

Good bye 471

Chapter 471 She's dying

Half an hour later, Louis' car finally parked in the hospital's underground garage.

When the two of them rushed to the door of the emergency room, King Ducasse was also standing at the door.

And the doctors and guards who were bribed tonight had all been caught, and they were now locked up in the hospital in order not to let the news out.

After King Ducasse saw that Martha came here and was fine, he finally got relieved.

After seeing King Ducasse, Martha hurried over and asked in a panic, "What's going on?"

"I just got the news and rushed over."

King Ducasse softened his voice, and then couldn't help asking a question with concern.

"Are you OK?"

"I'm fine."

Martha answered eagerly, then turned her head to look at Louis standing behind her with furrowed brows.

Before Martha could speak, King Ducasse's voice sounded again-

"Fortunately, you're fine."

When he received the news and rushed over, he was very nervous, for fear that Martha's life would be in danger.

But he didn't expect Louis to replace Martha with someone else in advance.

Fortunately, Louis had the foresight, otherwise the person lying in the emergency room now would be Martha.

Martha didn't care what King Ducasse said, just looked at Louis anxiously, urging her in a panic.

"Get your men to come out and tell us what happened; how is Jane now?"

Louis looked sideways at his confidant who was standing aside, and asked in a deep voice, "What's going on?"

The confidant took a step forward, lowered his head slightly, and reported everything that happened in the ward tonight-

"Originally, everything was going smoothly according to our ideal plan, but I didn't expect... the people who came into the ward were not only the doctor, but also a man in black."

"When we received the news, we were shocked. It's just that the plan has started, and we can't stop it halfway. Later, after Gage's men left, we immediately went in to save Jane, but who knows..."

“Jane was not only poisoned, but also stabbed in the chest.”

Got stabbed.

When Martha heard this, her body trembled, and her eyes turned red as she looked at the red emergency light.

What Jane was suffering now was what she should have been suffering.

Louis looked at the red light in the emergency room with cold eyes; he remained calm.

Something would happen to Jane, he had expected it.

However, he didn't expect Gage to be so ruthless and not give Jane a chance to survive.

It was a good thing he let Jane replace Martha at the beginning, or Martha would have been the one in danger.

In his opinion, Jane's life was saved by him, and it was nothing to pay him back now.

At this time, King Ducasse was visibly relieved when he heard this.

He looked at Martha with concern in his eyes, and his voice was still cold.

“I said before that your idea was bad; if Gage knew that Martha was unconscious, he would not let her off.”

“Now it seems that what I expected was true. He not only had his men give an injection, but also stab Martha to end her life.”

At this time, Martha, after blaming herself, took a step forward, eagerly looked at Louis' confidant, and asked a question.

“Which of her body parts was stabbed?”

In fact, she knew that if Gage made a move, it must be a deadly move that would not allow her to survive.

But she still hoped that Jane would be lucky.

The other party looked at Martha with a look of embarrassment, and after getting a signal from Louis, he answered, “It's near the heart.”

“Then... do you know what the doctor injected?”

“Um.” Then he added, “The place near Jane's heart was stabbed, with the injection of venom, I'm afraid she might not be saved even though our rescue was timely.”

Chapter 472 The patient's heartbeat stopped

When Martha heard this, her legs got weak and she almost fell to the ground.

Fortunately, King Ducasse, who was standing beside her, quickly caught her.

“Don't worry, if they can save her in time, everything should be okay,” King Ducasse reassured Martha.

“She was stabbed near the heart.”

Martha looked towards the direction of the operating room with a wry smile, her eyes filled with tears.

“It’s all because of me.”

If it weren’t for me, Jane wouldn’t have endured all of this.

If it weren’t for me, Jane wouldn’t be fighting for her life right now.

King Ducasse saw the pain in Martha’s eyes and felt relieved that she wasn’t hurt.

“As long as you’re okay,” he said softly while helping Martha sit down by the emergency room door. “It’s not your fault; blame Gage for being so ruthless.”

“Now that it has happened already, don’t worry too much about it. I believe Jane will be fine.”

Martha’s face turned pale, her lips quivered slightly, and she couldn’t say a word.

Jane, you must be well...

She clenched her hands tightly by her side, biting her lower lip, and kept her eyes fixed on the door of the emergency room.

At this time, Louis was standing at the door of the emergency room, his golden eyes turned red.

His hands by his side had long been clenched into fists, and his deep-set golden eyes were staring at the closed door of the emergency room.

‘Jane, you are not allowed to die! I will not allow you to die! I saved your life, you can’t die without my permission!’

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In the emergency room.

Jane was lying on the white operating table, her face pale.

Now she felt very tired, her heart still hurt, and there seemed to be someone waving to her not far away.

That guy said, “Jane, relax, when you relax, there will be no pain.”

Slowly, she felt as if she could no longer breathe, and her consciousness gradually dissipated.

Maybe she would never see that man again.

Jane was thinking in a daze, and finally she let her consciousness fade away.

Before she lost consciousness, she thought about the day before she came to the hospital.

