Mistaking the CEO for a Gigolo Chapter 1476

Chapter 1476 Seize The Opportunity

"If you heard that my mommy is missing, then it's true. That's why I don't have much time to talk to you. I'm in a hurry to find my mommy!"

"Your mommy is really missing? How did she disappear? Where did she go missing? This is serious! Maya, let me help you find her. We'd have a better shot at locating her if we work together!"

Maya was taken aback by Wilbur's words. Does he want to help find Mommy?

"My daddy has sent a lot of people to look for her. You don't need to—"

"Maya, I'm willing to help. How about I pick you up from your house? We'll go and find her together."

"Where to find her? Where can we go?"

"Well... I believe that if we try hard enough, we'll find her. I'll pick you up first!"

"I—"

Before she could refuse him, he had already hung up the phone.

Crap! It seems like Wilbur really wants to help. I guess it doesn't hurt to have more people helping us. We might have a good chance of locating Mommy!

After disconnecting the call, Wilbur, who was decisive, immediately drove to Imperial Garden.

Meanwhile, Evan did not expect him to come and was surprised by his arrival.

"Mr. Seet, just let me know if you require my assistance!"

Naturally, Evan knew why Wilbur said so. It must be because of his relationship with Maya, but I don't even know if both of them will end up together. How can I give him orders? Besides, I don't need his help to find Nicole.

Staring at Wilbur, he fell silent for a moment before saying, "I've already made proper arrangements to look for my wife. Maya is worried because of her mother's disappearance. As her friend, you should assure her that everything will be fine."

This is the chance for you to get along with Maya. Wilbur, it's up to you to seize the opportunity.

As expected, Wilbur quickly understood the hidden meaning behind Evan's words. "Don't worry, Mr. Seet. I understand."

"Okay. Maya is upstairs. I'll ask the maid to call her down. Wait a minute."

"All right."

Moments later, Evan ordered the maid to go upstairs and call Maya. Then, he continued to relax on the couch, drinking tea. He even told Wilbur to join him and asked what he thought of the tea.

In response, Wilbur nodded and picked up the teacup in front of him. The aroma of the tea is rich. It's a premium quality tea. How could the tea from Imperial Garden not be the best?

After being awestricken by the tea, he observed Evan keenly.

Rumor has it that Mr. Seet and his wife are deeply in love, and their relationship is exceptionally good. Logically speaking, he should be anxious when the person he cares about the most has disappeared. But why is he drinking tea so leisurely at home? Not to mention that he's even in the mood to arrange matters between Maya and me, so I could take this opportunity to bring her out with me. Could it be—

At the thought of that, Wilbur could vaguely guess what had happened.

I've heard that he has been a business tycoon for years and has few competitors. Everything is under his control. Indeed, he lives up to his reputation.

When Maya walked downstairs, she was stunned the moment she saw Wilbur. No one had ever cared so much about her family affairs, so she was not used to it.

After being startled for a while, she walked toward Evan. "Daddy."

"Maya, Wilbur is looking for you. You should go out with him and get some fresh air. I've already sent someone to look for your mommy. It's no use staying at home and worrying for nothing."

"Yes, you're right. It's useless to stay at home and be anxious. It's better to go out and find Mommy." With that said, she looked at Wilbur. "I'll have to trouble you."

"It's no trouble. Just tell me where you want to go, and I'll accompany you."

Satisfied with his attitude, Maya piped up, "Okay. Let's go then."

Looking at the duo leave, Evan had a feeling that his precious daughter was being snatched away from him.

Wilbur, if you dare to bully Maya or mistreat her, I'll make you regret knowing her!

Chapter 1477 Overkill

Maya went out of Imperial Garden with Wilbur. His attentiveness toward her was unparallel. Even when she was getting into the car, he made sure that she would not hit her head.

To Wilbur, his action was a display of affection. However, in Maya's eyes, it was overkill.

"You don't have to do this. I'm not a child."

"Girls love to be protected and taken care of. You must be guite used to this."

Maya was speechless for a moment.

After some thoughts, she said, "When there is danger, men should indeed protect women. But your so-called protection seems unnecessary to me. The way I see it, it looks more like a stunt that a guy pulls to win a girl's heart, and it doesn't appeal to me."

