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"It's just a slight fever. I'll be fine after taking some aspirin."

After taking Taya's temperature and giving her some aspirin, Stella handed her the bag and the medicine she'd brought.

"This is what you left in Alpha Knight's house. He asked me to return it to you..."

At first, Stella wanted to give her a few more boxes of medicine, but seeing that she kept winking at her as if she didn't want the other two people in the room to know about her illness, Stella didn't take them out.

"Thank you."

Taya was grateful that Stella had helped her hide her illness.

Stella could tell and blinked at her. "You're welcome."

Taya looked at the coat on the table and said, "Stella, please take the coat back to him."

Stella followed her gaze.

If they broke up, why would she have worn his coat home?

Stella had a lot of questions swirling around, but she couldn't ask any of them. She nodded, picked up the coat, and left with her medical bag.

When Harper heard that Taya only had a low fever and was fine, she heaved a sigh of relief.

She sat in front of the bed and helped Taya sit up.

Taya looked at Jackson, standing by the bed like a statue. "You can leave now."

Jackson's heart skipped a beat. Something was choking him again, making it hard for him to

breathe.

How could Jackson accept this? How could the old Silas accept this?

His eyes were red as he stared at her pale face. "Taya, please give me another chance..."

"I've made myself clear to you," Taya said with a

poker face.

Hearing this, Harper understood that Taya would not forgive Jackson. She stood up and said to him, "You

can leave. Right now."

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Jackson looked at Taya, who had turned her head away. The pain suddenly spread all over his body, making him shake.

His wolf wasn't sure how to process anything he was feeling and was having a visceral bodily reaction.

"Are you so cruel to me because you've fallen in love with Griffon? I've loved you for most of my life. How

can you do this to me?"

There was a sudden resentment in Jackson's eyes. It was resentment towards Taya's heartlessness and her falling in love with someone else.

She had been promised to him. They had plans.

Even though everyone else had looked down on her for being a human, for not getting her wolf, Jackson had still loved her and not cared.

And now she was doing THIS to him.

How dare she?

Taya looked at Jackson and clenched her fists. She gritted her teeth and said, "Yes, I fell in love with him. You know what I look like when I love someone. Since

I've fallen in love with him, I won't show mercy to anyone else."

Hearing this, Jackson was so angry that he could not stop trembling, shifting partially into his wolf form.

He rushed forward, grabbed Taya's chin in his clawed fingertips, and leaned over to kiss her.

His domineering kiss was the same as before. But in the past, Taya would respond to him...

Jackson slowly let go of Taya, who did not react at all. His heart completely sank when he saw the disgust in

her eyes.

"Taya, you'll regret this..."

Jackson turned around and staggered away.

Looking at his back, Taya felt a lump in her throat
and burst into tears.

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Seeing Taya like this, Harper was a little puzzled. "You obviously can't bear to part with Jackson. Why did you send him away? Are you still blaming him for kicking you..."

Taya shook her head. "He didn't do it."

Taya told Harper about Jackson's twin brother.

So, it was true that Silas had lost his memory and then become Jackson. He hadn't lied to them.

Their love for Silas had not been in vain, but...

There was a deep look of confusion in Harper's eyes. "Then why did you do this to him..."

Taya took a deep breath and was about to tell

Harper about her late-stage heart failure when

Harper's phone rang.

"Damian's calling."

When Taya saw Harper's bitter expression after hanging up the phone, she asked worriedly, "What happened?"

“He said something happened at his parents’, and he was in a hurry to get there.”

“Then don’t stay here with me. Hurry up and go back with Damian to help take care of things,” said Taya.

Not only was Harper not in a hurry to leave, but she also sat down beside Taya’s bed.

“Damian said that his family owed others some

debts. He’ll pay them back as soon as he gets back. I don’t have to go with him.”

I don’t Damian wants to take Harper home. He’s

hiding something, thought Taya.

Taya looked at Harper sitting there, peeling an

orange. She wanted to say something but didn’t

know where to start.

