

Luna & Joshua 1681

Chapter 1681

Heather clenched her fists at her sides.

She suddenly recalled what had happened that morning.

At that time, Jim had also brought out a tablet and recited all of the mistakes and wrongdoing she had committed over the last few months to Charles.

She had thought that Jim had only started to target her after she took over Landry Group, but it turned out...

He had been preparing for this moment and lying in wait as far back as five years ago.

It was obvious that Jim was the mastermind behind this disruption at her wedding.

She had underestimated this man.

It turned out that he was not idle at all and, instead, was waiting for the perfect moment to pounce!

As soon as she thought of this, Heather bit her lip, and a twinge of hatred spread through her eyes.

Finally, after a few minutes that felt like a century, the slideshow of Heather's photos ended.

At this moment, Malcolm's expression was as dark as the night sky.

Beneath the stage, the crowd had erupted into murmurs.

All of the bride's past flings had arrived at the wedding venue and even displayed their intimate photos for all the world to see.

It was clear they were doing this to humiliate the groom! Some of the guests even brought up Malcolm's engagement party that he had hosted at the same hotel almost a year ago.

At that time, Luna's ex-husband had also stirred up trouble at the scene of the party.

Some of them even started to lament, "Could it be that Master Quinn is destined to be a cuckold?"

Even though whoever had said this did not say it very loudly, Malcolm could still hear it from onstage.

He clenched his fists even tighter.

All of a sudden, his assistant got on the stage and whispered next to his ear, "Because of what

happened just now, the shareholders of Quinn Group are no longer in favor of your marriage to Ms.

Heather Landry. Now, they're outside the company, demanding that we give them back their money, or they'll come to stir up trouble here..."

Malcolm narrowed his eyes. He could not let this happen!

After all, they had invited all of the most wealthy and influential people in Merchant City to their

wedding. If the shareholders were to cause trouble here, the consequences would be dire.

As soon as he thought of this, he bit his lip and tried to suppress the rage in his heart. Then, he slowly walked over to Charles' side and said in a low voice, "Father, I'm not going to hold any of this against Heather, nor will I divorce her, but...you have to announce the news now, without any hesitation.

"Quinn Group has lost its supply chain and our shares have plummeted, so if you don't announce the news now, Landry Group will also suffer the same consequences."

Charles narrowed his eyes. "I have my plans."

With that, he lifted his gaze and smiled at the men beneath the stage. "Everyone, I know you've been bribed by someone to stir up trouble here, but if we were to look into this issue, Heather had slept with all of you before she had gotten engaged.

"She hasn't been with either of you ever since she got engaged to Malcolm, has she?"

"Has any one of you slept with her during the last six months?"

None of the men could answer.

The leader furrowed his brows but did not reply.

“Well, since Heather never sought out any of you after she got engaged, then you should all know what she means.

“Since you’re all here tonight because of money, then you should go to the entrance to retrieve the money you’ve been promised. All of the wedding gifts to the bride and groom tonight have been placed at the entrance, so feel free to take them, but after taking the gifts, you should leave this hall.”

The leader fell silent for a moment, then finally nodded. “ Alright! Mr. Landry is such a generous man, so we’ll do as you say!”

With that, the entire troupe of men turned and left.

Chapter 1682

Malcolm and Heather exchanged a nervous glance.

All the wedding gifts had indeed been placed at the hall entrance, and there were probably hundreds of thousands of dollars there, so how could they give them to these men so willingly?

However, no matter how disgruntled they were at this arrangement, they had no choice but to swallow their frustrations.

After all, Quinn Group was depending on Charles to save them!

Malcolm and Heather watched in despair as the men left with the wedding gifts that belonged rightfully to them.

After these men left, Malcolm ordered the guards to close the doors behind them.

As soon as the doors closed, Charles let out an exhale. " Alright, now that there are no other unrelated people inside this room, I would like to announce my latest decision—"

Onstage, Heather clenched her fists at her sides.

