

Luna & Joshua 2161

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Bonnie had been drowning in her imagination , in dreams of Jim recovering from his amnesia , so much so that she had been blinded to the fact that he despised her and even turned down Sean because of this . She had been so fixated on criticizing Theo that she forgot she , too , was caught in the same predicament .

Therefore , she did not intend on continuing this cycle anymore . ” Do you have anything to say , Mr.

Landry ? ” asked Bonnie in a low voice , seeing that Jim was staring at her through the rearview

mirror in silence . Jim narrowed his eyes and continued to stare at her . He could no longer see the

hopeful and tender look in her eyes that used to be there . At this moment , Bonnie’s eyes were etched

with coldness and determination , and he could not help feeling that .. if he ...

were to let Bonnie go at this moment , she She would never return . He took out a pack of cigarettes

from his pocket and lit one . Before he could even take a puff from it , Bonnie furrowed her brows and

said , ” My health isn’t good , and I can’t handle the smell of smoke . If she had said this to him in the

past , he would have ignored her entirely .

After all , in his eyes , she was nothing more than a deceitful , manipulative gold digger who was after him for his money , so why did he care about her opinions ? Unexpectedly ... As soon as he heard this , he put out his cigarette and wound the windows down to let in some fresh air . ” When did you start having this problem ? ” Bonnie scoffed . She did not have a problem with the smoke , but ... she had to think of the baby inside her belly .

Even if she did not care about her health , she had to think of the baby . As soon as she thought of this , she curled her lips into a smile and said , ” Since a long time ago , Mr. Landry , but you forgot everything . ” Well , it doesn’t matter anyway , since we won’t be seeing each other anymore in the future . ” Jim narrowed his eyes upon hearing this . ” I’m sorry . I won’t do this again in the future . ”

Then , he rubbed his brows in exasperation and added ,

” I can’t help noticing that you go out of your way to oppose me at every chance you get , Bonnie Craig . ” When I said I didn’t remember you E4N : rC [J hated you , you kept pestering me and trying to get me to notice you , but now that I decided to marry you and raise Harvey and Shelly as our children , you turn me down . ”

He stared at Bonnie’s tiny face through the rearview mirror and asked , ” You’re doing this on purpose ,

right ? ” Bonnie could not help snickering when she heard this . ” Well , aren’t you the one who’s constantly opposing me at every turn , Mr. Landry ? ” You rejected me over and over when I confessed my love for you , and now that I’ve finally given up , you changed your mind and decided to marry me ? ” Jim chuckled . ” You’re quick on your feet .

No wonder Luna sent you to talk some sense into Theo . ” Then , he let out a sigh and fixed his gaze on somewhere far ahead . ” Still , you should know that as soon as my mind is made up , Bonnie , nothing can change it . ” When I say I want to marry you , there’s nothing you can do to stop me , and I have plenty of ways to change your mind . ” Bonnie narrowed her eyes and was about to say something in reply when someone knocked sharply on the car window .

Harvey had sprinted out of the house and was now gasping for his breath . ” Daddy , Mommy , something terrible has happened ! ” June ... June is missing ! “

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June was missing ? Both Bonnie and Jim froze when they heard this . Bonnie quickly got out of the car and pulled a sobbing Harvey into her arms . Harvey , calm down and tell us what happened . How can

June be missing ? ” ” F Harvey wiped the tears from his face and said , panting , ” Shelly’s the only person in the house now !

All the babysitters are protecting and looking after Shelly , but I can’t find June anywhere ! ” Then , he explained what had happened in fits of sobs , ” When I couldn’t find her , I asked the maids and babysitters where she had gone , and they told me that ... ” They said that not long after we left , Dr. Suess arrived , saying she was there to check on June ...

” Since all the guards were transferred here from Uncle Joshua’s place , they were naturally familiar with Dr. Suess , and on top of that , she had come here to see June on several occasions before , so they let her in without thinking twice . And then ... ” 1 He sniffed and finally could not stop his tears from falling anymore .

