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Chapter 621: The Cause of Jeanne's Mother's Death Revealed (Must Read)

She never wanted to return to that place and suffer that kind of torture again.

“Say that again!” Eden's eyes turned icy as if threatening her.

Jasmine did not dare to resist as she was really too afraid of Eden. The man was simply a beast — completely inhuman!

Eden pulled Jasmine up from the floor, and Jasmine could only follow him out of the hall.

She turned back to look at Jenifer, who clearly saw her request for help. Yet, Jenifer remained unmoved. At that moment, she even averted her gaze.

Jasmine's heart turned cold.

That was the mother she had always thought doted on her. However, in the face of benefits, who the hell was she?

Jasmine laughed sarcastically and desperately as Eden dragged her to the car.

In front of others, Eden could still put on a little act, but when there was no one around, Eden took his revenge. The moment she got into the car, Eden kicked her ruthlessly.

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Eden vented all the anger he had suffered from Jeanne on Jasmine.

If it were not for this woman, who schemed against him back then, he and Jeanne would not have ended up like that.

He would not have to suffer so much now, which made him extremely frustrated.

Jasmine did not dare to resist Eden's kicking.

She just hugged her body.

Her love for Eden had disappeared without a trace because of this man's cruelty. She even wanted to take revenge, but she did not have the power to, and for the sake of benefits, her biological parents did not care about whether she lived or died!

Jasmine could not help but cry.

She had never regretted something so much in her life. She regretted scheming against Jeanne and stealing Eden from her.

Every time she thought about it, she wished she could kill herself back then!

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At midnight, the city was peaceful, and Monica was sitting in Finn's car.

The two of them were quiet, so much that Monica thought she could hear her heartbeat.

She really wanted to say something, but their argument that afternoon had ended on a sour note.

She did not dare not speak, yet she wanted to talk to him.

While struggling with her thoughts, she secretly turned to look at Finn.

She saw that he was driving seriously, but he did not seem to be overthinking it as much as she did.

Finn's indifference disappointed Monica a little, and she sighed.

The moment she retracted her gaze, she glanced at the speed displayed on the driver's dashboard.

She thought she had seen wrongly, so she suddenly turned around, took another look, and then a few more glances.

She could not believe that Finn was driving at a speed of 110 miles per hour.

They were in the city! The speed limit was 50 miles per hour. Was Finn crazy?

Did he not use to drive slower? That speed of his really drove her crazy sometimes.

Yet now, he suddenly changed his mind. Did he take the car as a plane?

Monica completely forgot about her dilemma and blurted out, "Finn, aren't you driving a little too fast?"

It was just a kind reminder, and she sounded very gentle.

However, Finn replied coldly, "There's no car on the road at this hour."

"Even if there are no cars on the road, you can't drive like this! What happens if a car or a person suddenly appears out of nowhere? It's dangerous," Monica said with lingering fear.

"If you think it's dangerous, you can get out of the car." His tone was as cold as ice.

Monica gritted her teeth.

She felt that she could not even talk to Finn right now, let alone say a single word. As soon as she did, she would be asking for trouble.

Hence, she turned her head out of the window and looked at the streets in South Hampton City.

As she looked at the neon-lit night sky, silence filled the car again.

Anyway, Finn would definitely not take the initiative to speak up if she did not say anything.

Finn, that b*stard, was always so petty.

Soon, the car arrived at the entrance of a residential area.

Monica even believed that the reason Finn drove so fast was to send her away as soon as possible. He just did not want to see her.

The car was parked, but Monica did not get out of the car for a long time. The more Finn treated her like that, the more she wanted to go against him.

If he was angry at her, she could also infuriate him.

Finn waited for a long time and was getting impatient. He said, "Get out of the car!"

His tone was cold and commanding.

However, Monica pretended not to hear him.

Finn also did not speak again. Instead, he suddenly pulled out his seatbelt and opened the door of the driver's seat. Then, he walked to the passenger's seat and opened the door.

Monica frowned as she looked at him looking down at her condescendingly.

Under the streetlights, his face was cold and grim.

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It was as if they had returned to the past.

Back then, after they broke up and got married, Finn also treated her with the same indifference.

“Get out of the car!” Finn ordered again.

Monica gritted her teeth and pretended not to hear him.

She wanted to go against Finn now. She refused to believe that Finn would do anything to her!

Finn waited for Monica for a few seconds, and that was it.

Suddenly, he leaned forward toward the passenger seat, bent down, and rudely removed her seatbelt. In the next second, he dragged Monica out of her seat.

Even though he knew her leg was injured, he still pulled with quite some strength.

As a result of that, Monica almost fell to the ground.

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She glared at Finn, looking at his expressionless face.

After Finn pulled Monica out of his car, he opened the back door, took out Monica's crutches, and handed them to her.

However, Monica did not take it.

At that moment, she really wanted to strangle Finn to death.

While holding herself back from doing so, she saw Finn throw her crutches on the ground.

"Finn!" Monica screamed.

She could no longer take it anymore.

How could Finn treat her like that? How could he be so immoral?