Even though she had been humiliated by what happened...

She turned to glance at Luna and curled her lips into a sneer.

It was clear that Luna had deliberately dressed up for this occasion.

She was wearing a navy dress, and her hair was draped all over her left shoulder. A beautiful sapphire earring hung on Luna's right earlobe, making her look elegant and poised.

Heather could not help snickering.

'What use is there for you to dress up so beautifully, Luna?

'Tonight, you're still going to become a poor little runt with nowhere to call home!

'Tonight, I, Heather Landry, will be the star of the show!'

As soon as she thought of this, Heather could not help curling her lips even wider.

Charles was about to announce the news of kicking Luna out of the family at any moment!

She was already looking forward to seeing the look of despair on Luna's face!

As soon as she thought of this, she bit her lip and grabbed hold of Malcolm's arm.

She would let him know that from now on, she was the true heiress of the Landry family and that his

decision six years ago had been wrong!

So what if the blood coursing through Luna's veins were Charles and Rosalyn's?

There could only be one heiress to the Landry family fortune, and it was going to be her, Heather!

Malcolm narrowed his eyes, feeling the excitement in Heather's entire being, and said in a low voice,

"You better hope nothing else goes wrong, or else..."

Even though he did not finish his sentence, Heather understood what he was trying to say from the

malicious tone of his voice.

She curled her lips into a smirk and replied in a low voice, "What else could possibly go wrong?"

She had that old geezer right in the palm of her hands!

What could go wrong?

Nothing!

As soon as she thought of this, Heather could not help raising her head and coaxing Charles in a low voice, "Come on, Father..."

Charles narrowed his eyes and sneered.

He let out a small cough, clutching his microphone, and said solemnly, "Tonight, I will be making an important announcement: I am going to kick one person out of the Landry family."

The entire room erupted into a flurry of activity.

Some of the guests predicted that Luna would be kicked out, whereas some guessed that it would be Heather.

Some of them even guessed that the person getting kicked out was most likely Jim, who had not tended to any of the Landry family's affairs in more than a year.

Among the murmurs and whispers, Charles declared calmly, in a voice as clear as day, "The person I am going to kick out of the family is none other than the bride of tonight, Heather Landry!"

Chapter 1683

Charles' words were solid and powerful, and the entire room fell silent almost immediately.

Pin-drop silence.

Not only were Heather and Malcolm surprised, but even Joshua and Luna's faces were etched with shock.

Jim was the only person without a single hint of surprise on his face. He was still leaning against his seat gracefully as he sipped his drink.

Luna bit her lip, glancing at him, and asked in a low voice, "What's going on, Jim?"

Jim put down his glass with a smile on his face and shot her a knowing look. "Just watch the show."

Luna chewed her lip.

It seemed that Jim had already known what Charles was going to say, which was why he had persuaded her over and over again to attend the wedding tonight and even dress up for it.

However, Luna had never expected that...

Charles, who had always adored Heather, would announce kicking her out of the family at such an

occasion.

As soon as she thought of this, Luna lifted her head to glance at Charles.

At the same time, Charles was staring straight at her.

Their gazes met, and a hint of gentleness flashed through Charles' otherwise solemn eyes.

Luna froze for a split second, then quickly turned away.

Meanwhile, onstage, Heather could not believe her ears.

She bit her lip and quickly scampered over to Charles' side. Then, she grabbed hold of his sleeve and

asked in a low voice, "Father, did you... happen to say the wrong name out of nerves?"

"Isn't the person who is supposed to be kicked out...Luna? Why did it suddenly become me?"

Charles narrowed his eyes and glanced at Heather coldly, a sneer playing on his lips.

A moment later, he shrugged Heather off and continued in a cold voice, "I didn't mix up any names; the

person I am kicking out of the Landry family tonight is none other than Heather Landry!"

He stared at the crowd before him calmly and explained, " All of you may be confused as to why I'm

kicking Heather out of the family at this time.