No matter how strong one was , one would not be able to withstand the hurt and sorrow of losing a loved one . Besides , he was only six , and no matter how mature and level – headed he usually was , he was still a child . June was his best friend growing up , and they were so close that he could bear the thought of not living with his parents , but not the idea of being separated from June . He had even

planned to marry her as soon as they grew up , and therefore , protecting June had been his utmost

priority , but that day ... He had left June home alone because he wanted to cherish the last few

moments he had with his Mommy . This was the first time he had ever left

June alone , and something terrible had happened ! As soon as he thought of this , Harvey started

crying even harder . " Initially , when Dr. Suess went to check on June , one of the babysitters had been

there with her , but she kicked her out of the room , claiming that she didn't want her to learn her

secrets ... " After the babysitter left ,

" However , she wasn't in the room at all , and instead , there was a pillow in her place ! " Harvey wiped

the tears from his face and added , sobbing , " Dr. Suess must've kidnapped June ! Please help me find

her , Daddy , Mommy ! I can't let anything happen to her ! " A twinge of pain shot through Bonnie's

heart at the sight of this

She and Harvey had known each other for more than a year , but this was the first time she had ever

seen him cry like this . He had not even cried so hard when his father and mother separated , so she

knew that Harvey truly cherished June beyond anything ! As soon as she thought of this , Bonnie

exhaled , picked Harvey up in her arms , and strode toward the house . " Have you checked the

surveillance tapes ?

" Harvey shook his head . " I didn't get the chance to ... As soon as I discovered that June was missing , the first thing I did was ask the maids , and then I came out to find you guys ... " We should go look at the surveillance tapes now , lest we accidentally misjudge Dr. Suess ! " " Alright ! " Bonnie strode into the house with Harvey In her arm. meanwhile, out side.

Chapter 2163 Jim curled his lips into a bitter smile as he sat in the car, watching Bonnie and Harvey leave.

Even though Harvey ran over and claimed he needed help from Mommy and Daddy, he had only talked to Bonnie from start to finish, without even giving Jim so much as a glance.

Jim thought that under such circumstances, he should not even be helping Harvey if he did not ask for it, but...

He let out a sigh.

Even if Harvey did not come to him for help, how could he ignore his son?

Besides, June was Christopher's daughter, and they had brought the two children home together from

Banyan City

Even though she was not related to him, she was still Harvey's best friend, and thus, Jim knew he had an obligation to help find her.

As soon as he thought of this, Jim rubbed his brows in frustration, picked up his phone, and dialed his assistant's number.

"Assistant Coleman, help me track down the whereabouts of a doctor named Laura Sues."

Then, after giving his assistant the instructions to do this, Jim let out a sigh, contemplated for a moment, then finally stepped into Tea Cottage.

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At this moment, Bonnie and Harvey were watching the surveillance tapes in the living room with the bodyguards flanking them.

According to the surveillance footage, Laura had brought a suitcase with her when she arrived at Tea Cottage that morning.

At that time, the men standing guard at the door did not suspect her at all, and all they did was ask her what was in the suitcase.

“These are the necessary equipment I brought to give June a thorough examination,” Laura explained, smiling as she hid the suitcase behind her to stop the guards from checking it.

“She’s been sick for a few days now, and I was worried that she might have pneumonia, so I brought some of my advanced equipment to check, but this equipment is very expensive, and so I don’t dare to open this suitcase for you guys to look through them...”

The guards did not think twice about her answer and instead let her into the house.

After entering the house, she spent almost two hours in June’s room before finally coming out, FTLITE 2 when she left...

According to the image on the screen, the suitcase seemed considerably heavier when she left than when she arrived, so much so that bringing the suitcase back into her car rendered her breathless and panting.

“She must’ve kidnapped June!” Harvey shouted, pointing at the screen.

Then, he snarled through

gritted teeth, “There probably wasn’t even anything in the suitcase at all! She must’ve put June in

there!”

As soon as he thought of this, the color drained from Harvey’s face.

“But the suitcase doesn’t seem to have any holes for air to pass through.

Will June be alright? June...”

He bit his lip as tears slid down his cheeks once more.

He turned around and fell right into Bonnie’s arms.

“Will June be okay, Mommy?”

Bonnie stared at the surveillance footage, frowning.

“I hope so...”

“She’ll be fine,” Jim, who had been watching them in silence from aside, piped up suddenly.” Whoever

planned this kidnapping had spent considerable effort to get their hands on such a large suitcase and

send Laura undercover to take June, and so, they probably won’t hurt her.

After all...”

He narrowed his eyes.

“If they had wanted her dead, they wouldn’t have spent so much time and effort taking her away since

a dead body is of no use to them.”

Harvey bit his lip nervously.

“Even though your words are meant to reassure me and make me feel better about June’s safety, ... It

still isn’t good to say it in that way; Mr. Jim.”