Looking at Wilbur, she continued, "Y-You... Let me tell you something. I don't need a boyfriend. Stop wasting your time and effort on me."

Wilbur was silent.

Just because you don't need me now doesn't mean you won't need me in the future. I am confident that you will get used to this.

Unless they have no one to rely on, this is the nature of girls to rely on others, If they have, they will eventually get used to it.

Wilbur had no intention of arguing with Maya. "Fine then. Since you don't like it, I won't behave in this manner the next time. I won't treat other girls this way too. Such special treatment is only for you and you alone!"

There was no response from Maya though she found his statement odd.

You should treat other girls like this, just not me! I don't need such treatment!

Maya rolled her eyes and turned to look at Wilbur. She suddenly noticed the ravenous way he was looking at her. It reminded her of the way she used to eye huge chicken drumsticks when she was younger.

Holy crap! Is that what he thinks of me? Something to be devoured? It looks like I have to be careful around this guy. For all I know, he is just as wicked as Chris!

She turned her head away. "So, shall we drive off?"

"Sure!"

As the car started to move off, Maya turned and glanced at Wilbur again. Going out with guys had always felt weird to her.

Both my sister and I are so different. Nina has matured so much earlier and experienced a romantic relationship. She has suffered as a result of it. She was a tragic sight to behold after she was dumped.

As for me, it's a different story. Even until now, I have no wish of getting attached.

If Nina and I don't have such extreme personalities, we might end up with different kinds of lives.

It's a pity, though. There isn't much anyone can do about that!

"Where are we going?"

Wilbur's abrupt question interrupted her thoughts.

She came back to her senses and answered, "I have no idea. My mommy left the hospital after receiving a call. We lost track of her once she got to Willow Street. Why don't we go there and search for her?"

"O-Okay..."

Wilbur sped toward Willow Street.

"Do you think my mommy has been kidnapped? If so, what do they want?"

If they want money or something else, then they would be using Mommy as a bargaining chip to get it. But, so far, there is no news of her.

No, more specifically...

Wilbur knew what she was thinking. He looked at Maya and consoled her, "Don't worry. Your mommy has helped countless patients. She is a good person. Nothing bad will happen to her."

"As long as my mommy is safe and sound, I am willing to do anything! I am even willing to exchange my life for hers!"

"Are you very close with your mommy?" asked Wilbur softly.

Maya nodded. "Yes. My mommy gave birth to me and takes good care of me. She dotes on me a lot."

Chapter 1478 Stupid Child

Maya started sharing Nicole's life story with Wilbur. Once in a while, he would ask a couple of questions. Gradually, the couple was chatting away.

Meanwhile, Zayden and Joy were sitting on the merry-go-round. Looking at Sally, who was waiting for them, they started muttering.

Zayden asked Joy, "Did you follow her out to have fun?"

Joy nodded.

Zayden sighed. "I thought you had other plans in mind. How are we going to look for your mommy if we are having fun instead? Aren't we wasting time?"

How is this a waste of time?

Joy rolled her big, round eyes. Of course, I have other plans other than having fun. I certainly have the potential of being a fantastic actress because I can put on an act. Zayden, on the other hand, will surely let the cat out of the bag, so I cannot tell him anything.

"Well, just have fun. Shall we play water guns later?"

Zayden thought about it and nodded his head.

"You are your mommy's daughter. Once we are done, you should go back quickly to find out about your mommy's whereabouts."

"Don't worry. I know."

The two children started to play with their water guns.

They shot water at one another. It was great fun for them.

Once in a while, Joy would sneak a glance at Sally. When the latter was not looking, she threw her smartwatch into the reservoir.

Next, she pretended to borrow Zayden's smartwatch to check the time. While she was handing it back to Zayden, the smartwatch slipped out of her hand and fell into the reservoir as well.

Zayden stared in disbelief. "Oh my gosh! My smartwatch isn't waterproof. There's no way for us to make phone calls now."

That's even better.

That was exactly what Joy wanted.

"So what should we do now? What if Uncle Davin or Aunt Sheila or Grandma and Grandpa need to look for you?"

"Your smartwatch..."

"M-Mine fell into the reservoir too. What should we do now? What if Daddy is looking for me? Or maybe my siblings are looking for me? How will they contact us?"

