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“Both vehicles were neck to neck, neither was able to pass the other.”

“At that moment, the sound of spinning blades could be heard above his head. Calvin looked up and saw a helicopter hovering above. From the Hummer, he could vaguely see numerous intimidating faces.”

“It seemed that the helicopter, which would be taking them out of the country, had arrived!”

“Stop them. We can’t let them board it. Seeing the helicopter hovering above their heads and the ladder being let down, Calvin started becoming anxious. At that moment, the gangsters were also starting to worry. If it weren’t for Calvin and the others chasing after them, then they would have already begun to escape from this piece of land.”

“Therefore, they began to concentrate on shooting Calvin and his partners.”

The gunfight became more intense.

Calvin’s Xeqint went after them and began to surround and intercept the culprits.

“At that time, the sky was dark, and with the helicopter hovering above, the situation seemed dire.”

The few cars in the suburban area were speeding forward.

“Soon, they were in the downtown area. Although it was late at night, there would be more cars. If they continued to shoot like this, then there would be more unnecessary casualties.”

Calvin became more anxious.

“The police were still behind them, cleaning up the mess and checking for bombs. Could they stop these villains from getting on the helicopter? It was clear that it was a crucial moment.”

“The gunfight continued, and neither side had an obvious upper hand.”

“The number of bullets Calvin had left became fewer and fewer, while it was obvious that the ammunition in the villain’s car was sufficient. Yadriel was fully prepared.”

“Even though Calvin’s Hummer was made of special bulletproof material, it was made uneven by bullets and was riddled with holes.”

“However, the performance of his Hummer far exceeded that of ordinary cars. He clenched his teeth and pushed his Hummer to hit the off-road car in front of him with enough force.”

“With a loud crash, strong sparks erupted from the impact between the two cars as they collided.”

“The assailants’ car was knocked far away, with two of its tires still spinning while suspended in the air.”

“It was obvious that the driver was experienced and immediately launched the car forward from the inside. The car then flew up from its side and landed steadily on the ground again. When it landed, several bullets shot out from the inside. Calvin’s Hummer was repeatedly hit, forming several holes. So, he had to stop.”

The culprits took the opportunity to continue escaping while Calvin took a breather to regroup. It seemed that they were about to get away.

At the street junction ahead of them.

“An off-road vehicle suddenly rushed out, and completely blocked the path towards where the assailants’ car was heading.”

“Noticing that something was wrong, the culprits immediately manoeuvred their vehicle to the other side.”

“A black, high-caliber muzzle suddenly extended out from the desert off-road vehicle in front of them. It was aimed at the bandit’s car and started shooting wildly. Their car was riddled with holes and looked pretty miserable. At that point, screams could be heard coming from inside the car.”

“With a loud ‘bang’, the muzzle shot accurately at their tires, which immediately flattened out, and the whole car collapsed. The car was finally critically damaged and could no longer be driven forward.”

“After that, Kimmel jumped out of the car and aimed his muzzle at the men in the vehicle. After a few shots, multiple screams and howls could be heard coming from the inside...”

Calvin and the Xeqint quickly surrounded them as well.

“If you don’t want to die, then quickly get down and surrender. White smoke was still rising from Kimmel’s black muzzle as he shouted at them.”

“Don’t shoot anymore. We’ll surrender. Immediately, terrified shouts could be heard coming from within.”

Kimmel smiled coldly.

“Quickly, the damaged car door was opened, and three bandits came out with their heads in their arms. Aron and the others immediately stepped forward and subdued them.”

“When the helicopter hovering above interpreted that the situation was not favourable, it flew away quickly.”

“At that moment, Kimmel went up and grabbed the Ocean Heart from one of the men. He walked over and respectfully handed it over to Calvin.”

“Mr. Harvey, Madam Lilian hopes that you can take good care of this rare jewel, he said in a solemn tone, smiling.”

“Calvin stared at the Ocean Heart in Kimmel’s hand and felt a surge of excitement in his heart. He accepted it with both hands and said sincerely, ““Thank you, Madam Lilian.”””

Kimmel smiled and nodded.

“At that point, with the help of Madam Lilian, Calvin finally succeeded in keeping Harvey Manor safe and taking back the Ocean Heart. Nevertheless, it was a pity that Yadriel had gotten away.”

In the hospital.

“Madam Lilian was sitting in the lounge with her eyes closed, resting.”

Half an hour later.

“A plane flying across the Pacific Ocean was hit by a guided missile, and the plane instantly turned into a fireball in the sky.”

“At last, Yadriel, with his dream of getting the Ocean Heart, fell into the depths of the sea.”

Everything seemed to be at peace.

“After receiving Kimmel’s call, Madam Lilian breathed a sigh of relief.”

“After that episode, Madam Lilian, who was no longer very young, was exhausted both mentally and physically.”

“Disturbed by her anxiety, Quina forcefully carried her back to the hotel to rest.”

“The next day, the gates of Harvey Manor were opened once again. After a night of cleaning, the manor finally welcomed back its quietness and peace.”

Sophia’s memorial service finally began as scheduled.

“After experiencing such a huge life-changing episode, everyone started to shift their attention instead to the funeral of this great woman.”

“In Harvey Manor, the funeral flowers extended from the gates till the mourning hall of Central Island. The religious funeral songs sounded like cries from heaven and grief for the terrible loss.”

“After a short break, Calvin immediately put in all his efforts into his grandmother’s memorial service.”

“He hadn’t managed to see Sophia one last time at the end and felt guilty. When all the danger had been eliminated, he invested all of his energy into the memorial service.”

“Sophia’s memorial service, which was carefully handled by Calvin, was very grand and proper.”

“The day after, Madam Lilian woke up Tristany in the morning and rushed to the hospital.”

“Kate still had not woken up from the coma the previous night. So, she was very worried.”

Belle stayed with Kate in the ICU all night.

“Mom, you finally woke up. In the Tristany hours of the morning, Belle finally saw Kate opening her blurry eyes, and she couldn’t help crying out in surprise and joy.”

Kate’s eyes glazed over as she stared blankly at the chandelier hanging from the ceiling. She was still in a daze.

“As she had just woken up from the coma, her mind was not clear.”

Mom. Belle held her hand tightly and cried excitedly again.

Kate rolled her eyes and came to her senses.

Where was she?

“Gradually, a familiar feeling welled up in her heart. In particular, Belle’s voice woke her up.”

She was in the hospital and was still hooked to IV drips.

Her fainting incident from the day before gradually came back to mind.

“Belle, my daughter. She struggled to reach out her hand and widened her eyes in horror.”

“Mom, I’m here. Belle hurriedly grabbed one of her hands and held it tightly, while calling out as she teared up.”

Kate’s blank and frightened expression deeply upset her heart.

“Mom, I’m so sorry. Tears streamed down her cheeks, and she choked as she spoke.”

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“Belle, my child, are you alright? Kate finally heard Belle’s voice and asked excitedly.”

“Don’t worry, Mom. I’m fine. I’m alright. Belle shook her head repeatedly and put her hand on her chest. She held back her grief with a sad yet beautiful smile on her face.”

“Kate could finally recall some events, but Belle was more worried that the excitement would be bad for her health condition. This was what she didn’t want to see.”

“Then, that’s alright. It’s good that you’re fine. Kate’s eyes lit up as she muttered to herself. All of a sudden, she seemed to have thought of something and asked nervously, ““How about Calvin? Is he fine?”””

“Mom, he’s doing well. Right now, he’s at Grandma’s funeral at Harvey Manor. Belle wiped away the tears on her face and answered softly.”

“Oh. Kate heaved a sigh of relief, feeling completely relaxed. She muttered to herself, ““Now that Sophia has passed away, I should be mourning for her. Belle, take me to Sophia’s memorial service today.”””

“Mom, your health is not good for now. Your kidney has been damaged and you can’t walk out of the ward. You can rest assured that I will inform Grandma of your situation at the memorial tablet later. I think Grandma in heaven will definitely understand your sincerity. Kate’s body was so weak that she could not leave the ward. Therefore, Belle would not allow her to go. At the moment, she comforted her in a gentle voice, but her words were very determined.”