Even if it was a breakup, he could not take it so far.

Tears welled up in her bloodshot eyes.

Despite that, Finn did not even look at her. After throwing her crutches to the ground, he sat back in the driver's seat, stepped on the gas pedal, and left.

Monica just watched as Finn left.

She was so angry that she wanted to kill Finn.

Back then, Monica told herself that Finn would regret treating her like that.

Once Michael had his career, she would return to Finn's side, and when Finn saw that she was only helping Michael out as a friend, he would definitely regret treating her badly!

However, now that the day had come, she realized she was too stupid.

Everyone could see that she was the stubborn one — that she was the one who had lost Finn and could never get him back again!

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Jonathan's funeral went on for three days, and on the fourth day, they buried him in the Lawrences' cemetery.

As it was a cloudy day in late autumn in South Hampton City, it was a little cold.

When the autumn wind blew, it felt especially bleak.

Many people from South Hampton City came to say their last goodbyes.

The scene was very solemn and unusually melancholy.

Jeanne looked at Jonathan. Although he had been paralyzed and at home for many years, because of his clear mind, he still held controlled over the entire Lawrence family and had lived quite a glorious life. Yet, now that he was dead, he was reduced to a box of ashes. Even his only son did not come to send him off.

Come to think of it, Jonathan only had a tragic ending.

Everyone watched as Jonathan's ashes were buried.

Meanwhile, Jenifer was crying her heart out by the side.

Jeanne glanced at her. She actually admired how Jenifer could still cry after crying for so many days.

After the funeral ended, the people left one after another. In the end, only Jenifer, Joshua, Jasmine, Eden, Jeanne, and Finn were left.

Edward had been away for a week now.

She was busy over the last two days, and Edward was probably very busy too. They were so busy that they did not even call each other.

At the cemetery, with most of the people gone, Jeanne also left as she did not want to stay any longer.

Jonathan was now gone from her life, and she would not think about him again.

With that, she turned around.

“Jeanne!” Jenifer suddenly called out to her.

Jeanne stopped in her tracks.

Now that everyone had left, Jenifer was starting to reveal her true colors.

Before her tears could dry, she had shed all pretenses with Jeanne.

Jeanne's face was cold. “What?”

“I advise you not to have too many ideas about it. Some things are not yours, so it's best not to dream about having them.”

“You're talking about my grandfather's inheritance, aren't you?” Jeanne made it clear.

“It's good that you know.”

"How the inheritance is divided is for the judge to decide. Do you think I have the power to interfere in the matter regarding the inheritance?" Jeanne sneered.

"I know what kind of person you are! Don't think I don't know that your return this time is to snatch the Lawrences' assets." Jenifer was certain.

"Since you think so, I have nothing to say."

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"Jeanne, dreaming on! Do you think you can obtain the Lawrences' assets just because you schemed against your father and sent him to prison? Do you think I've been living in the Lawrences for nothing all these years? I advise you not to have any ill intentions!"

"So what if I did? What can you do to me, mother?" Jeanne did not take Jenifer's threat seriously at all. "If you have the power, I should've been chased out of the family long ago. How could I still show off what I can do in Lawrence Enterprise?"

She sounded like she was mocking Jenifer for being useless.

"Jeanne!" Jenifer was so angry that her face turned pale.

"Mother." The corner of Jeanne's mouth curled into a smile. That smug smile made Jenifer, who had mastery in seeing through people, almost go crazy. "I'm the one who should advise you not to have any ill intentions. Look at Jasmine and your grandfather. Both of them wanted to harm me, yet they eventually ruined it for themselves. I don't want the same thing to happen to you!"

"You're finally admitting that you planned everything, huh? You purposely set Jasmine and my grandfather up!"

"Why does it matter whether I admit it or not?" Jeanne still had a smile on her face, and it became increasingly colder. "All you need to know is that you can't win against me."

“Don't threaten me here!”

“If you don't believe me, try it,” Jeanne said. Then, not wanting to waste her breath on these people anymore, she said to Finn, “Let's go.”

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Finn nodded, and the two of them left the Lawrences' cemetery.

After they left, Jenifer could no longer hold back the rage she was feeling.

Joshua was also so angry that he gritted his teeth. “Who does Jeanne think she is? What gives her the right to act so high and mighty in front of us?”

Jenifer's expression was extremely ugly.

Eden looked at the mother and son.

He knew well at this point in time that the person who would be the head of the Lawrences was basically set.

The family would definitely fall into Jeanne's control in the end.

At the thought of that woman who looked down on everything and acted so high and mighty, he could not stand it either!

He said, “If you still believe me, I can help you with this matter regarding Jeanne.”

Jenifer looked at Eden and did not believe him.

At the same time, Joshua also looked at him.

It was not that he did not believe Eden, but they did not have the upper hand even after scheming against Jeanne so many times!

Eden's powers seemed mediocre at best.

Eden said, "I need time to get over Jasmine's matter. I didn't choose to divorce her because I think we still have feelings for each other, but I'd be lying to say that there is a distance between us. All I can say is that I'll try my best to readjust my state of mind."

