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Chapter 76: THE CLAIMING

Clair

As tears continued to fall from my eyes, I silently cursed myself for being stupid and reckless. I

should have never left Beta Gavin's side that day, or I should have just let Jake come with me to the city.

My legs kept running while I tried to be careful so as to not make any noise. I knew it didn't help since werewolves have a strong sense of hearing and smell, and the fact that it was an Alpha trying to stake a claim on me wasn't helping at all. But still, I tried to focus and made my way deeper into the forest.

There should be a way out. I had no idea if Arthur was lying or not. But maybe I just needed to get to the other end where the rest were waiting – then it would all be over.

I would be willing to take all the consequences just to avoid getting claimed and marked tonight. I knew Dad would forgive me if anything happened to him because of me. It would be my burden to carry, but I could just not throw my life away like this. I was sure he would not approve of this!

I made up my mind. I wiped the tears with the back of my hand and held on to my goal.

Just reach the end.

Out of the forest, out of the claiming arena. I needed to stay focused, I wasn't a good fighter, but I could run pretty well.

My legs followed my thoughts and focused on reaching the other end. I and my wolf had never worked well together until tonight.

One goal, Rain. Get the hell out of here.

A smile curved on my lips at the first sight of the tall lamp post ahead of me. It was many meters away but it looked possible to reach now. The forest line ends here and then the arena, and after that, the stage. I just needed to get there.

I looked around the arena from behind the tree I was hiding behind. No one was there. I had no idea how far this could go, but it looked bigger than a football field.

But I could do this!

I slipped off the Trojan sandals I had on and stretched my legs, preparing to run. This would be embarra*s*sing to do, especially since I had a long gown, but it didn't matter. I guessed all the training I went through all led to this, preparing me for this day.

Game on! One, two, three!

I launched myself as Rain nodded at the same time in my head, telling me she would give me her strength for this run!

And I've never run this fast in my whole life!

I saw the stage!

Faces were visible now and I could see amusement in most of the faces, but I couldn't deny there were scowls as well. A coy grin slipped off my lips.

Don't look at them! They could scowl and be annoyed all they wanted. I don't care, I only have..

Then it happened - a hand snaked tightly around my waist, grabbing me out of my sprint.

"Aaaah!!!" I screamed, and at the same time, I heard a growl beside me. I closed my eyes as I felt my body being hoisted up before it fell to the ground. A hard body pressed against mine as we rolled over the gra*s*s of the arena.

I felt a shiver of fear course through me as his smell registered in my senses. I tried to push him away even before I could open my eyes. But he was too strong.

I struggled to raise myself and kick him, hitting him on his manhood. Not that I intended to, but I couldn't control where my feet landed. As soon as he pulled away, I saw pain and displeasure in his eyes.

I put my hands up in front of me while I scrambled backward in my bum to get some breathing room away from him. My eyes begged and my lips quivered as I spoke my truth.

"Alpha Aeon, please don't. This is a mistake. I don't want to be claimed. Let me go." I pleaded.

I snapped my head towards the direction of the stage where the rest awaited us, before returning my gaze to him to gauge his movement. I needed to outrun him. I knew I couldn't, but I had to try.

Alpha Aeon took a step forward in my direction while he brushed off the earth and gra*s*s on his pants, a smirk etched on his face now.

"Don't think about it. You can't run away. I know I' m not the one you expect to claim you tonight, but this is how the Claiming works, my love."

I looked at him and confusion swirled in my head. I couldn't comprehend what he just said aside from the fact he wanted to claim me.

He would have been a perfect mate – perfectly sculpted nose, lips thick enough to crush yours, and he had never treated me badly. He always knew the right words to say. If we had met under different circumstances, maybe I would have given him a chance. But he wasn't my Alpha. He's not the one I want. And I would not go down without a fight. Not yet.

He stopped in his tracks and folded his arms across his chest, still looking at me with amusement. "Please, Clair. Don't make a fool out of us, just give me a chance. You know, I could have easily marked you within the forest grounds, but I took my time. I want everyone to see when I claimed my Luna, hence I waited until you appeared here."

My eyes started to water again, but before I could make another move, a voice echoed around us.

"Wrong move then, Alpha Aeon. You just gave me my chance with her. I challenge you for Lady Clair Montrell." My eyes widened in shock. I knew this voice and I never thought I would hear it tonight, inside this arena.

Beta Gavin stepped out of the forest towards the Arena, taking off his coat and throwing it on the ground.

What the f*uc*k was going on? This couldn't be right!

Alpha Aeon c*oc*ked his head to the side, smirking, but his eyes showed something else I could not fathom. "I knew it was you. But then feel free to be challenged, Beta. You know I'm of Alpha blood, I can easily take you down."

"You might be an Alpha, but I was trained by a great Alpha. I'm not going down as easily as you think." He answered c*oc*kily, a devilish grin on his lips.

