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MY WIFE IS A HACKER CHAPTER 2352-Lulu slowly nodded her head, not wanting to be the unsympathetic one in this situation. Nicole patted Lulu's shoulder to assure her to trust spencer and not beat herself up too much from overthinking.

"Are you guys... alright?' Spencer looked at Nicole and Lulu, furrowing his eyebrows. He felt an eerie chill down his back as he stood between them two.

Lulu turned to look at Spencer with a forced smile. "We're great! How's lcyln doing?" "The doctor said she's got hypoglycemia. She's getting an IV drip. She's going to be fine," explained Spencer. He left when he saw her waking up, though she was weak at least, she was out of the woods.

"Oh. Are you going to leave or stay with her?" asked Lulu.

"I was about to call you to pick you up, but you're here...' Spencer thought that since he did not have to pick her up, he could bring her straight to dinner then send her home.

Lulu looked at Spencer, waiting for his response.

Suddenly, a nurse came and interrupted. "Excuse me, sir. Your girlfriend told me she's not feeling too well. I think you should go have a look."

Lulu's face turned ugly when she realized that the nurse was referring to Icyln as his girlfriend.

"She's not my girlfriend. We're just colleagues," Spencer clarified.

He turned to look at Lulu. "Wait for me here. I'll go take a look, and then come back to send you home." "I'll go with you." Lulu smiled, holding Spencer's hand.

Spencer hesitated for a while, but Lulu continued smiling. "She's sick. Since I'm here, I ought to pay her a visit, don't I?"

Spencer scanned Lulu's face for any signs before agreeing, "Alright then." "Nicole, you can head back first if you'd like. I'll manage from here." Lulu waved at Nicole with a smile.

Nicole nodded and left the hospital. She was relieved that Lulu was able to manage the situation well. 'If I cyl n were playing tricks, it'd really come in handy if Lulu and Spencer would be fighting one another. It would not be worth being mad over. However, spencer handled it quite well with making the right decisions. I can imagine how Icyln would react when she sees them both appearing. She'd be so devastated!'

Nicole smirked as she walked out of the hospital. She did not see her car but instead Jared was there waiting for her.

"Why are you here?" Nicole was surprised and jogged up to Jared.

Jared gently brushed her hair. "Come, let's go home." "Yeah, let's go. Spencer isn't hurt or anything. It was lcyln, she fainted due to hypoglycemia. Lulu and Spencer went in to check on her when I left."

Nicole had zero interest to go check in on Icyln. However she had a hunch that Icyln was not lying about hypoglycemia as she had it herself too.' Shouldn't she be more careful and avoid it from happening?'

Jared held her in his arms and softly said, "Since everything's fine, let's head home."

Nicole readily agreed, 'Let's go." She followed Jared into the car and left.

Meanwhile, in the ward. Icyln was leaning against her bed frame while getting her IV drips. She had a very pale complexion. She heard the door opening and looked over.

"Hey, are you..." Icyln called out weakly. But before she could finish speaking. She saw Lulu coming in with Spencer.

Her facial expression froze involuntarily.

"We had consulted the doctor just now. He said that your condition is stable, and you can either stay here for a night of observation or leave after your drip is done," said Lulu in a monotonous voice.

MY WIFE IS A HACKER CHAPTER 2353-Icyln silently gritted her teeth. She was dying on the inside, yet she had to pretend she was fine and calm on the outside.

Tm sorry my illness caused him to pick you up late. I apologize for the trouble I caused you and to have you come visit me in person."

Lulu walked over to I cyl n's bed and looked at her IV bag," You're utmost welcome. I ll be your sister-inlaw soon anyway. Your IV seems to be almost finished. Looks like you're going to be fine."

Icy In's heart was wrenching. She mustered up a smile."

Yeah, I feel better now."

Lulu snorted mentally. 'She just said she wasn't feeling well and asked the nurse to inform Spencer. What a joke, this two -faced bitch! The nurse clearly would not have misunderstood the situation if she had not inputted.'

Once he knew that Icyln was fine, Spencer asked, "Icyln, are you going to stay here for observation tonight or are you going back home to rest?"

I..." Icyln gritted her teeth. Her initial plan was to stay and ask Spencer to stay with her.

She had not expected Lulu to have found them so fast. This bitch ruined all my plans! She even dared to introduce herself to be my soon-to-be sister-in-law. What a joke. Does she really think she's worthy of being Spencer's wife?'