That day in the hotel, she mustered up all her courage and confessed to Louis her love that had been hidden deep within herself.

Before that, she always felt that she was not worthy of Louis, but Martha encouraged her to confess bravely.

Martha said, "Love has nothing to do with status or money. If you like someone, you should be brave and confess your feelings."

So, she said what had been buried in her heart.

She said, "Sir, I like you, and I have always liked you since I first met you."

Louis looked at her in front of him coldly, with a wicked smile on his lips.

"Always liked me?"

Louis asked coolly, his eyebrows furrowing slightly.

Jane was taken aback by his response and hesitated for a moment before nodding her head gently.

Tomorrow she would be lying in the hospital bed to replace Martha, and it was uncertain whether she would live or not.

In fact, she also knew that if Gage made a move on Martha, it must be fatal.

So there was a high probability that she would not survive, so she confessed her love.

She didn't want to die with regrets.

Louis looked at her with cold eyes, and his cold and heartless voice sounded in the room-

"Jane, don't forget your identity."

When Jane heard his ruthless words, she lowered her head slightly and burst into tears.

Sure enough, he really didn't like her.

But if... she obviously had some accident and died on the operating table, would he regret doing so?

Or, would he remember her for the rest of his life because of his decision?

These thoughts raced through Jane's mind as she nervously clenched the hand resting by side and asked one final question.

"Sir, if one day I die, will you remember me?"

"No," came his reply – still just as cold as ever – but it felt like a giant hand pushing Jane into an abyss of despair.

At that time, Jane felt as if a sharp knife had been stabbed into her heart, and the pain was so unbearable that she could hardly even breathe.

Now, Jane, who was lying on the operating table, suddenly felt less sad when she thought about this.

Maybe dying meant no more pain.

At this moment, the doctor in the emergency room were startled, and his panicked voice sounded in the emergency room-

“Oh no! The patient’s heartbeat has stopped!”

Chapter 473 She is dead

The black-clad man that had left the hospital was now standing in Gage’s study, reporting to him.

“After the doctor injected the drug, I stabbed her heart.”

“Um.”

Gage responded lightly, with obvious relief in his brows and eyes.

With the poison and the stab in the heart, Martha would definitely die.

As long as Martha was dead, everything would be fine this time.

Daisy’s position as queen would no longer be contested by anyone.

As Gage thought so, the Lucas siblings standing next to him also heaved a sigh of relief when they heard the black-clad man’s words.

While Andrew breathed a sigh of relief, he still felt a little reconciled.

He hadn’t even had sex with Martha, and that woman had died.

But it was okay; a dead person could never block his sister’s way.

Daisy thought that Martha had finally died and there was no one left to contest her position as queen.

Now, the position of queen would only be hers.

Thinking this way made her feel relaxed for the first time in these past few days; she couldn’t help but smile lightly while feeling relieved all over her face and eyes.

Gage took note of his children’s expressions before he spoke up sternly.

“You can leave now.”

“Yes.”

The black-clad man responded respectfully, turned and left the study.

As soon as he left, Daisy couldn’t help asking.

“Father, is Martha really going to die?”

This incident went too smoothly for Daisy; it still felt unreal, because after all those times when she tried plotting against Martha, Martha always managed to escape unscathed from them all.

Gage snorted, and replied mockingly, “No matter how many lives she has, she won’t make it tonight.”

Even if treatment came timely enough so that poison's effect didn't fully take hold on its victim, the stab into her heart would kill her anyway.

When Andrew heard this, he said something mockingly.

"She really wasn't lucky enough; just returning home and dying here."

"Alright, you should go back now," said Gage looking towards his two children warmly while speaking gently towards them both, "Don't cause any more trouble these next few days."

This night, the three of them had no burden and had a good night's sleep.

Unexpectedly, the next morning, before they got up, King Ducasse brought his subordinates to the Lucas family's castle himself.

After King Ducasse's personal guards came to the Lucas family's castle, before everyone in the Lucas family realized what had happened, they surrounded them.

The Lucas were shocked by King Ducasse's sudden appearance and wondered what had happened.

Soon, the old Mrs. Lucas was pushed into the living room by a servant in a wheelchair.

If it were an ordinary matter, would not have made such a fuss, so... This could only mean that someone in the Lucas family had crossed his bottom line and provoked him to take drastic measures.

When the old Mrs. Lucas came to the hall, Sam, Gage, Daisy and a group of servants were already standing in the living room.

At this time, Daisy saw King Ducasse's indifferent face, and clenched her fists tightly.

King Ducasse suddenly came here; was it because of Martha's business?

Did he find out about what happened last night?

Daisy looked at her father apprehensively, but there was no other expression on her father's face, except for seriousness as he stared at King Ducasse who suddenly came here.

Gage noticed Daisy's unease and comforted her by patting gently on her arm, signaling that she should remain calm and composed during this situation.

Daisy nodded slightly after seeing her father's eyes, pursed her lips and did not speak.

Soon, Gage returned to his usual appearance, looking at King Ducasse who came suddenly with a puzzled face.