“Kate was in pain from head to toe and just by saying a few words would make her pant. She understood what was going on with her body, and tears rolled down her cheeks helplessly.”

“Mom, Yadriel and Sergio are already dead, and the Ocean Heart was not taken away. These are all joyful events. You shouldn’t be sad and be happy instead. After you’ve recovered, I will take you to Grandma’s grave to pay your respects. Belle used a tissue to wipe away Kate’s tears and said softly, ““Mom, you need to be fine. Dad has left, and I can’t lose you. You are my most precious loved one. Please be happy, Mom. Live on for me.”””

She took Kate’s hand and pleaded with grief evident all over her face.

How could Kate not understand what she meant? She held Belle's hand tightly.

In the gorgeous recreational vehicle.

"Madam, aren't you going to acknowledge Miss Kate today? Quina took the paternity test result in her hand and asked in confusion."

"Madam Lilian looked at the result and sighed. She shook her head and replied, ""Quina, keep it first. It's not time yet. As a mother, I have never cared about my daughter and she doesn't even know about my existence. Now that her illness is so serious and her body is weak, I am worried that she can't accept this sudden news. Getting too emotional will be bad for her health. Patients with kidney problems should avoid extreme emotions."""

"After hearing this, Quina nodded thoughtfully."

"In fact, in the depths of Madam Lilian's heart, she was afraid and fearful that Kate would not acknowledge her as her mother. This was not her speculation, but based on the twists and turns that day when she visited Francist Community. She knew that Kate's personality was extremely similar to Flavian's, aloof and proud, as well as having extremely strong self-esteem. For Madam Lilian, who had never made her existence known, to appear suddenly and introduce herself as her mother, Kate would definitely be disgusted."

"However, if Kate was in a healthy condition, perhaps Madam Lilian couldn't wait to disclose their relationship. However, now that she was lying in the hospital bed, and feeling so weak that she could pass away at any time, she just couldn't say anything."

Madam Lilian's eyes were dim and was feeling downcast.

Quina could understand Madam Lilian more or less. She could only sigh secretly.

"After the car arrived at the government hospital, she held Madam Lilian's hand and went straight to the ICU."

"Mom, this is the best kidney medicine in the world that Madam Lilian specially airlifted from overseas. The doctor instructed you to drink it everyday. I will open it for you now. In order to reassure Kate, Belle chirped happily while showing a positive attitude towards life. Then, she took the medicine that Madam Lilian delivered..."

Madam Lilian? Kate paused for a moment and looked at Belle in disbelief.

Why would Madam Lilian buy medicine for her?

"That's right. It's Madam Lilian. She's been very kind to both the Harvey family and us, Belle stated proudly with a smile."

Kate responded with an 'oh' and her mind couldn't keep up with what she heard.

"At that moment, the door frame opened, and a woman in a white germ-proof gown came in. She happened to look into Kate's eyes, and Kate took in her face."

“Her eyes were filled with shock, disbelief, and then when she realized that it was Madam Lilian, she sat up, and thanked Madam Lilian at the same time.”

“With sharp eyes, Madam Lilian immediately stepped forward, held her down, and asked in a friendly voice, ““Madam Bennett, are you feeling better now?”””

“Kate smiled sheepishly and immediately replied, ““Madam, I’m so sorry that you’re worried about my illness. In fact, I’m just a good-for-nothing person with a leg already in a coffin. You don’t have to worry about me.”””

“No. Madam Lilian’s heart ached when she heard Kate’s self-deprecating words. She immediately said gravely with a serious look, ““Child, don’t say that. You are still young and have a long, wonderful life ahead. We must have complete faith in life, love life, and be grateful to God for bestowing us with it. Everyone should live happily and positively. Life is full and interesting. Look at me, I am twenty years older than you, but I never give in to fate no matter what setbacks I encounter.”””

“When Madam Lilian spoke up to that point, she recalled the scene of how she had divorced Flavian and cruelly left Kate without hesitation.”

“She carried her suitcase and walked down the old and narrow streets. The feelings from that moment were impossible to forget. After so many years, she forgot the cruelty of her political opponents and the pain of physical injury. However, that day, when she cruelly left her only one-year-old daughter, her feelings were as if they had been branded with hot iron, scarred forever in the deepest part of her memory.”

“Kate listened to Madam Lilian’s words, but she was not completely relieved. Her eyes were gloomy, and an unstable smile was hanging on her face.”

“Madam, you are of noble status. You are respected and worshipped by thousands of people. As for me, it is inconvenient for me even to live humbly and move around. The only thing that makes me happy is that I have a daughter. But the longer I live, the more I am a burden to her, Kate explained and sighed slightly. The pain she had gone through was losing a husband, being physically disabled, suffering from illness. No woman in this world would be able to experience this.”

“Besides, she couldn’t be a burden to her one and only daughter.”

“Madam Lilian understood what she was thinking, and her face was very serious.”

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“My child, you’re wrong. Others may think that I’m high and mighty, but that’s just an illusion. My life is much sadder than yours, but I’ve always lived with a positive and optimistic attitude. I’ve always been working hard until my efforts are recognised and approved. Now, my life is giving me back what I deserve. That’s why I’m telling you, you can’t give up easily. You have to strive in life, actively and optimistically. What’s worse in our existence is not the suffering from illness or the pain of losing one’s family, but overcoming the hurdles in your heart. You have to believe in yourself. Madam Lilian sat in front of the bed and held Kate’s hand while explaining to her patiently and carefully.”

“Kate’s weak consciousness for survival and her aloofness in dealing with worldly affairs did not belong to a positive and optimistic person. In fact, she had shown that she had given up on life, was dissatisfied with her current situation, and just going through her life without care.”

“That was being irresponsible with her own life. She isolated herself and was unwilling to interact with anyone. As time passed, she would seal herself from society, which would be bad for her body, especially as a patient with kidney problems.”

“The day before, Madam Lilian came to the hospital to ask the dean about Kate’s physical condition in detail. Then, she learnt that although Kate’s kidney was damaged when she was in a car accident, it was later cured. However, the disease relapsed and triggered uremia because she was always in a bad and foul mood. Plus, her will to live was weak. Therefore, Madam Lilian visited Kate that day to instill the correct and positive outlook in life.”

Kate had no parents since she was a child. She must have grown up with low self-esteem. It was not her fault to have such a character. Madam Lilian could only blame herself for not fulfilling her duty as a mother.

“Hearing what she said, Kate looked at her with confused eyes.”

Madam Lilian held on tightly to her hand and spelled it out earnestly.

“My child, everyone’s life will not be smooth sailing and it depends on one’s attitude in life. We must be optimistic, energetic, and live happily. Only then will we get to enjoy the beauty of life. Those who are conservative and negative will only live in the shadow of the past. Not only will there be no happiness, but they also lose the meaning of life. Madam Lilian sighed at that point. ““My child, in fact, you are much more blessed than I am.”””

“At the end of her sentence, not only Kate, but even Belle, who was standing to one side, was a little surprised. Madam Lilian, the person who had everything, was less blessed than Kate, who was lying on the hospital bed. Who would have believed this?”

“However, Madam Lilian seemed to understand what they were thinking. She held Kate in one hand and Belle in the other, put their hands together, and said lovingly, ““My dear, at least you have an excellent daughter accompanying you, but I’m different. I’m alone.”””

“At that point, Belle finally understood that Madam Lilian was missing her loved ones. She blinked her bright and clear eyes and smiled, showing her row of white teeth. She said wittily, ““Madam, you’re wrong. Don’t you still have me, your granddaughter? Why are you alone?”””

“Her words were firm, which stunned Madam Lilian for a moment. She immediately smiled brightly and quickly replied, ““Yes, indeed, I’ve said it wrongly. I still have you, a good granddaughter. Therefore, I am a blessed person.”””

“Of course, Belle immediately said proudly, and smiled.”