Chapter 2164 Jim chuckled when he heard this.

“I know I was blunt, but I’m just telling the truth, aren’t I?”

Then he strode over to Harvey’s side and gently stroked his hair in reassurance.

“After all, you’ve read so many crime thrillers that you probably know I’m right, so don’t get too wound

up about your friend, okay?”

Harvey finally stopped crying upon hearing this.

He sniffed and bit his lip, staring at his father’s face, then said timidly, “Daddy... Was it very unmanly of

me to cry like that?”

Jim chuckled “A real man cares about the people around him, so it’s okay to cry when you’re sad about

losing someone important to you.

Don't worry about that."

For a split second, Bonnie could not help being reminded of the old Jim when she heard these words.

Jim's kindness, consideration, and soft, gentle voice made a surge of warmth spread through her heart,

even though this kindness was not directed at her.

She could not help remembering what Theo had said.

Theo had said that the old Jim would never be able to return, but was he right?

All of a sudden, Jim's phone rang.

It was from his assistant, Coleman.

Jim glanced at the name on the screen, hesitated for a moment, then finally picked up the call and put

it on speaker mode.

Coleman's calm voice rang out from the other end of the line, "Sir, I've managed to track down the

whereabouts of Dr.

Laura Suess as you asked me to.

"She first went to Tea Cottage, and after leaving, she went straight to a hotel, bringing a suitcase with

her.

“She was in the hotel for about half an hour before finally leaving with a little boy, and then she drove to... Quinn Mansion.”

Jim furrowed his brows upon hearing this.

“A little boy? And they went to Quinn Mansion?”

Assistant Coleman nodded.

“That’s right.

I thought it was strange too since the one with her was a young boy, but he wore a vintage-looking dress.

“Or at least, I thought it was a boy because, according to what I found, Dr.

Suess had left with a bald boy”

Bonnie and Harvey gasped upon hearing this.

June was the only person they knew who loved wearing such dresses because of her fathers influence.

She would always wear intricate, exquisite little dresses that made her look like a princess, she adored

dressing like this because it made her feel like she had just walked out of an old film.

Bonnie had even told Luna in secret that June was the only person she knew who could pull off such a look.

However...

June had a head of luscious dark hair, but according to Assistant Coleman, the child who had left with Laura was a bald little boy.

Bonnie and Harvey exchanged a glance.

A child in a traditional dress was June, no doubt, but bald...

Could Laura have shaved June's hair while they were at the hotel?

As soon as he thought of this, Harvey gritted his teeth, and a glimmer of white-hot rage flashed through his eyes.

"June treasures her long hair beyond anything, and she told me before that she'd be outraged if

anyone forced her to cut her hair short, but now..." June... had been shaved bald.

Chapter 2165 Harvey bit his lip nervously, his little face etched with fury.

Assistant Coleman was still reporting his findings.

“The little boy appeared to have been asleep or perhaps rendered unconscious.

He was lying in Laura’s arms, not moving even an inch.

“When she came out of the hotel, she got into the car and headed straight to Quinn Mansion.

She’s been there for an hour now and hasn’t come out yet.”

Assistant Coleman sighed and added, “My men are still waiting outside Quinn Mansion.

That’s all I have for my investigation.

Do you still need me to investigate her past?”

Jim narrowed his eyes and replied, “Continue to keep an eye on her and try to find out more

information about her past, especially if she has any relations to the Quinn family.”

Assistant Coleman paused when he heard this, then answered, “Actually... I have this information at

hand right now.

“Laura Sues is Granny Quinn’s personal physician, and Granny Quinn was the one who had

supported her financially when she went abroad for her further studies.

Thus, she has always been close with the members of the Quinn family.”

Jim narrowed his eyes when he heard this.

Then, he furrowed his brows and added, "Continue investigating for more information.

I want to know more about everything she did over the last few years, especially anything involving the Quinn family."

Then, he hung up the phone.

Meanwhile, Harvey was so agitated that he had begun pacing the room.

"What are we going to do? What are we going to do...?"

"Bonnie." Jim frowned, glancing at Bonnie, who looked a little flustered by the situation at hand." Bring

Harvey to the shopping mall now and buy June some hats with attached wigs.

If you can find any that will match her clothes, the better.

"I'm going to contact Joshua and discuss what to do from here on out."

Bonnie froze when she heard this.

Then, she nodded and said, "Alright!"