"Your majesty, why did you come so early in the morning with such heavy security?"

"Someone assassinated my destined queen last night."

King Ducasse's face turned cold, and the temperature in the hall suddenly dropped several degrees when he spoke.

As soon as he said this, Sam and the old Mrs. Lucas looked aside.

Assassinate the destined queen?

King Ducasse said as early as at the media conference that he had identified Martha as his destined queen.

Did it mean that someone tried to assassinate Martha last night?

After Sam realized what was going on, he quickly asked, "Assassination? What the hell is going on? Where is Martha now?"

When the old Mrs. Lucas heard this, her expression changed suddenly, and her hand on the wheelchair trembled.

Martha had just returned, how could something like this happen? She was Elsie's only flesh and blood. Who would do such a thing?

After being silent for a while, King Ducasse looked around at the people present, and finally his cold eyes fell on Gage.

In the next second, King Ducasse's cold voice came from his thin lips.

"She's dead."

Chapter 474 The murderer behind the scenes

Sam froze when he heard this, looking at King Ducasse in disbelief.

Martha was dead?

Wasn't she just unconscious?

How could she die suddenly?

Sam was shocked and even suspected that King Ducasse was lying to him, but why would he do that?

In addition to King Ducasse, the painful person also has the old Mrs. Lucas of the Lucas family.

Besides the pain of losing Martha, there was also the sorrow of the old Mrs. Lucas. Although she couldn't speak or move, her face was full of sadness.

Elsie was her favorite daughter who left the Lucas family when she escaped from her marriage.

Now... Those behind the scenes even killed Elsie's only daughter?

The old Mrs. Lucas had seen Martha before and noticed how much she resembled Elsie but never expected her to leave this world so soon.

The servants of the Lucas family were also saddened by Martha's death upon hearing about it; some even whispered their condolences in a corner.

"Lady Martha's pitiful, she just returned home, and died soon."

"Yeah, I thought Lady Martha was about to become a queen. What a pity!"

"Oh, Lady Martha is so poor, I hope she can find refuge in a good family in the next life."

“I just don’t know who killed Lady Martha.”

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The voices of the servants were so low that the people standing in the middle of the hall naturally couldn’t hear them.

At this time, after Daisy heard the news of Martha’s death, her nervous mood suddenly eased a lot.

It would be nice if Martha was really dead.

Since she was dead, no one could ever stop her.

Although Daisy thought so, she still put on a look of pain on her face.

She pretended to cry and looked at King Ducasse who was standing not far away, looking at the latter in disbelief.

“How did this happen? Why did this happen?”

“Martha is the eldest daughter of the Lucas family who has been separated from us for many years. Now she has finally fallen in love with King Ducasse. I am still waiting to be Martha’s bridesmaid. How did this happen?”

“Martha is really suffering, I hope she can live happily in heaven.”

King Ducasse, who was standing not far away, felt disgusted when he saw Daisy’s hypocritical look.

At this moment, King Ducasse suddenly felt lucky that the person he fell in love with was Martha, not Daisy, this pretentious woman.

His eyes darkened, and he suddenly spoke directly.

“She didn’t die from being drugged at the racetrack. She was murdered.”

When everyone present heard this, they immediately looked at each other in blank dismay.

Murder?

Who would have dared to murder the eldest daughter of the Lucas family?

Sam’s eyes darkened, and he frowned and asked coldly, “Who killed Martha?”

Hearing this, Gage echoed him eagerly.

“Yes, who made such a cruel move?”

King Ducasse glanced around at everyone present, and a cold voice sounded in the hall.

“The reason why I sent my men to heavily guard the Lucas family today is because the mastermind is here.”

Ducasse’s words exploded like a bombshell in the hall of the Lucas family, leaving everyone speechless with shock.

When Daisy heard this, she panicked even more, and turned her head to look at her father nervously.

When Gage heard this, he didn't panic at all. Instead, he frowned and asked in puzzlement, "I don't understand what you mean by this, King Ducasse."

King Ducasse stared sharply at Gage standing not far away with his golden eyes, and explained what happened last night in a cold voice.

"Last night, someone bribed the guards, sneaked into the hospital, and asked the doctor to inject poison into Martha."

Everyone present was shocked when they heard this.

They never expected that after King Ducasse announced publicly that Martha would become queen consort, there would still be someone daring enough to harm her.

And Sam, who was standing beside him, tightened his hands by his side when he heard that.

He didn't expect that with King Ducasse around, Martha would be murdered.

He tightened his hand by his side, and began to wonder who the one who killed Martha was.

At this moment, King Ducasse's thin lips parted slightly, and the cold voice sounded in the hall again-

"Furthermore, the mastermind was worried that it wasn't fatal enough and had one of his confidant stab a knife into Martha's heart to ensure success."

"Tell me, those present, who on earth could have done this to Martha?"

Chapter 475 Is it the kin who wants to kill me?

As soon as King Ducasse finished speaking, the hall was suddenly silent.

No one dared to speak at this time, let alone offend the Lucas family.