"Fine! Let's get started!" Aeon smirked while he scrunched up the sleeves of his shirt.

"No!" I stood up from the ground and was about to launch myself between them.

They both snapped their heads in my direction and shouted. "Stepback!"

I ignored them and looked at Beta Gavin. "What the f*uc*k are you doing?" I glared at him.

"I'm taking you home, Clair. Now behave and stay back!" He said in his casual calm voice before facing Alpha Aeon again.

I stepped back from them, still confused.

What the f*uc*k was this? Why Gavin was here and not Jake? It only showed that he didn't want me at all or he would be the one facing Alpha Aeon.

But Gavin? Even if he won this duel and took me out of here, how could Gavin think of claiming me? Did he really think I would live with him as a Beta

Female under Jake's pack?

My head kept swirling in confusion as I shifted my gaze between the two men. What did I get myself into? Whoever I ended up with would be a catastrophe.

This was all wrong! All wrong! I couldn't be with Gavin. But what choice do I have?

I could barely watch as Beta Gavin stumbled into his wolf feet. Before he could straighten himself up, Alpha Aeon's wolf fangs sank into his shoulder from behind him. Teeth ripped through his shoulder blade, and red liquid trailed down on the side of his shoulder as I gasped in my own breath. Alpha Aeon's wolf shook his head and flung Gavin's wolf. A loud thudding sound accompanied by a howl of agony was heard as Gavin hit the ground.

Badly hurt, Gavin was forced to shift to his human form. He was clutching his broken shoulder with an indistinguishable growl rumbling from his chest as he lay on the ground.

I stood frozen in fear as Alpha Aeon's wolf hovered over Gavin's naked form. Saliva dripped down from his mouth to Gavin's neck, his front paws holding his neck down, threatening to claw out his throat. "Yield, Gavin! Please!" I screamed at him, dropping my knees to the ground, my hands clutched at my chest.

With a fierce look fixated on the wolf holding him, Gavin shook his head. Aeon's wolf let out a loud growl and pushed his paws harder into Gavin's throat.

I wasn't thinking anymore. All I wanted was to stop the Beta from losing his life. I wasn't worth it.

Without a second thought, I rose from my knees and sprang forward, flinging my arms around Aeon's wolf. My arms were wrapped around his wolf's neck as I rested my cheek on his fur. "Please don't! " I begged him.

A growl vibrated from his chest as my eyes darted towards the Beta lying below us. My eyes pleaded with him.

"I can't. I promised him that I'd keep you safe until he arrived." His voice croaked.

Because I was crying, the last part of what he said didn't register at all. All I understood was he promised, and I knew up to this moment he was holding on to his promise to protect me at all cost. "Enough Gavin. Yield now. Your Luna ordered you to do so." I said softly enough for him to hear.

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Clair

"Enough Gavin. Yield now. Your Luna orders you to do so." I said, softly enough for him to hear, as tears dropped from my eyes into Aeon's fur, while my arms gripped his wolf's neck in a tight hug.

Gavin looked at me with regret in his eyes before he tapped the ground beside him. He submitted, as I told him to do.

Alpha Aeon's wolf loosened its hold on the Beta's neck and slowly moved away from his body, dragging me along as I was still holding on to his neck. I let go of my arms around him, and in an instant, I fell backward.

As soon as he completely let go of the Beta, I scrambled back to my feet and took the Beta's coat. I dropped to my knees and covered his naked body. Blood trailed down on his shoulders and torso as he whimpered in silent agony. I cradled his head in my lap, doing my best to keep him awake, tapping his cheek gently, cooing him with words of encouragement. "Gavin, please please..."

"You disappointed me, Clair. I fought with my life to claim you and yet you took time to cradle my opponent into your arms?" Alpha Aeon's strong words hit me, but I couldn't tilt my head to look at him.

Instead, I moved the Beta's head gently away from my lap and laid it on the ground. In seconds, Matteo and Harrold went forward and a*s*sisted the Beta, placing him carefully on a stretcher.

Matteo looked at me with sadness flitting in his eyes, as if he was trying to read any thoughts that I might have, before finally nodding at me. "We'll take care of him."

Still, on my knees, I continued to clutch my heart as if it could protect me. My eyes darted at Alpha Aeon as he walked towards me. He was already fully clothed. His men were walking away from the arena. They had probably given him clothes while I was busy with the Beta.

He took his steps slowly, and his gaze did not wander away from mine. He stopped in front of me and extended his hand for me to take, "Arise, my Luna."

I looked down at the ground, slowly rising to my feet while holding my breath.

"My name is Clair, Alpha Aeon," I answered respectfully, but I refused to look at him.

Frustration started to roll off of his aura before it changed into anger.

I swallowed hard as bile threatened to rise from my throat. This was so wrong.