“A glowing light was evident on Madam Lilian’s face. She then smiled like a child. Obviously, she was very happy.”

Kate was moved and began to laugh together.

“Madam, where are your relatives? Kate thought that with Madam Lilian’s fame and status, she should have many children and grandchildren. However, for some unknown reason, she said that she was alone. Thinking of that, Kate asked out of curiosity.”

“Upon hearing this, Madam Lilian didn’t blame them. Instead, she smiled and showed the glory of maternal love on her face. She held Kate and Belle even tighter in her hands.”

“As for me, I once had a daughter, but when she was only one year old, I was forced to leave her because of all kinds of mistakes. Since then, I have neither seen her again nor taken care of her, until... Madam Lilian fell into a daze of memories. She had a motherly smile on her face, and was completely immersed in the beautiful memories of the past, as if she could not extricate herself from them.”

“Belle was stunned. Looking at the yearning expression on Madam Lilian’s face, she felt a kind of inexplicable sadness.”

“Madam, how is your daughter now? Have you found her? After a while, Belle asked in a low voice.”

“Madam Lilian, who was caught up in her memories, listened to Belle’s words. She nodded and whispered, ““She is fine. I have already found her.”””

“Really? That’s great. Then, you have a daughter. Belle said excitedly, ““You can acknowledge her again.”””

“However, the glow on Madam Lilian’s face was gone, replaced with a painful and uneasy expression.”

“No. Madam Lilian shook her head and said with doubt, ““Although I found her, I don’t dare to do so.”””

Why? Belle was extremely puzzled when she heard this.

“Ah, it’s a little shameful. Madam Lilian sighed with her hand on her wrist. ““It’s not that I don’t want to acknowledge her. I’m just afraid that she won’t recognize me as her birth mother. After all, I left her when she was only a year old. I never took care of her again and provided her any motherly warmth. I was afraid that she would hate me and isn’t willing to recognise me.”””

“After speaking, Madam Lilian’s facial expression became gloomier.”

“Hearing this, Belle also became silent.”

“Madam, I think you should take the initiative to acknowledge her. After all, blood is thicker than water, and family affection is continuously shed. Your daughter has had no mother since she was a child. So, she must live a very bad life. It is understandable if she has some resentment. But as long as you take the initiative, I think she will be fine. After all, everyone in the world wants a mother, not to mention a great mother like you. Belle thought for a while and started to encourage Madam Lilian.”

“Really? Do you really think so? After hearing Belle’s words, Madam Lilian seemed to be encouraged. Her face was filled with excitement, and tears welled up in her eyes. She held their hands tightly and asked seriously, ““Belle, is what you said true? If I do so, then my daughter will accept me, won’t she?”””

Belle didn’t think much of the expectant look in Madam Lilian’s eyes. She just nodded her head fervently.



“She wanted to see the dignified Madam Lilian happy. So, she seriously nodded in response. In fact, she was not sure in her heart, but she needed to do this to comfort her.”

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“Are you sure? Madam Bennett. With Belle’s affirmation, Madam Lilian was extremely happy. She looked at Kate, who was lying on the bed with a hopeful look in her eyes, and asked eagerly.”

“Kate was in a daze for a moment, staring blankly at Madam Lilian. Her intuition was very strange, and she didn’t know how to answer at the moment.”

“However, when Madam Lilian looked at her, her eyes were bright and full of anticipation. If she didn’t answer the question, then it would be too cruel and impolite. After a while, she nodded and smiled.

“”Madam, I think your daughter will accept you. As long as you are sincere enough, she has no reason to abandon her own mother.”””

“Madam Lilian’s eyes brightened when she heard that. The expression on her face was clear as she said, “”Of course I’m sincere. I dreamt of taking my daughter back and spending the rest of my life with her. If she is willing to have me in and not hate me, then I’ll smile even in my dreams.”””

“When Madam Lilian heard Kate’s answer, she seemed to be in very good spirits. She looked very relieved, and her face also showed a trace of happiness.”

“Kate and Belle didn’t understand the true meaning behind Madam Lilian’s words. Perhaps, they didn’t dare to think about it, or maybe all of this was impossible. According to their speculations, they would never guess who they actually were. Therefore, as Madam Lilian was happy for them, they were also happy for her, an old lady. That was all there was to it.”

“While they were talking and joking, the phone rang.”

“Belle, Grandma’s memorial service is at ten o’clock. I’ll send someone to pick you up. Calvin’s call came through. Although his voice was a little tired, he sounded fine.”

Belle certainly remembered this matter and agreed immediately.

“At that time, Madam Lilian took Kate’s hand and said very seriously, “”My child, treat your illness well. When you get better, if you have any wishes, as long as they are within my ability, then I will fulfil them and never break my promise.”””

“Kate was stunned. Madam Lilian was too good to be like this. She really didn’t need to be so nice to her. She was just about to refuse when she saw Madam Lilian’s face sink. She quickly said, “”Please don’t refuse me, or I’ll be sad.”””

“Kate’s eyes suddenly warmed up, and she couldn’t say anything to refuse her.”

Madam Lilian took her hand and asked her about her health. The two of them soon began chatting well.

“Belle thought of Martin in the ward. He was Sophia’s blood grandson. She wondered how his injuries were and if he would be able to attend the memorial service. With this in mind, she took her leave and left.”

“Come on, Martin, have this. As soon as Belle entered the ward, she saw Rosa feeding Martin a bowl of nutritious porridge.”

“I don’t need to eat. Martin was behaving like a spoiled child. He deliberately turned his face away and said, ““I’m not eating it.”””

“No, you must. Rosa put the spoon of porridge to his lips and coaxed him softly.”

“Martin’s face was full of happiness. Yet, he was purposely pretending to be pitiful. That time around, Rosa displayed fondness from the bottom of her heart and such tender love made Martin forget about the injuries on his body. His entire being seemed to be real, vibrant and energetic.”

Belle initially thought that Martin wasn’t injured at all and was just acting.

“Come, there’s still one more spoon. Open your mouth. Rosa was about to put the last mouthful of porridge to Martin’s lips. Obviously, he could open his mouth and eat it, but he waited for Rosa to beg him gently before opening his mouth.”

“When Rosa saw that he had finished the porridge, she was very happy and praised him. ““That’s a good boy, excellent.”””

“As she spoke, she took out a tissue and began to wipe his mouth carefully.”

“Martin took the opportunity to hold her hand and grind against it repeatedly. Rosa did not object at all, allowing him to do whatever he wanted. Her face was full of affection.”

“The two of them were talking to each other, and their affection for each other was strong. Even when Belle came in, they were indulged in their little world and completely ignored Belle’s existence.”

“At that moment, Martin became the happiest man in the world!”

“Belle had entered the ward for a long time, but both of them were still enjoying each other’s company and did not see her at all. In desperation, she was about to leave when she heard footsteps. Belle turned back and saw General Perry striding in.”

“Seeing Belle, General Perry nodded to her, and then his eyes fell on the happy couple who were immersed in their affection wholeheartedly. There were complications in his eyes, but the expression on his face was obviously much softer than before when he saw them.”

Martin had personally blocked the bullet for his daughter. This allowed General Perry to see his sincerity that he had turned over a new leaf.

Only a man with sincere feelings would use his own body to save a woman’s life.

This left a deep impression on General Perry.

“Especially after Sergio’s death, and knowing what they had done, he then turned a blind eye to Martin and Rosa’s flirtations. That day, he came to visit and thank Martin, who was heavily injured, in order to save his daughter. However, when he entered the ward and saw how close they were to each other, his heart felt indescribably complicated.”

“Ahem. General Perry strode in. The couple did not notice him and even ignored him, which made him feel very uneasy. He was not here to peek at his daughter’s love relationship. So, he coughed.”

“General Perry’s heavy cough completely jolted Rosa and Martin. They turned around at the same time, only to see Belle standing in the room and looking at them with a faint smile on her face, while General Perry stood there with a dignified face. The expression on his face was complex and unpredictable.”

