the huge t*ts is Coco, and the one with the smoking hot figure is Buttercup." Stanley chuckled.

He then introduced Severin to them and said, "By the way, this is Severin, the guy I mentioned to you. He's the husband of Miss Diane and a doctor who works miracles!"

"Ugh! You're such a meanie! What do you mean by 'big t*ts', huh?" The woman named Coco said coquettishly to Stanley. He then took a step forward and said to Severin, "Ah, so you're Doctor Severin! What a young and handsome man you are."

Tina swung her hips from side to side as she walked over and held Severin's wrist. "Doctor, I've been feeling a little tight in my chest recently. Could you check it out for me when you're free later tonight?"

"Doctor, my a*s hurts, and I need a consultation too!" Coco said with a devilishly charming expression. She even bit her red lips on purpose to emphasize her true intentions.

Severin had a faint smile. "Is that so? None of you look sick though!"

"Oh, Doctor! We mean it when we say we're sick! We'll book a VIP room tonight so you can give a consultation. I want to know what's wrong with my chest!" Tina said flirtatiously.

"Yeah, Doctor. Could you check my a*s and see what's wrong with it?" Coco added.

Apparently, the three women had heard from Stanley that Severin made an easy a hundred. million that morning, and they all wanted to hook up with him so that they could also make some money and have a good time with him!

"I, I have a toothache, Doctor Severin. Could you pretty please check it out for me too?" The third woman, whose name was Buttercup, immediately stepped forward and asked coquettishly for fear that she would lose out too.

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However, if Severin could remain calm and resist temptation in the face of a bold little beauty like Sheila, it stood to reason that he would never be tempted by those brazen women. He smiled slightly and said, "Oh, really? Why do I feel that you girls are sick in the head? And it's a serious mental illness too!"

The three women were stunned. 'What's going on?'

Moments later, Coco pulled Severin's wrist again and said, "Oh, Doctor Severin, you're so amazing! I guess there is something wrong with my mind, and it seems to be pretty bad too! My mind is now filled with thoughts of you!"

Severin nearly fainted! Those women were master seducers, and he was appalled that they could respond in such a way when he had clearly called them mentally ill.

“Hey, hey, hey! What’s up with you girls? You were fine before? Now you’re aching everywhere! Can you still drink tonight?” Stanley asked with a smile. He then patted Coco’s buttocks and said, “Oh, Coco, you have an ache on your a*s, right? How about I rub it for you later tonight? I happen to know some medical skills too, hehe! I bet a bit of a massage from me will make it all better again!” He finished his sentence with a lewd smile.

To his surprise, Coco patted his hand and said coquettishly, “Oh please. How can your medical skills compare with Doctor Severin’s? He’s a miracle doctor who earned a hundred and fifty million with just one treatment! If it’s his hands that rub my a*s, I’m sure I’ll be cured right away, isn’t that right, Doctor?”

Those women had the gift of glib, and Severin could feel goosebumps forming all over his body.

“Alright, let’s stop standing around out here! Go ahead and book that VIP room!” Severin smiled and said to several people.

“Yes, yes, yes! Go on in, everyone! It’s Severin’s treat tonight! He has plenty of money after earning a hundred and fifty million today, so just go ahead and order whatever alcohol that you won’t normally dare to order. I think the Ace of Spades brand is one of them, right? Don’t be shy, now! Order whatever you want!” Stanley said with a smile.

“Thanks for your kindness, Doctor Severin. You really are amazing! We started admiring you as soon as we were told about you, and I’d like to learn some medical skills from you too if I have the chance!” Buttercup, who looked incredibly sexy in a short skirt and black socks, said coyly.

Stanley frequently went out to enjoy himself, and the woman he invited to have fun with him generally had a decent appearance and figure.

Two more beautiful women greeted him as he walked in.

“Oh, if it isn’t Mister Stanley? What kind of room are you planning to book tonight? It’s been a while since you came here and had a good time!” One of the beautiful women had a bright look on her face as she came up to welcome Stanley.

Severin’s mouth twitched a few times. He had chosen a more upscale bar at random without expecting that the staff there would know Stanley. It seemed likely that Stanley had misappropriated the company’s funds to enjoy himself there.