After a while, Gage was the first to break the silence.

"King Ducasse, what do you mean by this? Do you have any evidence to prove that this thing was done by the Lucas?"

King Ducasse's eyes darken, and the hand placed beside him tightened unconsciously.

He didn't know that Gage was such a cunning person.

Obviously it was Gage's doing, but now he feigned a painful expression on his face.

In officialdom, officials like Gage were the scariest.

Gage waited for a long time without hearing King Ducasse's reply, and pretended to be in pain, looking at King Ducasse with some resentment.

"We are all Martha's family members. Naturally, we hope that Martha can come back safely. How could we harm her?"

"King Ducasse, could you have misunderstood something?"

“Misunderstand?”

A sneer appeared on the corner of King Ducasse’s mouth, and he looked sideways at the guard standing beside him.

“Have someone bring up the bribed doctor.”

“Yes.”

The personal guard responded respectfully, turned and left the place.

Hearing this, Gage tightened his hand by his side, but his expression remained unchanged.

Even if the doctor was caught, the evidence was still not enough.

Although the Lucas family was now in decline, a king who just took office could not punish them without evidence.

Trembling, the doctor was brought up by King Ducasse’s personal guards, and stood timidly in the middle of the crowd.

King Ducasse looked at him with a cold expression, and a cold voice came from his thin lips-

“Tell me what you know.”

“Yes.”

The doctor tremblingly responded, and then truthfully explained everything that happened last night.

“A man in black came to my hospital last night and gave me a lot of money.”

“He said that he wanted me to pretend to inject Martha with medicine, but in fact, add colorless, odorless and undetectable poison to the injection, so that Martha died on the hospital bed without anyone noticing.”

“After the aphrodisiac incense attacked her, she would fall into a coma, and might not be able to wake up again for the rest of her life, so I think that even if she is not injected with drugs, she is waiting to die anyway.”

“So I agreed to the man in black’s request and went to the patient’s room with him. After I injected the poison as planned, I wanted to leave the ward. But who knows, at this time the man in black...”

“The man in black took out a dagger and stabbed Martha in the heart.”

After the doctor said this, he lowered his head to King Ducasse with a look of remorse.

“King Ducasse, all of this is a mistake made out of my obsession. I am willing to bear all the consequences. I only hope that you can forgive my sins in the end.”

As soon as the doctor finished speaking, Sam’s voice sounded-

“Do you know who the man in black is?”

“Yes.”

The doctor trembled all over, then looked at Gage in fear, and replied in a trembling voice, "It's Gage's man."

When Gage, who was standing aside, heard this, his face suddenly became very gloomy.

He stared at the doctor with a half-smile, and said coldly, "The man in black? That means he harms my niece, but how can you be sure that he is my man?"

When the doctor heard that, he immediately became excited and argued.

"I know that's your man."

Gage's eyes darkened, and he turned sullenly to look at King Ducasse who was standing not far away.

"King Ducasse, I don't know any man in black at all. It's this doctor who is slandering me."

The doctor frowned, and immediately said, "I... I really heard the man in black say your name; he is your man."

"Do you have evidence? If you slander me without evidence, do you know the consequences?"

Gage looked indifferently at the terrified doctor standing not far away, with a gloomy expression.

When the doctor heard this, his shoulders trembled, he pursed his lips and said nothing.

Indeed, he had no evidence to prove that the man in black was Gage's person, and his one-sided statement could not pose as evidence at all.

At this time, Andrew and Daisy, who were standing aside, were uneasy.

Daisy saw that the doctor had no evidence, and immediately argued, trying to turn the situation around.

"Who paid you to frame us?"

The doctor froze, and looked in Daisy's direction in disbelief. He felt speechless for a moment.

He had no evidence to prove it.

Now that he was accused of such a crime, he couldn't find the words to defend himself.

At this moment, King Ducasse suddenly asked. "You really don't admit your crime?"

After saying this, he looked at Gage coldly, and said lightly, "If you admit it now, I will punish you lightly, but once I put all the evidence on the table, then don't blame me for being ruthless."

Gage's heart sank, but he looked at King Ducasse with a straight face.

"I'm clean-handed, why should I admit a crime I've never done?"

Sam, who stood aside, frowned slightly, obviously not believing Gage's words.

But there was nothing he could do about it. He also had no evidence to prove that Gage did it.

Daisy, who was standing by the side, heard her father say this, and immediately shed tears in cooperation, and cried.

“Your Grace is suspecting that we hurt Martha?”

“Since Martha returned home, I have always treated her as my family member, and always thought about giving her everything good in life. How could we do something so shameful?”

Just then a cold voice came from outside the door – “Is it my closest kin who wants me dead?”

Chapter 476 Only the dead will keep the secrets

When everyone heard the voice, they couldn't help but look at each other.

They all recognized that it was Martha's voice, but... didn't King Ducasse just say that Martha was dead?

How could she be here now?

Immediately following the sound of footsteps, Martha and Eve walked into the hall of the Lucas family under the shocked eyes of everyone.

