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"Dad, Helen is your eldest granddaughter, the Berry family's flesh and blood! When Matilda opened her mouth, her eyes were bloodshot and filled with tears. "She hasn't even been convicted yet. Are you going to abandon her like this?" She cried and fell to her knees, begging

No matter what the outside world said, she was not afraid at all There were many ways to settle in.

However, if Christian did not support them and the Berry family abandoned them, they would be finished

Lea looked at her

She thought. The video of Helen pushing Lily down the stairs has been released, but she still refuses to admit it. She is very impressive

"Bang"" Christian swung his walking stick and smashed it on the red sandalwood coffee table. The glass fruit platter and coffee sei on it shattered and scattered.

Lea's school uniform was splashed with water.

He struggled to stand up, his body trembling as he fell back to his seat,

Lea immediately supported him. Only then did he sit properly.

Christian said, "Matilda, do you still have morals in your heart! Do you want me to stand up and announce to the public that granddaughter is a murderer?"

Matilda looked up at him sharply, hating and fearing him.

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She thought. He is about to give up on Helen, this old bastard. As long as he does not give up and insists on protecting Helen, does the truth matter! However, he has abandoned Helen just like that and even chases her out of the Berry Group.

"Dad, I.." Matilda wanted to make Helen innocent no matter what

"Guards Christian did not want to listen to her anymore. "Send her out."

The unspoken words were stuck in her throat. Matilda suddenly calmed down and looked at Christian in a daze. His face was dignified and ruthless.

This time, no matter how much she begged him, it was useless,

A servant came forward. "Madam, please go back" As he spoke, he was about to pull her.

Matilda waved her hand. She looked straight at Christian and Lea, who were supporting him. She held the corner of the coffee table and stood up with difficulty.

the time

comes, please don't be prejudiced against her. Her sone was gentle and firm, and her

"Dad, I'll prove to you that Helen is innocent. When the attitude was sincere.

The servants were stunned and felt that Helen had really been wronged

With that, Matilda bowed and turned to leave

"It's going to rain outside. I'll walk you out" Lea stood up, picked up an umbrella, and chased after her.

"Boom

The summer rain came quickly. With a clap of thunder, bean–sized raindrops fell.

Matilda stopped and looked up. A red umbrella shielded her from the rain. The raindrops hit the umbrella with a piercing sound. Her heartbeat was even more chaotic and uncasy

After debating for a moment, her expression darkened and she suddenly turned around. Her gaze was like a knife and her aura was like a flood, devouring Lea who was holding the umbrella for her.

Lea stood on tiptoes with a smile on her face and extended her arms.

She was

still growing and was less than five foot right tall.

Matilda was tall and wore high heels. She was more than half a lead taller than her.

Seeing Lea like this, Matilda became even angrier. Her hands clenched into lists, and her nails dug into her palms. Only then did she restrain herself from slapping Lea. "Lea, what do you

"I want to look at you. The more I look at you, the more I enjoy it." The sunile on Lea's face deepened.

She looked noble and exquisite. She was already very eye—catching when she was not smiling. When she smiled at Matilda, it hurt her eyes even

more.

Matilda glanced inside the door and tightened her grip.

"Lear" She gritted her teeth. "You were the one who posted the video and message this morning, right!"

After the incident, Nixon asked the hackers to check. The information was sent out by someone around the court.

Matilda thought. Lea was there at the moment. She has the ability to do so. After all, she is the one who has helped develop the artificul brain. If it weren't for her, I would have brought Helen home safely. Christian wouldn't have completely lost his trust in her like now. Berry Group's shares would not fall to the limit again. Fraley Medical's reputation would not be tarnished, its stocks would not tall, and the Fraley family would suffer heavy losses. There would also be no trending topics or public opinion on the Internet that made me unable to breathe

Lea started laughing.

Matilda clenched her fists again, making a sound

Her

er palm was about to bleed.

Lea retracted the umbrella and let the raindrops hit Matilda.

Raindrops drenched her hair, and a few stray strands fell from her forehead she was in a sorry state.

Her gaze moved down to her hand. Lea smiled sweetly when she saw that Matilda wanted to strangle herself but could only hold it in "But what are you going to do? The evidence is irrefutable. The whole Internet is watching. Matilda, are you really that confident that you can do anything!" Matilda was stunned and looked at her in disbelief.

Lea looked mature, confident, elegant, powerful, and cruel

Matilda thought. This little bastard has really changed. However, no matter how confident she is, she is only a high school student who is ignorant of the world. She is not qualified to compete with

"Lea, do you think you've succeeded! Unless you can kill met Matilda smiled coldly and turned to walk out of the door through the rain. Her footsteps were arrogant and confident..

Lea looked at her back and the smile on her face disappeared, revealing a destructive expression.

She thought, 'Kill you? That will be such an easy way our for you. My goal is to make you and Helen under a fate worse than death...

She put away the umbrella and went through the door.

"She, she, she..." Christian pointed at the door, trembling with anger.

The video of Helen's murder was exposed. All the appraisals had been released. The video was real. Christian had also asked the technicians in the Corporation to appraise it.

Helen was arrested again by the police on the spot.

The so—called murderer was forced to take the blame for Helen because her mother's life was on the line. The police had also investigated and found Shannon innocent before acquitting her.

Fraley Hospital even tried to snatch Donna away, but they were all thrown out by the hospital,

The top ten trending topics on the Internet were all about the Berry family. [The Berry family's eldest granddaughter was arrested right after she was acquitted. It's unprecedented]

The second trending topic wrote: [Helen was acquitted because Christian blackmailed the higher—ups of the government]

The third wrote: [Prosecutor testifies that Christian called him and said that his granddaughter was not guilty.]

The fourth wrote: [Christian abused his power and violated the law. He should be arrested immediately.I

The fifth wrote: The Berry family used Shannon's mother's life to blackmail her into confessing]

The sixth wrote: [The Vaporleon High School killing incident has reversed.]

The seventh wrote: What kind of genius is Helen!)

The eighth wrote: The stock price of Herry Group has fallen by the limit.]

The ninth wrote: [From Christian to Helen, the Berry family's morals.]

The tenth wrote: [Shannon has been acquitted.]

The eleventh trending topic wrote: Fraley Hospital manipulated Donna's life. It is suspected that the Fraley family is the mastermind |

The twelfth wrote: Fraley Hospital is lawless. They tried to snatch Donna in public.]

The thirteenth wrote: [What a joke. Fraley's staff were thrown out of the door by the Riverview Hospital]

The fourteenth wrote: [Fraley Medical's shares fell]

The fifteenth wrote. The dean of the Fraley Medical, Nixon, is friends with Matilda in college.]

The last trending topic was bought by Lea.

Matilda had hidden her lover who was Helen's biological father so well for over twenty years without the Berry family realizing

She had to lay the groundwork first. She felt that it would only be lethal if this relationship was exposed in the future.

Most of the top 30 trending topics were related to this matter.

Those videos and so many statements had already been circulating crazily on the Internet for an entire day. They were reposted more than a hundred million times, commented more than a hundred million times, and received hundreds of millions of views.

Christian thought, "How dare Matilda say that she will prove that Helen is innocent? If she hadn't confidently told me that Helen was innocent, why would I call the high—ranking officials of those organizations to guarantee that my granddaughter was innocent? She actually dared to make use of me and manipulate me wantonly! The people on the internet say that my previous merits are all fake and Berry Group is an illegal company. They want the company to be investigated and me to be arrested

"She actually said such a thing. Christian spat out a mouthful of blood and fell straight onto the sofa

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"Grandpal" Lea threw away the umbrella and rushed over

"Mr. Christian... The servants also gathered around.

Prepare

the car and send Mr. Christian to the hospital!" Jeffrey instructed the servants.

Lea looked up at him sharply. "Call the ambulance first!"

It was common sense to call an ambulance immediately when such a situation happened.

I was confissed. I'll call an ambulance now! Jeffrey got up and went to make the call.

She took out her phone and sent a message to Jason, asking him to stop Fraley Medical's ambulance. She also sent a message to Lorrand, asking him to arrange for an ambulance to come to the mansion.

Within ten minutes, the ambulance arrived.

The doctor and medical staff got out of the car and carried Christian into the car. The butler and Lea got into the ambulance together. The car drove out of the big iron gate and onto the road, heading to the hospital.

The lights in the city were already on. It was brightly lit and there was a lot of traffic.

The ambulance turned around, crossed the intersection downtown, and get onto a main highway.