Now that Harper and Damian were mated, no matter what she said, she feared it would affect their relationship. Harper would always take her mate’s

side.

After peeling the orange, Harper looked at Taya. She smiled and said, “I know what you’re worried about. Don’t be. I’ll handle it. Damian doesn’t want me to go back to his pack lands. It’s no big deal...”

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Taya took the orange and ate it, but she had no appetite.

Her stomach felt sour when she swallowed it, and she almost threw up.

Frightened that Harper would be worried, she endured it and managed to keep the bite down.

Harper was probably in a pensive mood after talking to Damian and didn't notice anything wrong with

Taya.

"Harper, did Damian tell you how many debts his family owes?"

"Yes."

Harper nodded. After a pause, she told Taya how much money they owed.

"Two hundred thousand. But he took his own money to go back to his parents, not mine..."

Harper was afraid that Taya would be worried about Damian taking advantage of her, so she tried to comfort her by telling her that her personal finances weren't affected by what was going on with his

family.

Except, that wasn't necessarily true.

Harper paid for the mortgage of the house Damian had bought in his pack's Arcadia neighborhood, but now that they were mated, Damian didn't let her

control any money.

She'd heard of males becoming more controlling after mating, and she wasn't sure if that was what was happening, if something had changed with his wolf after the mating ceremony.

If Taya knew that the money Harper earned after getting mated was used to pay off the mortgage and cover their daily expenses, she would probably be

Harper didn't tell Taya what had happened after she married Damian. She feared Taya would worry

about her, so she kept it to herself.

But she had to say something. Taya wouldn't let it

1. Harper knew her best friend well enough to know

that.

"After the mating ceremony, Damian changed a little. Of course, he's still as good to me as before, but there's something going on with him. I don't know how to describe it..."

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Damian's behavior was confusing.

Now that he and Harper were mated, he had taken over the finances and he was keeping track of the expenses and Harper's money. But on the other side of things, he was being very kind and tender.

No matter how hard and tiring his work was, he would clean up the house and prevent her from cooking or washing clothes when he returned home from a business trip.

Harper had always lacked love in her life growing up in the orphanage. When she met Damian, a male who cared for her like this, she handed over her heart and relied heavily on him.

Although Damian still treated her with the same kindness and care and affection after they were mated that he had treated her with before they mated and moved in together, he always found

excuses regarding financial things.

And he complained about being poor in front of

Harper.

It affected Harper because she was a soft-hearted she-wolf. She took the initiative to pay the mortgage because Damian didn't have enough money. Damian recently said that his sales had not improved, and he didn't get the bonus he typically got when sales were

better.

As one of the wolves in his pack who lived in the big city in Arcadia, it was up to him to help care for the older pack family members back home. Since Damian was struggling with his job currently, Harper had to take care of his pack responsibilities now that she was his mate and part of his pack.

Now, on top of that, there was \$200,000 in debt in their family. Although Damian said he would pay it back himself, the money belonged to their joint property.

After the mating ceremony, Harper put all the

money and some that Damian had given her into an account. She wanted to deposit some funds for their future pups. Damian said that his basic salary would

also be transferred to that account.

But it didn't take long for \$200,000 to be deducted.

When they mated, the mating gifts they gave Harper was \$180,000. With his little money, it was precisely

\$200,000...

Harper didn't want to guess what Damian was thinking about after they had dated for so many years. Money was unimportant to her, and his love was the most important.

But that this had happened so soon after they were married didn't make Harper happy.

"Why didn't you tell me earlier?" Taya asked.

If she knew that Damian asked Harper to pay off the mortgage and all the daily expenses after they married, she would have tried to talk to Harper

about how something was wrong. At the very least, she wouldn't have let Harper take out all her private savings after the mating ceremony and transfer them to a joint account.

Although Damian and Harper had been in a relationship for many years. Harper needed to leave a way out for herself. What would Harper do if something went wrong between them in the future?

Fortunately, Taya had left more than \$200,000 for

Harper.