The only person she could rely on if she ran into any trouble in Merchant City was Jim, apart from

Joshua and Luna.

Not only that, but Jim had already sent Assistant Coleman to investigate Laura Suess' whereabouts even before Bonnie requested him to.

Therefore, Bonnie decided that the most urgent thing was to put her GVKrpB>5 Jim's drama aside and figure out what the Quinn family wanted to do by kidnapping June.

As soon as she thought of this, Bonnie picked Harvey up and said, "Come on, Harvey."

Harvey sniffed and nodded.

"Okay!"

He was not a toddler anymore, so he knew that what was done was done, and if all of June's hair had already been shaved, he could not possibly make them grow back.

Therefore, the sensible thing to do was to prepare a wig for her so that he could make her feel better when they finally found her.

Jim narrowed his eyes, watching Bonnie and Harvey leave, then turned and sat on the sofa.

He took out his phone and called Joshua.

"Didn't your assistant know that Laura Suess was involved with the Quinn family when he

recommended you to hire her?”

Joshua furrowed his brows.

“You’re saying that she’s involved with the Quinn family?”

This was his first time hearing this.

“That’s right.

The Quinn family sponsored her to go overseas for her further studies.

How can you not know this?” Jim curled his lips into a smirk and added, “Joshua, I always thought

you’re a picky man with high standards, but now it appears that...I’ve overestimated you.

Your judgment isn’t that great at all.”

As soon as he heard this, Joshua narrowed his eyes, hung up the phone, and immediately called

Lucas.

“Come into my office.

I have something to ask you.”

Chapter 2166 When Lucas reached Joshua’s house, the living room was so cold that it felt like they were in an igloo.

Joshua was sitting on the couch, watching Lucas walking in with his cold eyes.

Meanwhile, Nigel was beside him, using his laptop for something, and the anxious Luna frantically typed away on her phone.

The atmosphere was so cold that it could easily suffocate a person.

Lucas braced himself to approach them and greeted, "Mr. Lynch."

After giving Lucas a brief response, he threw the documents at Lucas.

"Do you remember Laura Suess, the family physician that you chose? You said that you've conducted a background investigation and reference checks, yes?"

Lucas was stunned as he hurriedly picked up the documents that had fallen to the floor.

He compiled it in order and started to skim through the pages.

When he saw the information that Granny Quinn was the one who sponsored Laura to further her study

and the close relationship between Laura and the Quinn family, his body shivered.

Then, along with an audible thump, Lucas fell to his knees on the floor.

"Mr. Lynch, ... It's my fault.

I-I am to be blamed.

I didn't investigate fully."

Joshua narrowed his eyes and did not say anything as he watched the way Lucas knelt.

"Lucas, it's unlike you to be so careless.

You've always conducted a detailed investigation of every person who comes to work with Joshua.

What went wrong with Laura Seuss? Why did you fail to thoroughly investigate her background?"

Looking at how hopeless Lucas was, Luna could not bear to stand by the side.

"You've been working for Joshua for so many years and he'd definitely go easy on you for all that hard work you've contributed, as long as you come clean to us."

Luna's consoling words had Lucas quivering.

A second later, he lifted his head and fearfully looked at Joshua, who had been quiet the whole time.

"Mr. Lynch..."

Joshua glanced at him lightly, then looked at Luna.

In the end, he rubbed between his eyebrows in exasperation.

"Listen to her."

Lucas served as Joshua's right man.

According to how Joshua would punish those who made mistakes, those he trusted the most would receive heavier punishments.

If Luna had not said those words, the punishment that awaited Lucas would be unthinkable.

In this matter, Lucas had a dereliction of duty when he failed to conduct the investigation.

On a very serious note, he gave Joshua's opponent the opportunity to attack him when he least expected it.

For the past few days, Joshua had pondered how the Quinn family could keep their calm after he and the Landry family started the investigation on them secretly.

The mystery was finally solved when Jim called him this morning.

The reason for the Quinn family to bide one's time was that they had a mole.

With Laura in place, they could easily know what was happening with Joshua and Jim, and they knew ahead of the plan Joshua and Jim had drawn out.

After getting Joshua's confirmation, Lucas exhaled a deep breath and felt relieved.

He then bent, his body almost parallel to the floor.

"I... Yes, I failed to conduct the investigation," Lucas confessed

"It's because Laura Seuss is your girlfriend's most admired senior, isn't she? That's why you didn't

actually go through every detail when your girlfriend recommended her to you, or you probably turned a

blind eye to the investigation," came a remark, sounding boyish and clear.