“Dad, Belle, when did you guys come in? Rosa’s face and ears suddenly blushed. She immediately bounced to her feet and asked with embarrassment.”

“Nice to meet you, sir, and Belle as well. Perhaps, it was due to his severe injuries, as his face was a little too pale even with the tint of flushness from the flirting, and his voice was weak.”

“Hearing his frail voice, General Perry’s face lit up and his gaze softened.”

“Rosa stood timidly, looking at General Perry uneasily from time to time.”

“He gave her a dignified look and instructed her in a serious tone, “”Rosa, follow Belle out. Sophia’s memorial service is about to begin. Wait for me downstairs.”””

“I.. Rosa stood still, as if she was worried about Martin.”

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Aren’t you going to listen to me? General Perry frowned and asked in a serious tone.

“From her observation, Belle roughly understood how General Perry felt at that moment, seeing that Rosa did not leave as she was obviously afraid that General Perry would hurt Martin. Hence, Belle stepped forward and took Rosa’s hand while smiling. “”Rosa, let’s go downstairs and wait for your father. Grandma’s memorial service is about to begin. This is the last day of the funeral, and since we have to care for her dignity, we can’t miss the time. I’ll arrange a nurse to take care of Martin.”””

“As she spoke, she winked at Rosa, motioning her to come out with her.”

“Rosa was guided out by Belle, but she was still a little anxious. Her father didn’t really like Martin and was afraid that he would make things difficult for him because of personal feelings.”

“Silly girl, what are you thinking about? Belle poked Rosa with her hand and asked with a warm smile.”

“There was worry in Rosa’s bright eyes, and she didn’t bother to smile back at Belle.”

“Silly lass, you’re really going to become the daughter-in-law of the Harvey family. You can’t escape even if you want to. Belle smiled wittily and tapped her little nose, teasing her with strong laughter.”

“Belle, what are you talking about? Rosa blushed, but there was still worry in her eyes as she pouted.”

“Rosa, tell me honestly now, can you be sure that you still love Martin? Belle tilted her head and looked at her up and down, coaxing her with a smile.”

“Rosa’s face blushed even more, and she mumbled, “”Belle, don’t tease me. It’s bothersome.”””

“Belle smiled and looked at her, saying, “”I am not making fun of you. Look at you, acting like a poor little wife who has suffered a lot. Will it be a marriage with hatred or resentment?”””

“Rosa took Belle’s hand and said very seriously, ““Belle, tell me the truth. Will my father make things difficult for Martin? I dare not leave as he was seriously injured from saving me.”””

“Belle snorted, put her hands behind her while slightly raising her head, and deliberately answered very earnestly, ““This is possible, since your father doesn’t like Martin at all, and there are no good feelings at all.”””

“After stating this, Rosa became even more anxious. Beads of sweat appeared on the tip of her nose, and she didn’t dare to move.”

“Belle did not dare to tease her anymore. She squished her cheeks and asked, ““Tell me, are you still in love with Martin now? If you tell me, then I will think of a way for you.”””

Rosa was too worried about Martin. She blushed and nodded in acknowledgment.

Belle laughed out loud and took Rosa’s arm.

“Silly girl, let’s go. Don’t worry. Your father will definitely agree to your marriage this time. This time, the wedding will be held at Harvey Manor. Belle’s tone was relaxed and full of confidence.”

“Rosa was stunned for a moment and then she understood. Confused, she asked, ““Belle, you’re not joking, right? My father is well-known for being stubborn.”””

“Belle smiled mysteriously and comforted her. ““Don’t worry, this time it will definitely be an exception and he will definitely agree to it. Just believe what I have said. To put it short, we are sure to be in-laws.”””

“Rosa blinked with her big eyes, which were as bright as stars.”

She believed everything Belle said.

“After Belle took Rosa away, the situation in the ward suddenly quietened down.”

“Even though General Perry’s expression had become a lot more amiable, his eyes were firmly fixed on Martin and this made his hair stand on end. Martin was incredibly nervous.”

“You brat. How bold of you to hit on my daughter. Don’t think that I’ll thank you after taking the shot for my daughter. I won’t fall for this kind of trick, General Perry said preemptively as he took a step forward.”

“Uncle Perry. Martin’s face darkened. His voice was somewhat hollow, and the redness on his face instantly subsided before turning as pale as a sheet. ““I am sincerely loyal to Rosa. I’m not performing any tricks. I may have done a lot of wrong things in the past, but please believe that I will never do it again. I am wholeheartedly in love with her, and will never make her sad again. Please trust my sincerity.”””

“When Martin finished speaking, he was exhausted and began to pant.”

“Is that so? General Perry stared at him. After pacing around the room, he came over to keep a close eye on him, causing Martin’s hair on his body to stand on end. ““If you love my daughter so much, then what’s going on with Carmella Newton?”””

“His voice was very frosty, and his facial expression was icy.”

“Martin was shocked for a moment when he heard this. In the next instant, he understood what was going on, and joy flowed out of his chest. If General Perry asked him about Carmella, then it meant that he wouldn’t object to his love for Rosa. He thought about it for a moment before saying, ““Uncle Perry, my mother was the one who wanted Carmella to remain for a few days. Furthermore, Grandma happened to have passed on. So, she stayed behind to mourn her death. This isn’t what I meant.”””

“So, your mother prefers you to marry Carmella Newton, doesn’t she? General Perry’s voice turned even colder. ““Are you going to listen to her?”””

“When Martin heard this, he got too excited and hurriedly explained, ““It’s not like this. Uncle Perry, please believe me. I’m the one in charge of my life decisions. Rosa is the only person I love, and I’ll only marry her. As for Carmella, since Grandma passed away and she’s here to attend the memorial service, I have no reason to chase her away. But after the funeral, I’ll call my mother to send Carmella away. Please believe me.”””

“He said with great strain. After that, he struggled to call MLexie to show his sincerity. However, the wound was too deep. He cried out in pain as soon as he turned over.”

“Well, there’s no hurry. Men should not be afraid to love or hate. Since you love Rosa, you should behave like a man and give her happiness, instead of cheating on her. I’m going to tell you this. If you hadn’t taken a shot for Rosa, then it’s useless no matter how you pester my daughter. But since I’ve seen it with my own eyes, I was moved. As he spoke, General Perry bowed slightly and looked at him. ““How is it? Is the wound still serious?”””

“Martin’s heart thumped when he heard the concern in General Perry’s tone. For a moment, he was so excited that happiness seemed to have arrived too quickly. It appeared that he had agreed to their marriage.”

“Thank you, Uncle Perry. I’m fine, Martin replied while shaking his head.”

General Perry stared at him again as his lips curled into a playful smile.

“Kid, don’t think everything will be fine just because you took that shot for Rosa. What I want to see is your action and behaviour, understand? General Perry gave him a dissatisfied look, looked up with a smile, and stood up straight.”

“Rest assured, Uncle Perry. I’ll definitely prove it to you and satisfy your conditions once I’ve recovered. Martin’s cheeks were flushed with excitement. He stammered incoherently.”

“Good. General Perry glanced at him again and grunted. He continued indifferently. ““Then, have a good rest.”” With that said, he turned around and walked out.”

“Martin had been extremely nervous. After he finished dealing with General Perry, he relaxed. A great joy rose from the bottom of his heart. He exhaled and turned his head to the side, got too excited and fainted.”

## **Chapter 706**

“When General Perry walked out of the hospital, he saw Rosa pacing back and forth downstairs. She looked worried and her eyes were fixed at the floor above from time to time. Without looking, he knew what she was doing and thinking.”

“Alas, a grown woman wouldn’t stay at home. This was really an eternal truth.”

“He shook his head. If he hadn’t seen Martin pounce on Rosa recklessly to block the bullet for her the day before, then he wouldn’t have agreed to let her marry Martin no matter what. After all, he had played around too much in the past.”

“However, that time round, based on his observation these days, he discovered that Martin had really changed. He had become more mature and steady. At the same time, he had also seen his infatuation for Rosa.”