Jeffrey turned around and looked out. He was shocked, "Which hospital are we going to

Lea was holding Christian's hand and could not help but tighten her grip.

The driver replied, "We'll be at the hospital soon!

Soon, the car turned into the intersection and stopped at the entrance of the hospital. Christian was sent to the emergency room immediately

After leaving the mansion, Matilda wanted to look for Nixon to discuss a countermeasure to save Helen, However, when she saw that one of the Trending topics on the internet was about her being friends with Nixon in college, she didn't go.

If the secret between them was discovered, it would be fatal.

Matilda went back to the Berry Villa

Before she reached the villa, she received a call that Christian had fainted. She asked the driver to drive to Fraley Hospital

The car was only halfway there when her phone rang again. She answered immediately.

"What? Christian is not at Fraley Hospital!" She suddenly sat up straight, looking shocked.

The person on the other side of the phone replied. "He is at Riverview Hospital now.

Matilda gritted her teeth and tensed up.

She thought, I know that this Riverview Hospital is related to Lea somehow. It makes me very uncomfortable to talk about it

Because everyone in the city knew about Donna's matter, Matilda had already confirmed from Nixon that this hospital had nothing to do with Lea.

However, she was confused as to why this hospital would receive Christian at this time.

Although they were Fraley Hospital's competitor, it was too much of a coincidence.

"Where's Fraley Hospital's ambulance?" Her voice was sharp and she was about to explode frum anger.

It wasn't easy for her to wait for this opportunity, but it was snatched away by Riverview Hospital.

The person on the other side said, "I don't know. I have informed Mr. Donovan immediately Matilda asked, "Where's Leal"

The person replied, "She's been with Christian the whole time. I don't see her doing anything ele

After hanging up the phone, Matilda dialed Nixon's number. Exasperated, she questioned him, "What's going on? Why didn't we pick up Christian and let him be taken away by the ambulance from the Riverview Hospital?"

Nixon answered, "I've just received news that the ambulance had an accident on the way to the mansion. The car has a flat tire and can't drive. I've already arranged for someone to investigate. Matilda, Il investigate these things I deal with Riverview Hospital. The most important thing now is

to solve Helen's problem. Only then can Fraley's shares rise again and your position in the Berry family be stabilized

On the phone, his voice was filled with anxiety,

"Mr. Fraley came to the hospital today and asked about our relationship. If I don't handle this matter well, he might fire me at any time. He gritted his teeth. He was too agitated to continue.

He had worked hard for Fraley for more than 20 years. He sold his soul and did whatever it took. He gave everything Ise had and turned a small hospital into a public company today.

In the entire country and even the entire continent of Aestheris, other than the big shots in Iverton, no other hospital could compare to Fraley Hospital

Nixon thought. 'Now, with just a small problem. Mr. Fraley jumped out and said that he wanted to fire me. In the end, I am just a dispensable worker who can be dismissed casually."

Matilda could hear his grievance, unwillingness, and anxiety: She said with heartache and determination, "No, you will always be the CEO of Fraley Medical. I promise you."

There was silence on the line.

Her voice softened. Think of a foolproof plan to deal with Donna. Ill go to Riverview Hospital to see Christian now,"

After hanging up, she asked Max, "Where's Ewan""

Ever since she made Janice Gibbs have a miscarriage by beating her up, Ewan had stopped coming home and indulged himself in all sorts of entertainment every day

She was already overwhelmed by her daughter's matter and could not divert her attention to hims

She didn't want to

want to care about him either. The sight of him upset her.

Max answered, "Mr. Berry is still at the Purple Gold Club. He booked a private room there for a month."

The Purple Gold Club was a top—notch clubhouse in Vaporleon City. Everyone who went there was looking to have fun with women.

Matilda's face instantly turned purple.

She thought. 'He booked a room there for a month? How dare he publicly cheat on me and insult me like this? 1 will deal with him after finishi dealing the things on hand."

She said to the driver, "To Riverview Hospital."

She thought, That old fart actually lasted until I left before fainting If I had been present at that time, I would have been able to control the situation and send him to Fraley Hospital. However, his downfall is still useful to me. I have to make good use of this opportunity.

The car soon arrived at the hospital. Matilda got out of the car and led her secretaries, assistants, and bodyguards straight to the emergency room.

Outside the emergency room. Lea was guarding the door. Jeffrey, Melissa Powell, and the driver and bodyguards accompanied her.

The sound of high heels on the ground was sonorous.

Lea turned around and saw Matilda.

Matilda was still in the same black suit dress. The foklable skirt and coiled hair had been tidied up, and her makeup had been touched up. She Was exquisite and had a strong aura.

She brought a group of people with him and looked aggressive.

Lea turned and stood in front of her, blocking her.

Matilda's expression was calm, and her beautiful eyes were filled with turbulence. "Why did you send Christian here? Why didn't you send him to Fraley Hospital?"

Lea smiled gently

1. dy. "Why should I send him over there?"

Matilda said, "Lea, Christian's health is so important. You can't joke about it. All his physical examinations, medicine, and treatments over the years. have been at Fraley Hospital. His medical records are there. If he's not feeling well, so of course he has to go there!"

"What are you worried about? Lea asked.

Matilda's eyes flashed. "Lear"

"I've seen the reputation of this hospital. Lea's gentle words were filled with sharpness. "It's all over the Internet. Every patient who cannot be cured and was kicked out by Fraley Hospital has transferred here and is cured. Don't worry. Grandpa will be fine here."

Matilda asked, "Lea, if anything happens to Christian, can you take responsibility!"

Lea frowned and asked. "What exactly do you want?"

Matilda said. "Transfer Christian to Fraley Hospital. She had to do this as long as there was a chance.

Lea smiled coldly "Others don't know, but how can I not know? You and Grandpa have already fallen out because of Helen He removed you from your position and chased you out of Berry Group. He won't support you and speak up for Helen anymore. If you transfer him to Fraley Hospital now,

it's hard to guarantee what happened to Donna won't happen to him. After all. Fraley Hospital is very good at this."

"Leal" Matilda was completely enraged. She couldn't believe that Lea was able to confront her so openly. "Don't talk nonsense. I don't need a child like you to make decisions for the elders"

Lea's expression became fierce. "Christian has to be treated here. If you want to forcefully transfer Grandpa to another hospital. I'll hold conference and announce everything to the media. If you want to transfer Grandpa to another hospital, over my dead body!"

"What are you arguing about?" A pleasant voice sounded. Everyone looked over and saw Alfred

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Against the light, Alfred's cold and smooth skin emitted a halo. He was extremely handsome Lea's eyes lit up and she felt more confident.

Alfred had been busy in the hospital during the day and had only returned to the lake villa at night. However, he received a call from Jason and rushed to the hospital

Matilda was stunned. She thought. Why is Mr. Andrews here? Why is such a big shot repeatedly showing up in front of us?"

Alfred walked up to them and said, "Don't worry about Christian. The doctors here will do their best to treat him."

"I heard that this hospital no longer belongs to Andrews Group. It's Riverview Hospital" Matilda's eyes turned dark as she sized him up.

"Most of the people in charge here are still the same as before. They will listen to me. With his status, of course, be could have some say in such a place

"Thank you, Mr. Andrews. We, the Berry family, are extremely grateful, Matilda thought for a moment and said. "Mr. Andrews, why did you stay in Vaporleon City for so long? The Berry family is the most familiar with Vaporleon City. If you need anything, feel free to let us know."

Alfred said, "1 had some private matters that have already been dealt with. There's no need to trouble you."

Matilda asked, "I wonder when you will return to Iverion When you do, please send regards to Mr. Blake Andrews for Christian."

"Depends on my mood. Maybe in a few days" Alfred had a cold expression on his face. After saying so much, he was already very impatient.

Matilda was more or less done with her investigation as she pondered

Lea thought, Is he going to leave in a few days Lea suddenly felt reluctant. Her heart ached and she could not help but look up at him.

Alfred was also looking at her. Their eyes met and he gave her a reassuring look.

Soon, Lea averted his gaze. Matilda was looking at her. She could not let her know about her relationship with Alfred yet

Matilda stared at Lea and clenched her fists secretly. Her eyes were filled with anger and killing intent

Lea looked back at her without any fear.

At this moment, Matilda was most afraid of the meilis

The shareholders and higher—ups of Berry Group basically listened to Christian. Everyone had known that she was demoted by Christian.

