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Xavier covered his mouth. He almost choked on himself before holding back his laughter.

Jasper felt a surge of resentment in his chest. He coldly responded, "I don't see a future with her, and we can never go back to the past. I won't do something so shameless."

Without bothering to elaborate, Landon shrugged. He swiftly changed the topic, "Are there any items you want from today's auction?"

"Yes, the Antique Rosewood Chair. I plan to buy it as a birthday gift for my grandfather."

"You have good taste! I can help you secure it. If someone tries to compete with you, I'll find a way to convince them otherwise."

"No need," Jasper calmly shook his head. "The auction is about charity. If the item is meant to be mine, it will be mine. I won't force something that isn't meant to be. That would take away the joy of the auction."

The two entered the venue and walked straight to the first row reserved for VIPs. Only those from prominent families or elite individuals could sit there.

Jasper and Landon caused a small commotion when they entered. It was all due to their good looks and distinguished appearances.

The young women immediately blushed and gushed.

"Mr. Jasper is so handsome! He's like a dream come true!"

"A dream come true? You better not even think about it. He's going to marry the daughter of the Gardner family, don't you know?"

"What?! The Gardner family. The one who sells cheap home products? Oh my goodness, Jasper is wasting himself on her!"

"Liana and Mr. Jasper grew up together. He divorced his ex-wife just to marry her. How can anyone compete with that?"

"His pitiful ex-wife! Look at how pretentious Liana is! I bet Mr. Jasper will tire of her in under two years!"

Jasper sat down gracefully. He looked very distinctive from the crowd, keeping others at a distance.

He inadvertently glanced and saw a chair on the other side of the aisle. It had a nameplate that read "Jonah Taylor."

He pursed his lips, and his eyes showed a cold glint.

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"Oh, Jasper, I can't help with this one. My grandfather had already reserved the first row seats. And I'm too scared to change them," Landon whispered.

He understood Jasper's concern and continued, "These seats are the ultimate test of social status. Even your stepmother and your two stepsisters were placed behind. Each of these chairs is valuable. Jonah Taylor is Winston's eldest son and the RS Group President. We can't treat them lightly. Just bear with it."

Outside the venue, the Kirkman sisters mingled with a few reputable women while Betty and Liana complemented each other's outfits. As for Lauren, she seemed to have disappeared somewhere, sulking.

"Where's Lauren? Why can't we find her?" Liana asked.

"Forget about her. As long as she's not dead, it's fine," Betty replied. She was annoyed at the mention of her younger sister.

She thought Lauren was weak and timid, which brought shame to the Beckett family.

"Don't say that. Lauren is your sister. And she's the youngest daughter of the Beckett family. You should treat her better," Liana pretended to advise gently.

"I wish I never had a sister like her. She's embarrassing."

Hearing this, Liana couldn't help but smile to herself. That was how she could come between the sisters. Otherwise, she might have problems if they were to unite against her once she married into the Beckett family.

At this moment, there was a change in the air. Someone was approaching them with steady steps.

The Kirkman sisters, Liana, Betty, and several other ladies instinctively looked toward the approaching figure.

They saw Alyssa. She was dressed in a black suit, elegantly striding into their view. She wore high heels as usual, and her cherry lips were still strikingly beautiful.

Alyssa appeared to have casually put on an outfit, but it easily overshadowed the attire Liana and Betty had carefully planned. It left them fuming and clutching their skirts in frustration.

Behind Alyssa was Sean, who had also dressed up a bit today. He looked handsome and charming.

Initially, Alyssa and Sean intended to ignore the group of flashy women and walk past them directly. However, Sophia unexpectedly called out to her with a smile.

"I never thought I'd see you, the little country girl, in such a place. It's quite surprising how inclusive charity events can be."

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The implied meaning was Alice White, a country bumpkin, wasn't worthy of being in such an elegant setting.

Alyssa paused in her steps. She had one hand in her suit pants as she casually smirked at Sophia.

"There are many things you have yet to see. You may think it's surprising, but that doesn't mean it defies logic. It just means you need to broaden your views."

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