"If you're still worried about fainting, I think you can stay for the night to monitor your condition," Spencer declared, after noticing how hesitant Icyln was.

As soon as he finished speaking, Spencer glanced at the nurse who just entered. "Have her stay to be monitored for the night. Remember to check up on her on your rounds. HI go sort out the paperwork."

"Thank you, Spencer," said Icyln, her eyes lit up.

"You don't need to thank me. I'll head back with Lulu after we're done with the paperwork. If you need anything, just call for a nurse," said Spencer to Icyln.

The light in Icyln's eyes immediately became dark. She thought Spencer would offer to stay the night but who knew that he was going to leave her and go with Lulu?

After sorting the paperwork, Spencer exchanged a few more words with the nurses before leaving with Lulu.

Icyln, who appeared unaffected on the surface, had her heart filled with hatred as she gritted her teeth and curled her hands into a fist.

What a bitch! Lulu, I didn't take you to be such an ass.

Showing up and breaking up my moment with Spencer and now taking him away when I'm here sick.1 Icyln scoffed mentally.

"Miss, your complexion looks a little bad. Are you feeling uncomfortable anywhere?" the nurse asked cautiously.

Icyln raised her eyebrow and gave the nurse a stern look in the eye, startling the nurse.

The nurse thought to herself, 'Why does it feel like this patient has changed?'

"Pull out the needle," Icyln ordered the nurse coldly.

"You're still in the middle of your treatment," the nurse reminded Icyln.

Icyln began to be impatient. "I said, pull it out!"

The nurse scrambled to comply with her demand and quickly pulled out the needle. Icyln left the hospital shortly after despite the nurse s dissuasion.

If Spencer isn't staying with me tonight, why would I even bother staying in this crappy hospital? Lulu Barrera, just you wait. You shall wait and see.'

Meanwhile, in the car, Lulu sneezed loudly.

Did you catch a cold?" Spencer looked over at Lulu with concern written all over his face.

Lulu rubbed her nose. "I'm fine."

"Why don't we go home and eat instead?" Spencer suggested, worried that Lulu might have caught a cold.

Lulu shook her head. "I'm craving for some fish."

Spencer smiled helplessly as he saw the look on her face. " Okay."

"Let's go!" Lulu smiled brightly and waved her hands in excitement.

MY WIFE IS A HACKER CHAPTER 2354-At the Riddle's residence, Nicole and Jared had just reached home.

"Have you both eaten?" Gloria asked as she saw them walk through the door.

"Not yet," replied Nicole.

"Spencer's junior, Icyln, had gotten sick. We went to the hospital to check on her and came back."

Gloria immediately called the butler. "Alfred, can you get the cook to prepare dinner for them?"

"Yes, ma'am." Alfred quickly headed toward the kitchen as Nicole and Jared walked to the dining room.

"Mommy, we II accompany you." Nolan and Lana turned off the TV and followed Nicole.

Nicole pinched Lana's button nose and asked, "Are you hungry?"

"No.1 Lana scratched her head. "Can I get dessert?"

"You're so cheeky. Do you want dessert, or do you want to accompany us?" asked Nicole.

"Of course, I want to accompany mommy and daddy!" Lana nodded vigorously, hoping Nicole would buy it.

Lana's actions made everyone burst into laughter. Gloria ordered Alfred to prepare some dessert for Nolan and Lana. Gloria smiled contentedly as she watched the family of four eating in the dining room. She got up and went upstairs to rest.

"Mommy, why did Uncle Spencer s junior go to the hospital? Is she sick?" Lana asked nonchalantly while eating her dessert.

"Why are you asking this?" Nicole asked, with doubt in her voice.

"Oh, cause you guys went to visit her. Is it serious?" Lana's voice was filled with curiosity.

Nicole explained casually, "It's nothing serious. She's fine."

Nicole was unsure of the specifics but what she was sure of was that Icyln was fine.

"Mommy, does Uncle Spencer's junior like him?" Nolan suddenly raised his head and asked.

Nicole was startled by the sudden question before taking a moment to respond, "Perhaps so."

The perception of this might be true as Spencer was an obvious sweetheart who had no feelings for Icyln as he will wed Lulu soon. Nicole believes that Icyln was in the wrong and should not be doing these types of things to mess with Spencer and Lulu's relationship.

"Oh." Nolan sighed.

Nicole looked over and curiously asked, "Why are you sighing?"