If word spread that Christian was on bad terms with her and asked her to leave Berry Group, even if she could take down the Berry Group, she would not be able to control it

At that time, the company would be torn apart and suffer serious losses. It would be useless for her to get her hands on it

Therefore, Matilda did not dare to confront Lea openly

The door opened and a doctor came out.

Matilda asked."

"How's my dad?"

Lea asked. "How's my grandfather!"

The two of them went forward to the doctor.

The attending doctor took off his mask and looked terrible. "He has an acute cerebral thrombosis. It's serious, causing a severe coma"

"Can you cure him" Matilda grabbed the doctor with both hands. She was agitated.

"You can cure him, right?"

The doctor said, "According to the current technology, it can be treated, but Christian is old and he is weak. It's hard to say for the time being

Matilda asked, "When will he wake up?"

The doctor answered. "That depends on his condition after treatment. In his current condition, he won't be able to wake up for the time being: After treatment, even if he wakes up, it's very likely that he'll have hemiplegia, aphasia, blindness, and so on. You have to be mentally prepared."

"No matter how much it costs, you must save my grandfather!" Lea said anxiously, "Use the best medicine and the best equipament. If you don't have them, buy them from overseas. The Berry family will bear all the expenses."

Seeing her like this, a cold smile appeared in Matilda's eyes. That's right. No matter what, we have to cure Christian

Matilda let go of the doctor's hand, wiped the corners of her eyes, and turned to Max. "Max, go pay the medical fees."

Although she could not take Christian away, as long as he remained unconscious, it would be the same for her

If Christian suffered from hemiplegia, speechlessness, and blindness, it would be even better for her.

The medical staff pushed Christian out of the emergency room and transferred him to the ICU.

Lea glared at Matilda with red eyes. She went forward to push the bed, held

d Christian, and tried to call out a few times, "Grandpa Grandpa...

Matilda glared at her fiercely and thought. The little bastard's only support has fallen, and she is anxious now. What's the pou? You can't make Christian wake up!

Matilda thought for a while and went forward to help push the bed.

She had done everything flawlessly.

not stay by the bed. She could only stand outside and watch through the glass window. Her eyes were

After sending Christian to the ICU, Lea could n red and she was very nervous,

Matilda looked at her and thought. You are weak, helpless, and pitiful. How can you fight against me? Just wait and see what I am going to do to you. I will make you regret being in this world"

Matilda checked all of Christian's medical reports one by one, not missing a single detail

She majored in medicine in university and had a master's degree in business administration and economics. Ordinary people could understand such an examination report, but she knew better.

Christian's condition was indeed as the doctor had sa

She instructed the hospital again and asked Max to stay behind with five bodyguards to take care of Christian. Then, she went to work.

She had too many things to deal with, including Helen, the company, Fraley Hospital, and the Fraley family.

Lea watched her leave. Then, she looked at Max, who was standing beside her, and the bodyguards standing in different positions. They surrounded the ICU tightly and were even monitoring her.

Lea thought, What is the use of this? The doctor in the ward, no, the entire hospital, is mine.

After everything sealed, it was already past one in the morning

Lea looked at Max warningly and then said to Jeffrey, Jeffrey, please take care of Grandpa. I'll go and rest now, Call me if there's anything."

The hospital was overcrowded with patients. There were no extra wards. She could only find an office where she could rest temporarily.

When she reached the office door, she turned to look at the bodyguards in the corridor.

Matilda had left so many people behind just to monitor her

She threw a cold gaze at them and gently pushed the door into the office. She pushed the door closed and locked it. When she turned around, she saw Alfred sitting behind the desk, looking at her with a smile.

Behind him was a floor-to-ceiling window. Against the light, his smile seemed to glow.

She quickened her pace and walked over. "Why aren't you back yer?"

Previously, when he was outside the emergency room, he was afraid that Matilda would suspect him, so he left not long after

Alfred said, "I've got some things to take care of at the hospital."

Lea's expression softened and her heart ached.

It was all thanks to him that the hospital was able to start operating so quickly.

"Is there anything you need my help with? Actually, there are a lot of things I can do Right now, she could basically handle everything.

He reached out to rub the center of her hair and raised his jaw to indicate the sofa under the window. "Go to sleep quickly and rest."

He knew that there was a fierce battle waiting for her in the Berry family

Lea looked up at him. Her gaze could not help but deeprit. The comers of her slightly red eyes were durming and affectionate,

The two of them had a tact understanding

Lea asked, "What about you? Are you still busy?"

Alfred said, "There are a few projects that need to be dealt with in Crefan. I will work at night and catch up on my sleep during the day"

Lea paused and thought, 'Since the Andrews Group is not controlled by Milton, he would not allow Alfred, the heir, to develop his own power, Therefore, he can only develop overseas markets. With his background, his life is destined to be even more difficult than mine.

*Go to sleep, or the sun will rise." Alfred's large palm caressed her small face. His thumb gently caressed the corner of her eyes, interrupting her thoughts.

Lea pursed her lips and rubbed her face against his palm greedily. She coveted the warmth of his palm and her butterfly—like eyelashes fluttered slightly.

Alfred's heart skipped a beat. His eyes were filled with extreme restraint and forbearance. "De good, I'm here.

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Lea was shocked and pulled out of this emotion.

She looked at Alfred with clear eyes and thought, Yes, it has all started over again, I have another chance to be with him!

She said. "Yes, I'll sleep first,"

He gave her hair an indulgent rub.

Lea got up and went to the window. She lay down on the sofa.

a and fell adeep unknowingly

Alfred only looked up when he heard her breathing. She was nestled in a corner of the sofa, resting on a pillow. Her long black hair was spread out, and her little face was facing him.

In the dim light, her face was calm, unlike the childish high school student of the day, her exquisite facial features exuded a seductive charm.

He could not help but put down the tablet in his hand and quietly stared at Lea

The screen on the tablet flashed from time to time. Many important messages came in, but he didn't ca

care anymore.

Outside the window, after a short thunderstorm, the night sky had already cleared up. The silver brilliance of the stars and moon sprinkled across the city, merging with the lights all over the city, like stars scattered all over the ground.

In a daze, it seemed like a long time had passed. Lea curled up uncomfortably on the sofa and grabbed the thin blanket on her body. She was uneasy and also seemed very cold.

hurt my child! I beg you! Don't"

Alfred quickly stood up, picked up his long coat, and walked over. He leaned over and gently covered her body,

Sensing the change in her body, the sleeping Lea suddenly jumped up and grabbed Alfred's arm. "Don't h

Alfred tightened his grip on the cloth in his hand. The veins on his hand bulged. He thought. The child.....

"Milton! Milton..." Lea felt as if she had fallen into a swamp. She struggled with all her might to open her eyelids.

A faint light shone into her vision. In the blurry light, she did not know what day it was or where she was. She only grabbed the arm in her hand anxiously.

Pulling the wrist closer, her vision slowly cleared. It was Alfred

He was leaning over her, one hand still pinching the jacket that covered her.

The surrounding scene became clear.

Only then did she realize that she had a nightmare.

Inadvertently, she reached out to wipe her face. Her hands were wet and cold. Unknowingly, her face was covered in tears.

Pain, anger, heart—wrenching pain, panic, helplessness, all kinds of emotions intertwined in her body, as if they were about to tear her apart.

She lost control and reached out to hug her head.

"Did you have a nightmare?" Alfred had already pulled her into his arms. "Don't be afraid, I'm here."

She clenched her fists and slowly suppressed her emotions, Gradually, she calmed down and said, "Yes. I had a terrible dream"

It wasn't just tonight. She fell into this nightmare every night. She dreamed of the scene of her child falling. She dreamed that Abigail Erickson said that Alfred had committed suicide by driving a car and donated his heart to her.

In the nightmare, Lea went crazy and was

I was torn

apart.

"It's just a dream. Im fine." She didn't want him to worry, so she comforted him instead. Her restrained voice was still trembling

"Yes, I know," Alfred caressed her back and kissed her forehead from time to time to comfort her

"Do

you want me to help you deal with the Berry family? Initially, he had planned to silently protect her in secret and let her do it herself.

But now, his heart ached for her. He couldn't stand it anymore.

"No need. I can handle it Lea had regained her rationality and said confidently.

They were a couple now, but these things were ultimately her personal matters and her life. She had to face them herself.

He had already given her a lot of help by helping her establish the Riverview SmartMed.

Although she could not compare to Matikla in terms of power now, she was in the dark and had the advantage. She was not afraid of her

If she could not even deal with these things in front of her, she would definitely not be able to take revenge on Milion and Abigail.