"Am I right?"

Nigel slowly closed the laptop and, with a faint smile on his lips, continued, "You think that there

shouldn't be a problem with your girlfriend's recommendation, so you let your guard down.

Uncle Lucas, should I say that you're too naive, or that you're head over heels for your girlfriend?"

Nigel's comments left Lucas stranded in despair.

His forehead was beaded with sweat, and he was at a complete loss for words.

Lucas was solely at fault for this chaos.

He just never expected Laura had a close relationship with the Quinn family.

"I'll give you a chance to make up for your mistake," Joshua finally decided, his lips curled into a small

smile, though his gaze toward Lucas seemed indifferent.

“Contact your girlfriend now and tell her that I have the whole city on lockdown to search for Laura.

Also, tell her that this woman is a bad person.”

The command from Joshua left Lucas silent for a moment before he hastily nodded.

“Understood! I’ll get to it now!”

Once Lucas left and faded from view, Nigel lifted his head and looked at Joshua, visibly unsatisfied.

Chapter 2167 “Mr. Joshua, do you intend to let Uncle Lucas off so easily?”

Joshua responded faintly and continued with his work.

“Unbelievable.” Nigel pursed his lips.

“I thought that you’d punish him severely, given how mad you are.”

With his lips curled up, Joshua gazed at the woman beside Nigel who sported pale yellow pajamas and was texting with her phone in a terrible fix.

She was probably busy discussing with and Gwen about June’s disappearance and Laura’s incident.

The way she looked when she was replying to the text with seriousness was so endearing that Joshua wanted to just pull her into his arms.

Nonetheless, he knew that it was not the time to get cozy and lovey-dovey.

Therefore, Joshua could only look the other way and smiled.

“Remember, your mother pleaded for him.”

There was a pause for a moment, and Nigel finally understood after a while.

Luna had purposely asked Lucas to tell the truth because she was pleading for him.

Nigel sighed and was about to say something when all of a sudden, the phone in his hand rang.

It was a text message from his cousin, Harvey.

[Nigel, help!

[Your future sister-in-law has been kidnapped!]

[Her hair has been shaved, too-it's what she cares about the most!]

[What should we do?]

Nigel furrowed his brow and replied, [Why don't we buy some wigs for her?]

Harvey's response came instantly.

[I already did!]

[I still don't think that is enough to comfort her.] [I'm thinking about shaving my head, too, but I feel

awkward if I do it on my own!]

[Cousin, why don't we do it together...?].

Nigel's response came with indifference.

[I refuse.]

[If you're that awkward, you can get Mr. Jim to shave his head with you.]

[I'm not going to entertain you.]

Looking at the text messages, Harvey sighed.

He sat on the couch with the phone in his hand, his palm-sized face filled with sorrow.

Jim, who was busy investigating June's location, glanced at his son.

He got close to Harvey and took a look at Harvey's phone.

"You're planning to shave your head and turn ugly with June?"

Harvey nodded.

"Yes.

Do you want to do it with me, Mr. Jim?"

Jim laughed.

“I’m afraid I’ll have to decline.”

He stroked Harvey’s head EPNjWA<3 added, “Have you forgotten? I’m marrying your mother next week.”

Harvey rolled his eyes.

“But she hasn’t said yes to you yet.”

“I’ll have her agree to it.”

Jim looked at Harvey’s little face solemnly, extending his hand to grab Harvey’s.

“I’ve decided”

Before he could finish his sentence, Jim’s phone rang.

It was a call from Assistant Lowe, whom he had sent to investigate the orphanage.

“Mr. Landry, I have new information about the name list from the orphanage.”

Chapter 2168 Jim furrowed his brows and stood up, moving to another spot so he could answer the call.

Before he could take another step forward, however, Harvey grabbed the hem of Jim’s top.

“Daddy, didn’t you just tell me that you’ve made up your mind to be with Mommy? Why do you plan on taking this call behind my back now? Are you still thinking about searching for Number 9?”

Even though Jim had never told Harvey about Number-9, Harvey grew up together with June, and

Christopher, the girl’s father, was a parent who treated June like a friend.

Hence, no matter what June asked, Christopher would tell June if he felt that June could understand.

Christopher, thus, must have told June about Number-9.

Since June knew about Number-9’s existence, there was no reason that Harvey did not know about her.

