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“Come visit,” I say into his chest. “All the time.”

“We will, Kiddo,” he says, leaning down to place a kiss on my cheek and he releases me into the arms of my brother.

“It’s been good having you here,” he tells me. “It’s going to be so quiet. The rooms are yours. Come visit any time.”

I squeeze him tightly, finally losing the battle as the tears flow into his chest.

“Let me know the date of the coronation as soon as you have it and we’ll be there,” he says, kissing the top of my head. “Nothing will keep us away.”

He releases me and I turn around, not looking up, and walk over to the car. Seth lifts a carseat out, allowing me to climb in and then places it back securely. We had previously agreed I would sit in the back between the pups and he would be upfront with Gus. I sob in the back as we drive away from Lunar Falls. Seth reaches back and gently places his hand on my knee, squeezing it gently.

Thankfully, we arrive back at the palace without incident, well, without an attack. As it turns out, neither of our pups particularly like being in their carseats, and I wasn’t the only one sobbing in the car. We had to stop a few times to calm, feed and change a wailing child before getting back on the road, and repeating the process. I thought Seth would lose his temper after the fourth time but to my surprise, Gus never once flinched at the sound of another crying pup.

We pull up to the palace to find the stairs lined with many people who work there. The palace door opens as we stop to reveal a smiling Peter and Audrey, who promptly run out and start down the stairs before we have even stopped. Seth chuckles as he gets out, walking around the car and removing Cora’s seat so I can get out. He removes her from her seat and hands her to me.

“Don’t walk around yet,” he says with a grin on his face. “Make them wait and meet them at the same time.”

“Alright,” I agree as he walks over to remove Andrew. Once he shuts the door, I walk around and find his parents waiting expectantly.

“You’d better hand me a baby right now, Seth,” Audrey says seriously, stepping forward. Seth laughs and hands her a now awake Andrew. She gushes as she takes him, absolutely elated to see him. I know it was so hard for them to not travel to meet them during their first few days, but it was too risky to leave the palace empty.

I look at Peter who is watching his wife and walk to him. “Would you like to hold your granddaughter?” I ask and he slowly nods, reaching out to take her into his arms.

“They’re beautiful,” Audrey says, looking over at Cora. “You guys did so well. Our sweet, surprise girl, and the future King.”

“Andrew looks like you, Molly,” Peter says, with a smile, looking up at me. “Just like you. And they both have your eyes. We could see it in the videos, but it’s so vibrant in person.”

“Let’s get you all inside,” Audrey says, turning and going up the stairs. Peter, however, turns and hands Cora to me to carry which makes me giggle a little as my Dad had just done the same.

When we reach our home, Audrey leads us straight to the nursery. “I hope you like it,” she says to me, completely ignoring the two men with us. “I tried to do what I thought you would do.”

She opens the door and we walk into a light green nursery with flowing white curtains on the windows and two light wood cribs and matching rocking chairs. There’s a changing table, and so many toys around. I do note a pile of boxes off to the corner.

“I know people sent stuff out to Lunar Falls for the twins,” she says, motioning to the piles of packages to the side. “But they also sent gifts here. I opened some of what came, but then I left some for you as well. There’s so much.”

“It’s beautiful, Audrey,” I say, looking around at the peaceful room. "It’s perfect.”

We have dinner together in our home, Audrey never without a baby in her arms. She insisted on giving them both baths and putting them down for the night herself, which was wonderful for us after a stressful trip home today.

We wake early, thanks to Cora, and after feeding the twins and getting them dressed, Seth and I both get ready. We have such an important meeting today with Lucas and I feel quite nervous thinking about it. Audrey is keeping the babies for us while we meet and Peter will be joining us, as long as Lucas is willing to meet with him as well.

We are waiting outside as a black car pulls up and stops. The back door opens to reveal Lucas and a woman steps out after him. Seth squeezes my hand and I know instantly that she is the one who was previously captured. Peter steps forward and offers his hand to his brother, who walks past him, not acknowledging him at all.

“Last time we met was not ideal,” Lucas said walking up to us. “I’m Prince Lucas and this is my mate, Allison.”

“It’s nice to meet you, Prince Lucas,” I say, shaking his hind. “Allison. I’m Princess Molly. I believe you both know Prince Seth.”

Allison takes my hand and shakes it, but she does not shake Seth’s. “It’s nice to meet you, Princess.”