The moment Martha walked into the hall, Gage's face changed drastically, and his brows were tightly knitted together.

And the Lucas siblings who were standing next to Gage panicked when they saw Martha appearing intact.

The siblings looked at each other in panic, neither of them expected that Martha was still alive.

Daisy looked at Martha with a pale face, and a thin layer of sweat was already dripping from the hand.

Her slender fingers were clenched tightly; she was afraid that Martha would tell what happened at the racecourse that day.

At this time, Andrew, after seeing Martha's appearance, also turned pale, and his body couldn't help trembling slightly.

At this time, everyone's eyes were on Martha.

The atmosphere in the hall suddenly got tense, and everyone couldn't help but hold their breath, nervously watching Martha who suddenly appeared.

Martha looked at Gage with a gloomy complexion coldly, her red lips parted slightly, and she personally testified against Gage's evil deeds.

“I heard a conversation between the doctor and the black-clad man. They said Uncle Gage wanted my death.”

After she finished speaking, her eyes got dark, and she asked in a cold voice, “Uncle Gage, why did you do this?”

Gage's face suddenly changed, and he reprimanded angrily.

“Martha, you're framing me!”

Although he looked at Martha with anger, there was still a bit of disbelief on his face.

The man in black was his secret guard, so naturally he wouldn't lie to him.

But why was Martha still alive after he stabbed her in the heart?

Did she not actually get stabbed or poisoned?

Then who got stabbed or poisoned last night?

Martha clearly saw Gage's panic, she sneered calmly, and asked indifferently.

Gage frowned slightly, and his voice again carried a trace of panic that ordinary people could not detect.

"Then why should I frame you?"

After his words were finished, he immediately turned to King Ducasse.

"Martha is my sister's long-lost daughter. It was hard to find her. How could I attack her?"

Martha sneered when she heard this, and said indifferently what happened at the racecourse.

"Gage, you attacked me because you were afraid that when I woke up, I would point out that your son tried to rape me, and that your daughter used aphrodisiac incense on me. That's why you wanted to kill me."

"Because only dead people can keep secrets."

Hearing this, Gage pursed his thin lips tightly, and did not open his mouth to argue this time.

Indeed, that was why he had targeted Martha.

If it wasn't for his son and daughter, how could he do it?

He suddenly loosened his big hand by his side, feeling that there was no need to argue when things had come this far.

Meanwhile, Martha turned her gaze towards Daisy who stood several steps away from her.

She walked towards Daisy step by step, and finally stopped at a place a few steps away from her, speaking word by word.

"Did everyone present want to ask me why Daisy used aphrodisiac on me?"

"I didn't." Daisy retorted with a pale face, and there was obvious panic in her voice.

"You didn't?" Martha smiled mockingly, and continued, "Don't say that, I know you wanted to replace me from the very beginning and be the queen."

"You had a sense of crisis on the first day I returned to the Lucas family, and gave me a disfiguring incense. Fortunately, I found it in time, otherwise I would have been disfigured."

"Also, at the palace banquet before, you had your friends provoke me on purpose. Later, because you are not as good as me at riding the horseback, so you used aphrodisiac on me, ganging with Andrew to destroy my innocence."

Daisy trembled when she heard that Martha said her crimes one by one and accurately...

Chapter 477 Capture Gage

She took a step back in fear, and didn't get steady until she was supported by the servant behind her.

And after Martha finished speaking these words, she turned her head to Andrew who was standing beside Daisy, and continued to say things that the Lucas family's maids didn't have the guts to reveal these years.

"And Andrew, this disgusting man has been using his power and status all these years to molest the maids and force them to have sex with him."

"If these maids refused him, Andrew would threaten them by endangering their family members. In the end, the maids who were of low status can only be forced to agree."

"The maids were forced to sleep with Andrew, and it was because I saved a maid in the garden that Andrew hated me."

When everyone present heard this, they looked at Gage, Andrew and Daisy with shock in their eyes.

They didn't expect these three people to be so vicious.

At this moment, Daisy, who were fearful, seemed to know that she was no longer worthy of being a queen.

She rushed to Martha fiercely, raising her hand to give Martha a slap-

"That's not the case, you bitch, don't try to slander me with nonsense."

Just when Daisy was about to hit Martha, King Ducasse suddenly stepped forward, pulled Martha behind him to protect her.

Without any hesitation, he raised his foot and kicked Daisy hard.

Daisy was kicked suddenly by King Ducasse, and she fell backwards, her forehead hit the chair.

The tied hairband on her head was loosened, and she was lying on the ground in a state of embarrassment...

After realizing that the result was irreversible, her breathing suddenly became rapid, and her face turned pale quickly.

At this moment, a servant standing behind suddenly realized something and screamed-

"Lady Daisy has a heart attack!"

"Hurry up and save her."

After someone exclaimed, the doctor of the Lucas family hurried forward and began to give Daisy first aid.

A moment later, Daisy was rescued, but her complexion was still pale, and she sat weakly on the ground.

