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Joshua narrowed his eyes.

These men had chased after them without any hesitation at all, as though they would stop at nothing to get rid of them.

If Joshua had not blocked their way with his car at the last minute, Caleb's van would have been destroyed.

He had suffered a large cut on his arm because of the collision.

It seemed that Malcolm had found out about Rosalyn's relocation somehow.

As soon as he thought of this, Joshua turned to glance at Lucas. "You have my orders to hasten the plan of attack on Quinn Group; don't let Malcolm Quinn have any space for hesitation at all.

"On top of that, help me arrange a meeting with Charles tomorrow evening before Malcolm and Heather's wedding."

Lucas paused for a moment, then reminded him, "But Sir, Charles...will probably refuse to see you."

Joshua narrowed his eyes and chuckled. "He'll have to meet with me whether he likes it or not."

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The sun began to set.

Luna had set the venue of her dinner with Joshua and Theo at Lucky Den.

When Luna and Theo arrived, Joshua and Lucas were already seated in one of the booths, waiting.

Lucas seemed to be reporting his tasks to Joshua. Seeing that Luna and Theo had arrived, he quickly stopped and left hurriedly after greeting them.

After Lucas left, Theo smiled and sat down right across from Joshua. "Long time no see, Mr. Lynch."

Joshua curled his lips into a small smile. "Long time no see.

Luna summoned a waiter to take their orders.

Theo started chatting with Joshua about the three children.

For the past few months, Theo had been extremely worried about Neil. Even though he and Neil were not blood-related, he felt like he had grown a lot closer with the young boy after what they had been through together.

To him, Neil was like family.

Luna listened to their conversation carefully as she ordered her food.

For the last eight months, she had only been in touch with Nellie, so she did not know much about what happened to Nigel and Neil during this time.

To say that she had not been worried about them was a lie.

At the same time, Luna knew that she should not reach out to the children at all, lest they be under the wrong impression that she and Joshua had gotten back together.

The only way for her to find out about what had happened to the children during this time was through Theo and Joshua's conversation.

It turned out that the children had been busy during these eight months.

Nigel had taken part in a hacking competition and became a visiting professor at a university after winning first prize in the competition.

On the other hand, Neil managed to put his kindness and quick wit to good use by becoming the assistant to his kindergarten teacher and helping her keep tabs on a few different classes.

There had even been a few girls who admired him for this and sent him biscuits and pastries every day, claiming that they wanted to become his future wife.

As for Nellie, Luna knew what she had been up to lately.

Over the past few months, Nellie had started working with Lynch Group's design department and, with Shannon's help, had taken charge of a few major jewelry design projects, which earned her much praise for her talent and hard work.

"Miss?" All of a sudden, the waiter's voice pulled Luna back to reality.

She immediately came to and realized that the waiter was holding the menu in front of her, asking tentatively, "Is that all?"

Luna nodded, seeming flustered. "Yes, that will be all."

With that, she took a sip from her glass, trying to disguise her humiliation of her eavesdropping being exposed.

However, both Joshua and Theo noticed her uneasiness. The two of them exchanged glances and could not help curling their lips into small smiles.

After talking about the children, the two of them began chatting about themselves.

Luna suddenly felt as though she was invisible.

Never had she thought that Joshua and Theo would one day be able to chat like old friends.

The scene before her shocked her greatly. Soon, they finished their meal.

Apart from uttering a few words of thanks to Joshua, Luna had not managed to join Theo and Joshua's conversation at all.

She could not help feeling a little disappointed, but at the same time, grateful.

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At least Joshua had not said anything that he should not have, unlike how he had acted on the phone in the afternoon.

After finishing their meal, the three of them left the restaurant.

As she was walking down the stairs, Luna accidentally lost her balance.

Joshua was standing on her left, whereas Theo was on her right.

However, for some reason, Luna did not reach out her dominant right hand and instead extended her left hand to grab hold of Joshua's arm for support.

To her surprise, Joshua's usually lean, muscular arm somehow felt softer than usual. It seemed as though there was something wrapped around his arm.

Luna immediately lifted her head in surprise when she felt this.

In front of her, Joshua's brows were furrowed as he shot her a cold glare. "Let go of me."

His stern voice and cold attitude made Luna feel like her entire body had been submerged in ice.

She immediately let go of him.

"Take care of her; she's so clumsy," said Joshua curtly, and without giving Luna a second glance, he strode down the stairs and left.

Neither Luna nor Theo had noticed Joshua's pale face when he turned his back toward them.