“It was only then that he started to inquire about Carmella Newton’s background. After learning about it, he felt more at ease and went to the hospital to visit Martin, while having the opportunity to clear things up. After all, he would be returning to Capital City that very day after the memorial service.”

“Dad, thank you for your hard work. Rosa saw General Perry striding out with a calm look on his face. She really couldn’t tell his emotions. She felt uneasy and hurriedly ran up to him and spewed nonsense.”

“General Perry snorted and glanced at her. Without saying a word, he went straight to the car.”

“Dad, is Martin’s injury okay? Rosa asked incoherently. She was worried that General Perry would make things difficult for Martin, but she didn’t know what to ask.”

General Perry didn’t even bother to look at her. He just ordered the chauffeur. “Go.”

The chauffeur quickly started the engine.

Rosa hid her head in the back seat and stopped talking.

“Do you really want to marry him that much? General Perry suddenly opened his mouth and looked at Rosa through the rear mirror. He said with deep eyes, ““You should know that he had hurt you before.”””

“Rosa was shocked. She immediately shook her head and explained, ““Dad, Martin loves me sincerely. Don’t judge one’s past as everyone will make mistakes. As the saying goes, a prodigal son who returns home is worth more than gold.”””

She tried so hard to defend Martin. General Perry glanced at her and snorted. “Don’t you have any other man besides him to marry in your life?”

“Rosa blushed and her neck was stiff. She made up her mind and said, ““Yes, Dad. I must marry him.”””

“How bleak. Hearing this, General Perry’s face darkened and he snorted heavily.”

“He had long understood his daughter’s thoughts. In the past few days in Harvey Manor, he had witnessed her every move with Martin. It was not that he neither understood her, nor did he expose her. That time around, he had come here to put an end to this matter. He looked at her silently and chided her. ““A lady must be modest, talented, and noble.”””

“After that speech, he didn’t say anything more.”

“Rosa looked down and finally understood what her father meant. However, she was a straightforward person. Love was love. Hate was hate. She couldn’t bring herself to pretend or learn to be high and mighty. She was her very own self.”

“After Belle took Rosa out, she thought of Kate and went back.”

“Kate needed someone to take care of her. She couldn’t always trouble Madam Lilian. Besides, why should Madam Lilian take care of her mother?”

“With these thoughts in mind, she quickly went upstairs. Just as she was about to change into her germ-proof gown and enter the room, she saw the glass door open and Madam Lilian walked out.”

“Madam, you... Just as she opened her mouth to speak, the expression on Madam Lilian’s face darkened.”

“You still call her Madam? You should change the way you address her. Quina, who was approaching from behind, heard Belle and saw the disappointment from the bottom of Madam Lilian’s heart. She hurriedly reminded her with a smile.”

Belle was stunned for a while and reacted quickly.

“Hello, Grandma. She saw the loneliness on Madam Lilian’s face and called out in a crisp voice. Madam Lilian’s face immediately lit up with a smile.”

“My little granddaughter, come, come with me. Madam Lilian held her hand and said with a smile.”

Go? To where?

“Belle was stunned and did not understand Madam Lilian’s intention. She could only smile and say, ““Grandma, my mother...”””

“Don’t worry. I’ve already arranged for someone to take care of her. Today is Sophia’s memorial service. I’ll accompany you there, she said with a solemn expression on her face.”

Are you attending the funeral as well? Belle was a little surprised.

“Madam Lilian smiled. ““Of course. Sophia was wise all her life and had done me a favor. She also raised my daughter. For this reason and sentiment, I’m going to pay my respects to her.”””

“Hearing this, Belle was surprised. It turned out that her daughter had been raised by Sophia. It was no wonder that she cared so much about Harvey Manor. Was it because of this relationship that she was so kind to her?”

“With this thought, she stole a glance at Madam Lilian and noticed the solemn look on her face. However, Belle felt that there was something she could not see on Madam Lilian. Moreover, there was a very natural intimacy to her. As long as she saw her, she would have an inexplicable sense of belonging in her heart.”

“Taking Belle’s hand, Sophia went downstairs directly and got in her limousine.”

Belle saw the car sent by Calvin and had to call him to withdraw it. She also told him that Madam Lilian was attending the memorial service and asked him to get ready.

“The memorial service took place on Central Island. As there were too many people, it couldn’t be held in the Ink Garden.”

“Tristany in the morning, from government officers to normal citizens, and even people from the welfare institutions, people of all walks of life came to participate.”

“The gardens were filled with security guards, and the police were present to maintain order. Calvin’s Xeqint were stationed throughout the various corners of the place.”

At the south gate of Harvey Manor.

“Hudson, Evan, and Calvin were quietly waiting in front of the door for Madam Lilian’s arrival.”

“At nine thirty in the evening, a luxurious recreational vehicle slowly drove over and stopped at the entrance.”

“After the car stopped, Kimmel got off to open the door first and stood respectfully on one side. Quina walked out and then turned around and bent down to support Madam Lilian.”

“Hudson, Evan, and Calvin all took a step forward.”

“Madam Lilian got out of the car, and at the same time, she held Belle’s hand tightly with her right hand.”

“Belle wanted to refuse, but Madam Lilian held her hand tightly and refused to let go. She had no choice but to let her do as she pleased.”

“Madam Lilian, it’s a pleasure to meet you. Thank you for coming to the funeral. Hudson was the eldest son. So, he immediately stepped forward and saluted, as a gesture to thank her very respectfully.”

Madam Lilian looked solemn and dignified.

“There’s no need to thank me. I should have come. Madam Lilian raised her hand gently, indicating Hudson not to be too courteous.”

“It’s a pleasure to meet you, Madam Lilian. Evan and Calvin greeted her immediately.”

“There’s no need to be modest, Madam Lilian stated in a friendly manner.”

“Dad, Uncle Evan. Belle also greeted Hudson and Evan.”

## **Chapter 707**

“Belle, Madam Lilian is a guest of honor. Quickly, welcome her and let her get on the electric vehicle. Hudson ordered as he saw that it seemed to be rude for Belle to follow Madam Lilian this way.”

“Madam Lilian could tell from the way Hudson spoke that he was reprimanding Belle for being insensible. She frowned slightly and immediately said, “”Belle is my little granddaughter. It’s my honor to be with her. It’s my fault for not knowing what’s proper and insisting on pestering her. I’m afraid I’m disturbing her and I am worried.”””



“When Hudson heard that Madam Lilian was so affectionate with his daughter-in-law, he was also very happy. After all, treating his daughter-in-law well was also for the sake of the Harvey family.”

“Madam, the funeral is about to begin. Please come in. He immediately led Madam Lilian and the rest towards the electric vehicle.”

“Harvey Manor had gates in four directions, east, south, west and north. The east gate was now wide open and people of all backgrounds were pouring in, including the news media. Thus, it was too crowded there. Calvin opened the south gate especially just to welcome Madam Lilian.”

They got in the electric vehicle and headed towards Central Island.

“Belle sat beside Madam Lilian. In a daze, she felt as if she had come to this courtyard for the first time in her life despite staying here for quite a period of time. Furthermore, she was still the mistress of the family, as well as the eldest daughter-in-law of the Harvey family.”

“However, this kind of feeling quietly rose from the bottom of her heart, making her feel confused and at a loss. She knew that this was caused by the reason she followed Madam Lilian.”

“Madam Lilian held her hand and took care of her everywhere, giving her the illusion that it was the first time for her to enter this family with a noble identity. It also gave her the sense of making up for the loss and unease that she had entered this garden for the first time as a child.”

“She was confused, but she could not understand this strange feeling.”

“The electric vehicle headed straight towards Central Island. Along the way, everyone was silent, immersed in the sorrow of Sophia’s death. No one spoke.”

“Belle’s other hand was suddenly gripped by a big and warm palm. The palm was soft and comfortable, as well as feeling warm and familiar. The feeling of it brought her back to reality.”

She turned her head and saw Calvin sitting behind her. He stretched out his hand and grabbed her hand.