"I think it s a good thing to be liked by others. I don't think it is a good thing that Uncle Spencer is liked by his junior," Lana said.

Nicole ruffled Lana's head. "Silly. Leave the adult things to the adults. They'll sort it out themselves."

Kids these days mature too quickly,' Nicole thought to herself.

Lana giggled mischievously. "I think Aunt Lulu is the best for Uncle Spencer!"

"Yes, I think your Uncle Spencer would agree on that too."

"He better."

The four of them went upstairs after they finished dinner.

Nicole and Jared put the twins to bed. After washing up, they retreated into their room.

"Is there something going on with DillCorp?" Jared asked in a low voice.

"Well... things have been arranged for it." Nicole glanced at Jared and a sudden surge of warmth filled her heart.

'I used to think that he just keeps up to date with my affairs, but now why do I feel like he's spying on me?'

MY WIFE IS A HACKER CHAPTER 2355-It was not until later that Nicole found out that Jared was not spying on her, but he was just particularly concerned about her. That was why Jared always knew about her latest updates.

Jared's stare included a tinge of disinterest as he realized Nicole was okay, and he stopped asking. He looked at her and held her hand. "I'm glad everything's fine. Time for bed."

"Yeah," Nicole responded.

The curtains were closed, and the lights in the room dimmed. In the quiet of the night, all was silent. Only the gentle glow of starlight remained in the brightly lit city.

Amidst the darkness, one house continued to shine with its lights on, particularly eye-catching.

In the living room, Harvey leaned against the sofa with his legs crossed, staring coldly at the person sitting on the side. He raised an eyebrow and asked, "This is the brainless Raine you talked about?"

If it were not for Raine, their plan would have succeeded. They never expected to end up losing everything.

"1 never knew Raine could actually use her brain," Everett said with chagrin. He was careless by letting Raine throw a wrench into their perfect plan.

"Hmph." Harvey glanced at Everett, thinking that Everett was

useless as always.

"Now that things have fallen apart, Raine can't be used anymore. What are you going to do now?" Everett asked. He refused to believe that Harvey was going to give up this plan.

"There's no need to cover up now. I have no regard for a mere branch of Riddle Corporation," Harvey said indifferently. Since they could not take DillCorp by ruse, Harvey did not mind resorting to a more straightforward approach.

But if we disrupt the foundation of DillCorp, there's no point in getting it." Everett tried to dissuade Harvey after understanding his intentions. After all, Everett intended to capitalize on DillCorp to increase his own strength.

Coldly sweeping a glance at Everett, Harvey asked, "What do you have in mind then?"

"Why don't we go with the flow?" Everett then explained his idea to Harvey in detail.

"Go ahead then. Harvey gave Everett a noncommittal look and slowly stood up. If Everett could not handle things right this time, then there was no need for DillCorp to exist.

"Sure," Everett agreed happily upon Harvey's approval. In this way, Everett still had the chance to obtain DillCorp.

With a cold glance at Everett, Harvey turned and walked upstairs.

Everett discreetly breathed a sigh of relief. His submissive demeanor quickly turned back to a darker one. He still needed to rely on Harvey's strength for now. Once Everett obtained DillCorp, he would have his own power, and no one would dare to challenge him again. Gritting his teeth, Everett left as well.

Harvey went upstairs to his studies. Staring out at the window, his eyes darkened. In his mind, he did not mind or interfere with that dumbass, Everett taking action on DillCorp. However, he had his own plans.

After a moment of contemplation, Harvey dialed his assistant's phone. "Go and find out who is supporting James behind the scenes."

There were no way things could have gotten to this point with just James by Raine's side. This matter felt odd to Harvey. Without finding out this person, things ahead would still not go smoothly. Harvey had to stay put for the time being and wait for the results of the investigation.

His sight landed on the night sky, and Nicole's face flashed across Harvey s mind. His gaze darkened at this thought. Harvey had once felt disheartened at Nicole's never returning disappearance. Yet, he found himself still captivated by her the moment she showed up.

MY WIFE IS A HACKER CHAPTER 2356-Harvey had no intention of letting Nicole go this time. He would not allow himself to miss out again.

Time passed, and three days went by in the blink of an eye. For the past few days, however, San Joto seemed unusually calm, a calmness that carried in it an eerie feeling.

As soon as Lulu arrived at the company building, she hurriedly entered Nicole's office.