Thinking about it, Zayden replied, "It should be okay. Both your daddy and Juan are aware that we have come out with Sally. They will call her if they need to look for us."

"My daddy and Juan know, but not your parents. What if they have something urgent and need to contact you? Surely, Uncle Davin will call you a stupid child again."

Zayden was dumbfounded.

Huh?

Zayden frowned. It was true that his daddy often complained that he was not intelligent enough. But will being uncontactable be labeled as stupid as well? What has stupidity got to do with this?

Seeing that Zayden was not entirely convinced, Joy added, "When Uncle Davin finds out that your smartwatch has fallen into the reservoir, he will definitely think that you are stupid."

"Aren't you the one who dropped it?" retorted Zayden with a sulky face.

Joy spoke in a matter-of-factly tone. "No, you didn't get a firm grip on it, and that's why it slipped. It's your fault!"

Zayden pursed his lips. I didn't have a firm grip on it? I didn't even touch it! Joy sure knows how to find excuses!

After being with Joy for so long, Zayden realized one thing. His daddy would always listen to anything Joy said. No matter how much he tried to explain himself, his daddy would never listen to him.

Whatever Joy said would be accepted without any question. On the contrary, he would appear unreasonable.

At the thought of that, Zayden had no choice but to accept his fate. With a sigh, he said, "Well, whatever. Worse comes to worst? I will just be called stupid again by Daddy."

"Zayden, there's a way to prevent that from happening."

"What is it?"

"Call your daddy using Sally's phone. Tell him that I'm the one who dropped your smartwatch into the water. I will compensate you with an identical one when we get back later."

Chapter 1479 Smart Girl

"Really? You will do that?"

"If you call your daddy now, then I will."

Zayden thought about it and hurried toward Sally to borrow her phone.

"Sally, can I please use your phone? Both our smartwatches had fallen into the reservoir while we were playing with our water guns. I just want to call my daddy and tell him about it."

Sally walked toward the reservoir. True enough, both their smartwatches were lying inside. It was then that she believed Zayden.

These two must have been so excited in their game for this to happen.

"Do you want to phone your daddy? What do you want to tell him?"

"I just want to let him know that it was Joy who dropped my smartwatch into the reservoir. If not, I will be spanked when I get home."

Sally pondered on it. "All right. Do you know your daddy's phone number?"

"Yes. I memorize both my daddy's and mommy's phone numbers by heart. All I need is your phone."

Sally nodded and gave her phone to Zayden.

"Thank you."

Zayden took the phone and went looking for Joy, who was nearby. He dialed his daddy's number from his memory.

"Daddy, Joy dropped my smartwatch into the reservoir. She said she will compensate me with an identical one."

"Reservoir?" Davin was surprised to hear that.

Zayden proceeded to explain to his father.

Once Davin understood the whole situation, he told his son, "There's no need for Joy to compensate you. I will buy a new one for you."

"No. I want Joy to compensate me for it."

"Uncle Davin, it was my fault. I will get a replacement for him."

"All right then. If you so insist, go ahead. One smartwatch isn't going to hurt your daddy's pocket anyway."

Once they hung up the phone, Zayden felt very happy because Joy had promised to compensate him for his smartwatch.

Suddenly, Joy suggested, "Zayden, your smartwatch looks quite special. Why don't you ask Sally to help you retrieve it from the reservoir? That way, I will be able to buy the exact same model for you."

"Okay."

"Let me use Sally's phone for a while. I also want to call my daddy."

Zayden was more worried about his smartwatch, and so he handed the phone to Joy before making his way to Sally.

Sally took one look at the reservoir and knew it was impossible to retrieve the smartwatch by hand.

"Let me get somebody to help us take the smartwatch out."

"Sure."

Once Sally was nowhere near her, Joy scrolled through the contact list on Sally's phone and began taking multiple screenshots.

Finally, she sent a voice message to Juan together with the screenshots through WhatsApp. Juan, it's Joy here. I am using Sally's phone and sending you these without her knowledge. See if anything looks suspicious. Mommy's kidnapper might have called Sally.

After which, Joy deleted the entire chat history.

Without wasting any time, she immediately searched for Evan's number and dialed her daddy.