“Belle, how are you? Have you been tired these days? How is my baby? When the electric cart stopped, Calvin got off ahead and carefully held her hand to help her down. At that point, Madam Lilian let go of Belle’s hand sensibly. As soon as she got out of the car, Calvin whispered in her ear.”

“Belle’s face was a little flushed, and she pursed her lips and glanced at him.”

“At that moment, Calvin was dressed in mourning clothes. He had fair skin and handsome facial features. No matter how one looked at it, he looked incomparably noble. He then exuded the aura of a mature man, obviously different when compared to the impulsive boy in the past. This kind of man loved her with all his heart. In the future, they would excel together to take care of the family.”

This kind of feeling gave Belle a lot of happiness and fulfillment.

“When she looked up at him, Calvin was also staring at her. The worry and concern in his eyes were obvious.”

“Belle’s heart beat slightly, and her lips bent slightly, but she didn’t say anything.”

“Belle, you should follow Calvin and change into mourning clothes first as you are Sophia’s granddaughter-in-law. Madam Lilian stopped after getting out of the car and said to Belle, ““I’ll wait for you here.”””

“Okay, Grandma. Belle agreed. Calvin took her hand and walked to the reception room on the side.”

“At that moment, the background music, ‘Amazing Grace’, was playing on the center of Central Island, and even the atmosphere was filled with sadness.”

“Belle had taken care of Kate for an entire night. Thus, she did not have much energy left. When she was led away by Calvin, her footsteps were somewhat hollow.”

“Belle, how is Mom? Calvin asked worriedly as he examined Belle’s tiny face.”

“She’s already woken up today. Madam Lilian had imported medicine of the highest quality shipped over. I don’t think anything will happen to her, she replied softly and yawned. She was really a little tired.”

Calvin’s brows furrowed. He stretched out his strong arms and picked her up easily.

“Calvin, put me down. It looks crude. It was Grandma’s memorial service and the manor was crowded. People would see how they behaved. Belle’s face turned red, and she hurriedly stopped him.”

“However, Calvin remained composed. ““Honey, what are you afraid of? Do I have to be concerned about how people look at us even when I hug my wife?”””

“After he said that, he saw that Belle was a little nervous. So, he only whispered, ““Don’t be afraid. There are few people here who can see you. You are too exhausted. Plus, you are pregnant.”””

“As he spoke, he wrapped her in his arms and took a few strides into the lounge.”

“He placed Belle lightly on the chair, took out a mourning dress, and personally helped her put it on.”

“What are you thinking about? Calvin looked into Belle’s eyes and stared at the lounge’s curtains in a daze. She seemed to be in deep thought. Hence, he could not help asking.”

“Calvin, do you feel that Madam Lilian is too kind to me? She tilted her head, asking in a silly voice while her bright eyes seemed to recover her wits a little bit.”

“Calvin was dumbfounded for a moment. Silently, he reached out to hold her head and patted her on the shoulder. He said softly, ““Silly girl, if someone is good to you, then that’s your good fortune. You don’t need to think about the meaning behind those actions so much. Madam Lilian is no ordinary woman. She has her own reasons for doing things. There’s no need to think about these things.”””

“Belle had no choice but to nod and agree with him. ““That’s true. But today, Madam Lilian said that Sophia raised her daughter. Now, I understand why she saved you in the war-torn country and why she cares so much about Harvey Manor. It turns out that she is expressing her gratitude. But I’m very curious. What do you think her daughter looks like?”””

“After she finished, she raised her tiny face again with a curious look.”

“You said that Grandma raised her daughter? This made Calvin even more curious. He suddenly recalled the list of names in the family register. Blake had once told him that the names of the children on the list were all raised by Grandma, including Kate. Could it be that... this was true?”

“Calvin, let’s leave quickly. Madam Lilian is still waiting for us. Belle thought of this serious problem and hurriedly tugged at Calvin to leave.”

“Calvin raised his deep and serene eyes and gave her a heavy look. He turned his hand around and held her hand, walking outside.”

“Belle, come, follow Grandma. Madam Lilian was standing on the other side and chatting with Hudson and the others. When she saw Calvin and Belle coming over, she reached out her hand to Belle and chirped lovingly.”

“Okay, thank you, Grandma. Belle took her hand out of Calvin’s palm and walked towards Madam Lilian. Then, Madam Lilian took her hand lovingly, with her face expressing happiness and satisfaction.”

A group of people surrounded Madam Lilian and walked to Central Island.

Calvin walked behind Belle and saw that Madam Lilian’s hand had been holding onto Belle all this while. He remained silent.

## **Chapter 708**

“Madam, this way please. As soon as they arrived on the island, the emcee greeted them and led them forward.”

“At that moment, people stood solemnly by the side and waited for the imminent memorial service. Fortunately, Central Island was large enough to accommodate many people.”

“When Hudson and the rest escorted Madam Lilian over, everyone’s eyes were on them.”

The camera lenses of the mass media outlets were also focused on them.

“Their eyes were all focused on the world’s most well-known woman, Madam Lilian. Such a woman was usually only heard of. They did not expect that she would appear up close at Sophia’s funeral.”

“At the same time, they also saw the special love and care of Madam Lilian for Belle. She held Belle’s hand, with a dotting face and extremely intimate words and deeds.”

The mourning hall was silent.

Kimmel and another guard wearing a pair of glasses stood by Madam Lilian’s side.

“The emcee led Madam Lilian and the rest towards the center of the mourning hall. Then, they stood up, picked up the microphone, and said, ““Dear family members, please take your place on the left of the mourning hall.”””

“My child, go. After hearing this, Madam Lilian let go of Belle’s hand and said to her lovingly. She was the eldest granddaughter-in-law, and her role was stated there. The protocol must not be ignored.”

Belle nodded her head in a very solemn manner. Calvin came over and held her hand and led her to the left.

“Everyone who is present to mourn Grandma Sophia, please take your seats in the mourning hall. With the start of the background music, the farewell ceremony for the departed began.”

“Since Sophia passed away, Calvin hasn’t even had time to feel sad. Up till that moment where everything had been arranged properly, just by listening to the painful music, all the pain buried in the bottom of his heart burst out.”

“He recalled little by little that the most important woman in his life was in fact not his mother, but Sophia. Even Belle, the woman he loved most in this life, had received Sophia’s kindness. Otherwise, he might never be happy for the rest of his life.”

“He wasn’t sure if he would be able to properly support his life in the future and before something big happened after Sophia left. However, the spiritual wealth that Sophia had left him would last forever. Furthermore, she had bestowed upon him a good wife, Belle. This was the most important treasure in his life.”

“In the sombre mourning hall, the intertwining tears of sorrow and memories slowly flowed through his loved ones and friends. The music unearthed the deep feelings and respect they had for Sophia.”

“Madam Lilian took the initiative to recite a tribute to Sophia. In the end, the funeral ended with the head of the family, Calvin, expressing his gratitude.”

“As the family members were circling the coffin, Belle saw Sophia quietly lying in the glass coffin. Her expression was the same as when she was alive, and tears flowed down her face naturally.”

“Sophia’s funeral news was broadcast throughout the service, and all the politicians and celebrities turned up. Calvin finally used his own efforts to provide Sophia a solemn and decent funeral. He thought that her soul in heaven would be pleased. After all, the Harvey Group and Harvey Manor were safe, and all the major crises were over.”

“After the memorial service, Belle invited Madam Lilian to stay in the Ink Garden for the night.”

Madam Lilian readily agreed.

Everything seemed to be progressing in a good direction.

“In the quiet pavilion, Carmella stood there quietly. Her face was haggard, and the light in her eyes was as clear as water.”

“As soon as Sophia’s memorial service was over, she came here.”

The scene of Martin risking his life to protect Rosa from the bullet was vivid in her mind. It turned out that she didn’t believe in love. She even thought that marriage was just a kind of alliance for both parties’ benefits.

“However, Martin’s actions from the day before had shocked her.”

“From this, she could tell that Martin truly loved Rosa. He had no feelings for herself at all. Even the relationship between them could not be considered a friendship.”