“It was already very kind of me to wait until her wedding has ended so that she has a home to go back to after she’s kicked out. As for the reason I’m doing this...”

With that, Charles pointed at the screen, which started displaying the pictures of Heather and the men once more.

“Firstly, her promiscuity has humiliated us and tarnished the reputation of the Landry family, and she even told every single one of the men she had slept with that she would let him become the future heir of the Landry family fortune. Because of this, I do not feel the need to keep this person by my side anymore.”

Malcolm’s expression darkened as soon as he heard this.

Charles was only Heather’s adoptive father, but Malcolm was her husband at this point!

When faced with the photos of Heather’s promiscuity just minutes ago, Malcolm did not say anything to object and instead admitted to being a cuckold because he hoped the Landry family would be able to save him.

All of a sudden, Charles was saying that he did not feel the need to keep a person like Heather by his side.

Was he implying that Malcolm willingly chose to have a wife like this?

Not only was Charles implying that Malcolm had no standards, but he was also insulting the rest of the Quinn family!

Even the Landry family, the people Heather had grown up with, could not stand her, so how could the Quinn family tolerate someone like this?

Malcolm bit his lip and clenched his fists in anger, but he had no means of sticking up for himself.

What was he supposed to say, anyway?

Was he going to tell everyone that he had gone with everything that had happened simply because of money?

Joshua could not help snickering when he saw how angry Malcolm looked and yet had no way of expressing it.

He had clearly underestimated both Charles and Jim.

Chapter 1684

Joshua had thought that both Charles and Jim would never wake up to Malcolm and Heather's true

nature.

It turned out they had been planning this reveal all along.

Both Malcolm and Heather would be able to experience their world being turned upside down, and

none of them could escape this fate.

All of a sudden, the images on the screen changed.

It displayed the chart of the financial losses that Landry Group had suffered over the last few months.

All of the points on the graph had been indexed with the decision and mistakes in operations that had

led to this specific financial loss.

This graph was clearly pointing out Heather's incompetency in running the company.

Charles curled his lips into a small smile and continued, " Secondly, she had no talent whatsoever at

managing a business but still insisted on occupying one of the critical positions at the company, and we

all know what the consequences of this are.

"Thirdly—" Charles narrowed his eyes and pressed a button on the remote control.

A photo of Rosalyn's ulcerated skin, accompanied by the wounds left behind after having the dead

tissue removed, appeared on the screen.

Charles swiveled his eyes and turned to shoot Malcolm a meaningful look. "Because this incident includes other people that don't belong to the Land ry family, I won't go into too much detail, but the main takeaway is that Heather

was the one who had bribed someone else into harming my wife like this.

"As for the reason why she did this..."

He narrowed his eyes and glanced at Heather, who was slumped on the ground in her white dress, looking desolate. "It was because my biological daughter Luna has been the one taking care of my wife ever since she ended up in a vegetative state.

"The reason why Heather had done this was to drive a wedge between us and let us think that Luna was the one who had been neglecting my wife.

"Finally, all the news that accuse Luna of being in a relationship with our mortal enemy, Joshua Lynch, was Heather's doing."

He pressed the remote controller once more. "As for how those photos came about, let's hear what Caleb Crawford has to say."

Caleb's face appeared on the screen.

The handsome man bowed at the camera, smiling. "Hello everyone, I am Caleb Crawford from Lincoln City. I am recording this video to clear up Luna's name.

"A few days ago, I received a call from Ms. Heather Landry asking me to go on a blind date with Ms. Luna in Merchant City.

"Unfortunately, when I was there, I was kidnapped by my enemy here in Lincoln City.

"However, their target was not me at all, and instead, they were targeting Luna under the pretense of kidnapping me.

"They drugged Luna and intended to rape and murder her. "Thankfully, me and Mr. Joshua Lynch used to be friends,

and we finally managed to save Luna after I called him for help.