When Luna grabbed his arm, she had accidentally clasped around his newly sutured wound from the afternoon, and in trying to maintain her balance, she had grabbed him quite forcefully.

Joshua could already feel his wound start to bleed again from the force.

Therefore, he could not stay any longer.

As he walked, he instructed in a low voice, "Lucas, get me a doctor."

Lucas understood the amount of pain Luna had accidentally inflicted upon Joshua when she grabbed him, so he quickly nodded. "Alright, I'm on it."

Luna stood, watching dazedly as Joshua and Lucas left the scene.

She was so dazed that she had even forgotten to ask Joshua why his arm felt softer than usual.

"Are you okay?" Even Theo was a little puzzled by this sudden turn of events. He walked over, frowning, and grabbed hold of Luna's arm. "Let's go back now."

Luna glanced in Joshua's direction once more and could not help feeling a little upset.

She had not...offended him at all, so why was he acting so coldly?

On the way back from Lucky Den, all Luna could think of was Joshua's cold expression. She recalled everything she had done from the moment she stepped foot into the restaurant with Theo but still could not figure out why Joshua had acted like this toward her.

After returning to her house, Luna and Theo had a video call with Dr. Rachel.

Luna was finally relieved to know that Rosalyn had arrived in Lincoln City safely and that everything was fine.

"Well, actually, it wasn't totally safe and sound," Dr. Rachel finally admitted after hesitating for a moment. "On the country roads right between Merchant City and Lincoln City, a group of cars trailed us."

Both Luna and Theo froze when they heard this.

Theo furrowed his brows in concern. "Did you get hurt?"

"Well, I wasn't hurt at all." Dr. Rachel shook her head, then turned to look at Luna. "However, the man who escorted us, Mr. Lynch, seemed to have suffered a serious injury on his right arm."

Luna's entire body stiffened when she heard this.

If she remembered correctly...

She had grabbed onto Joshua's right arm when she almost fell at Lucky Den.

As soon as she thought of this, Luna stood up and stormed out of the door without even thinking twice.

Theo furrowed his brows. "Where are you going?" "To find Joshua!"

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Inside his house in the city center, a shirt less Joshua was extending his arm out to Cheryl so that she could apply medication on his wound.

When Luna left her house, Theo had quickly called Joshua. Joshua had summoned Cheryl here on purpose.

That night, as they left Lucky Den, Joshua had caught sight of some reporters taking photos of them, and on top of that, the Quinn family had sent their men to chase after Caleb's car when he was on his way back to Lincoln City. Therefore, Joshua guessed that Malcolm was probably plotting to use these photos to threaten Luna.

Because of this, he could not allow her to stay at his place for too long, and since she had mistaken Cheryl as his new girlfriend, he decided to use this to his benefit to drive Luna away.

Because of her transferal after showing up late the last time she was here, Cheryl was more than grateful to have the opportunity to visit Joshua at his private home once more.

She was dressed in her most expensive clothes, her makeup carefully crafted, as she gingerly applied ointment onto Joshua's wound. She said in a gentle voice, " President Lynch, you're already severely hurt. I think it's best if you don't come to work for the next few days.

"I can help Mr. Lucas share his workload and bring your documents here for you to peruse in your own time."

With that, she snuck a surreptitious glance at Joshua's naked torso.

Joshua's muscular chest and abs were illuminated in a warm glow underneath the yellow light.

His body was so attractive that any woman would suffer a nosebleed the moment they laid eyes on him.

She must have been the only woman in the entire company to have the privilege to see Joshua's chest and abs in person.

As soon as she thought of this, Cheryl's voice grew even softer as she added, "President Lynch, I used to work as a nurse, so I can help you with your meals and apply your medication for you while you're recovering."

"There's no need. I have Lucas to do that for me," Joshua replied impassively, then turned to glance at the wall clock.

It was about time.

A few moments later, the doorbell rang.

Cheryl glanced at the time, frowning. "It's already 10 p.m. Who is visiting you at this hour, President Lynch?"

Could Joshua have found another woman to help take care of him?

"I don't know. Why don't you get the door?" Cheryl quickly got up and trotted to the door.

She could not help thinking that it was a privilege to be able to get the door for Joshua so late at night and longed for whoever was at the door to be someone from the company.

If one of her colleagues found out that she was at President Lynch's house so late at night, then everyone would think she had spent the night with him!

As soon as she thought of this, Cheryl carefully tidied her clothes and hair before gracefully opening the door.

To her surprise, the person standing outside the door was the woman from that morning.