Carmella was not an ornamental piece who had to rely on a man to survive. She had her own career as well as her own dignity.

The only thing missing in her life was love. Reminiscing the scene from the day before made her think and understand a lot.

“She was wondering if the reason her life had been so calm was that she had never truly loved a person. Even towards Martin, her feelings for him were an illusion. It was a kind of self-serving love. She knew that her grandmother was interested in the Harvey family’s fortune and family background. That was why she agreed to let her and Martin go on a blind date. However, Carmella actually attended it happily, which may not have been a wise thing.”

“In the living room of Emerald Garden, MLexie’s face was full of worry. She was about to pack some clothes and visit Martin at the hospital. She was so anxious that she cried when he got shot. It was not easy for her to endure it until the memorial service was over. Then, she began to hurry and packed things up and headed to the hospital to take care of Martin.”

“Nice to see you, Aunt MLexie. Carmella walked in and greeted her politely.”

“Ah, it’s you, Carmella. Come and sit down. When MLexie saw that Carmella had walked over, a smile appeared on her face. She pulled Carmella to sit down with her.”

“It’s alright, Aunt MLexie. I’m here to say my goodbyes to you, Carmella said with a faint smile, and in a natural and graceful tone.”

Goodbye? MLexie froze for a moment and soon understood what was going on.

“Everyone had seen with their own eyes that Martin took the bullet for Rosa. He was so adamant that he had devoted all his efforts to Rosa. As a mother, she could do nothing about it. She smiled apologetically and murmured, ““Carmella, are you going to leave now? I don’t want you to leave.”””

“Carmella smiled back. ““Aunt MLexie, if the future permits, then I’ll bring you over to my company for a visit. My company’s business is very lively and busy. I should have left a long time ago, but since Grandma Sophia passed away, I wanted to join the memorial service. Now that it’s done, there is nothing else for me to be concerned with. It’s time for me to leave.”””

She spoke in a relaxed and easy way.

MLexie heard this and saw the loneliness on her face inadvertently. She felt inexplicably sad deep in her heart.

“Carmella was smart and capable, and was also successful in her career. She was actually hoping to see Carmella and Martin get married to each other, but there was nothing she could have done about it. Besides that, she couldn’t waste the prime of Carmella’s life, right?”

“At the moment, she was at a loss. However, she said, ““Carmella, do visit me often when you have time in the future.”””

“Absolutely, Aunt MLexie. Thank you for your hospitality. I’ll be taking my leave first, Carmella expressed her promise with a smile. She then turned around but seemed to have thought of something. She turned back and continued. “”Aunt MLexie, please send my regards to Martin. I wish him a fast recovery.”””

“Alright, alright. MLexie stood there blankly while watching Carmella walk further from her step by step. It was a pity that she didn’t manage to get such a good daughter-in-law.”

“Just as she was in a daze, Evan walked in.”

## **Chapter 709**

“Evan, how is Martin now? When MLexie saw her husband come in, she put her regrets aside and asked Evan hurriedly.”

“Don’t worry, he’s fine, replied Evan as he looked at her indifferently.”

“Well, I’m going to the hospital to see him after I finish packing up some things. Do you want to come with me? MLexie just remembered her purpose and asked Evan.”

“When Evan heard this, he frowned and his eyes flashed. He immediately shouted, “”What are you going to do in the hospital? Just stay at home.”””

“MLexie felt wronged when she heard that. “”Evan, Martin is our only son, after all. He was shot and injured so badly. Shouldn’t we as parents go and have a look? Are you really his biological father?”””

“What can you do if you go there? Are you going to create issues? Rosa is taking good care of him in the hospital. What is your purpose for going there? He will come back in a few days. By then, you can look at him in any way you want, Evan shouted in a rough voice. “”From now on, you should stay at home and live your life as normal. Don’t stir up any more trouble.”””

“MLexie finally understood when she heard this. It turned out that Evan was worried that she would disturb Rosa’s and Martin’s union. Thinking of this, MLexie could not help feeling angry and her face darkened.”

“Evan, now that Martin had blocked the bullet for her, Rosa knows that he is a good person and has looked over his past. It was her family who proposed the annulment of their engagement at that time. Everything is up to her family to decide. She’s just showing her power. She pouted and nagged.”

“Evan’s blood pressure rose when he heard that. He bellowed angrily, “”What nonsense are you talking about? It was your son who didn’t behave well in the past and became a b\*stard and ruined the reputation of others. Now that Rosa doesn’t care about Martin’s past and still loves him, what else do you want? I’m going to tell you this, listen up. This time, you’re not allowed to interfere in Martin’s matters. When he gets discharged from the hospital, I’ll send him to General Perry’s home to propose to Rosa. General Perry’s family is a prominent family in Capital City and their reputation is important. I won’t allow you to stir anything again, or else I won’t forgive you.”””

“After saying that, Evan went upstairs angrily.”

“MLexie stood there in a daze, and her face was bitter. She wanted to go to the hospital to take care of Martin, but had completely lost interest in doing so.”

“In the reception room of the Ink Garden, Hudson sat on the lower right side of Madam Lilian and bent down to make tea from Green Mountain Lake for her. He sincerely thanked her. “”Madam, I’m really thankful towards you for saving Calvin and Harvey Manor when they were in danger. On behalf of our family, I’d like to express my sincere gratitude to you.””””

“After Sophia’s memorial service was over, Belle convinced Madam Lilian to stay for the night in Ink Garden. Hudson and Paige accompanied her all the way and prepared a grand banquet to receive her.”

“Belle was pulled by Madam Lilian to stay by her side, and the two of them spoke and acted very intimately.”

“There’s no need to thank me. This is what I should do. Besides, the Harvey family has always been kind and generous to others. This is also the main reason you were able to avoid this disaster. I hope that you can continue to carry the legacy of the Harvey Group and live up to Sophia’s reputation. Don’t let me down. Besides, I have my own motives for doing this. Sophia has done me a favor, and my granddaughter, Belle, is the eldest granddaughter-in-law of the Harvey family. How can I not provide you with this favor? Madam Lilian nodded and smiled, speaking with a deep meaning in her words. She then held Belle’s hand with a doting expression.”

“Hudson listened carefully. When he heard that Madam Lilian was obviously lifting Belle up, he knew very well. He immediately agreed and said, “”Madam, you flatter me. Our family’s culture has been around for a hundred years, and we will definitely not change. But in the future, this important task can only be handed down to Calvin and Belle.””””

“Calvin stood on one side with a serious look on his face. As the head of the family, he understood the heavy responsibilities on his shoulders. It was precisely because of this sense of responsibility that, when faced with the death trap set by Yadriel, he had boldly rushed forward without hesitation and did not care about his own safety, and had to protect Harvey Manor. This was his duty as a man, as well as the culture of the family.”

“Madam, Dad, please be assured. With me and Belle here, the tradition of Harvey Manor and the Harvey family will surely be handed down accordingly and they will definitely be more glorious. His eyes were full of love as he looked at Belle, who was sitting beside Madam Lilian, and he was very proud and confident in his promise.”

Mmhmm. Madam Lilian gave him an approving look and nodded her head in satisfaction.

“Madam, Calvin is responsible, liable, and has his own strategies. Don’t worry, he will lead the Harvey Group to new heights, Paige also said with a smile on her face at that time. She had always been proud of having an outstanding son like Calvin.”

“The tea from Green Mountain Lake is indeed fragrant. It’s soothing and very tasty. When Madam Lilian heard Paige’s words, she only held onto the cup and lowered her head to drink the tea.”

Paige smiled even more and repeatedly agreed.

“At that moment, the doorbell to the reception room rang. Calvin went forward and pressed the switch. The door was opened and Lomen was outside, holding a file holder in his hand.”

“Mr. Harvey, the report of Liya tampering with the will has come out. Lomen gave a clear report while standing at the entrance.”

“Everyone in the room heard it. Madam Lilian raised her eyebrows, and there was some confusion in her eyes.”