When Juan saw the pictures, he was stunned. After listening to Joy's voice message, he was astounded beyond his imagination. Juan did not expect his sister to pull off such a stunt on her first trip out with Sally. What a smart girl.

Juan scanned Sally's call logs and suddenly recalled the listening device that Kyle had planted in her room. In the recording that he had heard, Juan wondered who Sally had been talking to on the phone. Does the person have anything to do with Mommy's disappearance?

Without further delay, Juan forwarded Sally's call logs to Kyle so that the latter could check against the timing of the recording and determine the exact phone number. It would be much easier to investigate once they had narrowed down their suspects.

Kyle was equally surprised when he received the WhatsApp message from Juan.

Chapter 1480 Hidden Agenda

He went to his study room and found the corresponding phone number that matched the time of the recording.

This is it!

Does this have anything to do with Mommy's disappearance?

Regardless, he felt the need to check more thoroughly. Moreover, whoever had been in contact with Sally for the past few days had to be scrutinized in detail as well.

At the thought of it, Kyle made a call.

"Find out the owners and locations of these few phone numbers. I want the details of the owners as well. Get this quickly."

"Yes, Mr. Kyle. I will get to it right away."

At that moment, Kyle still had no idea how Juan managed to obtain Sally's contact list and call logs. He thought long and hard about it before asking Juan through a message.

Juan: Joy was the one who sent it to me.

Joy?

Kyle was surprised. He was aware of how bright Joy was, but never in his wildest dream did he expect his sister to be that intelligent and resourceful.

Just as he was deep in his thoughts, Juan asked him: Do you find it very surprising? Inspect everything thoroughly. This little imp may be of great help!

Kyle: Yup! I truly did not expect Joy to be capable of such an act.

Juan: It's obvious that both Mommy's and Daddy's genes are way too superior. By the look of it, they should have a few more babies. We may have more intelligent siblings.

Kyle: This is something worth considering. But, in the meantime, we need to find Mommy first.

Juan: Then I won't take up your time. I need to work too. In fact, I feel that Daddy should have left the company matters to you. As for the task of searching for Mommy and the investigation of Sally, it should have been assigned to me. This way, we can both maximize our abilities.

Kyle: I'm sure that Daddy has his reasons. Let's get to work then!

Juan: You are always the one who understands Daddy the most.

Sally did not discover what Joy had done with her phone. After she managed to retrieve the smartwatch from the reservoir, Sally put her phone back into her bag and left for the zoo with the two children.

Zayden was thrilled to see the animals in the zoo.

"Wow! The ears are so big, and the trunk is so long! It's an elephant! I heard elephants can spray water with their trunks. Is it true?"

"Well... Yes. Zayden, is this your first time seeing an elephant?"

Zayden nodded. "I have only seen them in pictures. This is my first time seeing the real thing."

After that, he stared at the tiger and the monkey with curiosity and asked, "Daddy told me that there is no tiger in the mountains, and that's why the monkey is the king. But both the tiger and monkey are here, so who is the king?"

"Of course it's the tiger. If the tiger isn't around, then the monkey reigns supreme. But if the tiger is around, then the tiger is the king," explained Joy.

Zayden considered her explanation and said, "But the monkey can climb trees, and the tiger cannot. I feel that the monkey is more powerful than the tiger."

Joy was taken aback. "Tigers are more powerful. They can eat monkeys."

"Really?" asked Zayden in doubt.

A debate broke out between the two of them.

Sally looked at them and asked, "So, did you enjoy yourselves today?"

Zayden nodded fervently. "Yes! We did! It was a fun day!"

"Me too."

Joy grinned at her. The main reason for her happiness was that she had accomplished what she wanted to do, although she had no idea if it was helpful for Juan and Kyle's investigation.

"Since the two of you are so happy, are you willing to come out with me in the future?"

"Yes!"

"Of course!"

The two children agreed in unison.

"Next time, I will take you somewhere even nicer. Okay?"

"Yes!"

"Sally, when will you take us out again?" asked Zayden in anticipation.

"How about within the next few days?"

"Sure!"

Sally was secretly delighted. If there were anything urgent that required her to leave Imperial Garden, those two children would be her best excuse. When the time came, they would come in handy.