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Seeing Taya let out a long sigh, Harper didn't feel aggrieved but comforted her with a smile. "Don't

worry. It's just a little money. I'll make it back at

work.”

How could Taya not be worried about her? Taya knew how much money Harper had earned over the years.

Although she had become the manager recently and didn't have to work bottle service anymore, she still had to stay up late to earn money.

Taya was afraid that Harper wouldn't be able to take it, but Harper didn't care about it at all.

“What you

should be most concerned about now is

the relationship between you, Jackson, and Griffon, not me.”

“I've broken up with both of them. Now, you're the

only one left by my side. I only care about you.”

“Don't worry. I'm able to work, and I'm a strong wolf. If anything happens in the future, I can deal with it.”

Harper was not afraid of abandonment, and she still trusted Damian now, so she was unwilling to dig too deep.

If one day she found out that Damian had let her down or had other intentions, she wouldn't hesitate

to leave him.

Harper might be soft-hearted, but she was tough. Once she was in a predicament, she was much more decisive than Taya.

Harper chatted with Taya for a while and then went to cook for her. After dinner, she was in a hurry to go

to work.

Once Harper left, Taya's gentle expression gradually faded away, and she didn't force herself to try to appear to be better than she was.

Originally, Taya had planned on telling Harper about

her condition, but once Damian called, that thought went out the window. It was more important to talk to Harper about that instead.

If she had told Harper that she didn't have much time left, Harper might not be able to handle it on top of what was currently happening in her life.

Taya thought momentarily and decided to put it off for the time being. With Stella's special medicine, she wouldn't suddenly pa*s away, would she?

She still had time to tell Harper everything, right?

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Harper hurried downstairs and saw several luxury cars parked outside.

Some of the windows were open, and pack guards in black were sitting inside. She recognized at a glance that they were Jackson's men.

Harper thought that Jackson had left long ago. She admired his persistence.

She knocked on the car window, but there was no response. On the contrary, a Sterling pack guard got out of the car behind her.

“Miss, Alpha Sterling said that he wanted to be alone. Please don’t disturb him.”

Harper didn’t say anything. She turned around and left, but the window behind her rolled down.

“Harper.”

She turned to look at Jackson. It was clear that he was upset and trying to hide it. It wouldn’t do for an Alpha to show emotion like this in public.

Jackson had always been aloof and stoic in front of others since childhood, even before he knew he was an Alpha. But he was gentle in front of Taya and didn’t hesitate to show his true emotions.

As a child he showed hostility most of the time. More hostility than was expected for such a young pup.

His hostility became worse as he grew up, but when he met Taya, it completely disappeared.

Harper knew Taya had hurt Jackson badly, but she could do nothing about it. Jackson didn’t know whether to hate Taya or not.

He wanted to ask her why Taya had rejected him so harshly, but Harper didn’t know what to do. She couldn’t figure out why Taya spurned Jackson after the misunderstanding regarding the kick to the chest

was resolved.

She thought that maybe it was because of Griffon.

Jackson invited Harper into the car. The two sat in the spacious luxury car and looked at each other.

In the end, Harper said, "You've changed a lot in the past few years."

Although Harper had seen him twice before, she had never carefully looked him up and down.

He was no longer as immature as he had been. He had become nobler and more elegant.

Harper used to think he was God's favored one, but she didn't expect it to be true.

Jackson was the most powerful man in Wolverly Capital. What else could he be if he was not God's favored one?

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Jackson chatted casually with Harper for a while. When they talked about Taya, his face slowly

darkened.

"Taya and Griffon weren't actually a couple. It was just a contract between them. But it's true that she fell in love with him. If it weren't for him, she might not have recovered from what happened after she was kicked in the chest and after she was turned away from Wolverly Capital."

Harper didn't hide it from Jackson and told him the truth. There was no point in hiding anything.

Plus, everything had changed because of him. Taya had fallen in love with Griffon because she wanted to forget him.

Jackson couldn't describe how he was feeling at the moment, but the hole in his heart was getting bigger, as if it was devouring him little by little.