Lomen. Hudson raised his head and instructed him. “Bring in the documents.”

“Yes, Mr. Hudson. Just as Lomen heard Hudson’s instructions, he glanced at Calvin and quietly walked in. He handed over the report of the will’s authenticity with both hands.”

“Madam, I’m sorry to have to make you see this unpleasant scene. Hudson took over the will testimonial and apologized to Madam Lilian in embarrassment.”

It’s fine. Do take care of your family matters. Don’t worry about us. Madam Lilian continued to lower her head to sip her tea as she spoke indifferently.

Hudson laughed at himself and took out a pair of glasses from his pocket and put them on. He opened the folder and started to look at it thoroughly.

“Dad, how is it? The will had been tampered with by Liya, hadn’t it? Calvin blurted out as he saw Hudson’s face becoming more serious.”

“In fact, what happened to Liya was a thing of the past. No matter if she altered the will or not, her sins were doomed to be irreversible and absolutely unforgivable.”

“However, Calvin had other thoughts. Liya had tampered with the will to become his mistress, and it was Sophia’s will. This was indeed not good for his and Belle’s reputation. He wanted to clear his name and give Belle a satisfactory explanation.”

“This woman is just too reckless. Although Hudson was already mentally prepared, he could not help being angry when he saw how this testimonial pointed out that Liya had altered an old lady’s will.”

“This woman has evil intentions. She’s certainly not a good woman. I was against her living here in the first place. Paige didn’t have a good impression of Liya. When she heard this, she gritted her teeth and spoke out angrily.”

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“Madam Lilian looked calm and said slowly, ““This is your family matter. I shouldn’t have meddled in it, but since it’s related to my granddaughter’s happiness, I may have to interfere. A big family should have the ability to adapt and distinguish right from wrong, instead of letting this kind of thing happen. This would hurt Belle, and I don’t want such things to happen again.”””

“When Calvin heard what she said, he was extremely ashamed. In fact, he had never believed that Sophia would make such a will. This was almost impossible. Besides that, he had never thought about marrying Liya in the first place.”

“After the scandal, especially with Liya, he was very angry with those who misused his marriage for bad things. He immediately made a promise to Madam Lilian. ““Madam, please don’t worry. I have this matter reported on the news to clarify all the facts and tell the whole world that I, Calvin Harvey, only



have one woman in my life. That woman is my wife Belle. I will never marry any mistress, let alone have any lover out there. I don't think such an absurd thing will happen in the future."""

Calvin's voice was resolute and full of confidence.

"Madam Lilian looked at him and nodded with satisfaction. ""Love affairs brought not only negative news to a big family, but also many unnecessary issues. A harmonised family will prosper in all affairs. This is an unspoken rule for thousands of years."""

Calvin listened carefully and looked at Belle with his bright smiling eyes.

"Paige was shocked when she heard this from the sidelines. Although she did not oppose Calvin's promise, she felt that he was too domineering and it might not necessarily be a good thing."

"Belle raised her eyes and looked into Calvin's eyes. She pursed her lips and her face blushed slightly red, but felt extremely sweet and warm in her heart."

"Just as they were speaking, Maud walked over."

"Mr. Harvey, Finley Yates brought the police here to look for you."

"When Calvin heard that, a conflicted expression appeared on his face."

"Calvin, since you have matters to attend to, go ahead. After hearing this, Madam Lilian was the first to speak to Calvin. It was not practical for her to stay here with the whole family in her presence, as it was unreasonable to do so."

Calvin stood up and politely took his leave.

"Mr. Harvey, the results of the fingerprint identification have come out. The murderers who killed Ruth are Liya and Letty from Harvey Manor. Today, I am here to arrest Letty. Please cooperate with me. Seeing Calvin, Finley immediately told him the results and the purpose of his visit."

Calvin's eyes were filled with fury when he heard that. He clenched his fists.

"Ruth, whom he had always respected, had been brutally killed by these two filthy women. Furthermore, it happened in the Ink Garden of the manor. How dare they do this."

"Mr. Harvey, according to Liya's statement, Madam had also been maliciously pushed down by her that night. This time, I have made her spit out all her crimes and she won't be able to escape the punishment of the law, Finley explained Liya's interrogation, including the case of Liya pushing Marrison down that night."

"When Calvin heard that, he became even more furious. His head throbbed in pain."

It seems that it's all my fault. I should have driven her out as soon as possible without giving a care.

Keeping such an evil woman at home hurt his family members.

This sort of lesson was truly too painful.

"Finley experienced all the hardships that the Harvey family had gone through from beginning to end. He sighed and said encouragingly, ""Don't worry, Mr. Harvey. Evil people will all receive their karma one

day. I believe that Harvey Manor will be a peaceful place in the future. It will be a place with both fortune and glory.””””

“Finally, the fury on Calvin’s face gradually subsided. “”I hope that the law will not let these evil people off. We must severely punish them.””””

“Finley nodded. With some concern evident on his face, he said, “”Mr. Harvey, there’s one more thing worth noticing. Don’t be careless. We need to be more vigilant. According to Liya, at the beginning, she snuck into the Harvey Group under Zoella Yates’ orders. And the original culprit who framed the Harvey Group is probably Zoella. However, she is cunning and has pushed all the evidence to Octavia, who has no evidence to refute it. Therefore, Zoella is currently walking free.””””

“As soon as Finley raised this issue, Calvin’s expression changed.”

Liya also mentioned that it was Zoella who ordered her and Letty to sneak into Harvey Manor. Letty was a subordinate trained by Zoella for many years and was specially sent to work as an undercover spy in the manor. She also directly reported to Zoella. The purpose of her sneaking in was to find out where the Ocean Heart was.

It was also Zoella who gave the order directly and led her the night they killed Ruth. Finley continued.

Calvin stood solemnly as his expression turned uglier.

“Hey, Mr. Harvey, Zoella is a cruel woman, and she has a lot of subordinates. We now suspect that it was her who sent people to kill Belle at Wendell Plaza previously. Because of these crimes, the Public Security Department has issued a warrant to hunt down Zoella Yates within the borders of the country.”

“At the end of Finley’s speech, he told Calvin about the warrant which had just been reviewed by the directors in the meeting.”

“Even though this was the case, it didn’t ease Calvin’s expression much.”

“He clearly knew that Zoella not only had many followers, but also was mentally unstable. Compared to Yadriel, Zoella was not so capable, but she was also a woman with a strange mind. If she really did plot anything, the consequence would not be much better than that of Yadriel.”

“Mr. Finley, thank you for your help. After staying silent for a long time, he expressed his gratitude, but his face was so gloomy that it was terrifying.”

“Mr. Harvey, you have to be careful. This woman hasn’t shown up recently, and her actions are unusual. Besides, she is interested in the Ocean Heart. She won’t just stop. You have to watch out for her. After contemplating for a moment, Finley was still worried and warned him seriously.”

“A fierce glint flashed across Calvin’s eyes. He replied coldly, “”If she dares to play any tricks again, then I won’t let her off this time.””””

Well.

“It would be better if she doesn’t have any tricks up her sleeve, but it’s better to be wary of her. After all, she still has many subordinates. Besides, this woman is abnormal and vicious. Finley added, nodding in agreement.”

“At that point, a police officer escorted Letty out. Finley saw that everything had been briefed clearly and bade goodbye to Calvin.”

“Calvin stood rooted to the ground. His heart sank as he remembered Finley’s words. He did feel that something was incomplete for the past few days. This made him unable to calm down and be at peace at all. Now that Finley had warned him, he immediately came to his senses.”

“It turned out that there was still a woman like Zoella Yates. Moreover, during this period of time, she was too quiet, almost making him forget her.”

“In the afternoon, General Perry and Albie Williamson returned to Capital City.”

“Then, what about the Ocean Heart?”

“After this disaster, the Ocean Heart had already become famous. Would Zoella Yates give up on the precious piece of jewellery?”

“Calvin summoned Aron and the whole of the Xeqint and made detailed arrangements for the Ocean Heart, only then did he feel at ease.”