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chapter 1721 – Let Me Write It Roxanne's speculation stunned Madilyn. "It's not an antidote?

Then what do we do now?" We've put in so much effort, yet the antidote's still unknown. Roxanne's already so weak.

There's no way she can hold on until we discover the antidote. Madilyn was at a loss for what to do. All she wished was to slip through the screen and stay by Roxanne's side.

Lucian was equally shocked, and his hatred for Jack rose to new heights. That jerk. He really has a death wish. "Let me think..."

Roxanne clenched her other hand so tightly that her nails sunk into her flesh, hoping to suppress the pain in her body.

I've got to calm down. We know the components of the poison already. I'm sure I can think of a formula to suppress the poison.

Just as she was racking her brains for a formula, her head began to hurt, and it grew increasingly painful. "There's no time for that. The poison's properties will soon overcome the antidote." Peregrine's voice rang out on the other end of the call.

Anxiousness flooded Peregrine's heart as he cast Roxanne a solemn gaze. Although they had only met once, he could not deny he was impressed with Roxanne's perseverance and medical skills.

It would be a huge loss to the medical industry if they lost someone as talented as her. That was why Peregrine was eager to find a way to cure her.

Roxanne subconsciously gripped Lucian's wrist so tightly that her nails dug into his flesh. Lucian was in pain, but he still fixed his gaze on her, looking worried and conflicted. The same thought that crossed Roxanne's mind crossed his too.

However, he could not bring himself to let Roxanne suffer so much. "I'm going to see Jack!" Lucian stood up with a grimace.

Upon hearing that, Roxanne turned her head in pain and said through gritted teeth, "No! You mustn't see him! Even if he gives me the antidote this time, it'll only make it more difficult for me to figure it out."

If we keep seeing him, he'll start to have full control over us. "Roxanne..." Lucian felt as if he was experiencing her pain. His heart ached so much that he found it hard to breathe.

Forcing a smile, Roxanne turned to Madilyn and said, "I… I think I've figured it out. Tell Old Mr. Lomax to wait in the research institute. Archie will go over in a while to help him." Then she looked at Lucian. "Lucian, get me a pen and a piece of paper."

Lucian knitted his brows. "Let me write it. I doubt you can even hold a pen in your current state." Roxanne shook her head. "

People who don't have experience with traditional medicine can easily misspell the name. Besides, traditional medicines have many homophones.

Even doctors can mishear it. Let me write it." Time was of the essence, so Lucian dared not argue. He had no choice but to quickly fetch the materials and placed them in front of her.

Roxanne fell into a deep silence for some time before writing on the piece of paper. She was so weak she had to muster all her strength to hold the pen.

No matter how focused she was, the writing still came out crooked. Lucian and the four people on the other end of the call could not help but feel worried when they saw that.

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chapter 1722 -

chapter 1722 – Contact Me Right Away Roxanne was drenched in a cold sweat from the pain.

When she was finally done writing the formula, she looked up at the screen and said, "Old Mr. Lomax, this is the formula I can think of for now.

It might be incomplete. Please help me to check it later." Peregrine nodded. "Don't worry. I'll do my best."

Roxanne flashed him a grateful smile before turning to Lucian. "Get someone to send Archie over. Be quick."

"Okay." Just as he was about to give Cayden a call, Jonathan offered, "There's no time for that! I'll go!" "Thank you," Roxanne uttered weakly.

Jonathan then rushed out of the laboratory. "Why are you sending Archie there?" Lucian pulled her into his embrace to distract her.

Roxanne was trembling from the pain, but she still managed to answer, "A-Archie remembers the order of the medicinal herbs in the research institute.

Only he can gather all the herbs using the shortest amount of time." Even Roxanne could not defeat Archie in that.

Meanwhile, Peregrine was confused about who Archie was. All he could gather was that Archie was a person with amazing memory based on Roxanne's description. While he was deep in his thoughts, he heard Madilyn shriek, "Roxanne!"

From the screen, Roxanne could be seen curled up and trembling in pain. She could barely focus on what they were saying.

A conflicted look fleeted across Lucian's eyes when he saw how much pain Roxanne was in. No matter how torturous it was for her, she still snuggled against his chest instinctively.

Realizing that, Lucian came to a decision. He held her tightly with one hand and used the other to hit the back of her neck with the right amount of force.

Immediately, Roxanne stiffened and fell silent. Lucian hugged her for a few seconds before carefully placing her on the bed and tucking her in.

"I'll go over and meet up with you guys," he said to Madilyn and the others. Madilyn nodded in acknowledgment.

Her heart ached as she watched Roxanne's furrowed brows relax. Regardless, that was a better option, as Roxanne would not feel the pain when she was unconscious.

It was better for her to be unconscious instead of enduring the pain in a conscious state. As Lucian marched out of the ward, he told Zayne to call in the experts.

"I'm going out for a while. Please take care of Roxanne. Make sure to contact me right away if anything happens."

Lucian's attitude had softened a little compared to the last time. Of course, the experts were fully aware of the reason for his sudden change in attitude.

hey nodded fervently. "Don't worry, Mr. Farwell. We'll take good care of her."

Lucian turned around and gazed at the woman on the bed before striding into the elevator with the formula she had just written.

At the same time, Jonathan had arrived at the Farwell residence. The manor was brightly lit. Although there were three children about the age of six in the house, the atmosphere felt incredibly gloomy.

Thinking of the reason for that made Jonathan's heart ache, and every step he took felt heavy. The moment he arrived at the entrance, the door opened automatically. Lucian must've given Catalina a call. Jonathan recollected himself before walking in.

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chapter 1723 -

chapter 1723 – Go With You "Hello, Mr. Queen." As soon as Jonathan stepped into the house, Catalina greeted him with a troubled look.

"The children are upstairs. I have no idea what happened these two days. Mr. and Mrs. Farwell haven't been back, and the children are in a bad mood."

Of course, Jonathan was aware of the reason for their bad mood. He looked up at the second floor, only to feel worse.

For a moment, he did not know how to break the news to them. However, time was of the essence. He had no time to hesitate.

Nodding at Catalina, Jonathan said, "I'll go upstairs and check on them." Catalina murmured a response in acknowledgement.

Jonathan strode upstairs. At that moment, the three children were sitting in the bedroom, looking dejected.

Estella cast Archie an uneasy look. "Archie, I'm scared. What happened to Mommy? Why isn't she home yet?"

Archie knitted his brows and comforted her, "Don't be scared. Mommy said she's just having a fever. Besides, Daddy will take good care of her. Don't you trust Daddy?"

A look of hesitation flashed across Estella's and Benny's eyes. They trusted Lucian.

However, Roxanne did not look like she was having a fever. Moreover, they had not been able to contact her for the past few days.

Taking in his siblings' worried faces, Archie pursed his lips and racked his brains for a solution. He had promised Lucian he would take good care of Benny and Estella, which included their physical and emotional health.

While his mind was racing, a knock sounded on the door. Archie got down from the bed and opened the door, only to feel dejected at the sight of the person standing there. "What's the matter, Mr. Queen?" Jonathan's heart sank with worry when he saw how crestfallen the children looked.

Regardless, he still feigned nonchalance and said to Archie, "I have something to tell you. Come, take a walk with me." Vaguely sensing it had something to do with Roxanne, Archie nodded without hesitation and walked out.

"I want to go too!" Both Benny and Estella hopped off the bed and ran up to the door.