"Okay" Alfred understood her and respected her decision.

"Do you want to sleep a little longer!" He coaxed her gently.

"Okay." Lea held the back of the sofa and slowly lay back down

11l go back to work." Alfred pinched her cheek and returned to his desk.

Lea lay on the sofa and was not sleepy for the time being. She stared at Alfred without blinking.

The light from the lamp on the table shone on his face. Now, he was no longer as cold and Serce as usual. He was unbelievably gentle, and his entire body was glowing.

"Alfred." Lea couldn't help but say.

"Yes?" He looked up at her.

She had just cried and her eyes were still red. Even the dim light could not hide it. It was so glaring His eyes gradually turned red.

The word "child" came to her throat, and she was suddenly stunned.

She thought, "Why did I want to ask him about the child? He has not been reborn like I did. How can he know anything about what will happen several years later?

She said, "I'm... I'm fine. I'm going to sleep."

"Alright" Alfred smiled reassuringly.

Flustered, she closed her eyes and hid the tears.

The next morning. Lea opened her eyes and saw sunlight shining un

She sat up immediately and realized that the sky was already bright. She looked at the time and saw that it was seven in the morning

It was midsummer, and the sun would come out at six o'clock. The sun was bright and warm.

Perhaps it was because she had that nightmare when she first fell asleep or perhaps it was because Alfred was around, she slept very well and had no dreams for the rest of the night

Ever since she was reborn, she had slept the most peacefully that night.

She got up and something slipped off her. She looked down and saw that it was Alfred's jacket

She picked it up and looked around. There was only a computer on the desk. He was no longer there.

At this time, Matilda's people must be keeping a close eye on him. He had left before dawn.

After a moment of silence, she folded the jacket and placed it beside the computer. After putting it down, she reached out and stroked it gently. She was in high spirits and full of fighting spirit.

The moment she opened the door, she saw Max standing at the door. It seemed like he had been waiting for a long time.

"Your breakfast,

kfast, Miss Le

Lea," he said, handing her a carrier bag.

Lea looked at it coldly. The bag was exquisite and the breakfast inside was fragrant. It was a highend breakfas

She thought, 'Give me breakfast? He must be here to spy on me.

Lea walked away with a cold expression.

He was Matilda's confidant. The relationship between Max and Lea was terrible. She treated them as enemies, so she would not eat the breakfast bought by Max.

Max looked at her back, his hateful gaze as sharp as a knife.

He thought. This little girl is indeed very cautious and will not give me any chance!

He looked at the door and followed Lea.

Ever since she came here to sleep last night, their people had been taking turns to monitor her and did not leave for a moment.

In the meantime, there were doctors from the office who went in and out to get the information, but none of them stayed inside. They also followed and monitored the few doctors, so there were no problems.

As for the fact that Matilda had asked them to monitor Alfred, they also did it.

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Not long after Matilda left last night. Alfred left in his black Maybach. Their men tracked it to the Lake Villa.

Lea went to Christian's ICU and looked for the attending doctor. She asked about the details of the current situation and the treatment in the latter half of last night

Max had been listening by the side.

Lea glared at him from time to time. Her gaze was filled with hatred. She tried to avoid him but failed.

Christian's condition did not improve. The good news was that his condition did not continue to worsen

She gave Max a guarded look.

Jeffrey and Victor Fisher went to the company early in the morning

Christian was now in charge of everything in the company. Victor was his right—hand man, and Jeffrey was also in charge of some matters. Siner Christian suddenly fainted, the company would lose its backbone, and there would definisely be chaos.

There was a regular meeting in the morning, and they needed to preside over the overall situation.

The only people left to take care of Christian were the driver and a few servants,

Lea called the few of them to the side and reminded them in a low voice. The few of you, guard Christian well. You have to do everything yourself:

In other words, she did not want these people from Matilda to interfere.

Max stood far away, but a few bodyguards stood close. They had heard her words.

"III go back to the mansion first. I still need to go to school I rush back as soon as possible. leave Grandpa to you. With that, Lea gave Max another warning look before leaving the hospital.

She had asked Melissa to drive her back

Max was already at the end of the corridor. He watched through the window as the car drove onto the road and made a call. "Madam, Lea has returned to the mansion!"

After hanging up, a triumphant smile appeared on his face.

After a twenty-minute drive. Lea returned to the mansion

She first returned to her room to change into a new school uniform, packed her bag, and went downstairs. The servants had already prepared breakfast. "Miss Lea, breakfast is ready. Please enjoy.

She was already hungry. She brought her bag to the dining table, hung it on the chair, and sat down to eat.

She was in a hurry, so she ate fast.

She was halfway through her meal when she heard the sound of a car outside.

She looked up and saw a red Bentley drive through the big iron gate through the French windows, followed by two extended black business cars.

She frowned and ate her breakfast slowly.

The car did not enter the parking lot. Instead, it stopped on the garden road.

The chauffeur in the Bentley got out first and opened the door. Matilda got out and looked up at the mansion. After she saw Lea at the dining table, she walked towards the door.

In the car behind, bodyguards got out one after another, and more than 20 people followed her.

"Miss Lea!" Melissa looked at the scene and said uneasily. Her body was trembling.

The two maids who were making breakfast for her also looked terrified.

After working in the mansion for so many years, this was the first time they had seen Matilda bring so many people line.

Although they were only handymen, Matilda had been to the mansion a few times and had a fierce conflict with Lea. At this time, Christian was unconscious in the hospital. Everyone knew that Matilda had brought so many people for Lea

As servants of the mansion, they had to take good care of Lea

Lea looked at Melissa and then at the two servants "It's none of your business. Co do your work."

They were all stunned.

The two maids were timid, so they took their tools and went to the backyard to work

Melissa was stunned for a moment. She started cleaning at the side and did not leave.

th doors open with both hands and walked in

Matilda pushed both

The high heels made powerful sounds on the ground,

She went straight to the dining room and stood in front of Lea, looking down at her

wtie. Her lon

Lea was wearing a blue school uniform and a bow tie. Her long hair was like a waterfall. She did not have any makeup on, but she was as exquisite as

doll.

She sat calmly on the long wooden dining table with a white jade spoon in her hand. Her fingers were attractive, and an old servant was waiting on

her

Matilda thought. This bastard who was once worse than a beggar is acting like a noble princess in the villa of the Berry family

Lea also stared at her without blinking.

Matilda had her hair tied up. She was wearing a black and purple professional dress, thick and exquisite makeup, and expensive jewelry. She looked domineering and beautiful.

Although Helen was still being held in the name of the murderer, Matilda seemed to be in good condition. Unlike before, her face had become

Gerce

Lea threw the spoon into the bowl and made a sound. She looked at her with a cold expression. What are you doing here?"

"Since Christian is in a coma in the hospital and you're a minor and need someone to take care of you, I'm here to bring you back home" Marili's tone was firm, and her excuse was reasonable.

Lea said, "Grandpa will get better soon and be discharged"

Matilda said, "Lea, you've seen the hospital's dugnostic report. He won't wake up so soon. Even if he wakes up, he won't be able to be discharged in the short term."

Lea asked, "How can you be so sure!"

Matilda was enraged. Her eyes were fierce. She thought. This late bastard is always challenging me and provoking me.

"The diagnosis has proven everything. You are a child after all. You will always have some unrealistic delusions" Matilda's eyes were filled with mockery and threat.

She thought, "Not only are you delusional about Christian being discharged soon, but the fact that you think you can defeat Helen. Look at your tense and pitiful face, why did I feel uneasy and shaken before I was definitely overthinking.

Matilda said, "Don't worry. When we get back, I'll fulfill my duty as your guardian and take good care of you. After all you still have to call me Mom

Lea's gaze sharpened as she firmly refused. "I won't go hack with your

As long as she stepped through the door of Berry Villa, she might die at any time. She would fall to her death from the stairs, be electrocuted in the shower, or choked to death while eating.

"You're not going back just because you say so Matikla sneered and pointed at the bodyguards at the entrance of the dining room

The entrance to the dining room, the hall the entrance to the hall, the door, and the outside were surrounded by Matilda's bodyguards.

"A child is indeed a child. You are indeed so insensible. Matilda's expression darkened as she ordered in a low voice, "Bring Miss Lea back

"Matilda, how dare your Lea's expression changed drastically and her voice became sharp.