Harvey clearly heard Assistant Lowe mention the children’s home from the other line, so he knew that this call must have been about Number-9.

Jim’s brows furrowed at Harvey’s words and stern expression

Jim was silent for a good few seconds before he sighed and sat back down on the sofa next to Harvey.

Then, he switched the call to speaker mode.

“Assistant Lowe, what new information do you have?”

Assistant Lowe paused for a second before he began his report, "I contacted Mr. Duncan's daughter.

She grew up in the children's home too and had many memories with children living there.

Moreover, she is still in contact with most of the people on the name list.

Although she's not sure what name Number-9 goes with at present, she can use her identity to help you ask around..."

After finishing that, Assistant Lowe took a deep breath.

"She...also asked me something.

Do you know anything else about Number-9, apart from the fact that that's her number and that red was her favorite color?"

Jim furrowed and muttered to himself, "Other information..."

He narrowed his eyes and suddenly thought of the birthmark on Number-9's shoulder.

She could throw away a token, and her favorite color might not be red anymore.

She could even forget her name, too.

The birthmark on her shoulder, however, could not be erased.

Even Charlotte, who knew Number-9 so well that she could pretend to be her, did not know about this

birthmark.

Jim had noticed the birthmark because he had helped Number-9 wrap up her wound on the shoulder when she had a fight with another child.

Thinking of this, Jim furrowed said, "Number-9 has a birthmark on her shoulder.

It's on the right side, in fact."

Assistant Lowe quickly recorded down the information and repeated, "So, Ms.

Number-9 has a birthmark on the side of her shoulder, yes? Do you remember the shape of the birthmark?"

Jim pressed on his brows.

"It's red-long and meandering.

It looked terrible."

Despite the unsightly shape and color, however, Jim could never forget it since it was Number-9's birthmark.

Assistant Lowe nodded.

“Have you any more that I should note, Mr. Landry? I will record them all.”

Jim’s brows furrowed in deep thought.

“That’s all.”

“Understood.

I will contact Ms.

Duncan now.”

Assistant Lowe instantly hung soon after.

After putting away the phone, Jim turned around to look at Harvey, who gave him quite the peculiar

stare.

It was as if he was staring at a stranger instead of his father.

“Why are you looking at me like that?” Jim curled his lips and extended his hand toward Harvey, but the

boy dodged it keenly.

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“Don’t touch me!” Harvey flinched, moving backward as he stared at Jim warily. “Are you still thinking of

finding Number-9? Are you still thinking about marrying her?

“You said you’ll marry Mommy and be with her, but you’re just lying to me, aren’t you? To you, Number - 9 is the most important person in this world—more important than me, Mommy, and Shelly. So important that you can forget about us, isn’t it?”

Harvey’s heartache only grew the more he poured out his heart. “You broke Mommy’s heart over and over again when you thought Charlotte was Number-9, all because you loved her. All that, and you’re still looking for her right now! “What if you find her, then? Are you going to abandon Mommy, me, and Shelly? If that’s the case, I’ll go find Grandpa and Granny tomorrow to change my name! My name will no longer be Harvey Landry; I’m going to just be Harvey Craig!”

Harvey’s gaze burned with rage as he stared at Jim, who felt helpless with the way his son was acting.

He sighed and reached out to grab Harvey’s hand, but Harvey dodged it again.

Helpless, Jim stood up and approached Harvey to pull him into his arms.

Harvey tried to struggle. “Let go of me!”

“No.” Jim’s lips curved into a smile as he held Harvey closer to him.

“I will not let go of you and your Mommy.”

He then looked at Harvey's face solemnly.

"Harvey, you always said that you're not a kid anymore. You are six years old now, and you should

know that a person must always keep his promise and see it through to the end. Even if I can't be with

Number-9 anymore, I just want to fulfill the promise that I made when I was just a boy. I just want to find

her, apologizing that I can't be with her anymore. That's all." He continued, "Besides that, think about it.

You're already six years old, and maybe Aunt Number-9 is already married and has kids of her own.

Even if I find her, I don't have to be together with her. Am I not right?"

Nonetheless, Harvey's frown did not leave his face even after hearing his father's explanation. He

sighed.

"Then..." He stuck out his pinky finger, intending to make a promise. "You have to promise me that

you'll marry Mommy never regret this decision!"

Jim furrowed his brows when he saw how dead-set Harvey looked.

He knew that marrying Bonnie was the best choice he had. Whether it was for the sake of his parents,

his children, or his family's dignity, Bonnie was the best choice.