"At that time, Luna was already under the influence of the drugs, and because she and Mr. Joshua had been together in the past, he took her home while she was in her intoxicated state.

"As everyone knows, Mr. Joshua is a millionaire, and he has a family doctor living with him, so I believe

that they did not do anything they shouldn't have that night.

“As for the photos after that, I'm more inclined to believe that Ms. Luna had gone to find Mr. Lynch to thank him for his help.”

With that, he smiled at the camera and added, “That's all I know.”

As soon as the video ended, the crowd burst into a flurry of commotion.

Joshua narrowed his eyes and could not help feeling something was wrong when his gaze fell on Charles.

If Charles had only intended to kick Heather out of the family...

Why would he find Caleb to clear up the rumors of his and Luna's relationship?

Unless...

All of a sudden, Joshua's pupils constricted in realization. Could Charles be planning to...

Chapter 1685

“Well, Heather is an ungrateful adoptive daughter! I never thought that even after the Landry family raised her for more than twenty years, she'd treat their biological daughter like this!”

“This is crazy... The Landry family is even so kind as to wait until she’s married and has become a part of the Quinn family to kick her out...”

“If it were me, I would’ve kicked her out as soon as I found out about what she did!”

Beneath the stage, the audience was gossiping about the news of Heather being kicked out of the family.

Charles turned around to glance impassively at Heather, slumped on the ground. “Do you have anything you want to say about this?”

Heather shrunk her neck back into her body and shook her head.

She was not stupid; she would not defend herself at a time like this.

She knew that Charles had already shown her mercy.

If he were to expose the truth about her attempting to murder Rosalyn and Luna...then she would not only be kicked out of the family but even forced to go to jail!

“Well, since you have no objections, then I’ll go on.”

Charles let out an exhale and stared solemnly at the audience before him. “Apart from this, I have another announcement to make!”

He shifted his gaze to Luna, sitting underneath the stage. "I am hereby passing on the position of CEO of Landry Group to my biological daughter, Luna!"

As soon as he finished his sentence, a beam of spotlight landed on Luna, blinding her so much that for a split second, she could not even open her eyes.

When she finally managed to open her eyes, the crowd had already erupted into thunderous applause!

Next to her, Jim immediately grabbed hold of her, stood up, and strode toward the stage.

Luna's entire body was dragged behind Jim.

Her face was pale underneath the spotlight. Her head was a little dizzy, and she could not comprehend what was happening.

Luna asked in a low voice, "What on earth is this, Jim?"

Jim narrowed his eyes. "Didn't you say that anyone who wanted you to hand over the money under your name would have to fulfill your three conditions?"

"Well, I told this to that old geezer, and he agreed to them."

Luna's entire body froze. She stared at the back of Jim's head dazedly. "But..."

She had not mentally prepared to take over Landry Group as their CEO!

As soon as she thought of this, she immediately glanced in Joshua's direction.

He was still sitting elegantly in his seat, his legs crossed, as he sipped his wine.

There was not a single hint of emotion on his chiseled face, but the cold aura emanating from his entire being would make anyone shudder. Luna was brought onto the stage.

Charles was still announcing at the top of his lungs, "As per my daughter's conditions, her brother, Jim, will be the vice president of Landry Group from now on, working side-by-side with her as CEO.

"I am hereby declaring that I'll be distributing my shares of Landry Group to both my children evenly and retiring from today onward.

"From here on out, Landry Group will be in full possession of Luna and Jim."

With that, he grabbed Luna, who had been brought onstage by Jim, and stood her in front of the microphone. "Luna, please give a small speech about your achievement!"

Luna's entire body froze.

Faced with the sea of people before her, Luna suddenly did not know what to say.

Chapter 1686

In the past, Luna had always been a jewelry designer and had never assumed any roles of leadership before.

All of a sudden, she had inherited such a large company as Landry Group.

She did not even prepare for a speech at all!

At this moment, Charles shoved a piece of paper into her hand and said in a low voice, "Just read from this!"