When Jasmine heard what Eden said, she was stunned.

She looked straight at Eden. Then, she looked at her mother, telling her with her eyes not to trust Eden, that cold-blooded and heartless man.

However, she did not dare to say anything because she was afraid that if she did, Eden would beat her to death when they returned home.

She looked anxious, but her mother did not even spare her a glance.

Jenifer also needed someone to rely on now.

Once Alexander was dead, she could not rely on Joshua alone. If Eden could help, it would no doubt be the best choice at the moment.

Even so, she did not express it immediately. Instead, she said, "I originally planned to take Jasmine home after all this. As to what she did, whether it was her fault or not, it has ultimately brought shame to you. I know that very well. Even if you don't want Jasmine anymore, it's only natural."

"I have feelings for Jasmine. What she did... Only time can heal the pain. Moreover, after thinking through it recently, I believe that Jasmine was schemed against by Jeanne."

Jenifer was somewhat persuaded.

"I can't accept it now because I am a man, after all, but I believe I will be able to let go of it after a while. So, if you and Joshua believe in me, I hope I can lend you a hand in dealing with Jeanne and the matters regarding who will lead the family."

"How are you going to lend us a hand?" Jenifer asked.

It was obvious that she had accepted Eden's proposal.

Tears welled up in Jasmine's eyes.

She knew that once her mother agreed to Eden's help, the Lawrences would end with two results. One was that the family would still fall into Jeanne's hands, and Eden had never fought against Jeanne. The other was that after Eden fought against Jeanne, the family would finally fall into Eden's hands.

There was no way Joshua would be the head of the family.

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After experiencing so much, Jasmine finally understood that reality.

However, she was not as lucky as Jeanne to make a comeback!

"What you're worried about is that Jeanne is now in charge of everything in the company. Even if you inherited most of the inheritance, you would still be under Jeanne's control." Eden hit the nail on the head and got to the heart of the matter.

Jenifer nodded. "I have consulted the lawyer about the family's current situation. Before Jonathan passed away, he did not make a will. Hence, the assets will be distributed according to the law. Logically speaking, Alexander is the first successor. However, Alexander has been convicted of killing Jonathan, so he doesn't have the right to inherit. Only the second successor, namely the grandchildren, will get equal distribution of the assets. In other words, their assets will be divided equally among Jeanne, Jasmine, and Joshua. However, the lawyer said because I've done my best to support Jonathan, according to the

law, I can also get a share of it. What he means is that it'll split four ways between Jeanne, Jasmine, Joshua, and me.”

Eden listened attentively.

Jenifer said, “The reason why I've been acting like this these past few days is to get my share.”

“If Jeanne is smart, she won't stop you from getting your share. She would only be damaging her reputation if she stopped you. The loss outweighs the gain.”

“That was why I reminded her just now. I don't know if she heard me.” Jenifer gritted her teeth.

“Don't worry. There are some things you don't need to remind her. Jeanne knows better than you.”

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“If that's the case, we can take 75 percent of Jonathan's inheritance, and Jeanne will only have 25 percent. I did some calculations. Jonathan has 52 percent of the company's shares, and we'll be able to get 39 percent of it. Adding that to the 5 percent of Alexander's shares, which he definitely won't give Jeanne, we'll have 43 percent. As for Jeanne, she already has 10 percent of the shares. Adding that to what she could get this time, she would have 23 percent of the shares. Hers is nothing compared to us. However, I'm worried that with Jeanne's control over Lawrence Enterprise's development right now, many of the senior management and other shareholders would request Jeanne to manage the company. If the company stays under Jeanne's management, Jeanne could use a lot of tricks to make us react out of anger and kick us out of the family in the end.” Jenifer understood the situation very well.

“You need someone who can control Jeanne to help you stabilize the management rights of Lawrence Enterprise.” Eden gave them the only solution. “As for who can do it, I can.”

Jenifer looked at Eden.

“Even though I haven't been in the business world for long, I've had quite a few achievements when I managed the Swanhaven Bank under Swan Enterprise. Joshua definitely won't be able to gain the trust of the senior management and shareholders of Lawrence Enterprise. However, if I manage the Lawrence Enterprise on Joshua's behalf, I will have an advantage over Jeanne.”

“What you mean is that you'll work at Lawrence Enterprise?”

“Yes,” Eden said. “I'm sure you know that my Fourth Uncle fired me from Swan Enterprise for Jeanne, and I happen to have a lot of free time now. Mom, not only do you guys want to bring Jeanne down, but I also don't like her very much. Ever since she returned to the country, she has been targeting me everywhere. Now that she has joined hands with my Fourth Uncle to target me, I can't take it standing anymore.”

That was the truth. Although he wanted Jenifer to trust him, he really did want to kill Jeanne.

Jenifer still seemed a little hesitant.

After all, she might not be able to control Eden. Letting him work in Lawrence Enterprise might be able to make Jeanne less arrogant, but what if that, in turn, exposed Eden's ambition?