Seeing his sister like this, Andrew couldn't control his temper, and rushed forward to hit Martha.

But King Ducasse, who had already been on guard, waved his hand and let the guards restrain Andrew when he came over.

At this moment, Gage, who had always looked gloomy, saw that his son and daughter were about to face catastrophe, so he suddenly took out a dagger from his pocket and stabbed directly at Martha.

Gage's position happened to be King Ducasse's blind spot, and King Ducasse's attention was on Andrew at this time, and he had no time to take care of Martha who was protected behind him.

Just when the dagger was about to stab Martha, Sam, who had been watching from the side, suddenly stepped forward and stood in front of Martha to block the dagger for her.

The dagger landed on Sam's shoulder, blood oozing out quickly.

When Martha reacted, Sam staggered and almost fell to the ground, but Martha helped him in time.

She looked anxiously at Sam who had just protected her, and asked anxiously, "How are you?"

"I'm fine."

Sam frowned and shook his head slightly.

Eve hurried over to check on them both while calling out for a doctor to come and tend to Sam's wound.

At this time, King Ducasse reacted and stepped forward to protect Martha.

Gage threw a punch aimed at his face.

King Ducasse, on the other hand, tilted his head slightly, avoiding Gage's attack immediately, before counterattacking with an uppercut followed by sweeping kick which sent Gage crashing down onto the ground.

The guard standing aside saw this scene, immediately stepped forward and grabbed Gage!

Chapter 478 Sentenced to Death

Just after all three had been controlled, Daisy's mother suddenly came.

Seeing her mother coming, Daisy immediately struggled to break free from the guards and wanted to rush into her mother's arms.

But unfortunately, the guards were King Ducasse's men and wouldn't let Daisy go so easily.

In the end, Daisy could only look in the direction of her mother, crying miserably for help-

"Mother, save us."

As soon as Daisy finished speaking, Andrew screamed in panic, as if he had grasped a life-saving straw.

"Mother, save me, I don't want to die yet!"

When Cecilia heard this, she comforted them lovingly, "Don't be afraid, I'm here."

After she finished speaking, she turned her head and looked suspiciously at a maid who had been serving Daisy.

The maid quickly walked to Cecilia knowingly, and told about what she had just heard in the hall.

“Lady Martha testified that Master Gage was the murderer who assassinated her, and at the same time said that Lady Daisy used aphrodisiac incense on her.”

“She also spoke Andrew’s violations and threats to the maids over the years, and when he was at the racecourse... he wanted to violate Lady Martha.”

Cecilia soon knew everything, and with a slight frown, she understood the seriousness of it.

In this situation, she could only intercede with King Ducasse, wishing King Ducasse could give Gage and Daisy a lighter sentence for the sake of her father, the old duke with great military exploits.

At the same time, Cecilia knew that it was impossible to leave unscathed.

After she understood this, her eyes darkened slightly, she turned her head to look at King Ducasse who was standing not far away, and said in a deep voice, “King Ducasse, the Rowlands have been assisting the royal family since the establishment of the Rowland family.”

“When something like this happened this time, I hope you can see through everything clearly without wronging any innocent parties.”

Hearing this, King Ducasse frowned.

It wasn’t that he couldn’t understand what Cecilia meant, but it meant that he had just succeeded to the throne, and if he wanted to stabilize his position after ascending to power, then he needed the support from the Rowland family now more than ever before.

And what happened today created the best chance for him to have the support of the Rowland family.

But King Ducasse hated being threatened.

Today, he would not allow Cecilia to threaten him.

Those who do wrong should be punished.

King Ducasse tightened his hand on his side, his eyes darkened, and a cold voice sounded in the hall-

“Mrs. Lucas, you’re right, but what I want to punish today is not the Rowlands, but the Lucas.”

He wouldn’t let anyone who had hurt Martha get away with it.

Today, he would make sure justice was served for her and show them that her position was unshakable.

As King Ducasse thought this to himself, his voice grew colder again when he spoke once more, causing the temperature in the room to drop several degrees.

Then, without haste or urgency, Ducasse listed out the crimes of Gage and his son-

“Gage attempted to assassinate my future queen—a crime that cannot be forgiven. His daughter Daisy tried to ruin my future queen’s innocence by using aphrodisiacs on her—an unforgivable sin.”

“And then there’s Andrew—he tried to violate my future queen at a horse stable and has forced many young girls into terrible situations over these years. Their crimes are all punishable by death according to Z Country’s law as a warning for others.”

Cecilia heard this and though she still appeared calm on the surface, her hand at her side had already unconsciously clenched into a fist while sweat formed on her palm.

She knew that King Ducasse was really angry this time, and it seemed that things were not easy to handle this time.

She glanced sideways at her husband, Gage, who had been captured, and then at her daughter who was standing not far away, and she knew that there was only one way out now.

Cecilia tightened her hand by her side, and turned towards King Ducasse, who was standing not far away with gloomy eyes, as if making up her mind.

“Since everyone is present here today,” She said firmly, “I declare that, I, Cecilia Rowland, will cut off all ties with Gage from now onwards.”