Moreover... If the old Jim truly loved Bonnie, he would not regret this decision after his memory was restored.

Nonetheless, Jim narrowed his eyes and internally questioned himself, 'Do I truly like Bonnie now?'

He did not know the answer to that, either.

"Daddy?" Harvey called out, noticing that Jim did not give him any response.

It was only then Jim returned to his senses.

"Alright, I promise you..."

"You don't have to."

Just then, Bonnie walked down the stairs with a cold sneer.

"Jim, haven't you learned the lesson from Number-9's case? You shouldn't make promises hastily."

She then walked up to Jim and passed him the phone, saying, "Gwen had just requested Luke to help with the investigation. Charlotte is now in Quinn Mansion; she should be locked in the dungeon. Joshua and Luke are on their way there as we speak.

"Do you want to go, too?"

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Jim's brows furrowed as he looked at the phone Bonnie handed to him.

The screen showed a photo of Charlotte lying in a dungeon in Quinn Mansion. The dungeon used to be gloomy and damp, but in this photo, it seemed to have been decorated with a brighter light with a large bed, and there was even an aroma diffuser and recreational facilities in it.

The luxurious setting no longer made it look like a dungeon; it instead looked more like a place for a vacation.

Jim narrowed his eyes. To be able to request such treatment in the dungeon of the Quinn Mansion...

That must have meant that Charlotte was a very important person to the Quinn family or, more specifically, Quentin.

He lifted his head and looked at Bonnie.

"They're already on their way?"

"Yes," Bonnie replied. She took her phone and walked toward the door.

"I know that Mr. Jim is a nostalgic person. If you don't want to look for Charlotte with us, it's fine."

With that, Bonnie then took her red trench coat from the door and instantly wore it, opening the door to

leave.

Looking at Bonnie's slender and tall figure, Jim furrowed and immediately strode after her.

"I have no more feelings for Charlotte."

Worried that Bonnie might misunderstand, Jim added, "My feelings for her originated because of

Number-9. Since I know now that Charlotte isn't Number-9, why would I have feelings for her?"

Bonnie paused for a while and curled her lips to a small smirk.

"Since you have such deep feelings for Number-9, how come you don't even remember what her

characteristics and temperament are?"

She had never understood why Jim would stubbornly believe that Charlotte was Number -9. None of

their characteristics, habits, or temperaments were the same! Was it genuine when Jim said that he

had only treated Charlotte differently because of Number-9?

Bonnie did not believe that at all.

Jim was startled at Bonnie's words as he opened the door for her. His grip on the handle remained as

he felt all of the joints on his body stiffened. A moment later, he smiled.

“I thought after all these years, Number-9 had changed.”

“If you really like someone, you won’t think that they’d simply change,” countered Bonnie as she shot

Jim a meaningful look.

“Just like someone who had lost his memory, I believe his temperaments are still the same.” Bonnie

briskly walked past Jim left the house. As she did, the unique fragrance that wafted from her fanned his

face. It was a little itchy, and yet, it smelled good. Jim hurriedly followed after Bonnie.

“I used to believe that Number-9’s characteristics would never change, too, but when all the evidence

pointed out that Charlotte was Number-9, I could only believe her and talked myself into it. Other than

that, I have no other choices.”

Bonnie sat in the front passenger seat.

“Is that right? Or, are you unwilling to dig deeper? Jim, if you truly feel it with your heart, you’d no doubt

notice that the difference between Charlotte and Number-9 is glaringly obvious.”

Jim sat in the driver’s seat and started the engine, sporting a smile on his face.

“From what you’re saying, I might misunderstand that you, Ms. Craig, are Number-9 instead.” He tilted his head to glance at Bonnie.

“It has been so long that I don’t even remember what kind of person Number-9 is. Do you know?”

Bonnie fell silent right after due to Jim’s words, shifting her gaze to look out the window to ignore him.

She could not deny how agitated she felt when Jim implied that he was not sure if Charlotte was her.

She did not long to be Charlotte and would never, ever be Charlotte in this lifetime. Jim had practically humiliated her with his words!

Noticing Bonnie’s silence, Jim merely gazed ahead as he drove. Smiling, he said, “Bonnie, I’m starting to have good feelings about you. Don’t tell me that you’re Number-9 now. I’d think that you’d do anything just to be together with me.” The car fell into silence once more with Jim’s comment.