Grateful that help had arrived, Luna quickly spread out the piece of paper and recited in a loud voice,

"Good evening, everyone. From today onward, I'll be taking over as the CEO of Landry Group. My

brother, Jim, and I will give Landry Group a fresh start and lead everyone toward a new and brighter

future!

"We will rise to the challenge of our mortal enemy, and not only will we wipe out all the humiliation

brought onto us over the past year, but we will make them pay for their actions..."

After reciting the contents of this paper dazedly, Luna quickly found an excuse and scampered off the

stage.

When she returned to her seat, she could feel a tingle shoot down her spine.

She furrowed her brows and turned around, only to discover that Joshua was staring straight at her.

He stared at her with a look so cold that she felt as though she had been submerged in ice.

Luna froze for a moment, then felt her heart sink.

She knew why Joshua was staring at her like this.

The grave situation of both the Landry and Quinn families was Joshua's doing.

The fact that she had become CEO of Landry Group meant that from this moment onward, she and

Joshua were mortal enemies and would be competing with each other.

In her speech, she had even claimed that she would make their enemy pay for his actions.

The enemy that she had been talking about...was Joshua.

As soon as she thought of this, Luna felt her skin crawl.

She had thought she was just here to attend a wedding today, but instead, she had been forced by the

Landry family to become Joshua's business competitor.

From that night onward...

Any conflict between the Landry and Lynch families would become a conflict between her and Joshua.

As soon as she thought of this, a twinge of sadness spread through her heart.

When Charles had announced kicking Heather out of the family, Luna thought that the Landry family was finally valuing her for the first time and that she had now meant something to Charles, but...

Charles was taking this opportunity to appoint her as CEO of Landry Group.

He knew fully well that Luna did not have the capabilities or experience of running a business, but he still made this decision.

Luna refused to believe that if she were not Joshua's ex-wife, Charles would have passed over the company to her just based on the conditions she had given Malcolm.

He was just using Joshua's dedication toward her in an attempt to save the Landry family.

Luna closed her eyes and suddenly felt a little suffocated.

She turned around and, while no one was looking, snuck out of the door and onto the balcony for a breath of fresh air.

However, to her surprise, she bumped into Cheryl on the balcony.

A severely-injured Cheryl.

At this moment, Cheryl was lying in a corner of the balcony, her back against the railing. Her entire abdomen had been split open, and blood was gushing out of her stomach.

Luna was so frightened by the scene before her that she could not even say a word.

This was the first time she had even come across such a shocking sight.

Seeing that someone had arrived, Cheryl reached out her hand toward Luna weakly. "Help me... Help me up..."

Luna could tell that from the way Cheryl looked, she would not even be able to make it until the ambulance arrived.

However, Cheryl seemed to have something to say.

Luna bit her lip and walked over carefully as she called one of the security guards for help. However, to her surprise, as soon as she reached Cheryl's side, Cheryl immediately wrapped her hands around her neck and screamed, "Why are you trying to kill me? Tell me: why are you trying to kill me?!"

Chapter 1687

This sudden twist of events made Luna's eyes widen in shock.

She bit her lip and struggled to release herself from Cheryl's grasp. "I didn't try to kill you, Cheryl!"

However, Luna had underestimated the sheer amount of strength a person could have when on the verge of dying.

Cheryl gripped her neck so tightly that Luna felt as though her neck would snap at any moment!

Blood had stained Luna all over, and the pungent smell of blood, along with Cheryl's terrifyingly tight grip on her neck, made Luna's face turn purple, and her eyes rolled.

She struggled against Cheryl's grip, thinking that she was about to die right then and there.

However, humans have frighteningly sharp instincts.

Just as Luna thought she was about to die, she immediately released herself from Cheryl's grip.

With a thud, Cheryl's body slammed against the railing behind her, and the contents of her stomach gushed onto the ground.

Her face was pale, and her head had tilted to one side.