"If you miss her once, you'll miss her for the rest of your life. Let her go early..."

After saying that, Harper pushed the door open and got out of the car.

Jackson fell back into the car seat and closed his eyes, trying to settle his wolf down.

The pack guard received a call from Wolverly Capital

and hurried forward to knock on the window.

"Alpha Sterling, your father is calling."

Jackson indifferently took the phone from the bodyguard.

Old Alpha Sterling's aged and weak voice came from the other end of the line.

"Jackson, it's time to return to Wolverly Capital."

Jackson didn't reply. He just looked out of the car at Taya's house.

It was because of the Sterling pack, his family, that

he had lost Taya.

Back then, Jackson blamed Taya for selling herself and had a big fight with her, which made Taya so angry that she ran away. Then, the Sterling pack

found him.

Jackson's brother didn't come at that time. It was another packmate who came. Jackson wasn't willing to go with him, so he tied Jackson up and brought him back.

His only option was to jump out of the car. And even after all that, nothing changed. He was still taken away.

And then he lost his.

Jackson's brother told him that they were twins. When they were born, there were some changes in the family.

To compete for the Alpha position of the Sterling

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There was an accident during the

kidnapping. Jackson's mother died on the spot, and his father later fell into a coma. years

Jackson was picked up by human traffickers and sold to a family. Two later, his adoptive parents passed away, and he was sent to the orphanage.

Jackson's brother was lucky. He was protected by his father and escaped the disaster.

Later, the housekeeper found him and brought him home.

But Jackson's brother had had brain cancer all these years.

He could only send someone to bring

Jackson home by force to protect the

Sterling pack, which he had obtained with incredible difficulty.

Jackson's brother knew about Taya's existence, but he felt that her family background would not be able to help Jackson. Not only was she also an orphan who had no powerful connections to offer the Sterling pack, she also couldn't ever be a proper Luna. Besides that, it would affect his mediation with his uncles, who were eyeing the Alpha position, looking for a chance to take control of the pack. As such, his brother hid the fact that Jackson had lost his memory. He knew he was going to die, and with his father still being in a vegetative state, it was important to make sure Jackson could take over without

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However, he didn't expect Taya to bug him at the Sterling pack house. Her words shook him. So his brother had no choice but to send someone to bribe the people in the orphanage and destroy all their photos. That's why, when Jackson investigated, he hadn't found anything.

Jackson believed his brother's words and thought Taya was a scheming liar. He ordered the pack guards to drive her away, off of Sterling pack land.

Later, Taya insisted on looking for Jackson, but she thoroughly angered his brother. In anger, Jackson's brother pretended to be Jackson and tried to kill

Taya.

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Then, Taya had never come to find

Jackson again. Jackson had been sent abroad for Alpha training by his elder brother.

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Jackson was gone for three years, receiving all of the training necessary to learn pack politics and laws, both domestically and internationally. Then he received word that he had to come home and take over as Alpha because his brother had died.

Not long after Jackson took over as Alpha, his father woke up.

Now, they were in unknown territory. Jackson had been made the Alpha, but when his father woke up, he would naturally be the Alpha.

His father had only woken up about a year ago, so he didn't know what Jackson's brother had done.

Jackson didn't ask his father about it when he noticed something was wrong.

Not long after Jackson's father woke he sent his uncle, who had kidnapped his family, to prison as a witness.

up,

Now, the Sterling Pack was entirely in their hands. However, the family was huge, and Jackson still needed to stay in there and help the older Alpha.

But now that Jackson had regained all his memories, he was in no mood to care about the Sterling Pack.

If he could do it again, Jackson would

rather be Silas and stay by Taya's side.

Even though he had been poor and miserable, Taya was with him. But now...

Jason took a deep breath, and the sound of his father coughing came to his ears again.

"Jackson, the Sterling Pack can't do without you. Hurry up and go home..."

Back home, Jackson's heart was so heavy that he couldn't breathe.