She felt conflicted and also a little frustrated. If Joshua could be as capable as Eden and Jeanne, she would not have to make those choices!

“Mom, we don't want Jasmine's shares.” Eden expressed his sincerity.

Jenifer looked at Eden in disbelief.

“Jasmine's share will be directly transferred to Joshua. We don't want any of it.” Eden confirmed again.

“You really don't want it?”

“No. It was Joshua's, to begin with,” Eden said straightforwardly. “Even if I want it, I want it from the Swans.”

“Okay.” Jenifer no longer hesitated after hearing Eden's words.

In fact, she did not have many other choices.

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Now that Eden had shown his utmost sincerity, there was no reason for her to refuse.

She said, "No matter what, I married my daughter to you. Whether there is any conflict between the two of you, we're all family, so I trust you."

"Yes." Eden appeared to be very respectful.

"We must never let Jeanne succeed!" Jenifer said fiercely.

"Of course," Eden said in a bloodthirsty way.

Those few people were discussing how to make Jeanne lose everything, and the person involved, Jeanne, had no interest in their schemes and tricks.

After all, even if she wanted to defend herself against them harming her, she could not do so with those people.

Since they were coming at her, she might as well take things as they came. She would wait for them to seek their own death!

She looked out of the window.

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By then, Finn's car had entered the city.

Jeanne said, "Send me to the police station. It's time to deal with Alexander's matter."

“Okay,” Finn replied.

The car was quiet for most of the journey.

Jeanne looked away and leaned against the back seat of the car. Then, she said casually, “Have you contacted Edward?”

Finn tightened his grip on the steering wheel.

He said, “Occasionally.”

“When will he be back?”

“Probably in a few days or a few more days after that.” Finn did not lie to Jeanne.

It was indeed around that time, and there was no specific answer.

“Did something happen?” Jeanne's tone was calm.

It was hard to tell from her tone whether she was concerned about Edward.

Finn nodded. “Something happened.”

“Is it dangerous?”

“It's dangerous.”

Jeanne's expression visibly shifted.

Finn turned to look at her and said, "But he should be back alive."

Jeanne smiled at the word 'should'. How should she interpret that word?

Edward did not mention anything to her. She even had to find out about his safety from someone else.

Jeanne did not say anything more, and neither did Finn.

Silence filled the car again until they arrived at the police station.

Jeanne went to look for the police officer who handled Alexander's case. After that, she sat in the interrogation room and answered the police officer's questions.

"Where did the video come from?" the police officer asked.

"I installed the surveillance camera."

"Why did you install the camera in advance? Did you know Alexander had the intention to murder Jonathan?"

"My grandfather told me to install it. I didn't realize it, but my grandfather did. He was afraid he would die in vain, so he told me to install the surveillance camera in secret for him. I didn't think it would be useful, but the accident was so sudden that I went to check out the video recording and discovered my father's criminal doing," Jeanne said the statement that she had prepared earlier.

The police noted her statement before asking again, "Since your grandfather already reminded you to install the camera, didn't you think of taking precautions against your father?"

"Who would suspect that their father would do such a thing?" Jeanne said bluntly. "It didn't even cross my mind."

The police thought about it and was somewhat convinced by Jeanne.

He continued to ask, "How is the relationship between Jonathan and his personal caregiver?"

"Are you suspecting that the personal caregiver is an accomplice?" Jeanne immediately understood.

"We speculate there is such a possibility. Usually, Jonathan's personal caregiver takes care of him. But that night, Jonathan was wheeled out by Alexander, but the personal caregiver didn't even notice it. It doesn't make sense."

"I don't think so." Jeanne gave her opinion. "The personal caregiver and my grandfather have been together for many years. My grandfather trusts him a lot and treats him well. Moreover, with my grandfather's power, it would not be easy to bribe the people around him. So, I suspect the personal nurse might have been put on sleeping pills or something similar. When something happened to my grandfather, the personal nurse said he was so sleepy that he fell asleep as soon as he lay on the bed."

"So you think Alexander might've drugged him with sleeping pills," the police officer repeated her statement to confirm it.

"You can investigate it."

The police officer nodded. "That's all the questions we have for you for now, but you might need to come to the police station again in the future, Ms. Lawrence. Please don't leave South Harken City for the time being until Alexander's case has been concluded."

"Alright," Jeanne agreed immediately. After thinking for a moment, she asked, "It's evident that my father has committed a crime, right? !"

"The fact that Alexander committed a crime has been established. What we need to know now is whether or not there was an accomplice. If we eliminate all other possibilities and confirm that Alexander was the only one who did it, his case will be dealt with very quickly."

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"What crime will my father be convicted of?"

"Intentional homicide," the police said.

In the Harken, being convicted of intentional homicide was the death penalty, and it was carried out immediately. There was no such thing as a suspended sentence.

Jeanne fell silent.

However, the police consoled her, "The law is fair. This is what he deserves."

"Okay." Jeanne forced a smile. "Thank you for your hard work."

"Of course."

"Before I leave, can I see my father?"