Without waiting for Severin to speak, Stanley waved his hand and said, “Which room you ask? The most luxurious one of course! I want the Royal Pavilion Room!”

The beautiful woman’s eyes lit up when she heard that. “Sure thing! I’ll bring you there right away! Come with me, it’s upstairs!”

Severin’s face darkened. Stanley was hell-bent on bleeding his wallet dry! Judging from the reaction of the beautiful woman, he could already guess that the Royal Pavilion Room would not come cheap.

Severin

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his mouth close to Coco's ear on purpose and asked softly, "Hey, Coco, how much is the minimum spend here in the Royal Pavilion Room? I have no idea since it's my first time here!"

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Coco did not expect that Severin would ask her about it so secretly. She was overjoyed. "Oh, Doctor, you're a rich man who makes money easily, so you have to come to this place and enjoy yourself more often. What's the point of making so much money if you don't spend it, am I right?"

After a pause, Coco answered his question. "The Royal Pavilion Room has a minimum spend of three hundred thousand, but that's just a drop in the ocean for you, right? Some of the wines here cost a few thousand, so we can easily meet the minimum spend with a couple of bottles! Spending a few hundred thousand isn't too much for you, is it?"

Severin smiled awkwardly. "Not at all!" Even so, he was quite upset that Stanley chose the most expensive room without even asking him, but not that it mattered anyway. After all, Stanley would come to regret it eventually!

Sure enough, the room was very large, and the decoration was quite magnificent too! As soon as they entered, Severin sat down without saying another word. Stanley, on the other hand, told his companions to order whatever they wanted, as if it was him and not Severin who was treating them!

The two men did not hold back at all and ordered more than a-hundred-and-fifty-thousand dollars' worth of food and drink in one go before inviting the three women to order. Stanley was the last to order, and the total figure came close to three-hundred-and-fifty-thousand dollars.

After they were done ordering, Stanley saw Severin sitting next to him and handed the mobile tablet to him. He then said with a smile, "It's your turn, Severin! Have a look and see if there's anything you'd like to drink! Just order whatever you like! If we can't finish drinking, we can always tell them to keep it for us!"

Severin glanced at the tablet and said with a smile, "I think I'll pass since you've all already ordered, I'm worried we might not be able to finish it! We can always order some more if we've finished the first round!"

"Sure, sure! That'll be it for now then! You can get the drinks for us now!" Stanley handed the tablet to a beautiful waitress.

Another waitress smiled and asked, "Sir, our girls can accompany you for a drink too, if you like. Would you like to choose a few?"

The guy whom Stanley introduced as Alrick smiled and said, "No thanks, we have three pretty ladies with us already!"

Stanley, however, immediately protested, "Wait up! There's four of us men and only three ladies. It's not enough at all! And besides, the three of them aren't here to keep us company They're admirers of Doctor Severin, and they're here to keep him company! Don't forget, they need the good doctor to treat their aches later too! We, on the other hand, don't have any women to drink with us, so we should at

least bring three more girls!" After saying that, he immediately took the decision into his own hands and said to her, "Bring them in! We'll take three!"

"Sure. I'll make the arrangements right now!" The waitress walked out briskly and soon reentered the room with a dozen women for Stanley to choose from.

Stanley was beguiled by the choices and decided to pick four of them. As soon as those women came over, they immediately helped to open the bottles and then began toasting them to a drink. As expected, Coco, Buttercup, and Tina ran over to Severin and wanted to drink with him. Stanley went for some karaoke, and he belted out a song while hugging a beautiful woman. He seemed to be enjoying himself to the fullest as he swayed side-to-side with the woman in his arms.

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Severin was not interested in the slightest, and he felt unaccustomed to that sort of place. However, Stanley and his companions were heavy drinkers, and they drank red wine like it was beer.

The four B-girls who kept them company did not just sit around either, and they had drunk more than half of the wine that was ordered earlier.

"Why are you so reluctant to let yourself loose, Doctor Severin? Your life will be dull and boring if you don't relax when you're out having fun!"

Buttercup rolled her eyes and made a point to lean closer to Severin when she saw that he was sitting there quietly without showing any interest in dancing or singing. Worse still, he only spoke when they asked him a question!

