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Gripping the chairwoman's hand firmly, Hannah replied, "I respect your company's philosophy and hope we find an opportunity to work together."

Exiting the cabin after the event, Hannah found Declan waiting.

She glanced in his direction but kept moving toward the guest cabin stairs.

"Do you really need to humiliate me in public?"

Declan's voice carried a questioning inflection. Ignoring him, Hannah continued walking.

Raising his voice, Declan shouted, "Are you trying to humiliate me intentionally? To get back at me for divorcing you?"

Hannah stopped and turned around, confronting the agitated man behind her.

"When did the divorce happen? Do you have to keep bringing it up?"

This necklace was my mother's. I'd have claimed it back, with or without you. If you wanted it, you should've bid higher."

Tilting her head and flashing a sarcastic grin, Hannah said, "Declan, if you can't deal with it, don't point fingers. I recognize that's your usual style. Maybe focus on self-improvement rather than blaming me"

Turning her back, Hannah descended the stairs, leaving Declan fuming alone on the deck.

The auction came to a close, and the ferry was scheduled to return to Valmere the next day.

Back in her cabin, Hannah slipped into more comfortable attire and knocked on Bryson's door.

Shortly, Bryson opened up, appearing somewhat surprised.

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"What brings you here so late?"

"There were a lot of unsaid things during the auction. I'd like to discuss them with you privately."

Hannah wore a gentle smile as she took a peek inside Bryson's room and inquired, "If it's not too much trouble, may I come in for a chat?"

Bryson quickly turned to invite Hannah inside.

"I'll transfer the money to your account once we're off the ship,"

Hannah said.

"No need," Bryson replied with a warm smile.

"I agreed to attend the jewelry exhibition because I want to buy this necklace for you."

Hannah gazed up at Bryson, her eyes filled with concern.

“Mr. Mitchell, one billion is no small sum. Although you claim it’s a gift for me, I don’t think I should accept such a valuable present.”