"Wait a moment. I'll help you with the paperwork."

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"Thank you."

Jeanne waited at the police station for a while.

Half an hour later, she saw Alexander.

After being detained in the detention center for three days, his mental state seemed to have worsened.

His expression, which was originally dead, suddenly turned excited when he saw Jeanne. As if he had forgotten how bad his relationship with Jeanne was, he begged Jeanne madly. "Please help me get out of here. I'll give you everything. Jeanne, please help me. I don't want to die. I don't want to die like this. Hurry and help me..."

Towards Alexander's excitement, Jeanne was numb. She did not have the slightest bit of sympathy for him.

However, she did not come here to see Alexander in such a sorry state. All she wanted to know was the truth as to what happened that year.

She said, "Dad, let me ask you something."

Alexander quickly agreed, "Go ahead. I'll answer whatever you say."

"How did my mother die back then?" Jeanne made sure to enunciate each word.

Alexander suddenly became quiet.

Jeanne simply looked at him, who was obviously evading her gaze.

"Tell me honestly, and I will think of a way to plead with the judge so that, at least, you won't be sentenced to death immediately." Jeanne was very calm.

When faced with many truths, she could be so calm that it was frightening.

Alexander, on the other hand, was extremely flustered.

What did Jeanne mean by "Immediate death penalty"?

No. He did not want to die. He really did not want to die.

He looked at Jeanne in fear.

Jeanne was neither anxious nor impatient. She could still maintain her calm when Alexander did not answer her for a long time. "How did my mother die?"

"It was a car accident," Alexander answered.

Jeanne looked at him. "How did my mother die?"

Her tone did not become more serious. Instead, it sounded quite grim.

Alexander did not expect that one day he would be forced into a corner by his daughter.

He said, "She really died in a car accident. At that time, she drove drunk—"

"My mother would never drive drunk." Jeanne directly exposed his lie.

Kingsley had told her before that her mother was the same as her.

If she was drunk, she would be so drunk that she would not know what was going on. Not to mention driving, even walking would be a problem.

As such, her mother would never drive when she was drunk.

"I'll ask you one last time. How did my mother die?" Jeanne's cold voice could make one terrified.

Alexander looked straight at Jeanne.

Frightened by Jeanne's cold aura, he did not speak for a long time until Jeanne stood up.

She said, "I won't come to see you again until the day you're executed. I'll come to collect your corpse then."

"Jeanne!" Alexander held onto her agitatedly.

Jeanne looked straight at him.

"Can you help me if I tell you the truth?"

"You can only trust me now. Otherwise, do you think Jenifer or Joshua has the power to help you?" Jeanne sneered.

Alexander gritted his teeth.

He said, "You can't blame me for your mother's death."

Jeanne's face was expressionless, but at that moment, the hand hidden behind her body had clenched into a fist.

"You should know that your mother and I have never had a good relationship. I liked her very much back then. I was attracted by her beauty the first time I saw her and did not despise her for being an ordinary employee of Lawrence Enterprise who had nothing. I courted her without hesitation and even married her. However, I didn't expect your mother to have such a huge ambition. When I first started pursuing your mother, she looked down on me. At the same time, Jenifer, who was also a staff member of the company, was using all her means to seduce me. Back then, I really didn't have the slightest interest in Jenifer. I only wanted to be with your mother. Moreover, your mother's dislike towards me aroused my man's desire to conquer her."

Jeanne just listened quietly to her mother's past.

Alexander said, "I lowered my dignity as a man and pursued your mother relentlessly for half a year. Everyone in Lawrence Enterprise knew that I, the great Young Master Lawrence, didn't hesitate to put down my status to pursue an ordinary employee with no family background, but your mother was

always indifferent to me! Just as I was about to give up, your mother suddenly agreed. At that time, I had already agreed to be with Jenifer. Even though I really didn't have any feelings for Jenifer, in order to provoke your mother and not embarrass myself too much, I decided to be with Jenifer. However, I didn't expect your mother to agree to be with me again. Later, when I thought about it, your mother was probably just lusting for love.”

Jeanne tried her best to suppress her emotions.

She knew very well that her mother was not lusting for love.

She listened as Alexander continued, “I really liked your mother, so when your mother suddenly said she wanted to be with me, I immediately dumped Jenifer and got together with your mother. Your mother even seemed afraid I would go back on my words and asked me to get married right away. At that time, your grandfather actually didn't support me to get together with your mother. But because I liked your mother too much, your grandfather couldn't do anything about it. In the end, he agreed.”

“I originally thought that after your mother and I got married, the two of us would be very happy, but...” As he thought about the past and those things he did not wish to bring up anymore, Alexander was filled with emotions. “I never thought your mother would marry me just for the sake of Lawrence Enterprise's assets. She didn't like me at all!”

Jeanne was surprised.

Was that the reason why they killed her mother?

Chapter 627: The Identity of Jeanne's Mother Exposed, Alexander's Tragic Ending

In the detention center, Jeanne looked coldly at Alexander, who spoke of her mother's past with incomparable grief.