Matilda glared at her and turned to walk out,

"Miss Lea, let's go home." Two bodyguards came forward and held her on both sides. Both of them were about six feet four tall and strong, Lea had dun arms and legs and could not move at all.

Just like that, she was carried out.

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"Matildal" Lea shouted at her. "I'm not going back with you. I'm not going back. If you have the ability, kill me

Matilda had already walked to the living room door. She came back to her senses and glared at Lea coldly

now

but not here, in front of everyone in Christian's territory. When we return to my territory. I will immediately

She thought, "I do want to yout make you die horribly!"

She turned and stepped across the threshold.

The bodyguards carried Lea and followed behind her like they were carrying a chicken.

"Matilda, if Grandpa finds out, he won't let you off Lea was unable to resist. She was afraid and aggrieved. Tears were about to flow out of her eyes, and her voice was filled with tears. "Previously, he had already removed you from your position and chased you out of Berry Group. When he comes back and finds out what you've done, he'll chase you out of the Berry family. At that time, you'll have nothing and become an abandoned wife of a wealthy family. You'll be the laughingstock of the entire city!".

"Slap!" Matilda turned around, took a step forward, and slapped her.

She had wanted to slap Lea for a long time. She hit her so hard that half of Lea's face swelled up.

Previously, with Christian around, Marika could only endure it when Lea spoke rudely to her.

w that Christian fainted, Matilda

Now that

Lea tilted her head and felt buzzed.

could not endure being mocked by Lea anymore.

"Hurry up!" Matilda ordered the bodyguards while she quickly walked towards the Bentley.

"Let me go, let me go... Lea realized her intention and struggled even harder. When she couldn't break free, she shouted, "Matilda, why are you trying to bring me to your house? Do you want to abuse me like you used to Manipulate me and kill me? Do you think you can do whatever you want after you bring me back! Grandpa won't let you off when he comes back. He won't let you off?"

There were many people in the mansion, and they were not loyal to Matikda. Lea's shouting would leave them with the impression that Matilda was

At this critical moment. Matilda had to care about rumors.

Matilda felt uneasy, frustrated, and angry. She turned around and gave the bodyguards a look.

A bodyguard reached out and covered Lea's mouth tightly. Her voice was stuck in her mouth.

A bodyguard had already opened the back door of the Bentley. The two bodyguards holding Lea quickened their pace and pressed down on her head. wanting to stuff her in.

Lea exerted force and bit off a large piece of the bodyguard's hand.

The bodyguard cried out in pain and let p

I go.

"Let me go, let me go, Matilda, you're murdering met Help! Help..." Lea's voice came out as she desperately cried for help.

Matilda was waiting by the car. When she saw this, she was fürious.

Only when she saw the other bodyguards stuffing Lea into the car did she remain calm.

"Help, Grandpa, help p me!" Lea exclaimed.

"Stop..." An old voice sounded. Although the voice was weak, it was filled with dignity and monstrous anger. Everyone was stunned.

Matilda was shocked. She looked up and saw a black Luxora car driving through the big iron gate.

That was Christian's car.

The red flag car did not stop. Instead, it crashed straight into the Bentley. The parked Bentley was hit, and its side caved in...

Matilda happened to be standing beside the car and was sent flying. Half of her ribs were almost shattered.

ped her up and it took her a long time to be able to breathe.

The bodyguards helped her up

her checks were swollen. Her gaze was sharp as a blade.

If Christian had not been in the car just now, Alfred would have driven the car over and killed Matilda on the spot.

Just as he was feeling resentful, the car door opened and Christian got out of the car with the help of a servant

"Grandpa!" Lea shook off the bodyguard who was holding her and rushed over. She threw herself into his arms and hugged him tightly. She cried like a frightened child. "Save me, save me....

Christian looked at his granddaughter, who was trembling in his arms and crying for help

Her cheeks were swollen and there were bloodstains on her mouth. Her eyes were filled with tears and her long hair was disheveled. When she thought of the scene of herself being stuffed into the car, her eyes turned red.

Christian looked up Aggressive manner.

and saw Matilda standing in the middle, surrounded by bodyguards. There were more than 20 people in a mighty and

special personal bodyguards she hired. They only took orders from her.

These people were the sp

Christian liked peace and quiet. There were not many servants in the mansion, and this was the first time so many professional bodyguards had appeared on this property.

Christian thought, 'She actually dared to bring so many people here and forcefully tried to take Lea away in broad daylight. Lea is just a little girl, a weak little girl What is Matilda trying to do!

Matilda looked up at him. Her face was pale and ashen.

She thought. Wasn't he unconscious in the hospital? Why is he heret This is not true!

She didn't believe it.

However, Christian was standing in front of her with a furious expression, as if he was going to destroy her soon.

Matik looked at Max and looked confused.

Max gave her a helpless expression and lowered his head in shame, his face turning pale.

Not long after Lea left the hospital, they were guarding outside the ICU, soon as the door opened, he went up to ask about Christian's condition. The reason why Matilda kept him here was to monitor Christian's condition at all times,

Unexpectedly, it was Christian who walked out.

Max was 100 shocked. By the time he reacted, the doctor had already asked him to help Christian out of the hospital.

On the way, he found an opportunity to inform Matilda, but he realized that his phone was missing. He could not inform her at all

Matilda's reaction was still very fast.

"Dad" She rushed forward and grabbed him. "No... it's not what you think, I just..."

"Slap!" Christian slapped her hard in the face. She fell to the ground, bent her knees, and knelt down. Her face was burning with pain. Covering her face, she looked up at him incredulously.

For decades, no one had dared to lay a hand on her.

After being

with the Berry family for twenty years, even befor

before Christian's birthday banquet, he treated Matilda as his own daughter and loved her.

Christian asked, "Matilda, you're so arrogant. Who allowed you to bring Lea back?"

His gaze swept across the 20 bodyguards as if he wanted to kill them.

He asked, "What are you going to do with her?

The bodyguards lowered their heads under his gaze and quietly retreated.

Maulda looked up at Era and saw her hugging Christian's ar

arm tightly and slowly wiping the tears from her eyes. However, Lea's eyes were filled

Matilda's eyes widened and her heart sank.

She thought. This little bastard was playing me just now! She had deliberately provoked me so that I would attack her. She was deliberately shouting as if I wanted to kill her. She did it for Christian to see. No, this is impossible. It is impossible for her to know that Christian will come back at this moment.

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Matilda looked up at Christian again, but her gaze was attracted by Alfred beside him.

Alfred's appearance alone was extremely eye—catching. Coupled with his temperament, he was the center o

of attention no matters

no matter who he stood with.

Alfred had already concealed his emotions, He stood beside Christian and watched quietly with a storm brewing in his dark eyes. Matilda's heart sank again...

She thought, "Why is he here? What is going on?

She only knew that she had fallen into a trap, but she did not know how

She looked at Max with a questioning gaze.

Max only lowered his head in fear. He didn

didn't know either, ©

Matilda gritted her teeth and said anxiously, "Dad… I… I'm just here to visit Lea The doctor said that your condition is serious and you won't be able to be discharged for the time being, Lea is still a minor and needs to be taken care of…"

"Grandpa!" Lea hugged Christian tightly as if she was afraid that Matilda would take her away

"Shut up!" C

Christian interrupted Matikla.

More than half a month ago when Lea moved into this house with Christian, Maulda had already come to snatch her once. He had already made his stance clear that Lea would be taken care of by him and he would be her guardian.

Christian thought. "Matilda has ignored my decision and brought so many bodyguards to deal with a young lady. What is her motive? I am old, but not blind.

voice was sonorous and powerful, and his expression was cold. The way he looked at Iver

"Matilda, I've misjudged you all these yearst Christian's v was no longer as gentle as when he looked at his family.

Matilda staggered and fell to the ground.

He had completely denied her and would no longer trust her.

Christian was still the head of the Berry family. With just a word from him, he could expel her. She had worked hard for nearly 20 years and put in half her life. It seemed like she had nothing left.

She couldn't help but look at Lea

Lea was still hugging Christian's arm. Her chin was slightly raised, and there was a faint smile on her lips. She was very proud.

Matilda thought. This little bastard. I have been tricked so badly this time!!

Another car drove over, and Victor and Jeffrey got out. The two of them came to Christian's side and looked at the scene in front of them in shock and confusion.

Jeffrey asked. "Mr. Christian, what's going on! You you're really discharged!"

This morning, the two of them arrived at the company. The regular meeting had yet to begin, but the shareholders had already gathered in the meeting room

Everyone received the news that Christian fainted and was sent to the hospital last night.