"You two stay at home. I just need Archie to help me with something," Jonathan said, looking troubled.

"I'll be back soon. Stay at home, okay? What if Mommy comes back later?" Archie chimed in. Unfortunately, the other two were unconvinced.

Benny and Estella stared at them indignantly. "No! We want to go with you! What if you leave and never come back like Daddy and Mommy?"

Jonathan's heart skipped a beat. He parted his lips, but he could say nothing to refute. Archie frowned and turned to Jonathan to seek his opinion on the matter.

Meeting the three children's pitiful gazes, Jonathan said in resignation, "All right, I'll take all of you out." Hopefully Lucian's at the research institute by the time we arrive. I really can bear to tell them the truth, let alone lie to them.

When the four of them went down the stairs, Catalina approached with a huge thermal container. "I've prepared some food, Mr. Queen.

It's late. Bring this over and have it with Mr. and Mrs. Farwell." Jonathan's eyes grew teary. He nodded silently and accepted the container.

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chapter 1724 -

chapter 1724 – An Error In Judgment With the children in tow, Jonathan set off from the manor.

The three little ones were very obedient along the way and remained silent. Jonathan hesitated for a while before finally deciding to call Lucian, who answered the phone after just a few rings. "What is it, Jonathan?"

"Lucian, I... I went to pick up Archie, but Benny and Essie insisted on tagging along too, so I brought them all with me..." he said nervously.

After all, he had made the call to bring Benny and Estella along without knowing whether it would end up causing more trouble.

He thought Lucian would have a few stern words for him, but to his surprise, the latter was quiet for a few seconds before calmly giving his consent.

"Okay, got it. Put the call on speaker so I can talk to them." Jonathan breathed a sigh of relief, then immediately turned on the speakerphone and said to the children, "Your daddy wants to chat with you."

The trio's eyes lit up when they heard that. They leaned forward eagerly as though they could see Lucian through the screen and said, "Daddy!

How's Mommy?" Their question sent a sharp pang shooting through Jonathan's heart. He clenched his jaw and stared straight ahead, studiously trying not to catch a glimpse of the kids' innocent faces.

On the other end of the line, Lucian also fell silent for several seconds before answering evasively, "Her condition has gotten a little bit more serious, but she has written out the prescription.

We just need Archie's help to gather the medicinal herbs. You don't have to be too worried." Lucian's response made Benny and Estella feel slightly more at ease. We're confident in Mommy's medical skills. Since she has prepared the prescription, everything will be okay!

"Will we be able to see Mommy when we're there?" they asked expectantly. Lucian's eyes darkened. "She's waiting at the hospital. You need to come straight to the research institute." The children were a little disappointed to hear that, but they knew it was not the time to whine.

They had no choice but to agree obediently. "Remember to be good when you arrive so that you don't cause trouble for Archie," Lucian reminded them in a deep voice. In their piping voices, Benny and Estella replied, "We will."

Lucian did not say anything more to them after that. He merely said to Jonathan, "That's all, then. I'll wait for you guys at the research institute."

Jonathan murmured an acknowledgment and ended the call. Lucian put away his phone and strode into the research institute where Peregrine, Madilyn, and Linda were waiting for him.

"You're here, Mr. Farwell." Upon seeing him walk in, Madilyn asked anxiously, "How's Roxanne now? Is someone watching over her?"

Lucian nodded. "I've instructed the specialists to watch over her." Then, he turned to Peregrine and handed him the prescription Roxanne had written. "Old Mr. Lomax, here's the prescription Roxanne came up with just now. Please have a look at it."

The older man took it and studied it for a few minutes with a heightening look of interest in his gaze.

Roxanne drafted this prescription in such a short span of time and while afflicted by a deadly poison. I was almost at my wit's end, but this young lady is surprisingly amazing!

Although there appear to be a few flaws here and there, this prescription covers the main components. All I need to do is add a few other medicinal herbs to strengthen the body and reduce any risks.

After reading until the end, he exclaimed, "I knew I didn't make an error in judgment!" The others looked at him in confusion.

Turning to Lucian, Peregrine said in a tone of awe and admiration, "You've found yourself a treasure, my boy! That girl is a genius indeed!"

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chapter 1725 -

chapter 1725 – Gather The Medicinal Herbs Lucian smiled grimly at the mention of Roxanne.

"I'll just need your help to check that there are no mistakes with the medicinal herbs." Peregrine nodded and asked Linda for a pen.

Then, he scribbled a few more medicinal herbs at the bottom. As he wrote, he clicked his tongue in admiration. "She's truly talented.

What a genius! I can't believe she figured out that the antidote from Jack was only a medicine to delay the effects of the poison and even managed to work out an antidote based on that. Impressive!"

His words of praise for Roxanne did nothing to lift Madilyn's spirits. Even if she's a genius, she still didn't manage to escape from experiencing such pain.

Soon, Peregrine had finished tweaking the prescription. Linda was so anxious that she stood up and suggested, "Since Archie isn't hee yet, why don't I help prep some of the herbs first?"

"These medicinal herbs listed here aren't very common, so you must be careful. Make sure not to take the wrong ones," Peregrine cautioned while handing her the prescription.

She hummed in acknowledgment. When she lowered her head and glanced at the prescription, however, she was somewhat dumbfounded.

I assumed Old Mr. Lomax meant that only a few aren't that common. This prescription contains over twenty medicinal herbs, but I never thought they'd all be rarely used herbs!

Although I've worked at the research institute for some time, I've been handling more administrative matters for the most part.

That's why I'm not very familiar with where each medicinal herb is stored, and the ones I do recall aren't even listed here.

Afraid that she would only create more of a mess for Roxanne, Linda had no choice but to abandon her good intentions and gloomily return the prescription to Peregrine. "I'm sorry, Old Mr. Lomax. Let's wait for Archie to get here first."

Peregrine drew his brows together in confusion. "Our research institute has hundreds of medicinal herbs. We had them sorted and categorized previously, but finding these twenty-old rare medicinal herbs is still a little difficult for me. Only Archie can remember where they are," Linda explained.

The mention of Archie's name again piqued Peregrine's curiosity further. "Who's this Archie?" Linda's eyes flitted to Lucian.

"He's my and Roxanne's son," Lucian answered. Peregrine nodded in understanding. "Ah, no wonder! Children of parents with brilliant minds usually turn outto be gifted as well."

adilyn's expression changed slightly, and she glanced at Lucian suspiciously. From his tone, it sounds as though he already knows Archie and Benny are his children. On second thought, that isn't very likely.

Roxanne shouldn't have had the chance to tell him. He probably only said that because he has genuinely accepted them as his own.

As that thought crossed her mind, she felt a wave of bittersweet sadness wash over her. It's the day we've finally been waiting for! Oh, I do hope nothing happens to Roxanne!

The group continued waiting anxiously for Archie to arrive. Ten minutes later, a flurry of footsteps sounded from the corridor.

Everyone in the laboratory sprang to their feet in unison and rushed to the door. There, they saw Jonathan hurrying toward them with the three children.

Jonathan was walking so fast that the kids had to jog to keep up with him, yet they did not complain about feeling tired.

"Daddy!" Spotting Lucian at the door, Benny and Estella sped up and threw themselves into his arms.

Archie, however, restrained himself and hung back. He looked at Madilyn and said, "Aunt Madilyn, let's go and gather the medicinal herbs."