Of course, Alexander was not grieving for her mother. He was only grieving for himself, for what he went through and what he was about to face.

He said, “Your mother was only after the Lawrences' wealth. She didn't like me at all!”

"Is that so?" A trace of cruelty was revealed in Jeanne's cold eyes.

Her mother did not care about that little wealth the Lawrences had!

"After we got married, your mother and I only slept together once! Now that I think about it..." Alexander gritted his teeth as if it was a great humiliation. However, he could not hide it anymore as he said fiercely, "Other than the wedding night, your mother never let me touch her again! I also have my pride as a man. Since your mother didn't let me touch her, I had many women waiting for me out there. That was why I had an affair with Jenifer! Jeanne, if I had an affair, your mother was responsible for me cheating!"

Jeanne pursed her lips tightly.

To think he already had an affair when her mother was still pregnant, he was probably too impatient!

She looked at Alexander, who looked like he was still angry. "I wanted to be with your mother back then. It was your mother who pushed me away time and time again, and it was only then that I realized how good Jenifer was to me. It was only then that my feelings for your mother became weaker and weaker. On top of that, your mother started to rely on her status as the young mistress in the company to climb to the top. She tried to take over the entire Lawrence Enterprise. It was her ambition that killed her! Jeanne, your mother's death was her fault. No one can be blamed for it. She overestimated herself!"

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Jeanne sneered, "It's all her fault for helping you guys develop Lawrence Enterprise."

It was all because she was gaining more power.

Yet, it was her fault.

"I admit that if it weren't for your mother, Lawrence Enterprise might have declined like the other family businesses. But even so, even if your mother contributed to the company, she didn't have the power to take away what belongs to our family!"

"My mother never wanted what belongs to the Lawrences!" Otherwise, it would not take her so many years to do it. Other than the control of the Lawrences, she did not have any of the Lawrences' shares.

It was because of Alexander and Jonathan's incompetence and jealousy that led to her mother's tragic outcome!

Jeanne's eyes were bloodshot.

She was forcing herself to suppress her emotions so that she would not lose control and kill Alexander.

"If she didn't want what belonged to the family, why did she marry me? If she didn't like me, why did she marry me? She even knew about my relationship with Jenifer, but she was indifferent about it! Jeanne, tell me. Why did your mother get together with me?" Alexander was getting very emotional.

Maybe back then, Alexander did like his mother. Yet, he could still bring himself to kill her.

Jeanne looked at Alexander and did not tell him that her mother only wanted to live a different life and stay alive.

Instead, she said, "So you and my grandfather killed my mother because she threatened your interests? That was why you wanted to kill her?"

"It wasn't me." Alexander denied it.

It seemed he still knew how to defend himself at a time like that.

He said, "It was all your grandfather's doing. It was all his doing. Even though your mother's cold attitude towards me all those years back and her performance in the company humiliated me, I didn't intend to kill your mother. It was your grandfather who felt that your mother threatened his power in the Lawrences. That was why he wanted to kill her. He arranged for your mother to attend a dinner

party and deliberately messed with the brakes on her car. Then, he arranged for a car to kill your mother. It wasn't me, Jeanne. It really wasn't!"

Alexander kept on explaining himself

However, Jeanne looked at him coldly.

If it was not him, how did he know all the details?

In fact, it was not important anymore.

She had heard a lot about what had happened back then to her mother from Kingsley. Now, she just wanted confirmation from Alexander.

She admitted that she was afraid Kingsley would lie to her — that he was just using her.

"Jeanne, your grandfather killed your mother. He was the murderer. Now that I killed your grandfather, if you see it from another perspective, I have avenged your mother. You should be grateful to me for finally killing the culprit that killed your mother." Alexander looked at Jeanne, his face was filled with anticipation. He said anxiously, "Please help me. I don't want to be shot to death."

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"Why didn't you help my mother back then and save her from my grandfather?" Jeanne asked rhetorically.

Jeanne shot Alexander down with her words, and he could not say a single word for a long time.

"What goes around, comes around." Jeanne said coldly, "The law will give you a fair result."

"No." Alexander tugged on Jeanne anxiously. "Jeanne, you can't just leave me like this. You Can't just leave me like this. I'm your father. No matter what, I'm your father. We're family. You can't just watch your father die like this. Jeanne, you can't do this!"

Jeanne smiled, and it was a frighteningly cold one.

She said, "Oh, so you admit you're my father now? Seven years ago, when you were so cruel to me, why didn't you think that I was your daughter? !"

"I was really angry seven years ago. Besides, you know you caused so much trouble back then and refused to listen to our advice. You caused the company's stock market to fall, so it was only right for us to be angry. Furthermore, the Swans also put pressure on me in private, so I had to teach you a lesson. You have to put yourself in my shoes too. I had to consider the family's reputation and development. That was why I had no choice but to treat you like that."

Jeanne naturally did not believe it.

Did the so-called 'no choice' mean she could be left to fend for herself overseas for seven years?

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Even if he reacted in a fit of anger, it would only take a day or two, or a month or two for them to ask her to come back. It would not take a whole seven years.