"Why has it been so quiet these few days? Is something wrong?" Lulu whispered with a frown.

Nicole's eyes narrowed in response. 'Well, I'm afraid that it only seems so on the surface."

The more peaceful things seemed to be, the more intense and chaotic it would be behind the scenes.

"Are they waiting for the perfect timing?" Lulu solemnly asked.

Such silence and tranquility had made Nicole uneasy.

Everyone was hiding in the shadows without making any moves at all. No one could predict when the enemy was going to make their move.

As such, Lulu was worried that Nicole would get involved or end up in danger.

With a single glance at Lulu's expression, Nicole understood her right away.

Then, she bit her lips and said, "Harvey hasn't made a move yet. It seems that he has noticed something. As for Everett, I'm pretty sure he's waiting for the right time to strike."

DillCorp was developing as Nicole expected. Everett was probably waiting for the right opportunity to swoop in. As for Harvey...

Nicole's eyes darkened as a cold smirk crossed her face, thinking she might have underestimated Harvey.

Harvey's inaction suggested that he knew something, and that he would definitely look into it. However, it was still unclear as to what information Harvey had gained and if the information pertained to Nicole at all.

Nicole, if it's really like you said, do you think Raine will be able to handle it?" Lulu asked with a frown, uncertain of what Raine was capable of.

"That really depends on them," Nicole s gaze grew darker.

It was a bad time for Nicole to make a move at this juncture. If Harvey was really snooping about, the slightest movement on Nicole s end might be discovered.

"Are you suggesting we do nothing? What if...' Lulu gritted her teeth as she realized what Nicole was implying.

'If we just stand back and watch, what will happen to DillCorp if Raine and James end up losing to Harvey and Everett?' she thought.

Regardless of whether DillCorp fell into either Everett s or Harvey s hands, one thing was certain: the outcome would

not be favorable for Nicole.

"Let's observe first," Nicole stated, knowing now was not the time to act. "We have no other choice,"

And after hearing Nicole's response, Lulu knew there were no alternatives.

Then, Nicole smirked and comforted the anxious Lulu." Don't worry. I won't go toe to toe with Harvey now. But if things ever spiral, I won't mind drawing the first blood."

Lulu chuckled awkwardly. "You're right. I didn't think about that."

"Alright. If there's nothing else, you can go back to work," Nicole said with a smile.

Uh-huh." Lulu turned around, but it was then that she recalled something, prompting her to ask, "Snow s been quiet recently. Do you think she is taking things too hard?"

They all felt that Snow would not have the courage to act, but the fact that they had not heard from her for days was a cause for suspicion.

"She won't," Nicole said with confidence.

She found Snow's absence odd too, but she was sure that Snow would come around eventually.

No data found.

MY WIFE IS A HACKER CHAPTER 2358-The passerby exchanged glances and dispersed soon after, leaving behind two black-clad individuals with grim expressions on their faces.

"Begin your investigation. I'll inform Max."

"Sure thing."

The two then went their separate ways.

Meanwhile, the ambulance delivered Nicole and Lulu to the hospital, whereupon the paramedics hurried her into the ER.

Lulu's hands and shirt were covered in blood as she stood perplexed in front of the emergency room, looking distraught and heartbroken. The people who had rushed over after receiving the news about Nicole were all worried sick after seeing Lulu in the state she was in.

"Hey, Lulu," Spencer approached Lulu and held her in his arms. "Don't worry. I'm here now."

Upon noticing Spencer, Lulu gave him a blank stare, and in a second, she burst into tears. Nicole s hurt! No matter how many times I called out to her, she just wouldn't answer back. I'm so scared..."

"Don't panic. What did the doctor in the ambulance say on the way here?" Spencer asked.

Deep down, he was panicking too, but he had to keep it together. All he wanted was to ask and find any trace of

reassurance that Nicole would be okay. He was not the only one, however; the entire family could not bear to see something disastrous happen to Nicole again, especially not after everything that had happened in the past five years.

"The doctor said... ugh. I don't know. I just kept calling her, but she just didn't respond," Lulu said, scared out of her wits.

The only thing she could remember was Nicole being knocked unconscious.

"She'll be fine," a cold voice blared out from behind, though it sounded more like a statement of reassurance for oneself.

Then, Spencer glanced at Jared and echoed, "That's right. She'll be fine."