I haven't forgotten why I'm here, and I understand just how urgent the situation is. Otherwise, it wouldn't have been necessary to send Mr. Queen to get me in the middle of the night.

Seeing him put on a strong and mature front made Madilyn emotional, and she was quiet for several seconds. Then, she forced a smile and held out a hand to take his.

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chapter 1726 -

chapter 1726 – The Bond Linda led the way while Peregrine trailed behind the trio, staring at Archie curiously.

This little thing can't be more than five or six years old, but he's already amazing. Sure enough, the apple never falls far from the tree!

While on their way to the warehouse, Archie asked glumly, "Aunt Madilyn, is my mommy very sick?"

At the sound of his voice, she stopped walking and lowered her gaze to glance at him, only to see him looking up at her with worry etched across his innocent, little face.

Patting his head, she sidestepped the question. "As long as you can help us, your mommy will be fine. There's nothing to worry about."

He did not say anything. I can tell from Aunt Madilyn's expression that Mommy is seriously ill this time. I've got to do what I can to help!

is question made Madilyn even more anxious to the point where she could not stop herself from leaning over to pick Archie up in her arms and continue walking at a quicker pace. Instantly understanding what Madilyn was thinking, Linda also sped up in front of them. The four of them hurried all the way to the warehouse.

Referring to the prescription Peregrine gave him, Archie began reciting the locations of the medicinal herbs according to the list. "Second warehouse, third row, fifth compartment. First warehouse, topmost row, third compartment from the left. Fifth warehouse, last row, first compartment."

He gave clear and precise locations for every medicinal herb needed. Linda and Madilyn were in charge of searching for the medicinal herbs while Peregrine was responsible for weighing them out.

Thanks to their seamless teamwork, they succeeded in gathering all the medicinal herbs after one hour.

Then, Peregrine checked through each one of them again. After making sure there were no mistakes, he stroked Archie's hair and sighed in relief.

"My child, you're so smart!" The boy looked up at him. "You're a very skilled doctor, aren't you?"

Peregrine's expression softened when he heard Archie's cute voice. "Your mother is also a very skilled doctor."

"But Mommy's not well now. Are you able to cure her?" Archie asked, gazing at the elderly man in earnest. Those words touched a chord in Peregrine's heart, and he vowed solemnly, "I'll try my best!"

Archie bowed to Peregrine politely. "Thank you." Peregrine gazed at the boy affectionately. He was now even more determined to cure Roxanne. After checking the medicinal herbs, Peregrine wasted no time in leading a team to start researching the antidote.

Archie sat in a corner and waited restlessly. Meanwhile, Lucian and Jonathan stayed with Benny and Estella in the laboratory. They were all feeling downcast.

"Daddy, what's the matter with Mommy?" Estella grew impatient and turned to Lucian with a pitiful expression, hoping to get an answer.

Lucian lowered his gaze, and his eyes darkened. Nonetheless, he maintained a calm and collected demeanor. "She's fine. Don't you trust that her prescription will work?"

Knitting her brows, Estella thought about it carefully. She nodded at first, then shook her head.

"I trust Mommy's capabilities, but I still have a bad feeling here," she replied, pointing at her heart while looking upset.

Lucian widened his eyes when he saw that. Jonathan, on the other hand, could not help averting his gaze.

So, that's the bond between a mother and her children. Despite everything we've done, it's still difficult to hide from these kids that Roxanne is in critical condition. However, who would have the heart to tell them the cruel truth?

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chapter 1727 -

chapter 1727 – Thank You For Your Help "She's going to be fine," Lucian said. Even he was at a loss for how to break the truth to the children.

If Roxanne were conscious, she wouldn't want the kids to worry about her. Although he did not really answer the question, his answer confirmed what Estella said.

The little ones vaguely guessed that something serious had happened to their mother. Estella bowed her head, too disconsolate to talk.

Benny was also upset, but because Roxanne had been the one who brought him up all this while, he was used to being strong.

"I'm sorry. If I'd put in the effort to pick up some medical knowledge from Mommy, I wouldn't be so powerless to help now," he uttered softly, blaming himself.

At least Archie can help with finding the medicinal herbs. However, all I can do is sit here and wait. When Lucian heard Benny reproach himself, he frowned and patted his head comfortingly.

"Waiting here quietly like this is already the biggest help you can give Mommy and Daddy."

Benny's eyes reddened. Bowing his head in embarrassment, he said softly, "I wonder how Mommy's doing. In any case, Archie is very capable. I'm sure he'll be able to help Mommy."

Lucian's heart ached as he crouched down and hugged Benny. Roxanne is in critical condition, and the children are worried sick. Now, Benny is blaming himself. I really don't know how else to comfort them.

Held in Lucian's arms, Benny finally shed his strong front and revealed his vulnerable side. He rested his head against Lucian's shoulder and secretly wiped his tears.

"I want Daddy to hug me too!" Estella rushed over to Lucian pitifully with reddened eyes and nose. She made for a heart-rending sight indeed.

Stretching out his other arm, he wrapped the little girl in a tight embrace. "Don't be scared. I'm here. I won't let anything happen to Mommy.

You have my word." Leaning against him, the two children nodded while sobbing. The pair had been in tense spirits the past few days.

Now, they could finally release their emotions and bawl their eyes out. The crying eventually exhausted them, and they fell asleep in Lucian's arms.

Even though they were asleep, their tears kept flowing, and they would let out choked sobs from time to time.

Lucian lifted a hand and carefully wiped away their tears. "Roxanne will surely be fine," Jonathan murmured. Even he, a grown man, could not help tearing up, and his voice sounded a little hoarse.

Lucian gave a slight nod, then raised his head abruptly to look at his friend. "Thank you for your help with this whole situation."

Jonathan frowned and did not look too pleased. "How many times have I told you? We're practically family. There's no need to thank me. Moreover, Roxanne is my family's benefactor, so I'm only doing what I should be by helping her."

"If you hadn't helped to find Old Mr. Lomax, I'm afraid there wouldn't have been anyone else who could help Roxanne develop the antidote. And even if someone else were to do it, I wouldn't be comfortable with it,"

Lucian continued in a low voice as though he had not heard a word Jonathan said. Jonathan has been following Old Mr. Lomax around tirelessly ever since the latter got here.

Those words triggered a frown from Jonathan. "If Roxanne hadn't saved my grandfather back then, he would've passed away already. Anyway, now isn't the time to be talking about all that. Calm down, Lucian. Roxanne is going to be okay."

Having grown up with Lucian, I understand him all too well. He wouldn't be so easily affected if it wasn't because he's in extreme emotional turmoil

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chapter 1728 -

chapter 1728 – Hang On For A While Lucian went silent for a few seconds and glanced at Benny and Estella before massaging his temple.

I'm indeed panicking. I wonder how Roxanne is doing now. "Luckily, you're here." With Benny and Estella in his arms, Lucian stood up and thanked Jonathan once again.

However, his tone was not as courteous as before. "I'm losing my composure, but thanks to your reminder, I've managed to calm myself down again."

Jonathan heaved a sigh of relief. "I've never seen you so anxious before. Don't worry. Roxanne is surely going to be fine."

Having grown up with Lucian, Jonathan knew Lucian had only ever been cold and composed. If I didn't know him well enough to notice the slightest hints of emotion in his gaze, I would've thought he was an emotionless robot. I've never seen him show so much emotion.

Jonathan glanced at the kids in Lucian's arms and thought about Roxanne, who was lying on the hospital bed.