If he did not tell her to come home because she had some use to them, he probably would have forgotten he had a daughter.

Alexander could naturally see her expression.

He hurriedly explained, "I admit there's another reason. It's because of your mother's domineering attitude back then that hurt my self-esteem as a man. Moreover, you and your mother really look too alike. That's why I'll think of your mother every time I see you, and it reminds me of the hurt she once gave me. That's why I have mixed emotions toward you. Jeannie, it was indeed my fault. I shouldn't have implicated you in the adults' matters. I regret not treating you properly now."

He regretted it now.

However, regardless of whether he regretted it, it was already too late.

She said coldly, "There's no point crying over spilled milk."

"Jeannie, no matter what happened to you when you were 18, at least I was good to you before you were 18 years old and long after your mother died. You didn't have to worry about food and clothes and were living the life of a young lady. Even if I crossed the line with what I did after you were 18, you can't erase all the good I've done to you!" Alexander was very agitated, and he kept playing the emotional card, hoping that Jeanne could help him.

However, Jeanne was still indifferent to him. She said, "Didn't you treat me well after my mom died because of the Swans' eldest young master? If it weren't for Eden taking a fancy to me at my mother's funeral, would you have treated me so well? If it weren't to curry favor with the Swans, would you have treated me well?"

Now that she thought about it, she should be grateful to Eden — for that fateful encounter that made the Swans' eldest young master fall in love with her at first sight.

Otherwise, after her mother died, Alexander would have tortured her to death.

At that time, she would not have had the power to resist.

Jeanne's one sentence exposed Alexander's lie, and it caught Alexander off guard. Hence, he went on to explain, "How is that possible? Your relationship with Eden had nothing to do with how I treated you—"

"Didn't you just say you had mixed feelings toward me because my mother humiliated you back then and because I look very similar to my mother? It just so happened that my relationship with Eden was good, so you endured all those emotions, didn't you?" Jeanne made it clear.

Alexander was rendered speechless by Jeanne's words because... what he said to Jeanne was a lie.

Back then, if it were not for Eden suddenly getting close to Jeanne, he might have tortured Jeanne when she was young.

At that time, Jeanne's mother humiliated him.

Not only did she not let him have sex with her, but she even had control over Lawrence Enterprise, so no one in the company take him seriously. Some even called him a man who lived off his wife behind his back. As the young master of the Lawrences, how could he endure that humiliation? On top of that, Jenifer took the initiative to express her goodwill toward him, giving him the dignity he had never been able to get from Jeanne's mother. That made his hatred toward Jeanne's mother grow deeper, and in the end, he had the urge to kill Jeanne's mother.

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Of course, he only ever thought of killing her, but he never dared to act on it.

However, he heard someone in the company talking badly about him again. It pissed him off so badly that he shot his mouth off in front of Jonathan, saying he wished he could kill Jeanne's mother. That was when he got Jonathan's sudden approval, and Jonathan told him, "In that case, kill her!"

When he heard those words, the blood in his entire body went crazy.

Jeanne's mother had made him suppress himself for so many years! If she died, he could release all the grievances he had suffered all those years.

Only after he obtained his father's approval did he realize how much he wanted to kill Jeanne's mother.

Later on, he really did kill her.

When he saw Jeanne's mother's unrecognizable appearance, he felt a sense of joy. After so many years, she finally died in his hands; it was the ending she deserved.

After Jeanne's mother died, he allowed Jenifer to enter their Lawrences' as his legitimate wife.

Jenifer had given birth to a son and daughter for him a long time ago, so he did not care much for Jeanne. On top of how alike Jeanne looked to her mother, he did not have the so-called fatherly love for her. If it were not for Eden suddenly becoming very close to Jeanne — and Jonathan advising him to wait

and see if Jeanne could really play up to the Swans when she grew up — Jeanne might not have had a good time in the Lawrences in her earlier years.

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It was also because of his lack of care for Jeanne that he was so cruel to her when she broke up with Eden seven years ago.

However, sending Jeanne away was never his intention. He only thought he would make Jeanne's life miserable in the future. It was Eden's father from the Swans who came to him personally to ask him to send Jeanne away, or it would affect the relationship between Eden and Jasmine. That was why he sent Jeanne out of the country in the end.

After sending her out of the country, he was never concerned as to whether Jeanne was dead or alive.

He did not care much for Jeanne in the first place anyway.

If it were not because he wanted to form a marriage alliance with the Lockes so that Lawrence Enterprise could get more funds, they would not have asked Jeanne to come back.

If they did not ask Jeanne to come back, none of this would have happened, and he would not have fallen from grace.

Alexander probably regretted it now.

Jeanne looked at Alexander's appearance and could see through Alexander's thoughts.

However, she was very calm now.

After all, she was not one of the Lawrences.

How Alexander, Jonathan, and Jasmine treated her... Back when she thought she was part of the family, it would pain her. However, once she knew she had nothing to do with those people with evil intentions, she was calm.