Although Jackson's father had woken up, his body was disabled, and he could not move. He could only spend the rest of his life in the hospital bed. He wasn't strong enough to be the true Alpha, but he had been respected and loved, so many in the pack were willing to overlook the odd situation.

In addition, he had lost his mate and pup, which made him depressed. Now he was about to die.

If Jackson didn't go home, the Sterling Pack that his father and brother had risked their lives to keep would fall into someone else's hands.

Jackson tightened his grip on his phone and withdrew his reluctant gaze from Taya's house.

"Fine," he replied.

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Stella put Griffon's coat in a garment bag and carried it to the villa.

She pushed open the door of the study. The afterglow of the setting sun shone through the French windows and sprinkled on the man's body, covering it with a layer of faint

golden light.

Stella glanced at the pile of cigarette butts in the trash can and frowned slightly.

Griffon didn't smoke, and she didn't know when he started.

But she had no right to interfere in his business. She knocked on the doorframe to alert him of her presence.

Chapter 269 "Come in."

The Alpha did not even turn his head, just spat the words out as if he was uninterested.

Stella walked over. "Alpha, Ms. Palmer asked me to return this to you."

She handed the bag to him. Only then did Griffon turn around and glance at her.

"Throw it away."

He looked indifferent, as if he had abandoned something he did not care about.

"Yes."

Stella turned to leave with the paper bag.

Stella had guessed that Griffon would ask her to throw it away, but she still came here.

She didn't dare to dispose of his things at will and risk the Alpha's wrath.

When she walked out the door and was about to throw the bag into a large trash can, the man's voice suddenly came from behind her.

"Put it there."

Stella looked back at him, but he didn't look at her. He still had his back to her.

She couldn't figure out what he was thinking. She walked over and placed the bag on the sofa.

"I'll return to the hospital now."

The Alpha nodded slightly. After Stella left, he turned around.

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It was just a coat Taya had worn, but it made him, who had always been decisive, hesitate.

He threw away his cigarette irritably, picked up the coat, and rubbed the fabric between his fingers.

Her scent still infused the coat, which made him reluctant to let go of her.

Realizing this, Griffon's face darkened.

He threw away the coat and opened another pack of cigarettes irritably...

Stella hurried out of the villa. A few patients were still waiting for her to see

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She quickly got into her car. Turning the steering wheel, she saw a red Ferrari driving over...

The person who got out of the car was tall and carried a Chanel bag. When the woman saw Stella reversing the car, her face suddenly darkened.

"Stella!"

Tara didn't expect to meet Stella in Griffon's private home. Tara had never been to this place before. It took her a long time to find the address, but Stella could go in and out at will?

Not acceptable!

She was his mate-to-be, but Griffon hid where he lived.

Tara, who felt wronged and angry for no reason, had no time to care her image, to care how she would be perceived as the future Luna of the Knight pack. She rushed forward and knocked on the window.

"Stella, get out!"

Stella rolled her eyes at Tara. "Idiot!"

She didn't want to talk to Tara. She reversed the car and stepped on the accelerator.

Tara didn't expect Stella to be so dismissive of the Alpha's mate. She was so

angry that she clenched her fists and glared at the speeding car.

Stella Cobb, the director of the pack hospital, right? She would make Stella unable to survive in Arcadia!

Tara fixed her hair, turned around, and walked into the manor.

However, the pack guards at the door blocked her way.

“Miss, you are not allowed to enter at will.”

This time, Tara learned her lesson. She stopped making a fuss and said confidently,

“Alpha Knight sent for me.

“I’ll need to verify that.’

Tara’s face instantly darkened. She didn’t expect to be questioned.

Tara said there was no need and took out

her phone to call Griffon.

She called him several times, but he didn’t answer, making her angry.

Without Griffon’s permission, the pack guards wouldn’t let her in. Tara had no choice but to give up.

Tara felt slighted and uncomfortable. Stella could enter Griffon’s home, but his mate couldn’t? It was apparent that Griffon didn’t take her seriously!

After thinking for a while, she took out her phone and called old Mrs. Knight.

“Hello, old Mrs. Knight, this is Tara...”