He was the person in charge of the company. The company had yet to choose an heir. If something suddenly happened to him and this company was leaderless, it would definitely cause the stocks to plummet and the personnel to change.

in the morning

Since it concerned their personal interests, all the shareholders rushed to the company ear

Early in

Before it was time for the meeting, the meeting room was already in chaos. Victor and Jeffrey were at a loss,

Aldus moment, Victor received a call that Christian had been discharged,

Now that Christian was discharged

the hospital, these worries no longer existed. The two of them rushed over.

The doctor beside Christian, Lorrand, stood up.

verything flawlessly.

Lorrand said. "We found out that Christian had a sudden cerebral thrombosis because his diet contains a chemical that causes cerebral thrombosis, io we followed Christian here to investigate

Matilda's head buzzed, and her face turned even more ashen.

Everyone's expression changed.

They thought, Christian was poisoned! Who was so bold to poison him?

Then what about his current health?" Victor was very concerned about Christian's health.

Jeffrey also looked worried.

Lorrand answered, "Our hospital has an antidote for this chemical. We've already injected it into Christian. As long as he follows the doctor's instructions and recuperates for a period of time, he'll recover."

Matilda's eyes lit up as she secretly examined this group of people.

She thought, "The hospital clearly said that Christian would not wake up for the time being. Even if he woke up, he would be a cripple lying on the bed and unable to do anything. No one mentioned the antidote at all. Why is he suddenly recovered now?

Last night, she took a photo of Christian's test results and showed it to Nixon. He said that in this world, there were not many hospitals that could develop such an antidote, and it was impossible to develop it in a short period of time.

Matilda knew about Lorrand's background.

She wondered d if Riverview Hospital was targeting them.

Lea looked at Matilda's puzzled expression as she tried her best to think of so

something. A smile appeared on her face.

When she wasn't acting, Lea looked a little lazy and mysterious. Her eyes were like a deep pool that no one could see through.

"Mr. Christian, what should we do about this? Victor was shocked and worried.

Christian said. "Dr. Phoenix, please stay. The rest of you, please go back. "Thank you for sending me back."

Other than the attending doctor, there was also a medical staff, a nurse, Alfred and Eddie who came back with Christian.

This was the Berry family's internal matter. There was no need to let unimportant outsiders be present:

Alfred frowned slightly and stood on the spot calmly.

Eddie turned to look at him and could not help but be stunned.

He thought, 'Christian is chasing us away. Doesn't Mr. Andrews understand?

Seeing that Alfred had no intention of leaving Christian was stunned.

He thought, 'Although this kid has always been respectful to me, he even personally drove me back after I met him at the hospital this morning. I only am friends with his grandfather. I don't really know him.

Christian said, "Mr. Alfred, sorry that we don't have time for you today. Please leave

Alfred's frown deepened, and his expression did not look too good.

Eddie was also a little embarrassed.

This was the first time Alfred was being asked to leave. Many powerful figures in Iverton wanted to see him but couldn't

Lea was also stunned. She turned to look at him and saw that Alfred was looking at her. He was in a bad mood.

She was also very surprised that he suddenly appeared there.

She did not see him at the hospital this morning. She thought that he had something to da

She let go of Christian and walked over. "Mr. Alfred, I'll send you off"

Alfred frowned and turned to leave."

Matilda looked up at their backs with a sharp gaze.

She thought, Was it Alfred who helped Lex manipulate all of this in secret? Why would he help Leat Could it be that he had taken a fancy to this little bastard? Impossible He is the high and mighty heir of the Andrews family from Iverton. A family like the Berry family is not worthy of their attention. Furthermore, Lea is an illegitimate daughter with a low status. The two of them have never even met before. In the past half a month, the number of times they had seen each other could be counted on one hand. It is impossible for him to really fall in love with her. Although this little bastard has a pretty face, Alfred must have seen countless beautiful women. Did they work together or not? How far have they gone?"

Lea followed behind Alfred. The two of them deliberately kept a distance from each other so that others wouldn't notice their relationship. Lea could feel Matilda's gaze on her back and knew what she was thinking

Even if Matilda racked her brains, it was impossible for her to know that Lea had been reborn, nor would Matilda believe that Alfred would date:

Lea

Even if Matilda were wary of Lea because of Alfred, it would not change the current situation.

Eddie parked the Maybach outside the iron gate. He had already gone to the car to wait

Lea followed Alfred out of the iron gate and stood to the side. The wall blocked the view of everyone else.

Alfred turned around and was about to flare up

Lea leaned against the marble wall behind him and smiled like a flower. "Did you see that I won a huge victory. Grandpa won't trust Matilda

anymore."

Alfred's anger immediately subsided. Tears welled up in his red eyes. "Lea. my heart aches for you."

He thought. It is the kind of pain that you can't imagine!

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When he called her name, he was solemn and sincere.

Lea looked up at him. Her eyes were wet, revealing a complex emotion

"Alfred," she said, gripping his collar, her fingers lingeringly playing with it. "I grew up under the abuse of Matilda, We are sworn enemies. I want her pay, so I need to survive to get revenge. This is the path I must take."

Lea looked up at Alfred, her eyes were surprisingly calm, making it impossible to

The already neat collar became even more orderly in her fingers. Le see through her emotions.

Yet she was straightforward and candid. This is me. My life is destined to be stained with blood, amidst storms and strife. L.

She was scared, worried that he wouldn't accept her as she was. Her throat choked up, unable to continue.

"I understand." Alfred hugged her tightly. "Lea. I understand everything. I love you, truly Afraid she wouldn't believe him, his tone was sincere, and he held her even tighter.

He added, "I only have one request. Don't let yourself get hurt. Don't forget, you have me. I'm your boyfriend, your future husband. I just want to protect you."

Lea's worries and concerns instantly vanished. Her eyes were filled with tears. "You have already been protecting me. Without you, I wouldn't have been able to do all this so smoothly."

It was Jason who had stopped Nixon from intervening, allowing Christian to be taken to Riverview Hospital

Alfred had overseen everything at Riverview Hospital, ensuring Christian was brought there in time. He gave Lea Riverview Hospital, providing her with a powerful weapon and bargaining chip.

Lea stood on tiptoes and left a burning kiss on his lips. "Wait for me. Once I get into Conrad University, I will go with you to Everton

Alfred immediately calmed down. He lowered his head and planted a kiss on the corner of her eye.

Then, they had an intimate moment but did not linger too long

Lea stood in place, watching the black Maybach disappear around the corner of the road before turning and entering through the iron gate. In the car, Eddie glanced at Alfred "Mr. Andrews, you don't need to worry about Miss Lea. The antidote for Mr. Berry was prepared by her long ago.

He added, "She set a trap long ago, waiting for Matilda to fall into it. You didn't see Mr. Berry's expression just now. He seemed to have completely disdained Matilda!"

These past few days, Eddie had been helping Len establish the hospital, investigating and handling the behind–the–scenes issues of the Berry and Fraley families.

He had also been monitoring Lea's every move around the clock, ready to step in at the slightest sign of trouble.

Earlier, despite not having slept all night, Eddie immediately got Christian here. He had almost run over Matilda with his car out of excessive

tension

Lea, who looked stunningly beautiful and seemingly innocent, was a child raised under Matilda's abuse. Yet, in just a few days, she had made Matilda suffer such a huge setback.

Helen was detained, Berry Group and Fraley Medical were in chaos, and Matilda's position in the Berry family was precarious

Lea was a terrifying person.

"Eddie?" Alfred spoke, his tone icy with underlying anger. He threw the tablet at him with a bang. "You handle these two cases in Igrea

Eddie's hands slipped, and the car nearly veered off the road.

In the past, no matter what mistakes he made, even if he caused the company to lose hundreds of millions of dollars, Alfred had never shown him such a cold demeanor. Alfred was angry and was giving Eddie a severe punishment.

Eddie responded, "Mr. Andrews, I was wrong. From now on, Miss Lea's matters come first. Her safety comes first,"

Alfred's tone finally calmed down. "For now, you don't need to handle those two cases in Igrea?

"Yes." Eddie breathed a sigh of relief, wiping the sweat from his forehead.

Inside the Berry family mansion, Christian's face was stern. He was swift and decisive. "Jeffrey, take some men and search everywhere. Whatever you find, hand it over to Dr. Phoenix"

He had kept the doctor here specifically to investigate this matter. He wanted to see who dared to harm him on his own turf.