Oh! Maybe love can really soften one's heart. "Look after them for a while. I need to make a phone call." Lucian passed the kids to Jonathan.

Jonathan looked at those adorable kids and carefully carried them in his arms. How should I hold them?

If I hold them too tightly, I might wake them up. If I don't hold them tight enough, however, I might drop them! Feeling helpless, Jonathan ended up squatting down slowly.

After that, he shot Lucian a wary look and asked, "Who are you calling? You're calling Jack, are you? Roxanne won't like it if she finds out about it!"

Jonathan had heard their conversation through the phone just now, so he knew the consequences would be severe if Lucian were to look for Jack.

Lucian shook his head in a placid manner. "I'm just going to call the hospital to ask about Roxanne." Jonathan stared at Lucian dubiously for a few seconds before feeling more at ease. "Go on, then. I'll look after the kids."

Lucian nodded and left. The moment he arrived outside, he took out his phone and called the hospital director.

At that moment, Zayne was sitting in the ward and keeping a close eye on Roxanne. He was startled, and he almost dropped his phone when he received Lucian's call. Upon regaining his composure a few seconds later, he picked up the call. "Yes, Mr. Farwell?"

Although he knew Roxanne was unconscious, he still spoke softly as though he was afraid of waking her up.

"How's Roxanne?" Lucian asked in a deep voice. Zayne grew nervous when he looked at Roxanne's furrowed brows and the readings on the instruments next to her.

"Mrs. Farwell seems stable at the moment," he answered. Although the readings are going up, I can tell that she is hanging on. After all, the readings ore going up at a slow pace. She should be able to hang on fora while longer.

Lucian fell silent for several seconds. Zayne stared at the screens unblinkingly, fearing that things would worsen in the next few minutes.

Right then, Lucian piped up, "All right. Continue monitoring her." With that, he hung up the phone.

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chapter 1729 -

chapter 1729 – Worsening Upon ending the call, Lucian went back to the laboratory. He managed to calm himself down after knowing that Roxanne was okay for the time being.

As soon as he entered the laboratory, he saw Estella grabbing Jonathan's sleeves pitifully and asking in her piping voice, "Mr. Queen, is Mommy okay already? When will she recover?"

Looking flustered, Jonathan held a child in each arm and tried his best to console them. For some reason, Benny and Estella seemed to be able to sense something because, when Lucian was olding them, they were sleeping soundly.

The second Lucian left, they woke up groggily, and a few seconds later, they started throwing questions at Jonathan. Jonathan was at his wits' end. "Your mommy is going to be fine. You guys have only been asleep for a few minutes. Don't worry..."

As soon as he finished speaking, he saw Estella tearing up. Jonathan panicked. He had no idea how to comfort them. Just as he was starting to feel overwhelmed, he saw Lucian walking in. "You're finally back, Lucian!" said Jonathan after breathing a sigh of relief. If he doesn't come back, I think I'll really drop to my knees and beg the kids to calm themselves down.

Lucian nodded gratefully in response. "Thank you." This time, Jonathan was eager to get the kids off of his hands. The kids look like angels! But who would've thought that they could be so hard to handle?

Although I understand how they feel, I really don't know how to deal with them. They had me beaten within minutes! "Daddy!"

Upon hearing Lucian's voice, Benny and Estella instantly wiggled out of Jonathan's arms and ran toward Lucian.

Lucian bent down to carry them in his arms. Seeing how red their eyes were, he comforted them gently, "I've already called to ask about Mommy. She's fine. Don't cry anymore, okay? Mommy's going to be sad if she finds out how much you guys have been crying."

"Okay... W-We'll stop crying," the kids choked out and nodded before wiping their tears dry. Jonathan heard what Lucian said and shot Lucian a concerned look.

When he saw Lucian nodding back at him, he finally felt at ease. However, he couldn't help glancing at his watch. It's already nine-something, and we still haven't heard from Old Mr. Lomax.

I'm dying to ask if they can develop the antidote by tonight, but I don't want to interrupt their research.

Jonathan forced himself to settle down when he saw the state Lucian and the kids were in. They are way more anxious than I am. As the only outsider here, I really should stay collected.

Time ticked by, and instead of hearing from Peregrine, Lucian received a phone call from the hospital. Lucian's expression turned grim instantly when he saw the caller ID on his phone.

"Mr. Farwell, Mrs. Farwell is..." Zayne's anxious voice sounded from the other end as soon as Lucian answered the phone.

At that moment, Roxanne's face had gone pale, and she was sweating bullets. At the same time, the readings on the instruments were soaring uncontrollably.

Before Zayne could even finish his sentence, Lucian could already guess what he was going to say. Roxanne's condition is worsening!

Lucian looked at the kids in his arms and suppressed his emotions. In a deep voice, he answered, "Okay."

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chapter 1730 -

chapter 1730 – What Are You Here For Lucian hung up the phone straightaway.

In the hospital, Zayne was panicking and at a loss. In the laboratory, Benny and Estella seemed to have sensed something was amiss.

They quickly gripped Lucian's shirt and asked, "Daddy, what happened to Mommy?" His eyes darkening, Lucian replied, "Nothing.

That call was regarding work. Stay here with Mr. Queen. I have to go to the office." Jonathan, Benny, and Estella were filled with doubt when they heard that.

Jonathan, especially, could tell that something was wrong by the look on Lucian's face, and his heart sank. Lucian passed Benny and Estella to him and walked out of the laboratory.

"Lucian!" Jonathan chased after Lucian. Lucian was walking so fast that he reached the end of the corridor when Jonathan was just about to go after him.

Seeing that, Jonathan turned around and said to the kids, "Stay here. I have something to say to yourdaddy."

With that, he dashed toward the corner of the corridor. Lucian had obviously heard Jonathan, but he had no intention of stopping.

In desperation, Jonathan had no choice but to grab Lucian's arm. "Lucian, calm down. It's not the time to look for Jack yet!"

Lucian turned around to gaze at Jonathan with a grim expression and said calmly, "I'm going to the hospital to check things out.

Help me keep an eye on the situation here. Call me if something comes up." Jonathan loosened his grip when he heard that.

If he's only going to the hospital, that means... "Unless there are no other options, you mustn't look for Jack! No one knows what he's plotting against you guys!" Jonathan reminded worriedly. "I know."

Only then did Jonathan let go of Lucian's arm, watch Lucian leave the research institute, and go back to calm the kids down.

Upon leaving the research institute, Lucian sped toward the hospital. Along the way, Zayne's hesitant words filled his mind, and he felt restless.

After some time, Lucian finally arrived at entrance of the hospital. He floored the brakes and rushed into the hospital without bothering to lock the car door.

With his unsteady steps, he made his way out of the elevator and walked toward the ward. "Mr. Farwell," Zayne greeted.

The specialists had already helped to relieve Roxanne's pain. Since there was nothing Zayne could do, he could only wait outside the ward anxiously.

When Zayne saw Lucian, he could feel the temperature in the corridor plummeting, and he couldn't help shivering.

Lucian glanced at the ward before landing his gaze on Zayne. "How is she?" Zayne lowered his head and said cautiously, "The specialists are trying to come up with solutions.

I'm not too sure about her current—" Before he could finish his sentence, he was grabbed by the collar.

"You're not sure? What are you here for, then?" Lucian exuded a malevolent aura, looking like a devil from hell. "Once this is over, I think you should resign!"