Chapter 1481 Antidote

At Imperial Garden, Kyle stood in front of the window staring at the dark sky. He was feeling uneasy.

From the time Sally appeared to all the incidents that followed suit, everything flashed across in his mind. He did not think there was any time to waste. There had to be some drastic action he could take in order to dig up her past.

The ringing of his phone disrupted his thoughts, and he immediately answered the call.

"Mr. Kyle, the information that you have requested is ready. I will send it to you right now."

"Is there anyone or anything that looks suspicious?"

"Yes, there are two of them! We are unable to determine the location of one of the phone numbers. Chances are the owner has utilized high-tech devices to evade detection. As for the other number, we

have tracked it to an idling manor that has been left vacant for years. It was the old address of the Maupay family."

Maupay family?

Kyle's eyes darkened.

So it is true that Sally is somehow related to the Maupay family!

I wonder what Sally's motive is for getting close to Seet Group.

"Mr. Kyle, with regard to Maupay's former residence, we have discovered signs of people but found no one there. We will continue to keep an eye on the manor. As for the unidentified number, we have also marked it. When you read it, you will understand."

"All right. I got it."

Once the call ended, Kyle took a careful look at the information that he had just received on his phone. His eyes were locked on the two numbers. After a moment of silence, he had an idea.

In order to ascertain Sally's relationship with the Maupay family, he intended to take Sally with him to the manor.

He was certain that he would find some clues.

The following day, after Kyle got changed, he invited Sally to go somewhere with him.

"Where are we going to?" asked Sally curiously.

"You will know when we get there."

When Kyle finished talking, he strode out of the house. Sally was momentarily stunned before she decided to follow him.

Looking at the tall and muscular figure of Kyle, an idea struck Sally. An outing alone with Kyle would provide her the perfect opportunity to talk him into allowing her to join Seet Group.

Once she got into Seet Group, it would be much easier for her to carry out her plan!

Both of them got into the Maserati with agendas of their own, and Kyle sped toward their destination.

On the way there, Sally was always the one initiating the conversation and tried to get close to Kyle.

She sized Kyle up. His handsome face and his sophisticated and imposing aura put her at a loss for words for a moment.

She glanced at Kyle and complimented him with a smile, "These clothes suit you very well."

Kyle turned to look at her and said nothing.

Sally tried again. "Your driving skills are really amazing."

Once again, Kyle remained silent.

Sally no longer knew what to say.

What can I say in order to strike up a conversation?

After some thoughts, she tried again. "It must be tiring to manage Seet Group, isn't it? A company such as Seet Group will surely require the elites. I wonder if someone incompetent like me stands a chance to—"

"No!"

Whatever Sally wanted to say got stuck in her throat. Kyle had finally responded. However, she did not expect such a reaction. With one word, he diminished my hope?

Sally mumbled, "Do you know what I wanted to say before you turned me down?"

"You want to join Seet Group, don't you? Not a chance."

Bloody hell! Just because you said no, it doesn't mean I don't stand a chance. No way. I must seize this opportunity and find a way to join Seet Group. This is the only way I can obtain the antidote for my father.

Chapter 1482 One Question Only

Sally began to crack her head for new ideas. For the rest of the journey, she did not strike up a conversation again.

When the car came to a stop, Sally was shocked when she saw their destination.

It was the former residence of the Maupay family.

Why did Kyle bring me to this isolated Maupay Manor? What is he trying to do? I better be careful.

"What is this place? Why are we here? It looks as if no one has been occupying this place for a long time," asked Sally in puzzlement.

Kyle glanced at her sideways and replied, "This is the former residence of the Maupay family. Let's go in." With that, he walked in.

Confusion engulfed Sally. Why would Kyle be interested in such a run-down and dilapidated manor?

Did he discover something? Does he know that there are actually people staying here?

With those questions in her mind, Sally followed Kyle in.

Judging from the current condition of the house, the former glory of the manor was long gone. Thick layers of dust covered the European-styled garden. However, one could still tell that the former residents were extremely wealthy back then.

"The Maupay family was rumored to be a mystery of its own. They became well known in Y City out of the blue. But after a few months, they disappeared overnight. Have you ever heard of the rumors of the Maupay family before?"

"No!" Sally denied right away.