Jeffrey was stunned and looked around at everyone. "Yes, Mr. Berry"

Jeffrey led all the servants in the mansion, including the gardeners, to start the search. Christian, supported by Victor, headed towards the hall, with Lorrand following

Maulda felt dizzy. With Max supporting her, her footsteps were still unsteady.

*Til help," Lea said, placing her hands on Matilda's arm.

Matilda turned sharply, meeting Lea's eyes. The little brat had just put on a crying act. Lea's eyes were still teary, her gaze glistening, and her face bore a faint smile, a mix of gentleness and strength.

Matilda questioned, "Lea, aren't you afraid I'll skin you alive?"

Matilda's face contorted in rage, her eyes bloodshot, like a beast ready to leap out and devour Lea

"You should know Grandpa's attitude now. Are you not scared of him!" Lea asked, confident and unafraid.

She added, "Besides, you know Mr. Alfred is my friend. Even if I can't deal with you, he can Matilda paused and had a cold unile.

Shek

thought Lea and Alfred had a significant relationship. It seemed Lea was bluffing, and she wasn't afraid. She mocked inwardly, "You two are only friends! And you use him to intimidate me? You're too nive

Matilda pushed Len away. Her hatred for Lea was bone—deep, and she couldn't bear Lea's touch. She was also unwilling to admit fear. Every encounter with Lea ended badly for her.

Lea smiled and said, "Someone poisoned Grandpa. Don't you want to stay and see who gets caught? Leaving now would only make you look guilty. like a thief fleeing the scene.

"Lea!" Matilda gritted her teeth, frustrated that this little brat always managed to divert all the suspicion onto her.

Lea replied, "I'm just reminding you."

"Don't disgust me! Matilda sneered, standing straight. "All these years, I underestimated you I was wrong about you." Lea smirked, "Time will tell. I

III give you more surprisey

Matilda's expression darkened, appearing to be threatened. This implicit pressure was more terrifying than a direct declaration of

Halfway down the hall, Christian turned to Matilda. "You come too."

The series of accidents made him suspicious of her.

Matilda's body trembled slightly. She didn't want to be involved in this matter, but she couldn't leave now,

She gave Max a glance, glared at Lea, and then turned to follow, "Christian, let me help you."

"No need" Christian refused sternly, not allowing her to help,

Matilda's hand, reaching out, froze in mid—air. Only after Christian walked a few steps away did her fingers curl back into a fist.

Once Christian entered the door, Max approached the group of bodyguards and whispered instructions, after which they silently dispersed.

Lea looked around carefully before entering

Christian sat in the center of the rosewood sofa chair. Though his body had just suffered severe trauma and he was still weak. He leaned on his cane with a dignified posture, exuding authority,

Matilda stood nearby, respectfully keeping her distance. Despite the earlier argument outside, they were still family, and her position hadn't drastically changed.

Victor was also present, standing guard.

Lorrand sat on a single–seat sofa to the right.

Upon entering, Lea walked straight to the sofa and sat across from Christian. She was, after all, the mistress of this house, while Matilda was merely a guest

Lorrand looked at her briefly, "Miss Lea, let me treat the injuries on your face to prevent scarring.

His expression and tone were as if he were seeing her for the first time. No one could tell they knew each other,

Upon hearing this, Christian glanced at Lea's perfect face and became anxious "Lorrand, quickly check her. Make sure

He shot an angry look at Matilda, intensifying the oppressive atmosphere in the hall.

"Alright," Lorrand said, diligently turning to Lea. "Miss Lea, please sit here."

He took out a medical kit and invited Lea to a side seat, tending to the swelling on her face.

there are no

Seeing Christian's cold expression, Matilda felt tremendous pressure, her back unable to remain straight. Her face was also swollen, not much better than Lea's

"I need to use the restroom," she said, finding an excuse to leave for the restroom.

Before leaving, Matilda cast a sidelong glare at Lea, Lea's cold gaze followed her.

After a while, Matilda came out of the restroom. She retouched her makeup, but the thick foundation couldn't completely hide the swelling, making her look still quite disheveled.

The search had been ongoing for some time. Jeffrey and the servants had nearly finished searching the entire mansion. To avoid suspicion, many servants voluntarily led the way to their own rooms for the search

Lea's facial injuries had been treated, the swelling reduced, and the discoloration faded.

These medicines are effective, but not the best. Our hospital has better treatments. Miss Lea, you should come to our hospital for a few sessions Lorrand suggested.

"Thank you," Lea responded.

She returned to the single-

-seat sofa beside Christian, waiting quietly

Finally, Jeffrey came downstairs with several servants and Melissa Melissa's face was ashen, and she trembled as she descended the stairs.

Lea's eyes narrowed, her expression turning cold.

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Christian looked up, his expression darkening.

"Mr. Berry, Jeffrey glanced at the servants, then at Christian, looking troubled. "We found something..."

He hesitated, reluctant to reveal it

"Bring it out!" Christian commanded sternly.

Jeffrey raised his hand, revealing two 2.5—inch transparent sealed bags containing a small amount of white powder.

Everyone held their breath. Matilda, standing nearby, also watched with bated breath.

"Dr. Phoenix," Christian called out. Lorrand stepped forward, taking the bags. He used a test tube, a dropper, and reagents, conducting a quick identification experiment within minutes.

After getting the result, Lorrand said, "Mr. Berry, it's this chemical substance,"

The servants turned pale, their fear palpable.

After Lorrand packed up his medical kit, Christian nodded to the driver. "Take Dr. Phoenix back."

Lorrand exchanged a subtle glance with Lea before leaving through the iron gate with the driver.

The hall of the mansion was filled with over twenty people. Besides Matilda, those she brought were waiting in the garden outside. The others were all from the mansion.

Christian, leaning on his cane, struggled to stand. With Victor's support, he finally steadied himself.

His gaze swept over everyone, finally resting on Jeffrey. "Tell me, where was it found?"

Melissa's legs gave way, and she collapsed to her knees. "Mr. Berry, please forgive me! I won't dare again. I'm begging for your mercy. I'm sorry, I'm sorry...

She crawled on the floor and kept apologizing, tears streaming down her face.

"Melissa, you!" Matilda was both shocked and furious. "Why did you do this?"

Christian looked equally stunned, sharing the same question.

Melissa looked up, her face full of tears, her emotions raw and desperate.

She said, "Mr. Berry, do you remember? Fifteen years ago, my five—year—old son had no one to look after him. I asked your permission to bring him here, and you said yes. But what happened? You stared him, causing him to fall and break his leg"

Melissa continued, "Though you got him treated and compensated for the expenses, my son was left permanently disabled. He grew up feeling inferior, mocked by his peers, even losing his girlfriend because of it. This year, he returned from studying abroad and finally landed his dream job. However, he was fired by the hospital on the first day due to his disability."

Her face showed a fierce hatred. "You ruined his life! Money can't compensate for such trauma and pain. So, I poisoned your food!"

Having confessed, Melissa was ready to face the consequences. Since she had already done it, there was nothing to worry about.

Lea sat nearby, watching Melissa with a cold gaze.

"Mr. Berry" Jeffrey's voice was laden with mixed emotions. "How should we handle this?"

"We should call the police!" Matilda said coldly, "This is attempted murder. Christian, if not for your luck and the advanced medical treatments available, you might have.....""

If not dead, Christian would have been crippled and wouldn't live much longer.

Melissa looked up, surprise flashing in her eyes. She then quickly lowered her head and hid her fear. Lea watched her and then looked at Christian.

He remained silent, adding to the tension in the hall.

you lost your mind?

Victor, unable to contain his anger, said, "Melissa, have you I

rson was misbehaved and caused that accident. You share responsibility for it. Mr. Herry not only ensured his treatment but

He continued, "Your son

also compensated you generously, allowing y

; your family to live well. He owed you nothing! You show no gratitude and

en resort to poisoning

Melissa didn't dare look at them, only lowering her head and shedding tears. She said stubbornly. "My son's life was ruined. Who should I blame other than Mr. Berry? Someone has to be responsible!"

Victor was furious. "You're completely unreasonable and foolisht Mr. Berry, call the police!"

Jeffrey agreed. "Mr. Berry, this should be handled by the police."

Christian looked around, then at the trembling Melissa.

She was only about 45 or 46, always clean and well—dressed, appearing younger than her age. She had cooked for Christian for over twenty years. Being a sentimental person, he had come to see her as part of the household, almost like family.