Spencer and Jared were the ones who had gotten the news. They were also the quickest ones to get here. By now, Sean, Steve, and Stanley should be on their way here. They did not notify their parents about Nicole's current predicament as no one dared to tell them at this moment.

Soon after, a series of loud and rapid footfalls echoed in the hallway, and just like that, Sean, Steve, and Stanley had arrived. "How is she?"

"She's still inside. We don't know the results yet,"

The ones who had already there earlier were still unsure of the situation, but they sincerely hoped Nicole was okay.

After a moment of silence, the tension outside of the emergency room grew even more palpable.

"Stanley, get someone to go in and ask about her situation,"

Sean said with sunken eyes.

"Okay," Stanley agreed. He immediately contacted the front desk and arranged for a nurse to check on Nicole. After assessing the situation, the nurse stepped out of the emergency room, not wanting to disrupt the procedures inside.

"So? How is it?" the few of them asked in unison.

"The nurse on duty said it is not life-threatening. They're just treating a flesh wound. I did not dare to bother the doctor, because I'm afraid that I'll just get in the way of the treatment, so I'm not sure of the specifics," the nurse responded.

Knowing Nicole's injuries were not fatal, the few men were relieved.

Then, Lulu stopped crying and with a sniff, she asked, "She isn't in danger?"

Rest assured, she'll be fine," Spencer comforted, gently smoothing Lulu's hair as he spoke. "Now, go tend to your injuries."

TH be fine. All I got was a scratch," Lulu refused.

She did not want to leave the place, as she wanted to wait for Nicole to come out. If Nicole had not pushed her away, Lulu could have been run over by the car. Not only had she saved Lulu's life, but she had also sustained injured as a result of it.

"Even minor scrapes demand medical attention. I'll go with you," Spencer held Lulu's hand, leading her to another area to tend to her wounds.

As they waited outside, the remaining men exchanged glances.

Sean's gaze settled on Jared. How's the investigation?"

Nothing yet," Jared said with darkened eyes, his demeanor frosty and stern.

MY WIFE IS A HACKER CHAPTER 2359-Knowing Jared was into it, Sean did not pursue the matter further. They could only wait for the results of the investigation.

"Who would dare to lay their hands on Nicole so daringly in San Joto?!" Steve gritted his teeth.

"Could it be that bunch of scumbags who had a bone to pick with Nicole before?" Stanley speculated with worry.

Nicole had almost lost her life during that attack, and while they had been hiding in the shadows ever since her return, they might have just been biding their time.

Sean frowned and asked, "What do you think, Jared?"

"It doesn't matter who did it. That person will pay for it," Jared said in an icy tone.

Jared would go to great lengths to ensure that the offender got the punishment he deserved.

"Let's wait for the results first," Sean's expression darkened, knowing that once the culprit had been discovered, the rest could be dealt with afterward.

Soon, the doors of the emergency room opened, and the nurses came pushing Nicole out. The good news was that she had already woken up.

Looking at the people outside the emergency room, Nicole exclaimed with shock, "Why are you here?"

"You were hit by a car and rendered unconscious. Did you think we wouldn't come?" Steve looked at Nicole, finally at ease.

"The patient suffered a concussion due to the impact of the hit. Other than that, all her injuries are external. She'll be fine with some rest," the doctor explained and left.

The nurse then went on to remind, "Let's send the patient to her ward first."

"Oh right," they said and pushed Nicole away, leaving the nurse stunned and frozen in place.

After Nicole had been settled down, Lulu came back after treating her wounds.

"Nicole! Ah. Thank God you're alright. You scared me to death there," Lulu burst into tears again after seeing Nicole.

"I'm fine. There's no need to cry," Nicole chuckled as she sized Lulu up. "How's your injury?"

Nicole had acted on instinct and pushed Lulu away, resulting in Lulu falling to the ground. This led her to believe that Lulu had been injured as well.

"I'm fine. Just a few scratches here and there. Nothing that hasn't been taken care of," Lulu explained.

She then asked, "What about you? What did the doctor say?"

Lulu felt that her injuries were insignificant as compared to Nicole's.

"Me too. The doctor asked me to rest for two days," Nicole said, and turned to the others. "You guys can go back to work. You don't have to stay here with me."

Nicole felt that she was perfectly fine. Therefore, there was no need for all of them to crowd around just to watch over her.

"Alright then, I'll send Lulu home first," Spencer agreed.

With the knowledge that Nicole was fine, they could finally be at ease.