Zayne was so intimidated that he was gasping for air. While his legs were trembling, he stammered, "M-Mr. Farwell, perhaps you should check on Mrs. Farwell first...

She's—" "I don't need you to tell me that!" Lucian tossed the hospital director aside and strode into the ward.

The moment he entered the ward, he became calm again as if he was afraid of disturbing the person inside.

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chapter 1731 -

chapter 1731 – Marriage Registration In the ward, the specialists were all too busy to greet Lucian.

Roxanne was in critical condition, and the specialists couldn't stop her blood vessels from hardening.

If her veins were to rupture, she could die. Upon seeing the situation in the room, Lucian didn't dare to approach the bed. Instead, he could only watch Roxanne from afar.

Roxanne looked as pale as a sheet, and her lips looked as though they were completely drained of blood. With her fringe soaked in beads of cold sweat, she looked so weak and fragile.

Meanwhile, Jack was sitting in his office at Damaris Group, and his assistant was standing in front of him fearfully.

"What time is it now?" Jack asked in a cold tone. That was the third time Jack had asked for the time that night.

Kevin lifted his hand to check his watch before answering cautiously, "Mr. Damaris, it's already ten." "Ten..."

Jack narrowed his eyes, and his expression turned cold. That's two hours until the day ends! By now, the effect of the drug on Roxanne's body should have passed, and she should be suffering from severe pain now.

She's going to die in two hours' time! Is Lucian really not going to beg me for mercy?

Right then, Jack suddenly thought of something, and his expression darkened. "Did they perhaps develop the antidote?" he murmured to himself.

As soon as he said that, he shook his head. "That's impossible. I spent so much time and did countless experiments formulating that poison. They can't possibly create an antidote for it within a day! Even Roxanne can't do that!"

Roxanne's life was in danger. Jack knew she wouldn't have the energy to develop the antidote. Those bunch of idiots Lucian found don't have the capability to do it. The only possibility is that Lucian and Roxanne are still foolishly trying to fight this!

Jack sneered, "Let's see how long you guys can afford to wait!" He raised the bottle of solution in his hand and looked at it with satisfaction.

As long as Lucian comes to beg me today, Roxanne will have an even harder time developing the antidote. After all, I've added so many substances in the formula that slow down the poison!

Jack's mood lightened up after he stared at the solution for a while longer. He then glanced at Kevin and asked, "Any progress regarding the matter I asked you to investigate?"

Jack had ordered Kevin to investigate Lucian's marriage after his phone call with Roxanne in the morning. If Lucian dares to play tricks on me with that matter, he's surely going to do the same for the other two matters!

Kevin dropped his head even lower and replied weakly, "Well, Mr. Farwell... I couldn't find the records of Mr. Farwell's marriage registration at the City Hall. The Lane family also hasn't responded yet."

In other words, that marriage certificate was most likely a fake. "He lied to me!" Jack tightened his grip on that bottle of solution, his face flushed with anger. "How about those ten subsidiary companies? Have they done the transfer procedures?"

Kevin was so afraid Jack would take his anger out on him that he desperately wished for the ground toswallow him up. "Not yet.

They said Mr. Farwell must show up in person. However..." I've been conned! The atmosphere in the office became extremely tense all of a sudden.

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chapter 1732 -

chapter 1732 – No Reason To Refuse At ten-thirty that night, Jack still hadn't heard anything from Lucian, and he was starting to feel frustrated. Did they really develop the antidote?

At that moment, Jack's mind was filled with doubts. While he was starting to feel upset, his phone that was on the table rang.

Jack froze momentarily and turned to see the caller ID on his phone. When he saw that it was Lucian calling him, his expression softened, and he sneered, "Well, some things are inevitable."

He ignored his ringing phone and walked around the office with his hands behind his back. In the end, he stopped and stood still in front of the floor-to-ceiling windows.

Jack was on cloud nine as he overlooked the view of Horington and listened to the phone ring. "Mr. Damaris, are you not answering Mr. Farwell's call?"

Kevin asked puzzledly. Mr. Damaris has been waiting for that phone call the entire night. Why is he not answering the phone at once now that Mr. Farwell is calling him?

Jack turned around unhappily and glared at Kevin. "Are you stupid? He's only calling now because he's at his wits' end. So what if I want him to feel desperate for a while longer?" Jack wanted Lucian to feel hopeless and miserable because Lucian had tricked him.

When the phone stopped ringing, Kevin looked at Jack's expression cautiously. There, he saw Jack looking slightly tense.

Evidently, Jack wasn't sure if Lucian would call him again. Once again, tension built up in the office.

Right when Kevin was figuring out ways to get out of there, his phone suddenly rang. He whipped it out and saw that Lucian was calling him on his phone.

"Mr. Damaris!" Kevin immediately walked up to Jack. Jack swept a glance at the phone and answered it.

"Hello, Mr. Farwell! It seems that you're a forgetful person! Didn't I say the poison is going to act up tonight? Why are you only calling me now?" he teased the moment he answered the call.

On the other end of the phone call, Lucian ignored Jack's sarcastic remarks and asked, "Where are you?" Jack let out a cold snort. "I told you, didn't I? I'm the only person in the world who can develop the antidote.

Since you don't believe me, why are you looking for me now? Besides, we're both businessmen. Don't you think you're untrustworthy, Mr. Farwell?"

A dark glint flashed across Lucian's eyes when he heard that. While looking at Roxanne, who was suffering in the ward, he gritted his teeth and asked, "What do you want? I can double whatever you asked for the last time around!"

"Have you only realized how dire the situation is? It's too late now." With an insidious look in his eyes, Jack added, "I'm sure you know I'm a fastidious person, Mr. Farwell. Since you've tricked me, I think you should pay the price!"

In a deep voice, Lucian replied, "As long as you give me the antidote, I'm willing to do whatever you want. I swear on Roxanne's life!"

Jack was convinced because he knew how much Roxanne meant to Lucian. He raised his brows smugly and said, "Well, since you've said so, I have no reason to refuse your request."

After a brief pause, Jack continued in a meaningful tone, "After all, I've been looking forward to working together with Ms. Jarvis."

Lucian didn't want to waste time talking nonsense, so he asked, "Where are you now? I'll go over to you!"

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chapter 1733 -

chapter 1733 – Lucian Has To Come Jack lowered his gaze to look at the view outside the window before saying casually, "Damaris Group. I'm in my office."

"All right. I'll head over now. Please prepare the antidote, Mr. Damaris," Lucian answered unhesitatingly. Right when Lucian was about to hang up the phone, Jack said, "

Oh! I forgot to mention that Ms. Jarvis doesn't have much time left. If you want to make it here in time, you must arrive within twenty minutes."

Lucian was already on the move, and he was walking when he said, "I'll make it in time."

Even if Jack had only given him ten minutes, Lucian would still find a way to get there on time. A frigid look flashed across Jack's eyes when he heard Lucian agreeing to it so willingly.

He added, "By the way, the elevators in my company broke down a couple of days ago. You'll have to take the stairs later, Mr. Farwell. Remember that you must be here within twenty minutes!"

Lucian's expression turned solemn when he heard that. However, he wasted no time in agreeing, "Do you still have other requests, Mr. Damaris?

If that's all, I'll be on my way." "I guess I shouldn't hold you up any longer. I'll wait for you on the top floor," Jack said smugly.

With that, he hung up the phone. While overlooking Horington, Jack imagined how disheveled Lucian would look as he climbed the stairs.