On the other side, Coco deliberately pulled up the sexy short skirt she was wearing, as if she was afraid that Severin would not notice her long sexy legs otherwise.

When Buttercup saw that, she took hold of Severin's arm, pressed her breasts against Severin's arm, and leaned her head over. "Oh, Doctor Severin, I think something's wrong with my head! I feel a little dizzy now, so could you please take me to a better room and check if I'm alright?"

Coco chimed in. "Doctor, there's a super nice hotel next to this place, and the beds are big enough for several people to sleep in."

Severin was in awe of what was happening. 'Is this what it feels like to be rich?' He could not help but sneer in his heart, 'Would these pretty women even cling to me like this if I'm still as poor as I was back then?'

Those women spared no effort in doing whatever they could to make him feel good, and all because he could afford to bring them to such a chic and luxurious place. Any man who was in his shoes might not be able to resist their tempting offer, and from the looks of it, there were plenty of gold diggers like Lucy out there!

As soon as Lucy came to mind, Severin recalled his relationship with Lucy when they were in college, and the promise that they would stick by each other at all times until marriage. His thoughts were then transported to the time when he smashed a beer bottle over Easton's head for Lucy's sake. Lucy cried

before him and promised that he would wait for him, but on his release, he came back and saw the two of them getting in on in bed.

Coco saw that Severin was in a daze and did not answer them, so she could not help but ask coquettishly, "Oh, Doctor Severin! Do you think we're ugly? Is that why you won't treat our illness?"

Severin finally came to his senses, drank the wine in the glass in one gulp, then smiled at the three of them and said, "You're pretty! All of you are pretty! I'll treat your illnesses in a bit!"

"Yay! Doctor Severin promised to treat us! Come on, let's have a toast!" Coco felt excited when she heard that, because as long as Severin was prepared to enjoy himself with them, they could easily get him to spend several hundred thousand on them!

When Buttercup heard this, she immediately poured herself a full glass, and said, "Doctor, me too! I'm sick too!"

Not one to be outdone by the other two, Tina immediately bent down to reveal her sexy cleavage. "And me! I'm just as sick as them!"

Severin smiled wryly. "Your sickness is pretty bad, ladies. I'll have to treat all of you to the best of my ability!"

"That's right! You need to treat them well," Stanley muttered happily to himself from one side. He was secretly happy when he heard that, and a smirk appeared on the corner of his lips. He believed that Severin was walking into the trap that he had set up.

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"Ugh, I'm getting a little dizzy!" Severin drank a few more glasses, and when he saw that the wine on the table was nearly finished, he could not help but rub his head and try to find an opportunity to leave.

"Oh, come on, Doctor Severin! Your medical skills may be great, but your alcohol tolerance is a little too low! We haven't even had enough to drink yet!" Tina immediately protested.

"There's not much wine left, Doctor! Can I order some more?" Stanley smiled slightly and asked Severin deliberately. "You can't be a party pooper when our girls haven't had their fill yet!"

Severin waved his hand, and said boldly, "I won't spoil the fun, of course. Go ahead and order whatever you want, haha!"

"Don't mind if we do, then!" Stanley gave the two drunk men beside him a wink, and their eyes lit up right away. Before long, they ordered some more wine, knowing that they could store the unfinished ones there for another time.

Severin immediately knew what Stanley's intentions were when he saw another huge order of wine. Since they had ordered a lot of bottles and had four B-girls keeping them company, the total amount of money spent was about six to seven hundred thousand. It was clear that Stanley was having a blast in spending his money.

After drinking a few more cups, Severin stood up and then acted drunk as he said, "Man, I'm feeling a little light-headed. I'll have to go to the restroom. You guys enjoy!"

As soon as Stanley saw what was happening, he said to Coco while smoking his cigarette, "Could you help the good doctor, Coco? I'm worried he might collapse from getting drunk!"

"Sure!" Coco immediately stood up and helped Severin out.

Severin deliberately staggered as he walked out, knowing deep down that Stanley was a cunning man who was trying to prevent him from leaving without footing the bill. Stanley was probably afraid that Severin would want to punish him for targeting Diane and her parents very often in the past.