"Have I done anything to despise you? Were my actions not enough to let you know how much I wanted you? How much my pack crave for you as their Luna?" I felt his hand snake around the nape of my neck as he took one more step forward, our bodies brushing against each other.

He leaned closer, his breath touching the skin of my neck while his thumb gently rubbed the spot where a mark should be.

"My wolf is so close to claiming you, Clair. And I can a*s*sure you it will be painful. I am the only one standing in the way of him doing that. Submit, and we will make it less painful for you."

He moved his hand to my jaw, forcing me to look at him while I maintained my silence. "Look at me. You will be mine, and all others before me will be forgotten. Am I understood?"

I closed my eyes and let the tears fall once more from my eyes.

I was losing this battle. There was nothing left to do but to submit and accept this life with him.

I took a deep breath with my eyes closed, ready to bob my head when a ferocious growl stopped me.

His growl marred the air around us, shaking the ground.

And then his smell hit me, the intoxicating smell of forest and pinewood. Something I never thought I would be able to smell again.

"I dare you to touch what's MINE!!!" My Alpha roared. I felt his Alpha aura rolling off all over the arena, but my head felt light. I didn't even have a hard time tilting my head up.

I snapped my eyes open and turned my head in his direction.

He's here.

He came for me.

My Alpha came for me.

He moved with a lethal grace that awed me despite the fear in my heart. He approached where we stood, his eyes not leaving mine. And for the first time since I was taken, a real smile curled on my lips.

If I die now, I would die willingly in peace, knowing he came for me.

"Isn't this fascinating? An Alpha and his Beta aiming for the same woman?" Alpha Aeon let out a sarcastic laugh that took me out of my reverie.

Jake stopped a few meters away from us. He ignored Aeon's words and instead reached out his hand in my direction. "Clair, come here." His eyes were gazing softly into mine, pleading for me to take his hand.

I took a step forward too eagerly, but Alpha Aeon was fast. He grabbed my wrist and pulled me back, earning a growl from my mate.

I shoved Alpha Aeon's hand off me and the moment his hand left mine, Jake launched forward and, in a split second, had him pinned on the ground, his hand coiled at the collar of Aeon's shirt while his body hovered over him in a crouched position.

"I warned you not to touch her!" He bellowed at him. His face was maddeningly red with anger.

A sarcastic smile curved on Aeon's lips. "F*uc*k!

Jacob! Let's do this the right way. You're already at an advantage in this position. Let me go and let's get this started." He mocked him, both his hands holding Jake's hand upon his collar, halting it from being pressed on his throat.

Jake loosened his hold on him and rose to his feet. He gave me a glance. His eyes softened again as he met my stare. I wanted to run to him and fling my arms around him, but I stopped in my tracks as I saw Aeon crouched in position, ready to attack.

"Enough!" Aeon bellowed, and the moment Jake snapped his head back in his direction, he lunged forward, striking hard and fast. His face warped with rage, and I heard a bone snap as his knuckles hit Jake's jaw.

"NO!" I screamed as blood splattered out of his mouth. His head swung to the side, but my mate did not falter from his position. A loud beastly snarl vibrated from his chest as he wiped the blood off his mouth with his arm. His eyes followed Aeon's movement as the latter circled around him.

It happened so fast that I didn't notice when Jake leaped and attacked back. All I saw was bodies gliding through the air, battling for supremacy.

They were almost the same height, but Aeon's built was nothing compared to my mate's. Jake had the stance of a real warrior, and with every blow he connected with Aeon's body. Aeon, by far, was still a young Alpha compared to him. I've seen how Jake fought in his human form and knew that there was no way Aeon could hold against him.

But no matter how I trusted my mate to win this battle, my traitorous heart couldn't stop thudding loudly, in fear of losing him again, losing the possibilities of us being together.

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Jake

Rage rolled off my whole body the moment I saw Clair being held on her neck by Aeon. A minute later, it might have resulted in her being marked, and that was something I could never live with.

"Clair, come here." My eyes begged for her to choose me, and the moment she did, the f*uc*king Aeon pulled her back so hard that I was not able to control my wolf as he let out a growl while my legs sprang forward and pinned the bastard on the ground.

"I warned you not to touch her!" I roared at him, my eyes blazing with fire.

"F*uc*k! Jacob! Let's do this the right way. You're already at an advantage in this position. Let me go and let's get this started." The c*oc*ky bastard had the nerve to smile when he knew I could end his life in this instance.

I loosened my hold on him and rose to my feet. I looked at my mate for a second, to check if I didn't drag her along when I lunged at Aeon. My breathing went back to normal when I saw her safe and found her eyes were on me all this time.

"Enough!" Aeon bellowed as he launched forward and caught me off guard.

The f*uc*ker hit me hard. I tasted blood. But that would be the f*uc*king last time.