He suddenly laughed out loud and said, "How dare you trick me, Lucian! I'm going to show you what it feels like to get toyed with! I'll make you endure your humiliation in silence like a lowly being." Kevin grew anxious when he saw Jack behaving like a maniac. Right then, Jack turned around and asked in displeasure, "Why are you not laughing?

Kevin trembled and looked around guiltily, not knowing how to react. I can't bring myself to laugh...

"The almighty CEO of Farwell Group is now a clown who's getting walked all over by me! He has to do whatever I say! He knows I'm toying with him, but he doesn't have the balls to reject me! How is that not funny?"

Jack looked like an utter madman. "Laugh! When Lucian gets here later, I want you to put on a haughty look!"

Kevin knew Jack was demanding him to do so, so he had no choice but to squeeze out a smile. Jack only went back to his desk satisfyingly after seeing his assistant smile. Having gained the upper hand,

Jack played with the bottle of improved antidote in his hand and waited for Lucian to arrive. In front of him was a screen showing the surveillance camera directed at the main entrance of Damaris Group.

"Twenty minutes, Lucian. You better not be late." Jack glanced at the time at the bottom corner of the screen before shifting his gaze back to the center of the screen and staring at it. If Lucian is late by a minute, I'll get to torture him again! Now, he's completely at my mercy!

Time ticked by, and over ten minutes had passed in the blink of an eye. Yet, Lucian still hadn't appeared on the screen.

Seeing that Lucian had yet to show up, Jack became flustered once again. Why is Lucian not here yet? Is he even coming? Judging by his tone when he was on the phone with me just now, it's safe to assume that Roxanne's life is in danger.

Besides, they can't possibly have the antidote! Lucian has to come! With that thought in his mind, Jack forced himself to stay calm and waited for Lucian to appear on the screen.

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chapter 1734 -

chapter 1734 – Is This How You Behave Jack waited for twenty-five minutes, but there was still no sign of Lucian.

Jack's face turned grim. Looks like Lucian is not coming. Earlier during our phone call, he made a solemn vow and claimed that he would be willing to do anything, but that doesn't seem to be the case now.

His feelings for Roxanne are nothing more than a joke! "Mr. Damaris, half an hour has gone by, and Mr. Farwell isn't here yet.

Do you think I should give him a call?" asked Kevin gingerly. Jack answered coldly, "Yes." Kevin immediately took out his phone and called Lucian.

Yet, Lucian hung up the phone without speaking a word. Kevin stared at his phone before looking up at his boss.

All he saw was Jack's contorted look. The tense atmosphere in the office was unbearable. "Lucian! That swine! How dare he fool me again!"

Jack cursed through gritted teeth. "One of these days, I'll make sure he kneels down in front of me and beg me!"

Kevin wished that he could get away from there, but he sensed Jack looking at him. In the end, he had no choice but to ask, "Mr. Damaris, what should we do now?"

There's still another hour to go!" Jack raised his voice as he glanced at the time. "I don't believe they can come up with the antidote!

We shall continue to wait!" If Lucian did not come and beg him, he would wait and receive the news of Roxanne's demise!

Kevin secretly let out a sigh of relief when he saw Jack turn away. He then looked around the office for an excuse to get out of there.

Just as he was panicking, he saw something flying nearer and nearer to the Damaris Group building. It looked like a helicopter.

"Mr. Damaris, what do you think that is?" He quickly brought that to Jack's attention. Naturally, Jack also noticed the helicopter that was getting nearer.

He squinted his eyes for a few seconds and saw that the helicopter seemed to have the Farwell Group marking on it. "Lucian! You're here after all!"

Jack smirked arrogantly when he saw the logo. As the helicopter disappeared from his sight, he sat down and crossed his legs.

Lucian must be worried that he cannot make it in time. That's why he has arranged for a helicopter to send him over here!

Jack knew that he was the only one who could save Roxanne! Everything was within his control! Realizing that, Jack was exhilarated.

In fact, he was willing to overlook Lucian's tardiness. Once Lucian showed up, he would take his time and humiliate him!

Just as he was planning on ways to torture Lucian, there was a commotion outside his office door. It did not sound as if someone was knocking on the door. In fact, it sounded as if someone was trying to smash the door.

Jack's expression turned cold, and he looked at Kevin. "Go and take a look!" Kevin was also a little shaken up when he heard the commotion outside the door. However, he had no wish to stay in the office any longer, so he did as he was told.

The moment Kevin opened the door, he came face to face with Lucian, who looked cold and austere. Standing next to Lucian were two body guards dressed in black who were prepared to kick the office door down.

They stopped only because Kevin opened the door. "Mr. Farwell, is this how you behave when you beg someone?"

Jack stood up slowly and eyed his visitors with a hint of caution. Nevertheless, he was feeling high and mighty at that moment.

Lucian looked at him without any expression and strolled into his office. Jack found his expression odd.

He frowned and asked, "Are you planning to take it away by force?"

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chapter 1735 -

chapter 1735 – He Still Dares To Hit Me Seeing that Lucian was getting closer to him, Jack was enraged.

He warned, "Let me warn you. Only I can make the antidote. If you dare to do anything rash, don't ever come to me for any antidotes in the future!"

The instant he finished talking, Lucian was already standing right in front of him. Lucian punched him in his abdomen.

Jack groaned and doubled over in pain. His hands instinctively held his tummy, and he began to sweat profusely. "W-What are you trying to do?"

asked Jack in shock when Lucian struck him without saying a single word. Before Jack could finish talking, another punch landed on his face.

He could taste blood in his mouth instantly. Before Jack could react, Lucian's punches rained down on all of his vital body parts.

Jack was in so much pain that he could not retaliate. He could only put up with the beatings. "Mr. Farwell! What are you doing?

Stop!" Kevin cried out in a hurry and wanted to stop Lucian from beating his boss. However, the moment he took one step, the two bodyguards held onto his shoulders and stopped him from going forward.

Just as he struggled to break free, he heard the sound of things falling to the ground. He turned and saw that Jack fell onto the table after getting kicked by Lucian. As a result, the things on the table fell to the ground.

There was even a distinct shoeprint on Jack's chest! Kevin took one look at Jack and Lucian before he stopped struggling.

Jack might be terrifying when he got provoked. Unfortunately, Lucian was so much worse, and it caused a chill to run down Kevin's spine!

Jack spat out the blood in his mouth before laughing out loud in anger. There was a crazed look in his eyes. "How dare you hit me!

Are you planning not to save Roxanne? I think your feelings for her are only as such! If that's the case, she's better off dead!"

Jack began coughing and laughing crazily. He looked like someone who had lost his mind.

He had thought that the mention of Roxanne would spark some reactions from Lucian, but all he could hear was his own laughter in the office.

Jack's heart sank, and he stopped laughing. He then struggled to look at Lucian. There was only indifference on his face and coldness in his eyes.

Lucian was not at all affected by what he had said. It was as though he was entertaining himself.

Jack was pissed off when he realized that. He ignored his pain and Lucian's cold expression and struggled to get the antidote out of the drawer.

"You want this, don't you?" He looked at Lucian manically before releasing his fingers. The glass bottle fell right to the ground and smashed into pieces. The liquid within also flowed all over the floor. Jack felt good that he was able to vent his anger. "I can only develop one bottle of antidote each time.