“Jeannie, I know what I say is useless now, and you won't forgive me. But...” Alexander's eyes suddenly turned red.

He was starting to play the emotional card again.

“But I am still your dad. I know I was wrong, so Jeannie, please save me. As long as you keep me alive, I will never do anything to let you down again. I will definitely... treat you well in the future.” Alexander held Jeanne's hand and said painfully, “It was all my fault in the past. It was my fault—”

“If you did something wrong, you should be punished.” Jeanne broke free from Alexander's grip.

She was still indifferent to his current state.

Alexander looked at Jeanne.

Seeing that she had never thought of saving him, he could not continue to pretend and was angry at Jeanne. “Jeanne! You know if you do this, karma will get back at you! Yes, I killed my father. I'm unforgivable, and I deserve retribution. But you? I am your father. For treating me like this, you will also suffer retribution! Sooner or later, the heavens will strike you down sooner or later!”

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Jeanne looked at Alexander ironically.

The drama was over, and now it was a threat.

She had initially planned to leave as she thought it was best to leave Alexander with some of his dignity.

After all, he was going to die soon.

Since he knew what he had done throughout his life, and although reluctant, he would not die with too much regret. Yet now, she suddenly felt that she was still too merciful to this family.

She said, "Dad, do you know I'm not your biological daughter?"

Alexander was shocked and looked at Jeanne fiercely. That information was obviously too big of a blow to him.

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He did not react for a few minutes.

"Has it never crossed your mind that I'm not your biological daughter?" Jeanne asked sarcastically.

At that, the expression on Alexander's face changed very quickly. It even twisted in anger.

"My mother only slept with you once. Do you think you made my mother pregnant with me just once? Have you never thought about whether this child is yours or not?" Jeanne asked him aggressively.

Alexander had never thought about it.

Even if Jeanne's mother had never slept with him, she had always rejected his existence. However, he investigated her and found out that she had never been involved with any other man. She had also never had any ambiguous relationships with any other man, so he always thought that Jeanne's mother only wanted the Lawrences' assets. That woman was just too ambitious!

However, he had never thought that he would be cuckolded.

"It wasn't after you got married. It was before you got married. Don't you find it strange that my mother wanted to marry you so suddenly? It was obvious my mother was unmoved even after you pursued her for so long, so why did she suddenly marry you?"

Alexander was so angry that his face turned green.

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Compared to what Jeanne's mother had done to him, that matter was probably something Alexander could not tolerate even more.

All these years, he had actually been raising someone else's daughter!

"Because my mother was pregnant and wanted me to be born in a legitimate way, she married you and even had sex with you once to make you think I'm your daughter."

"Jeanne!" Alexander gritted his teeth.

"That's not the most infuriating thing for you. Raising someone else's child is indeed not a very pleasant thing to do, but your biggest failure is that you actually think my mother was doing this for the Lawrences' assets! In that case, you probably don't know my mother's identity!" Jeanne's eyes narrowed.

Alexander was utterly stunned.

"Do you think my mother was more capable than you thought? She even forced you to sleep with her. You can't beat her!"

At that moment, Alexander stared straight at Jeanne.

"My mother is..." Jeanne paused.

She originally thought that many things would become history. If no one cared about it, it would be buried completely.

"I don't know if you've heard of the family who runs Delta Islands' mafia, the Hills?"

Alexander's eyes widened.

Jeanne looked at his expression and knew he must have heard of it.

"This family has a close relationship with the Sanders, but they also have their own power. Back then, the Sanders were able to take down the Duncans and become the ruler of the Harken because of the Hills' support of them in secret. All these years, they have been working with the Sanders to benefit each other.

Jeanne said, "My mother, Penelope Thorn, or Penelope Hill, was the eldest daughter of the Hills. To stop her family from forcing her to marry someone she didn't like, she came to Harken and hid her identity. She wanted to live a normal life, but she didn't know she fell in love with... a married man."

"Who?" Alexander frowned.

Who? Of course, it was her biological father.

"It definitely wasn't you," Jeanne said straightforwardly.

Alexander gritted his teeth.

"This person couldn't promise my mother anything, and my mother refused to commit suicide because of this person. However, my mother found out she was pregnant after the two of them broke up. In order for me to be born, she chose to marry you, but she felt that marrying you was a loss. After all, she didn't love you and didn't want to force herself to sleep with you. So, after that once, she planned to repay you in another way." Jeanne said, "Perhaps you think my mother's way of doing things was unfair to you. It was unfair, but as you said, she could ignore the fact that you had a second family. In other words, she was supporting you to live your own life in her own way."

Alexander said fiercely, "Do you think that as a man, I'm willing to accept her way? Since she didn't like me, she shouldn't have married me! Marrying me is a disgrace!"

“As I said, it was because of me. She didn't want me to return to cruel Hills. She wanted to give me a normal life. Yes, I admit my mother's actions were a little selfish, but she had no other choice. To give me a normal life, she had to maintain that loveless marriage with you, but she then made it up to you through her own ways. For example, she put her heart and soul into running Lawrence Enterprise and made it better.”