Gage heard these words and immediately paled!

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He was the eldest son of the Lucas family and had been in the officialdom for many years, so he naturally understood what Cecilia meant.

Although Gage was unwilling deep down, those two children were still his flesh and blood. He couldn’t bear to have them executed along with him.

He lowered his eyes, pursed his lips tightly into a line, and didn’t speak.

Martha, who was standing not far away, immediately understood what Cecilia wanted to do after hearing what she said.

There was only one reason for Cecilia to do this – to save her children from trouble.

Sure enough, the next second, Cecilia’s decisive voice resounded in the hall-

“Lady Martha, may I ask what crime King Ducasse just said Gage committed?”

Before Martha could answer, King Ducasse’s voice came, “Assassinating the future princess is an unforgivable crime and deserves the death penalty.”

As soon as King Ducasse finished speaking, Cecilia spit out reasonable words from her red lips-

“His Lordship is absolutely right; what Gage did by assassinating the future queen cannot be forgiven. However, now that I have cut ties with him, my two children will return to my maiden family.”

“Since it was a mistake made by outsiders, it shouldn’t involve people from my Rowland family, right?”

The Lucas siblings who were controlled heard this, and could tell that their mother was protecting them and wanted to save them.

Now they could only push all blame onto their father if they wanted any chance of escaping punishment themselves.

After realizing this point, Daisy reacted first by turning against her father, "Your majesty, everything is my father's fault! It has nothing to do with me! Please be lenient towards me!"

Andrew standing next followed suit, echoing Daisy's words- "That's right! It's all my father's fault! He planned on assassinating Martha without us knowing anything about it or even about the black-clothed man!"

"Your majesty, please see how we are unaware of everything going on here? Please spare us just once?" Andrew finished speaking, which caused Gage's face to darken further with anger as he glared at his children before exploding in rage. "You ungrateful children! If it weren't for you, would I have done those things? And now that something has happened, you all push the blame onto me."

"How did I raise two useless things like you?"

"I shouldn't have protected you when you went after Martha. You two are ungrateful wolves in sheep's clothing!"

The more he scolded them, the angrier he became. He even wanted to rush over and teach these unfilial children a lesson, but unfortunately he was held back by King Ducasse's guards and couldn't move at all.

After a while, he could only sigh painfully, "When the tree falls, the monkeys scatter away!"

Countess Eve naturally knew what kind of people the Rowland family were.

She understood that if Andrew and Daisy were not punished now for their crimes against Martha, they would use even more vicious means to deal with her in the future.

Rather than that outcome, it was better to teach Daisy and Andrew a lesson once and for all.

Eve's eyes darkened, and she looked at King Ducasse who was standing in the center, and said, "Your majesty, whether it is Daisy or Andrew who plotted against our future queen with drugs or violated her- both should be punishable by death!"

As soon as she finished speaking, Cecilia began to argue-

"But there is no concrete evidence of my son violating her; at most he had improper intentions towards Martha. According to Z Country's law, this does not warrant death."

Then she added, "As for Daisy, what she did is not what you said at all. Daisy has always regarded Martha as her close relative, so how could she do such a thing to Martha?"

"I don't think she used the aphrodisiac incense on purpose."

"It must be because Daisy just learned how to make incense recently but wasn't very skilled yet, which led to an accident where Martha accidentally got affected by aphrodisiac incense."

Daisy nodded quickly when she heard this, and cried in agreement-

“Yes, yes! It was my lack of skill which caused me to make a mistake with making incense which led Martha getting affected.”

“Martha,” cried out Daisy tearfully while looking at her friend lying on hospital bed, “you don’t know how worried I’ve been about you since finding out about your hospitalization but I didn’t dare visit because I thought you might blame me.”

Everyone present knew that Daisy was trying hard to defend herself through deceitful words.

When King Ducasse heard Daisy’s sophistry, and was about to refute her when Martha spoke up.

“King Ducasse, don’t offend the Rowland family for me, there is no need for that.”

Martha said, standing by his side. Her voice was not very loud, so not many people heard her.

She couldn’t control others, but all she wanted was for the killer of her mother to be punished. Besides, she didn’t want to owe King Ducasse too much.

After speaking these words, Martha ignored the Lucas siblings who had been staring at her all along. She walked up to Gage who had been restrained and coldly asked him,

“Gage, why did you kill my mother?”

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As soon as her words came out, everyone present was once again stunned in place.

Didn’t Elsie leave Z Country many years ago, why was it said that Gage killed her?

Was there another truth to everything that happened back then?

Just when everyone was puzzled, Martha complained in a cold voice-

“She is your own sister. Why did you kill her so cruelly? Isn’t it enough for you to kill her? Why do you still want me to die?”

Hearing this, Gage narrowed his eyes slightly, looking at Martha with a dark look in his eyes.

Now he had been betrayed by his family, there was nothing to care about or be afraid of!

He suddenly sneered, looked at Martha and said sinisterly, “Because your mother deserves to die!”