After Coco helped Severin out of the VIP room, Alrick said to Stanley, "Don't you

think we ordered a little too much, Stanley? And all of them are the two most expensive wines they have here! I did a rough count, and the amount we've spent is nearly seven hundred and fifty thousand!"

The other guy added, "Yeah, Stanley, you used to be very reluctant to do this. We usually spend about a few thousand in one go, and we can still manage even if it's tens of thousands of dollars. But today seems a little too wasteful, don't you think?"

"Hmph, what do you know?" Stanley snorted coldly and said, "Severin's rise made me lose my position as the general manager, and I had to scrimp just to go out and have a drink! That's why I'm going to spend as much of his money as I can so he feels the pain!"

The two of them shut their mouth immediately after being scolded, but they thought to themselves, 'Even if our spending is close to seven hundred thousand, Severin wouldn't feel a pinch at all after earning a hundred and fifty million today! You're just trying to fool yourself, Stanley!'

Alrick then thought about it and said, "Aren't you afraid that he'll leave without paying once he sees how much we spent?"

"What are you afraid of? Didn't Coco go with him?" Stanley retorted.

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Stanley's appearance seemed to suggest that he was in control of everything, and he said with a smile, "All men like beautiful women, just as all cats are drawn to catnip. He acted like a prude when he was in front of us, but it took him just a bit of wine to loosen up and arrange to go to the hotel with the three girls. He even put his hand around Coco's waist when he went out, hahaha!"

After Alrick heard that, he could not help but nod. "You're right. A few hundred thousand isn't a lot of money to him, and he still has plenty left over to enjoy his time with those girls at the hotel tonight. Haha, he's not a man if he isn't tempted by them!"

After Severin was helped out of the room, he stood up straight with a smile on his face.

"You...you're not drunk?" Coco was taken aback, and she never thought that Severin had been pretending to be drunk.

“Hehe, did you think this little bit of wine is enough to get me drunk? Even if the three of you take turns to toast me, you’ll get drunk sooner than I will!” Severin chuckled, and then remarked, “Stanley didn’t hold back at all when he ordered, but then again, he’ll be the one who will foot the bill!”

Coco’s mouth twitched a few times, and she did not expect that Severin would be that smart. She thought to herself and then decided to tell Severin, “To be honest, Doctor Severin, he doesn’t just want to get back at you with spending your money. The truth is...he...he wants us to help him tarnish your name too.”

Severin frowned as soon as he heard that. “Is that so? That sounds interesting. How about you and I step out for a bit? It’s a little noisy here, and I’d prefer to talk outside.”

Coco nodded and followed Severin out of the bar.

When they were outside, Severin said, “So tell me, what is Stanley’s plan? You made the right choice by coming clean earlier because you stand to benefit a lot if you tell me. If you don’t, then you wouldn’t have been able to get anything in return!”

Coco could tell that Severin was a smart person after he pretended to be drunk, and she only told Severin all that because she wanted to benefit.

She smiled wryly. “Mister Stanley told the three of us to collude with him by getting you to spend a lot of money tonight, and once we get you drunk, we’ll bring you to the hotel and wait for you to pass out before taking pictures of us in compromising positions with you. He wants to threaten you with those photos the next day!”

“Threaten me? Well, that’s a cowardly move!” Severin could not help but smile disdainfully when he heard that. Had he been the playboy type of man who was captivated by every beautiful woman he saw, then he would have fallen squarely into the trap. Alas, it was Stanley’s bad fortune to have gone up against him!

“When tomorrow comes, he’ll demand one point two million from you, and he’ll show Diane those photos if you refuse! He’s confident that you would give him the money for her sake, because if you don’t, he’ll post those photos all over the internet!” Coco said truthfully. “He also promised to give us thirty thousand each!”

Severin patted Coco’s shoulder. “Very good. You made a wise choice. You can leave this place in a bit. But first, give me your bank account number. I’ll give you double that amount!”

“Really? Thank you so much, Doctor Severin!” Coco was overjoyed, and immediately gave the account number to Severin.

Severin immediately transferred the money to her through his mobile banking app. After Coco saw the money in the account, she became even happier as she stepped forward and took Severin’s hand.

“You’re such a good person, and I feel bad that you had to give me so much money. How about I spend the night with you at the hotel, and you can do whatever you want with me?”