Kyle stared at her intently. Although she was putting on a very good show, the observant Kyle could tell from the way she was looking at the manor that something was amiss.

"Sally, why don't we make a deal?"

His words sparked interest in her. "What kind of deal?"

"Earlier on, you asked if you stand a chance in joining Seet Group. I can make that happen. But, I have a condition."

"What is it?"

"You are the daughter of the Maupay family, aren't you? I want to know something. Back then, the Maupay family disappeared all of a sudden. Now, you show up out of the blue and try to get close to Seet Group. What is your intention?"

Sally looked at Kyle's confident expression. It was very likely that he knew something.

Otherwise, he would not have asked without reservation.

Sally smiled. It was getting tiring to put on a fake front all the time. "You are really smart. How did you find out that I am the daughter of the Maupay family?"

"I wasn't sure before this. I just wanted to verify my suspicion. It looks like my guess was right! You are indeed one of the Maupays!"

What? Kyle tricked me?

"That's right. I am from the Maupay family. My name is Sally Maupay!

"Why are you trying to get close to Seet Group? Why did your family disappear into thin air back then? Rumor has it that it has something to do with my daddy. Is your family responsible for this rumor?"

"It seems like you have lots of unanswered questions. Which one will you like me to answer first?"

Sally paused before continuing, "That's not right. Since you allow me to join Seet Group, I will only answer one question. One deal for one question. I think that's only fair. A man like you won't try to take advantage of me, will you? Well then, take your pick! Which question would you like me to answer?"

Just one question?

Among the questions he had, the one that had to do with Seet Group interested him the most. Therefore, he popped the question.

"So, you want to know my motive for getting close to Seet Group? All right, I'll tell you. I'm trying to get into Seet Group to save a life!"

This is the truth!

"Save a life? Whose life?"

"My dad's!"

"Maupay?"

"That's right!"

"What does getting into Seet Group got to do with saving your dad's life?"

"You are only allowed one question. As for the rest of your questions, you can go and check it out yourself."

"I want a complete answer! If not, I will take it as you did not answer my question!"

Chapter 1483 The Hidden Agenda

Kyle looked at Sally with a serious expression on his face.

Sally was startled. How should I answer his question? Do I have to tell him everything in full detail? If I let him know that I will only get the antidote to save my dad when I gain control of Seet Group's cash flow and kidnap his mom, not to mention entering Seet Group, I'm afraid he will detain me right here and now. After that, he will force me to tell him where Nicole is. So, how could I tell him?

Looking at Sally blinking her doe-eyes, Kyle let out a devilish smile. "We can discuss the conditions in more detail. For example, if you tell me the truth when you enter Seet Group, I can arrange for a top executive position for you. However, if you don't, I can't guarantee anything."

I can't tell the truth. As for the position, it doesn't matter as long as I can join Seet Group. Even if it's the intern position, I don't care. Moreover, I can make my lie sound like the truth. He may not even tell the difference.

"Okay, I will tell you. I approached Seet Group to build a good relationship with your mom. Since she's the miracle doctor, I hope that based on our relationship then, she could help cure my dad."

"If that's really your intention, you could beg my mommy directly. She will help," Kyle said.

Sally's face darkened as she explained, "The Maupay family suffered great damage the other time and had to go into hiding. Rumors had it that Seet Group was the one that attacked us, and your dad, Evan, was the culprit. The Seet family could only wish for my dad to die. So why would she come to our assistance?"

Kyle was silent momentarily, then he said, "Didn't you say it yourself that those were rumors? You can't trust rumors. Furthermore, even if you have that concern, you could disguise your dad. After disguising, you could go to my mom's workplace, Bernian Hospital, for treatment. Then, no one would recognize him. Why would you want to face the hassle of approaching us?"

"I-I had not thought about this method of disguising."

"It's not that you hadn't thought about this. You have a hidden agenda!"

Sally kept quiet as she looked at Kyle, who was standing in front of her and fixing his eyes on her.

I must say that it's hard to deceive him.

"You analyzed correctly. Since you know that it's a hidden agenda. Why are you still asking? I won't be telling the truth even if I tell you anything."

"So, you failed in answering my question," Kyle remarked.

"Kyle, are you saying this because you refuse to allow me to enter Seet Group? Are you afraid? Or did you want to arrange a low position for me to make things difficult for me?"