Now that this bottle is gone, Roxanne will die for sure! Hahahaha!" The very next second, another punch landed on his stomach again.

Jack shot up from the table because of the pain. The next second, he fell back on the table again. Instead of being bothered by his physical pain, Jack was taken aback. How is it possible? After hearing what I have to say, Lucian still dares to hit me!

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chapter 1736 -

chapter 1736 – You Are Lying The entire time, Lucian said nothing. All he did was vented his frustration by kicking and punching Jack.

In the end, Jack was unable to say anything. He could only breathe deeply to try to minimize the pain.

After a long while, he was immune to the beating. It was only then Lucian stopped hitting him. Jack's heart sank. Roxanne must have developed the antidote.

Jack found it hard to believe. It had taken him a long time to concoct the antidote. Yet, Roxanne managed to do the same within a day.

How is that possible? When he saw the coldness and disdain on Lucian's face, Jack could not help but shudder.

All the while, he had been very confident when he faced Lucian because of Roxanne's antidote. However, at that moment, he had no leverage against Lucian. He felt only a deep sense of fear when he looked at him.

Lucian was indeed the tyrant in the business world. His aura was so overwhelming that Jack found it hard to breathe.

"M-Mr. Farwell, let's sit down and have a chat. Even if Ms. Jarvis has managed to develop the antidote, I'm sure there will be some flaws.

I can— He wanted Lucian to let him off because of that. However, when he mentioned Roxanne, Lucian grabbed him by his collar and lifted the top half of his body off the table.

Fear flashed across Jack's eyes. He had no idea what Lucian was up to. With a grim look on his face, Lucian uttered through gritted teeth, "How dare you mention Roxanne?"

Roxanne suffered so much because of a hypocrite like you. I'm sure you are aware of that!" Jack's lips began to quiver. He was dumbfounded by Lucian's ice-cold gaze.

With a cold smile, Lucian continued to question him, "If I remember correctly, you wanted to watch me climb the stairs half an hour ago, didn't you, Mr. Damaris? If Roxanne hasn't managed to come up with the antidote, what other things do you have in mind for me, Mr. Damaris?"

Before Jack could respond, he felt someone stomping on one of his legs. The sharp pain caused Jack to grimace in agony.

"Do you want me to lick your shoes as well, Mr. Damaris?" mocked Lucian. Jack was feeling both fearful and astonished at the same time.

Lucian had basically told him that Roxanne had managed to concoct the antidote. "N-No way! There's no way anyone can crack my formula for the antidote! Impossible!

It took me so long to develop it. How could Roxanne have taken one day to create the antidote? You're lying!" Jack muttered with his head down.

When he was done, he looked up at Lucian and sought the truth." Roxanne has died, hasn't she? Is she dead? That's why you are here for revenge, aren't you?"

He would rather believe that Roxanne was dead than believe that she had cracked his formula for the antidote.

Furthermore, Roxanne was on the verge of dying. Lucian eyed him disdainfully and said coldly, "What's wrong, Mr. Damaris?

Did you think that your poison was so powerful? You aren't willing to believe that Roxanne has managed to crack your formula after you have spent so much time concocting the poison, am I right?

To be honest, I have to thank you, Mr. Damaris. She's able to create the antidote because you have given her the chance to be awake!

As for you, be prepared to pay the price for your actions!"

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chapter 1737 -

chapter 1737 – Make Damaris Group Pay "This can't be..." mumbled Jack in disbelief.

It's impossible! I added medicinal herbs that only ancient medicine uses in my concoction. How could Roxanne have cracked my formula?

I spent so much time creating such an antidote. How did Roxanne do it? "Nothing is impossible." Lucian's voice broke his illusion. "

Now that Roxanne is fine, you better be prepared to pay the price for what you have done!" Jack looked on in bewilderment when he heard that.

Pay the price? Isn't this bad enough? Lucian seemed to have known what he was thinking. He said expressionlessly, "This is only the beginning, Mr. Damaris. It isn't enough vengeance for what you have done." There was a murderous look in his eyes.

"If it's up to me, you will be dead by now!" Their eyes met, and all Jack could feel was a chill that traveled from his toes all the way to his entire body.

He could not help but cower in fear. One look and he could tell that Lucian meant what he said.

Earlier on, every punch that Lucian had given him had fallen on his vital body parts. If Lucian had used more force, Jack doubted that he could stand properly right now!

Even though Lucian did not use his full strength, Jack felt as if he was about to drop dead. Lucian's intention was to kill him.

However, for some reason, he changed his mind while he was on his way to Jack. When Jack came to that realization, he was so frightened that he trembled ceaselessly and was about to lose control of himself.

Then what do you want?" Lucian cast him away like a piece of rag. Jack fell back to the table when he released his grip.

"Mr. Damaris, you can look forward to it. Don't worry. I won't ask you to beg me because I have never intended to go easy on you!"

With that, Lucian turned around and left. Looking at his retreating figure, both Jack and Kevin were equally shaken to the core.

They had thought victory was within their grasp and could not wait to humiliate Lucian. In the end, Lucian ended up humiliating them instead. "Mr. Damaris!" Kevin was so terrified by the whole fiasco that it took him a few seconds before he returned to his senses.

When he saw that Jack was lying on the table, he quickly went forward to help him. Jack was in terrible shape, and his hands kept shaking. "

Impossible. How can that be?" He grabbed hold of Kevin's collar. "How could she have created the antidote in such a short amount of time?"

Kevin was stunned by him, but he dared not let go. "I-I'm not sure either. Ms. Jarvis must be very highly skilled in medicine."

Otherwise, Jack would not have tried all means to win her over. "No way! Lucian must be lying!"

Obviously, that information was too much for Jack to handle, as he kept denying it. When Kevin saw him behaving like that, he dared not say anything else. "Let me send you to the hospital." Lucian's action earlier had made everything very clear.

Roxanne must have created the antidote for Lucian to behave as such. However, given Jack's current condition, Kevin did not want to burst his bubble for fear of provoking his boss. He could only remain silent.

What made him frightened the most was what Lucian had said before he left. He wanted to make Damaris Group pay for it.

What exactly does Lucian want? Will it implicate me? Kevin's heart raced. He could not be bothered by Jack's condition as he got him into the elevator in a fluster.

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chapter 1738 -

chapter 1738 – She Is Finally Awake Meanwhile, inside the ward on the top floor of the hospital, Madilyn was waiting anxiously together with the three children, Peregrine, Linda, and Jonathan.

After giving their all, they successfully created the antidote at the very last moment. Once Roxanne consumed it, all her readings returned to normal.

Unfortunately, she still didn't regain consciousness. "Aunt Madilyn, is our antidote working?" Archie asked in a worried tone after losing his patience.

Even though she was unsettled by how deep in her coma Roxanne was, Madilyn put up a strong front.

"There's no reason it won't. She formulated it herself. Besides, all her readings are showing improvements." Just as she spoke, she gave Peregrine a look of concern, hoping to seek his affirmation.

When the latter nodded with conviction, Madilyn felt a little more at ease. "But why hasn't Mommy woken up yet?"

Estella, fresh from crying hard earlier, was still sniffling as she spoke. Her cute round eyes filled with anxiety.

Feeling sorry for Estella, Madilyn leaned in to stroke her head. "Your mommy's tired and needs to sleep a The children were skeptical of Madilyn's words having been waiting for a long time.

Madilyn, who was flustered, steeled herself and suggested, "Why don't you speak to your mommy? Your voices might encourage her to wake up."