"Sean and I will head back to the company," Steve added.

Stanley then looked at Jared and said, "I'll go home then."

At the end of the day, someone had to inform the people at home. In addition to that, he could also go to pick Nolan and Lana up after school and comfort them.

After a round of discussion, they left the ward and went on their ways, leaving nobody but Nicole and Jared in the ward.

The two exchanged glances, after which Nicole asked, "Did you find out who did it?"

"Max is not back yet," Jared sat down and held Nicole's hand gently. "Rest assured, I'll handle it. You should get some rest."

Hearing the concern in Jared's tone, Nicole sighed. "Actually I could have avoided getting hurt. But my skills aren't as sharp as before."

MY WIFE IS A HACKER CHAPTER 2360-If Nicole had not injured her hand and hamstring, her agility would have gotten the both of them out unharmed today. However, she was not as skilled as she used to be. If anything, she had narrowly managed to push Lulu away and evaded the blow that would otherwise have been her undoing.

"They suspect that the ones responsible were the same perpetrators as before," Jared said as his eyes darkened.

Nicole raised her eyebrows. "Do you think the same way?"

Nicole could tell that Jared was not convinced by this idea.' Why doesn't he believe it? Even I think that the ones who were after me are responsible for this. After all, there's no one else in San Joto who wants me dead.'

"I just felt that if the perpetrators were the same, they wouldn't have done it so crudely," Jared explained.

He had suspected them once too, but an assassination attempt of such sort was somewhat amateurish. He believed that these people would not be that stupid and reckless, for a move like that would ultimately lead to mutual destruction.

Nicole fell silent, and her face blanched. "I've overlooked it."

Nicole only considered the fact that there was no one else who wanted her life. That was why Nicole and her brothers thought that the ones who were after her before this were

also the ones who had struck again.

Gritting her teeth, Nicole sardonically said, "It seems like quite a few people in San Joto want me dead."

Suddenly, three knocks were heard on the door, after which Max strode in and greeted, "Mr. and Mrs. Johnston."

"Spill," Jared ordered, his voice cold and low.

Max's expression was grim when he informed, "We caught the culprit, I-It was Snow."

"Snow?!" Nicole was taken aback, unable to understand why Snow would do such a thing to her.

"Yes. We've sent her to the police. She confessed, saying she just wanted Mrs. Johnston's life as Mrs. Johnston has made her the laughingstock of San Joto," Max reported with frustration.

At this rate, he was beginning to wonder if Snow was mentally unstable.

"I made her a laughingstock?" Nicole asked, feeling a little puzzled, for Harvey and Everett were clearly the ones who had made a fool out of her.

It was Harvey's and Everett's plan to take over DillCorp, and Snow was the one who had allowed them to make a useful idiot out of her. Nicole could not figure out how any of this was related to her, as she had not coaxed Snow into pursuing Harvey.

Max glanced at Jared, tongue tied and at a loss. "She said if it wasn't for Mrs. Johnston, Harvey and she would have

been fine together. She was essentially blaming Mrs. Johnston for seducing Harvey.

"Well, I..." Nicole was rendered speechless at that instant, having understood the reason as to why Harvey did not want Snow to be his girlfriend.

She figured it was because of Snow's ignorance and unbridled stupidity.

"It was probably the time when Mrs. Johnston met up with Mr. Ellison that made Snow misunderstand the situation," Max speculated.

After all, Nicole had never once put on a smile while meeting Harvey. Thus, the only connection between her and Harvey must have been Mr. Ellison.

This left Nicole dumbstruck. 'Oh, I sure never wish to meet Snow. Does she even have a brain?"

"Alright, you can leave," Jared said.

"Yes sir," Max swallowed and left the ward, having also been rendered speechless when he found out about the situation.

However, he had no choice but to report it to Jared anyway, as frivolous and ridiculous as it was.

"Ugh," Nicole sighed. "I'm too embarrassed to even talk about this injury."

Nicole was instantly riddled with feelings of humiliation as she had just been wounded by someone as addle-brained as Snow.

"Get some rest," Jared changed the topic, feeling that Nicole did not have to waste her time and energy thinking about Snow.

All that mattered right now was that was able to get the rest she needed.

"Yeah," Nicole agreed, feeling really tired after all of the commotion.

She closed her eyes and soon fell asleep.

By the time Nicole woke up, it was already dark outside. The growling of her belly was also particularly distinct in the dim, silent ward.