But now, Melissa Inoked old as she was in her fifties. She looked fearful, and paranoid, like a madwoman.

Christian said, "Forget it, just throw her out

Everyone was shocked, staring at him in disbelief.

Once a decisive and harsh man in his younger days, Christian would have responded bercely to such a threat. Now, faced with a poisoning attempt, he only ordered Melissa to be expelled,

Melissa looked at him in surprise.

Jeffrey hesitated. "Mr. Berry is being lenient. You should be grateful and remember this mercy. Do not be foolish again."

Melissa immediately bowed to Christian, apologizing and thanking him repeatedly. I'm sorry. Thank you for your mercy. Please take care of yourself"

Melissa left voluntarily. Jeffrey instructed the servants to pack her belongings and hand them to her. She took some of her things and left on her

The hall returned to calm.

"Christian Matilda spoke in a gentle tone.

"Get out!" Christian cut her off coldly.

*1TII go back to work then. Take care of yourself. Before leaving, Matilda instructed the servants, Jeffrey, and Victor. "Take good care of him." Then, Matilda said to C

10 Christian, I will come visit you with Ewan,

Christian turned his head to the side and looked angry. He ignored her.

Before Matilda left, she glanced at Les again with a hint of warning.

Once out of the hull, Matilda got into her Bentley. Despite having been in an accident, the car was only cosmetically damaged and still drivable. She didn't dare leave it there.

ay, steering the car out of the large iron gates and onto the highway.

Max drove her away.

"Why didn't you inform me immediately when Christian was discharged from the hospital?" Matilda was furious, feeling a murderous fury toward him.

She had specially kept Max in the hospital as her informant. She had even left a few capable bodyguards for him.

A simple text message or a phone call could have notified her. Otherwise, he wouldn't have brought so many people to confront Lea and could have left in time.

Matilda would never have been caught red—handed by Christian, completely losing his trust. How would he view her now!

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Max immediately panicked and bowed his head in apology. If he weren't driving, he would have looked at Matilda while apologizing.

"Mr. Berry woke up so suddenly, I was with him the entire time, and when I tried to find a chance to inform you, my phone went missing. Max explained hurriedly. "Those bodyguards didn't get to come along... I had no opportunity to notify them."

The bodyguards followed orders strictly. Since Max was accompanying Christian as part of their plan, they hadn't contacted her directly or taken any action.

Matilda was furious. "Max, if you d

don't start proving your worth and showing that you can still be useful, you might as well disappear forever!"

Max replied hurriedly. "I will make amends! I promise!"

Back at the mansion, the sudden departure of M

Melissa left many affairs needing attention, so Jeffrey was busy dealing with them.

Christian instructed Victor on a few matters and let him back to the company to handle business since his current health wouldn't allow him to manage anything himself for the next few days.

The hall, now empty except for the grandfather and granddaughter, felt eerily quiet and cold

Lea grabbed her backpack from the dining room and headed towards the door. She had a displeased expression

"Stop!" Christian's voice halted her just as she reached the main entrance. "Where are you going! Your face is still injured!"

Lea turned to look at him. Her face showed a disdainful smile, and her gaze was indiferent.

She said, "I can go anywhere, just not stay here with someone who's always in danger. I value my lifer

Christian's blood pressure spiked, his vision went dark, and he almost collapsed. He hadn't died from the poison, but now his granddaughter was about to kill him with anger

"Lea" he managed to say, catching his breath and trying to steady his blood pressure. "Don't talk to me with that attitude. You're out of line... Lea walked back towards him, her fingers hooked through the straps of her backpack, laughing coldly and arrogantly. "Did I say anything wrong! Do you think Melissa is the real culprit?"

She added, "You don't think so either, do you? Otherwise, you wouldn't have just kicked her out without pursuing any further responsibility. Do you know why everyone was shocked to see you when you suddenly returned?"

She continued, "It's because the test results showed you had a severe cerebral thrombosis and were not expected to wake up anytime soon. Even if you did, you'd be paralyzed, mute, or blind. The antidote saved your life,"

Lea's expression grew serious, her eyes sharp. "Do you know where the antidote came from? I arranged for the hospital to develop that antidote ten days ago."

If it weren't for Alfred's help, ensuring Christian was not taken away by Fraley Medical and was transferred to Fraley Hospital instead, his fate would have mirrored the previous life.

Despite Lea's efforts to save Christian, he ended the matter so lightly by just expelling an innocent servant. It was disappointing and made her fear for her own safety.

Christian was completely stunned by her words. "What.. what do you mean? You arranged for the hospital to develop the antidore?"

Lea replied. "Do you remember those cats? The chemical substances were found in their bodies.

Christian was shocked. Lea had bought the cats on her first trip to the mansion with him. Ever since then, she would take food from her plate to feed the cat, even pouring some of his water into a dish for the cats.

When the cats eventually fell ill, she took them away, saying she had given them to someone else

All this time, even though Lea hadn't lived in the mansion, she had been silently and meticulously watching over him

Christian looked at her anew, as if seeing lier for the first time.

"It didn't matter if you knew about the antidote. Acting rashly would only alert the real culprit, Lea explained, seeing through his thoughts.

She continued, "In this world, only you care about my life. I still rely on you to survive, so I regard your life as important as mine?

Christian was overwhelmed with emotions. Lea's aloof demeanor seemed cold—hearted, yet her words were sincere

Lea said. "Although the reaction of cats to this chemical is different from humans and not easily noticeable, it still has harmful effects. If Melissa were the one poisoning, she wouldn't have watched me feed the cats and even helped me. It wasn't her"

She added, "The person poisoning you is still in this house. If they fail once, they'll try a second, a third... A direct attack is easy to avoid, but a hidden one is hard to defend against. Take care."

With a cold smile, Lea slung her backpack over her shoulder and turned to leave.

Christian watched her back. She was rebellious and stubborn, like a defiant child, yet exuded a solitary mistrust that pained him.

"Leal Lea "he called out, trying to stand and chase after her, but his body wavered."

Lea ignored his calls and walked out of the large iron gate. Her ride had arrived, Jason was there to pick her up.

"Mr. Berry..." Hearing his call, Jeffrey rushed over from the back garden.

Seeing Christian breathing heavily, his chest heaving, and his face flushed, Jeffrey hurried to support him. He shouted, "Someone, come quickly!"

A servant brought a cup of hot water. Jeffrey took it and offered it to Christian. "Mr. Berry, drink some water first."

Christian's trembling hand reached for the cup but stopped mid—air as Lea's words echoed in his mind. "The person poisoning you is still in this house

Jeffrey called out, "Mr. Berry**

With a steadying effort, Christian took the cup, drank a sip, and gradually calmed his breathing.

Jeffrey asked, "Are you alright? Should we return to the hospital?"

Christian replied, "No need."

He had already been given the antidote at the hospital, and another dose would soon be administered to clear any residual poison.

After Christian finished the water, Jeffrey placed the cup on the coffee table and sat beside Christian. "Mr. Berry, did you have a fight with Miss Lear"

Christian remained silent, his expression composed.

"Don't blame her. After everything that happened anyone would be scared, let alone a child. Even an adult would be frightened," Jeffrey said. Matilda was too bold. She even dared to hit Lea in the mansion. One could imagine what Matilda might do if she took Les back

Jeffrey added, "She was overly emotional and needed comfort. Once she calms down, she'll be as caring for you as before"

Christian's

anger

flared. "You know nothing, you don't understand her at all!"

Caring! She didn't even hint at the seriousness of the situation to him, not a single clue. She deliberately kept it from him.

In frustration, Christian struck the floor with his cane. "Do you think I'd argue with a child!"

At seventy, he was a respected elder.

"Yes, you're right" Jeffrey

Christian hulled.

y soothed. "It's so late. Did Miss Lea go out! Is she... running away!"

"Where could she go except school? It seems she really wants to get into Conrad University

He paused, realizing something.

into Conrad University, she would move to Iverton for her studies, becoming independent and no longer needing his support. She was If Lea go! determined to study hard to get into Conrad University and leave this house..

Thinking back to her pleading to come to the mansion and her previous attempt to leave in the rain, his heart grew heavy.

As a grandfather, Christian realized he hadn't provided Lea a home or the care and protection she deserved.

The more he thought, the more temorseful he felt

Lea had left without calling for a driver, opting to call for her own ride. Ever since the accident involving the driver who had picked! avoided using the family car. She was always wary of everything, including food and travel.

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Christian became more uneasy. He pulled out his phone and called Lea