Giving the children something to do was certainly better than letting their imaginations run wild. The children nodded obediently before quickly surrounding the bed.

"Mommy, wake up. Stop sleeping. I miss you..." Estella pleaded as she grabbed Roxanne's hand, a pitiful look on her face.

Benny lay right beside Roxanne's ear. Wanting to speak loudly but worried that he would disturb her, he tried his best to keep his voice down. "Mommy, didn't you say that one shouldn't lie to kids? You said you would come home tonight. It's going to be tomorrow soon."

While the two children took turns urging Roxanne to wake up, Archie simply stared at Roxanne in silence.

I have faith in Mommy. Her antidote will work, and she'll definitely wake up! All of a sudden, Archie wondered if he had willed Roxanne to wake up when he noticed a slight movement in her eyes. He hurriedly grabbed Madilyn's hand in excitement.

"Aunt Madilyn, is Mommy waking up?" He anxiously led Madilyn to Roxanne's side. Upon hearing the words, Peregrine walked over with a stiffened expression on his face.

Linda and Jonathan were also jolted by the news as they quickly checked on Roxanne. As silence descended upon the room, Roxanne gradually opened her eyes under everyone's watchful gaze. "Mommy!" the three children exclaimed in unison. Madilyn's eyes reddened. She felt like laughing and crying at the same time as she stared at her best friend. Thank God she's finally awake.

It took Roxanne a few seconds to fully regain her consciousness. Seeing that everyone was by her side brought a weak smile to her face.

"I'm sorry to have made all of you worry." "All that matters is that you're awake." Madilyn smiled back at Roxanne as she frantically wiped away the tears that were streaming down her cheeks. The sight of her friend's reaction warmed Roxanne's heart.

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chapter 1739 -

chapter 1739 – Rare To Find Now that their mother had regained consciousness, the children burst into tears.

"Mommy, you're finally awake. We were really scared..." Even Archie began to sniffle softly as tears hung from the corner of his eyes.

Feeling sorry for the children, Roxanne comforted them weakly, "I'm sorry to have given all of you a scare, but it was thanks to your calling out that I managed to wake up."

The children's cries subsided when they heard that. "Did you hear us just now?" Benny choked out. Roxanne's lips pursed into a grin. "

When I heard two crybabies about to cry their lungs out, I pushed myself to wake up. I didn't expect all of you to still end up crying."

She had been drifting in and out of sleep just a while ago. Even though she was too weak to physically wake up, her mind was already conscious.

It was when she heard Benny's and Estella's voices that she forced herself to wake up from her coma.

Little did she expect her children to cry so hard the moment she opened her eyes. It was a sight that filled Roxanne with guilt.

"I'm sorry for making all of you worry. I was careless." Her lack of caution was what made her fall into Jack's trap.

Archie, the first to stop crying, shook his head with a frown. "No. It's the bad guy's fault, not yours, Mommy! You're the best doctor in the entire world!"

Benny and Estella, who were still crying, nodded in affirmation. Although Roxanne was used to being complimented by the children, she felt embarrassed because of Peregrine's presence. "I got lucky this time."

Just as the children were about to refute her statement, Peregrine interjected, "The children are right. There's no doubt that you're an amazing doctor.

In fact, it wouldn't be too far-fetched to say that you're the cream of the crop." Roxanne was surprised. "You're too kind, Old Mr. Lomax.

I'm just someone who's still new in the industry. With you and Professor Lambert around, how can I be considered the cream of the crop?"

Peregrine's eyes brimmed with admiration. "The fact that you can neutralize the poison in such a short time shows that you're a genius.

Let's not forget that you were able to write down the prescription in detail despite the poison acting up within you.

Tell me, who else among the specialists we have now is capable of such a feat?" She's extremely skilled and humble, and she treats everyone kindly.

A young woman like this is indeed rare to find! Peregrine's compliments made Roxanne feel even more awkward.

"God just happened to show me mercy, allowing me to guess the components of the antidote at the crucial time. Besides, producing the antidote was just as complicated.

If not for your and Madilyn's skills, I would have still been in a coma right now." She used the word "guess" as a show of her humility.

Further impressed by her attitude, Peregrine continued with his lavish praise, "No wonder Harvey has been hiding you all this while.

If everyone else had known about you earlier, I'm sure all the old fogeys would be falling over themselves to recruit you!"

Roxanne replied tactfully, "Professor Lambert's guidance throughout the years has helped me keep my calm at the crucial moment."

The smile on Peregrine's face widened. "You have so much talent indeed." He then turned to Archie.

"Your children have equally impressed me with one smarter than the other. If he hadn't helped me look for the medicinal herbs I required, I wouldn't have made it in time." Roxanne beamed in pride as she gave her children a look.

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chapter 1740 – A Lesson "By the way, where's Lucian?" Roxanne had scanned the room for Lucian upon regaining consciousness.

When there was no sign of him, she began to worry. In fact, she wondered if she had really come up with the antidote or if Lucian had gone to see Jack instead.

The possibility that flashed across her mind made her feel unsettled. Everyone exchanged glances at the mention of Lucian.

Roxanne's heart sank as she asked Madilyn, "What's wrong? Did he goKnowing Roxanne's concerns, Madilyn explained before she could finish, "No.

You can rest assured that he didn't go and see Jack." Noticing the skepticism in Roxanne's eyes, Madilyn elaborated, "He did plan to go, but we managed to come up with the antidote on time. He dropped the idea and fed you the antidote instead."

The answer didn't address Roxanne's question. "Then where is he now?" "He left after feeding you and making sure that it was working.

I actually have no idea where he is…" Afraid that Roxanne was unconvinced, Madilyn added, "You can ask the children if you don't believe me.

They can vouch for the fact I'm telling you the truth." Roxanne turned to face the children, and Archie said, "I was with Aunt Madilyn and Mr. Peregrine the entire time. The antidote is genuine."

Although his words brought a sense of relief to Roxanne, she was still concerned about Lucian's whereabouts.

Where else can he be at a time like this? Just as she was feeling uneasy, she caught a glimpse of Jonathan at the corner.

Jonathan answered awkwardly, "Lucian… might have something to do at the office. Cayden came to see him just now. If you're really worried, how about I give him a call?" Roxanne had no choice but to take his word for it. "It's fine. He's probably just busy." Despite her words, she still couldn't shake the niggling sense of dread. As the children began to chatter away, Roxanne gathered her thoughts and talked to them, comforting them in the process.

Seeing that Roxanne was distracted by the children, Jonathan used the opportunity to slip away. A few minutes later, a helicopter landed on the hospital rooftop.

When Lucian alighted, Jonathan was already there to receive him. "What's the current situation?" Compared to the vicious expression he had shown Jack, Lucian's face now was filled with concern.

Half an hour ago, he was about to drive off after speaking to Jack when he suddenly received Jonathan's call informing him that Peregrine had successfully developed the antidote and was on his way to the hospital.

Given his faith in Roxanne's prescription and Peregrine's medical skills, Lucian hesitated a few seconds before turning off the engine to wait for their arrival.

It wasn't until he fed Roxanne the antidote and saw her readings come down and her pain alleviated that his mind was put at ease.

He waited for Peregrine to examine her and confirm that the antidote was working before heading to Damaris Group without hesitation.

Instead of going there for the antidote as they had agreed earlier, he had gone to teach Jack a lesson he would never forget.

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