With that, Cheryl died.

The scene before her was so disturbing that Luna could not help gagging.

She covered her mouth with her hand and was retching so violently that tears started to form.

As soon as she turned around, she realized that a few security guards were standing behind her, dumbstruck.

They seemed to have been standing there for a while, and one of the more timid ones had even wet his pants out of fear.

Luna turned around, not daring to even give Cheryl a second glance. She said to the guards, her hand still covering her mouth as she retched, "Call the cops!"

One of the braver ones among the guards quickly called the police and notified the hotel manager to evacuate the guests.

If the police arrived, everyone would know that a murder had occurred, and the consequences would be dire.

The hotel manager stormed into the hall and whispered a few words in Charles' ear.

Charles quickly ended the wedding ceremony under the pretense of having things to take care of at Landry Group.

After five minutes, most of the guests had left the hall. Joshua glanced around the room, frowning.

Cheryl should have returned already, considering so many exciting things had happened inside the hall.

However, she seemed to have disappeared into the crowd as soon as she stepped foot here and did not even return to watch Heather and Malcolm's wedding.

Even though she was a curious girl, that could not explain her disappearance, could it?

Did she not come to witness this spectacular wedding?

As soon as he thought of this, Joshua furrowed his brows and took out his phone to call Cheryl.

Her phone rang on the balcony.

At this moment, the guards had placed security tape all around the balcony so that no one would be able to enter.

Luna was crouched against a wall on the side of the balcony, unable to move.

Even though she was a brave person, she was still an ordinary woman.

When she was in Banyan City, the state of Dr. Robert when he died had haunted her for weeks, even though she had only caught a glimpse of it from a distance.

This time, she had witnessed Cheryl dying right before her eyes.

On top of that, during her struggle when Cheryl had tried to choke her, Luna had even accidentally touched the contents of Cheryl's open abdomen...

The sticky texture made Luna shudder every time she thought of it.

Luna crouched in a corner and could not stop retching.

Just as her throat was beginning to hurt, Luna lowered her head to glance at her blood-stained hand.

All of a sudden, she recalled the sight she had seen, as well as the sticky texture of Cheryl's organs...

Luna did not dare to cover her mouth with her hand anymore.

She slumped against the ground, retching so hard that she felt as though her organs would come right out of her mouth.

Meanwhile, Joshua started searching through the hotel as he continued to call Cheryl on her phone.

He had a feeling that something terrible must have happened to her.

No young woman would let her phone leave her sight, and on top of that, she would never miss any of his calls.

Soon, Joshua arrived at the balcony after following the sound of Cheryl's ringtone.

Chapter 1688

As soon as Joshua got closer, he could smell the stench of blood.

A few steps more, Joshua caught sight of Luna, retching on the ground, and a few guards keeping watch over her.

The ringtone seemed to be coming from the balcony behind Luna.

Joshua furrowed his brows and strode toward the balcony.

One of the guards caught sight of him and quickly stopped him. "Sir, a murder has occurred here, so you..."

A murder?

Joshua narrowed his eyes, circled past the guard, and strode toward the balcony—

The sight before him made Joshua frown.

He turned his head away and asked calmly, "What happened here?"

The guard fell silent, then turned to glance at Luna and said tentatively, "We received a call saying that someone had gotten hurt on the balcony, and when we arrived here...we saw Ms. Luna and the

woman that had died...holding onto each other. The woman was even choking Ms. Luna and

demanding to know why she wanted to kill her...

“And then, Ms. Luna shoved the woman away, and this was what happened after that...”

With that, the guard blocked the entryway to the balcony to stop Joshua from seeing anything more.

“We’ve already called the cops.”

Joshua furrowed his brows and turned to glance at Luna. He was about to say something when Jim

and Charles suddenly arrived.

The two of them stormed over and, seeing that Luna was retching on the ground, covered in blood,

thought that Joshua had done something terrible to her.