“It was she who got in my way. I am the eldest son of the Lucas family and your mother’s eldest brother. But according to the rules of the Lucas family, only the eldest daughter can be the heir.”

“Why can’t all this be mine?”

When Gage said this, his deep eyes became full of unwillingness, and his voice became more paranoid-

“I am the eldest son of the Lucas family, how can I not be as good as her? Why can’t I be the head of the Lucas family, but give up this position to your mother!”

“Your mother doesn’t understand anything! Let alone having such great power over the Lucas Family, she would probably destroy it entirely!”

“And the damn family rules of the Lucas family, isn’t it because your mother was born different? Otherwise, how could she become the heir of the Lucas family!”

Martha was very angry when she heard those first few sentences, but when Gage finished his speech off by saying that last sentence, she was left dazed.

Was it because her mother was different that she became the heir?

What made her mother different?

Martha frowned slightly, “What makes my mother different?”

Gage gave Martha a meaningful look, then laughed out loud-

“So what if she’s different from us, she’s still dead!”

“Even though she got so much, she ended up drowning! This shows that God is fair, and there is a price to pay for the difference!”

Martha’s hand at her side was clenched tightly, the long nails digging deep into the palm.

Her eyes were red, she stared at Gage, her voice was cold and heartless-

No one like you, with a heart as venomous as a snake’s, should ever become the head of the Lucas family!”

Gage was startled suddenly, his eyelids drooped, and a wry smile unconsciously appeared on the corner of his lips.

It’s not his, it’s not his.

It was never meant to be his.

He thought that when Elsie died, he would become the heir to the Lucas family. Over these years, he had been in control of everything within the Lucas family but still lacked that title.

Later on, he thought that when Martha died, then the Lucas family would truly be his.

But... it was all for naught in the end.

The atmosphere at this moment became tense. After a moment of silence Ducasse, broke it by speaking up,

“I hereby declare that Gage is guilty of murdering the future queen and sentence him to lifelong exile imprisonment.”

Gage stood nearby being suppressed but didn’t say anything upon hearing this news – there was no point in saying anything, now that things had come to this point.

King Ducasse paused for a moment before continuing, “Andrew is guilty of violating the future queen and will receive castration on an appointed day.”

As soon as King Ducasse finished speaking, Andrew fell onto his knees, trembling with fear.

Soon enough, Andrew's wailing cries echoed throughout the hall, "Your Majesty! I know I have done wrong! Please give me another chance! I shouldn't have had evil thoughts towards Martha! Please spare me just once!"

"Shut up! Take him away!"

King Ducasse's face was sullen, and he looked at the guard standing beside him with gloomy eyes.

After receiving the order from the king, the personal guard immediately waved to his subordinates, and soon Andrew was dragged out of the Lucas family's hall.

When Andrew was dragged out, he was still howling-

"I don't want to receive castration. Mother, save me; save me!"

After Cecilia heard her son's cry for help, her legs got weak and she almost fell to the ground. The maid standing beside her reached out to support her.

As for the maids who were raped by Andrew in the past, after seeing Andrew was really dragged out, their eyes were slightly red, and they all thanked King Ducasse for his trial, which made Andrew, a devil, be punished!

There were even some among them who looked tearfully towards Martha, expressing gratitude repeatedly. After the hall had quieted down again, King Ducasse turned his gaze to Daisy. She was standing behind Cecilia, quietly sobbing.

During Cecilia's argument with Eve, Daisy had managed to break free from the guards and sought refuge behind her own mother.

King Ducasse narrowed his eyes and felt a strong desire to sentence Daisy to death right then and there. However, it wasn't a proper time and her charges weren't clear enough.

After weighing his options carefully in his mind, he said, "Daisy is not skilled in her craft; she will be deprived of freedom and cannot take even half a step out of the Rowland family's residence. She is also forbidden from using any incense; if caught doing so, she will be severely punished!"

In this way, a big farce ended completely.

Later on, Cecilia left with her daughter while the servants of the Lucas family began to leave slowly.

The old Mrs. Lucas sat in her wheelchair with tears streaming down her face after seeing Gage being taken away by King Ducasse's personal guards.

In the end, her son and daughter couldn't escape their fate of turning against each other.

As old Mrs. Lucas closed her eyes in pain, Eve noticed how emotional she was getting and stepped forward to comfort her mother.

"Mother, it's over now."

After so many years, she finally sought justice for her sister.

The old Mrs. Lucas closed her eyes, unable to speak, but shed tears...

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On the other side, after the people in the hall dispersed, Martha turned around and looked gratefully at King Ducasse standing beside her.

“Thank you, King Ducasse. If it weren’t for you, the plan would not have gone so smoothly.”

Had it not been for King Ducasse’s cooperation, Gage would not have been arrested so quickly.

Martha appreciated what he did because without him, who killed her mother would not be punished.

King Ducasse gave Martha a meaningful smile before leaving, “No need for thanks, my queen.” He whispered softly into Martha’s ear before departing.

When Martha heard this, she frowned slightly and her eyes darkened.

Could this king really take their engagement seriously?