"I have nothing to be afraid of. You can enter Seet Group. As for your position..." Kyle sized her up then curled his lips into a meaningful smile. "You will find out when you're there."

He walked inside after saying his piece.

Sally remained silent for a short moment. Then, looking at the back of his figure, she scoffed, "I can't wait to see what kind of position you will arrange for me. I'm definitely going to Seet Group."

After walking for a short distance, Kyle stopped in his tracks out of a sudden. His eyes landed on a small trash can not far away. There is a pile of garbage inside. How could there be people throwing garbage in this abandoned manor? And there is even fruit skin. Based on the freshness, it looks like someone threw it recently.

A thought flashed past his mind. Could it be that someone is living here?

Sally tracked Kyle's gaze when she caught up to him and naturally noticed the newly thrown garbage. It did not match with the situation of the abandoned manor. There were cantaloupe and orange peels, which looked like someone had just consumed them recently.

D*mn! Will these raise Kyle's suspicious?

Sally cleared her throat and said immediately, "I can't believe that there are still people throwing garbage away in this abandoned manor. They must be the homeless beggars sleeping here at night for cover."

Chapter 1484 Someone Lived Here

Kyle turned his head around and glanced at her.

He did not believe that the beggars hid there because he saw a few imported packaging from the garbage and could tell that one of the small boxes of supplements was costly.

Beggars wouldn't be so particular about what they eat.

Hence, Kyle was sure that people were staying there. Moreover, their statuses wouldn't be ordinary. It was impossible for them to be beggars or normal people.

He remained unmoved and walked inside to the living room. Scrutinizing the place, he saw floating dust particles visible under the sun rays when the sun shone in. When the wind blew, the cobwebs on the lintel and window beams swayed with the wind.

It was evident that that place had remained empty for a long time.

After that, he walked into the other room. He entered each of the rooms, one after another. After scanning the rooms, he did not find any traces of people living there.

However, that heightened his curiosity.

There are people staying in the manor, but not in the rooms. Could it be that there are other hidden spots?

After exiting the room, his sharp eyes surveyed the manor. Besides the wall in the courtyard that was broken beyond repair, he could roughly tell that there was once a storage tank. There were also dried branches and grasses but nothing else.

"If people still lived here, where would they live?

Sally's heart was in her throat, afraid that Kyle would notice something as he continued to fix his hawkeye on the manor. She felt that the most important thing then was to get Kyle out of there soonest. Otherwise, it would be too late if he found out anything.

She cleared her throat and said, "Since this is your place, you should be very familiar with the surroundings, isn't it?" Sally then paused before continuing, "When our family left initially, I was only a few years old. I'm not familiar with this place and only have some blurry impression."

"Then, based on your blurry impression, was there anything secret room related?"

Sally's heart skipped a beat. How did he manage to think about the secret room?

Clenching her fist tightly, she pretended to be confused as she asked, "What secret room?" She thought for a moment then declared, "No. I haven't seen any secret room. How could there be any secret room here?"

Kyle looked at Sally, who tried to feign her ignorance. His icy eyes darkened. Without continuing the conversation, he walked outside.

Sally let out a deep breath and immediately went after him.

After exiting the manor, Kyle took out his phone instantly and sent a message when he was in the car.

Right after sending, he saw Sally knocking on his car door. "Let me in."

Kyle swiped a glance at her then opened the door. After sitting down, she turned her head, stared at Kyle, and questioned, "Why did you bring me to my family's old manor? Is it just for me to admit that I'm the daughter of the Maupay family?"

After some momentary silence, Kyle turned his head to look at Sally. He showed his devilish smile and answered, "Have a guess!"

Guess? How can I make the correct guess?

"Your thoughts are enigmatic. I have no idea."

Kyle started the car engine and headed to Imperial Garden after glancing at Sally.

On the way, Sally tried to probe about the position Kyle intended to arrange for her in Seet Group. However, he only said to her, "You'll find out when you're there."

Sally was speechless and pouted her mouth.

The worst that would happen to me would be to start off as an intern.

At that moment, she wouldn't have guessed how special was the position Kyle had arranged for her.