Jim pulled Luna into his arms, whereas Charles glared at Joshua. “What did you do to her?”

Joshua narrowed his eyes. “Why don’t you ask your daughter what she did to my girlfriend?”

Both Charles and Jim froze when they heard this. The two of them exchanged a glance and lifted their

heads to look at Joshua at the same time. “Your girlfriend?”

“Yes.” Joshua pointed toward the balcony. “You’ve seen her before, Master Landry. She’s the one who

came to the wedding with me tonight.

“Now, Luna has killed her, and her abdomen has been split open, so how dare you even ask me what I did?”

Jim’s entire body froze.

Charles, on the other hand, did not believe him at all.

He got up and was about to take a look when Joshua stopped him. “You’d better not go, Mr. Landry.

You wouldn’t want to have a heart attack and cause even more trouble tonight, would you?”

Charles furrowed his brows and was about to shove past Joshua when Luna, who was slumped in

Jim’s arms, said weakly, “Don’t go...”

Even a healthy person like her ended up like this after witnessing what had happened. If Charles were to take a look, he could really suffer a heart attack!

As soon as Jim heard this, he let go of Luna and went to take a look.

He returned, his legs weak and holding onto the wall for support. “It...It can’t possibly have been Luna.”

He waved his hands and shook his head furiously. “Even if she were to kill someone, she couldn’t have done this...”

The guard standing nearby pursed his lips and said, "But...it was her who did it..."

Jim raised his brows. "Who said that?"

The guard replied, stammering, "The...the dead body...said it herself."

Jim suddenly felt his world go dark, and he almost lost his balance.

All of a sudden, police sirens blared outside the building.

Chapter 1689

The police had arrived.

The coroner was the first to storm onto the balcony, and after giving her a thorough examination, he

declared Cheryl dead.

They did not even have to resuscitate her.

The coroner summoned a few policemen who were bolder than the rest and instructed them to take

care of Cheryl's dead body.

Just as they were about to take her body away, Joshua furrowed his brows and stopped them.

He gently hugged the corpse through the white cloth that had been draped over it and said, "Don't

worry, Cheryl. I'll find the person who killed you."

He let out a small sigh and took off his jacket to drape over Cheryl's body. Then, he turned to instruct the coroner, " Please take care of her after performing the autopsy. The dress she's wearing is too revealing, so I'll use my jacket to keep her covered for now.

"In the morning, I'll send someone over with a set of new clothes for her."

The coroner nodded, then left with the body.

A twinge of sadness shot through Joshua's heart as he watched them leave.

Cheryl was a young, beautiful woman. Even though she had only recently joined his company, she was a highly efficient worker.

Apart from being overly self-assured about herself and getting jealous of Luna over him, she had never done anything to hurt anyone at all.

Because of this, Joshua could confirm that Cheryl's death had something to do with him.

Cheryl would never make enemies, but he would.

If it were not for the fact that rumors of him and Luna had been flying all over the place since the

morning, he would not have brought Cheryl as his plus-one to mitigate the stories.

Who would have thought Cheryl would die on such an occasion?

When he found out who the murderer was...he would make them pay for this!

When Joshua turned around after watching Cheryl go, he saw that the police were putting handcuffs on

Luna.

Her entire face was still as pale as a ghost, and no matter what the police asked her, she would only

shake her head but did not reply.

Even when the cold, hard metal handcuffs snapped shut around her wrists, Luna did not say anything

at all and instead just stared blankly at the light reflected from the metal.

Alas, the police still took her away.

She was the prime suspect of Cheryl's murder.

Joshua, Charles, Jim, and even the security guards that had shown up at the scene were all taken to

the police station for interrogation.

During this time, Joshua instructed Lucas to contact Cheryl's family.

After investigating, Lucas found out that Cheryl was an only child, and both her parents were already

old and sick.

However, it was already 11p.m., so after discussing with the police, they decided it would be better to contact Cheryl's parents in the morning instead.