She was dressed in her pajamas and slippers, her hair looking a little unruly, but despite that, it could not hide the aura of elegance emanating from her being.

On the contrary, her haphazard look even further accentuated her delicate features, adding a hint of casualness to her beauty.

Cheryl's clothes and makeup paled in comparison.

She furrowed her brows and snapped, "What are you doing here?"

"Where's Joshua?" Luna stormed into the house, ignoring her entirely.

Cheryl frowned and quickly chased after her, blocking her way. "President Lynch has already gone to bed at this hour. What are you doing here, dressed like this?"

"I'm in charge of looking after President Lynch tonight, so you'd better scram!"

Luna froze in her steps when she heard this. She turned to stare at Cheryl and said, "Do you want to get beaten up again?"

Cheryl's entire body stiffened when she recalled what had happened that morning.

Luna took the advantage to shove past her and sprint into the house. When she arrived in the living room, Joshua was buttoning his pajamas.

The thin material of his shirt could not fully conceal the sharp lines of his muscular chest and abs.

Seeing that Luna had arrived, Joshua lifted his head in feigned shock. "What are you doing here?"

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With that, Joshua curled his lips into a smirk and added, " Are you here to bust me?"

Luna did not feel like talking about this with him. She knew that he was just trying to distract her because he did not want her to know about his injury.

As soon as she thought of this, Luna lunged forward and pulled his pajama shirt open.

Joshua pressed her down against the floor as he leered, " Why are you desperate to rip open my shirt as soon as you walk in?"

"It's not like I haven't seen it before." Luna let out an exhale and pulled his arm away, knowing that he was hurt and did not have the force to stop her.

His pajama shirt gaped open, exposing his injured right arm.

Luna did not know how big his wound was, but judging from the length and amount of stitches used, it seemed like a fairly deep wound.

Cheryl stormed into the room and quickly picked up Joshua's fallen shirt. Then, she glared at Luna as she helped him put his shirt back on. "Even though you've slept with him in the past, it doesn't give you the right to do this!"

Luna ignored her entirely.

She stood motionless as she stared at Joshua intently. " Why didn't you tell me?"

Joshua replied impassively as he put on his shirt with Cheryl's help, "Why do I have to tell you? You're not a doctor."

"I'm not a doctor, but that doesn't mean I don't have the right to know!"

He had suffered an injury trying to help her mother, so she had the right to know about it!

Luna bit her lip as she clenched her fists next to her. "I don't want to be indebted to you..."

"That's exactly why I didn't want to tell you." Joshua raised his brows. "Luna, weren't you adamant about keeping a distance from me? If I tell you about my injury, how are you supposed to do that?"

Luna's face turned white, then scarlet.

She bit her lip and did not know what to say.

From the moment she found out about Joshua's injury, her only thought was to find him as soon as she could.

She wanted to know how serious he had gotten hurt and how he was doing.

However, as soon as Joshua said this, she suddenly realized that she should have pretended not to know about his injury.

He was right. She had been wanting to keep a distance from him, so why did she expose him when he was trying to hide this from her?

She was perfectly aware that if she exposed his lies, she would become further indebted to him, so why did she do it?

"Alright, Luna." Joshua narrowed his eyes. "Even though the cut is quite deep, it still won't kill me. You've managed to see it in person, so that should satisfy you."

With that, he turned to glance at Cheryl and added, "It's getting late now, and she and I are about to go to bed

soon. You should go back home."

Cheryl never expected that Joshua would say this to the woman who had barged in on them! She grabbed hold of his left arm in delight and said, "That's right, you'd better leave soon. It's getting late now, and it's rude to continue staying where you're unwelcome."

Luna pursed her lips and glanced first at Joshua, then at Cheryl, who had her arm wrapped around his. She curled her lips into a sneer and said, "Joshua, in the future, if you want to hire someone to trick me, you should hire a smarter one."

With that, she turned and strode out of the room.

As she walked, Luna could hear Cheryl's sweet voice protesting, "President Lynch, she called me stupid..."

Luna could not help chuckling when she heard this.

However, the next moment, tears slid down her face.

It had been such a long time since she and Joshua had separated, yet like old times, she still lost all sense of rationality as soon as she heard that he had injured himself.

When would she be able to get rid of this bad habit?

Luna sniffed and wiped her tears from her face. Just as she was about to get back into the car she had come in, another car slid to a halt next to her.

The windows winded down, revealing Malcolm's face. "Get in the car; I have something to talk to you about."

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