Back in Imperial Garden, Sally immediately sent a message to those staying in Maupay Manor to be more careful in hiding their trails. Based on Kyle's personality, she knew that once he found out that people were staying there, he wouldn't let things slide if he did not find out anything.

On the other end, Kyle's assistant had immediately ordered people to lurk in the old Maupay manor to observe everything and anything that happened over there once he received the message.

"Mr. Kyle wants us to monitor who lives inside."

"Why would anyone live in a place like this? Did Mr. Kyle make a mistake?"

"Mr. Kyle won't get it wrong. We only need to carry out our orders."

Chapter 1485 We Broke Up

"Should we enter to check the place out?"

"No. We should follow Mr. Seet's instruction to observe in secret. If we act rashly, we might alert someone and end up ruining the plan."

"I don't think there's anyone in a dump like this, though."

"Anything is possible. We should still be cautious."

"All right, then. I guess we have no other choice but to stay here as instructed."

Kyle's assistants brought a few men outside the house. In the dark, they were intently observing every single thing that was occurring inside.

Meanwhile, after being alerted by Sally, the people inside the house became vigilant, and all of them didn't dare to make any movement.

Later that night, Juan was surprised upon learning that Sally was going to join Seet Group.

What is on Kyle's mind? He clearly knows that there's something wrong with Sally. Why is he allowing her to join Seet Group? Is he planning to set a trap for her to show her true colors?

"Why are you staring at me that way? By the way, I'm joining Seet Group effective tomorrow. We'll be working together in the same company! Aren't you happy to welcome me?"

"Of course I am. Welcome to the company!"

"That's great. Since I'm still known as your so-called girlfriend, you must introduce me well to the people in Seet Group."

Juan could not help but scrutinize Sally from head to toe. Right after that, he grabbed his phone to call Sophia.

"Grandma, there's something I need to tell you," he uttered.

"What's the matter?"

"The thing is... I have broken up with Sally. I don't feel comfortable with our relationship. We're not compatible with each other, so we have called it quits."

Sophia was slightly taken aback but was quick to come to her senses. Her initial plan was to introduce Sally to Kyle instead of Juan, after all. Hence, being told that their relationship was not working out was acceptable to Sophia.

"All right. I understand that feelings can't be forced. I hope that both of you will be able to find someone right someday."

Right after he hung up the phone, Juan turned to Sally and replied with a smug on his face, "We have broken up officially. So, you're no longer my girlfriend. I know that you wish to take advantage of me by using that status. Dream on, as that's never going to happen."

Sally stared at Juan dumbfounded. She had never expected that Juan would be quick to cut all ties with her. Nonetheless, Sally had a contingency plan in mind. It's okay if I'm no longer Juan's girlfriend. I still have Kyle as my backup plan.

"Wow, you're fast to dissociate yourself from me. Don't worry. I don't need that kind of relationship to gain a firm foothold in the company."

"Is it? I'll be looking forward to it then," said Juan coldly.

"Sure."

A confident smile grew on Sally's lips. Then, she turned away and walked in her room's direction.

Looking at the back of her figure, Juan had a triumphant smile flickered across his eyes. Kyle must be planning something by letting her join the company.

How exciting! All I have to do is sit back to watch the show!

The next morning, the dining table was placed with scrumptious food. Maya glanced around and asked out of curiosity, "Where's Daddy? Why is he not here for breakfast?"

"Daddy went to Bernian Hospital. He asked us to proceed without him."

Hearing that, Maya sighed a little. "What's the point of him going to the hospital if he isn't looking for Mommy? It seems like Daddy is not anxious about Mommy's whereabouts at all."

"Why would you say that, Maya? I believe that Daddy is as worried as us. However, he probably has his way to find Mommy. It's pointless to get anxious over something we cannot control, anyway."

"What should we do, then? We haven't heard about Mommy for quite a few days. Are you suggesting that we should do nothing and wait?"

"I thought you went to look for her with Wilbur that day? Perhaps you can go search for Mommy again with him."

Hearing Wilbur's name being mentioned, Maya froze briefly. "How could I keep troubling him for my personal affair?"

"Maybe he's more than willing to lend you a hand. Besides, what's important at the moment is to locate Mommy and to ensure her safety. You can always return Wilbur the favor in the future, right?"