It was already past midnight by the time they were all released from the police station.

Lucas and the Landry family's butler were both waiting outside the police station with their respective drivers.

Jim and Charles were the first to emerge.

After announcing the news of Luna's appointment as the new CEO of Landry Group, both Jim and

Charles were beaming from ear to ear, but at this very hour, both their faces were as pale as ghosts.

After coming out of the police station, they did not get into the car and instead stood next to it, waiting.

Soon, Joshua came out.

After exchanging a glance, Jim and Charles strode over to Joshua. "I want to talk to you about what happened with Luna."

Joshua stuck his hand into his pocket and already knew what they wanted to talk about. "There's

nothing to say.”

Jim furrowed his brows. “This has everything to do with Luna’s innocence!”

Joshua curled his lips into a knowing smirk. “Do you truly care about Luna’s innocence, or do you only care about the innocence of the CEO of Landry Group?”

The color drained from Charles’ face as soon as he heard this.

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Jim did not have much of a reaction at all. Instead, he just frowned, staring at Joshua. “What on earth are you talking about? She’s my sister, so of course I care about her innocence!”

With that, he let out an exhale. “Even though neither Luna nor I was fond of your secretary, I know that Luna would never kill someone. I’m sure you know this better than I do.

“Besides, I heard from the police just now that they found a fingerprint on the murder weapon, but it didn’t belong to Luna.

“There was no security camera on the balcony, and the only evidence they have is the witness statement from the security guards.”

Jim let out another exhale before continuing, “Luna has just been appointed as the new CEO of Landry

Group tonight, and she is now at the height of attention here in Merchant City, so we cannot let her go to jail.

“Those security guards’ witness statements cannot prove that Luna was indeed the murderer.

“When Cheryl’s parents arrive tomorrow, I hope that you, as Cheryl’s boss, can communicate this clearly to them and let them deny that Luna was the murderer and not hold Luna responsible for this.

Instead, they should request the police investigate the fingerprints of the murder weapon.

“As long as they make this request, we can bail Luna out even when the police are investigating this.”

Joshua curled his lips into a smirk when he heard this. He lifted his head to stare coldly at Jim and said, “Does this mean that I have to let Cheryl die in vain?”

Jim rolled his eyes and said solemnly, “What do you mean, let her die in vain? The police, you, and we will all investigate this. The most important thing to do right now is to bail Luna out of jail!”

“As long as Luna is bailed out, Landry Group will not be as demotivated as they are right now, isn’t it?”

Joshua interrupted curtly.

He leaned against a pillar and lit himself a cigarette.

As the smoke rose to shroud his face, he shot Jim a cold glance, then Charles. “I can help you talk to

Cheryl's parents, but on one condition."

Charles immediately lit up when he heard this.

Since Joshua was willing to list his conditions, this meant he would help them!

He was a little excited to hear this. "What condition?"

Joshua took a puff of his cigarette and exhaled a smoke ring. "I want Luna to resign as CEO of Land ry Group, leave the Landry family, and return with me to Banyan City."

Everyone fell silent upon hearing this.

Charles glared at Joshua in frustration. "In your dreams! Luna has just been appointed as the new CEO and has just given her acceptance speech tonight, so how can she resign tomorrow?"

"As for asking her to leave the Landry family, that's impossible! She's my biological daughter, and I won't let her leave with you!"

"Alright, then I guess there's no deal." Joshua sneered, tossed his cigarette onto the ground, and put it out with his leather shoe. Then, he adjusted the cuff of his white shirt and added, "Truth be told, I'd rather you let Luna stay in jail instead of bailing her out to compete with me as CEO of Landry Group."

“At least this way, I won’t have to watch her being forced to stand in opposition against me.”

With that, he strode toward Lucas. “It seems that after Cheryl’s parents arrive tomorrow, I’ll have to talk to them.

” I’ll have to tell them not to give up so easily and instead insist on prosecuting Luna at all costs.”