Aeon circled around me as my eyes followed his movement. Patience, I told my wolf.

He grinned at me before he leaped forward. He had pulled back his arm, clenching his fist as he attacked. His fists flew at furious speed. I saw his every movement, and then his eyes, but I was aiming for his nose, to eliminate his vision.

I coiled my hand into a fist and aimed for the front of his nose. I met him in mid-air. He hit me again, but I felt no pain. I didn't stop until my knuckles hit the one I was aiming for. Blood splattered all over as his body was hurled backward and hit the ground.

He grabbed my arm and twisted it as I swung again. I recoiled in pain but immediately got up and got over it. This has been going on longer than I thought.

I turned to the side and brought his forearm up to counter his incoming attack. My knuckles rammed into his stomach. It pained him. I had been targeting his stomach all this time. He finally recoiled from the punch and dropped to his knees. He growled back at me, baring his teeth as his fangs elongated.

"Shifting on your wolf now?" I did not conceal my smirk as I brushed the hair off my forehead.

I should cut my hair a little shorter because it is annoying me now.

Aeon aggressively tried to get up on his feet, but I knew his defense had faltered. I surged forward and attacked his face head-on.

His body dropped to the ground, and with my injured elbow from his twisting, I slammed it hard on his chest, jerking his body forward.

He was hurt, but I kept going. I wanted him to be unable to move by the time I was done with him.

Blood oozed out of his mouth as I stood up from his body. My foot stepped on the soft spot between his shoulder blade and his neck.

I spat out blood from my own mouth before I caught his eyes. "Give me a reason why I shouldn't end your life," I told him coldly, hatred coursing through my veins.

Aeon might be a friend, but everything stops here. I couldn't look at him and see the Alpha I grew up with. And if there were no spectators around us, I would end his life now.

No one touched what was mine.

A rumble of snarling growls revebrated from his chest, but not a muscle of his body moved. His hostile eyes never left mine. I dug my foot deeper. I could feel his shoulder blade cracking slowly.

He winced in pain before he raised his arm slightly and tapped the earth to surrender.

Suddenly, I heard movement on the grounds a few feet away.

I should let him go. He surrendered, but I was not done with him yet.

I pressed my foot deeper into his skin, more bones snapped before I issued my last warning. "You will never come near my mate again. Put your hand on what's mine, I will make sure to give you a painful death. And I'll follow you to hell if I need to and make sure you'll suffer more."

His men came forward, and it was only then that I let go of his limp body, wiping the blood off my mouth and cheek with the back of my palm before turning around to face my Alpha Female, my mate, my Luna.

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Clair

The moment Alpha Aeon tapped the ground, I let go of the breath I was holding for a long time and dropped to my knees. My whole body started to shake as relief washed over me and I let the tears flow, letting my heart heal from it.

The thought of losing Jake in this fight was more than what my heart could handle but the Goddess was on our side this time. "Thank you! Thank you!" I mumbled under my breath as tears kept running down my cheeks.

"You're welcome." A cheeky voice penetrated my senses and a smile automatically curved into my lips as I raised my head to look at the only man I wanted to see and wanted to be with.

He reached out his hand for me to take. His eyes gazed softly at mine with longing, lips tugging into a toothless grin that showed off his deep dimples. I couldn't wipe off the smile on my face as I accepted his hand. My heart was overflowing with too many emotions, all directed to my Alpha.

In an instant, he pulled me up into my feet and wrapped his sturdy arms around me, my chest colliding with his. The air around us smelled of sweat and blood but my senses only

captured his scent. I leaned my face closer, resting my cheek on his sweaty chest, letting his scent calm me.

"Jake... you came for me," I whispered hoarsely against his chest. I could hear his steady heartbeat and at that moment I knew, it was a sound I would never get tired of hearing.

"Did you even think for a second that I will just let you slip away? You can't get rid of me yet, little

mate." He chuckled, he made it sound like it was a joke but I heard the authenticity of his words.

"Wait, we need to do something first." He pulled away and tilted my chin up, forcing my eyes to look at his.

"I want you back in my pack. Did Noah take you on his pack?" His brows furrowed.

I nodded and bit my lower lip.

"Can you reject him and his pack? Would you like to be in my pack again?" The last question came out with a hoarse voice, laced with uncertainties.

I smiled. He surely looked uncomfortable right now. Would he think I would never go back to his pack again?

I nodded again as I felt my cheeks start to burn.

"Do it now. I need you in my head." A teasing smile slowly crept into his mouth, before he bit his lower lip to suppress his smile.

I rolled my eyes at him playfully before taking a deep breath. I stepped back from his hold and stare at him right through his deep blue eyes.

"I, Absaline Clair Montrell, denounce Night Howler Pack as my pack and Alpha Noah Furroway as my Alpha."

I couldn't help smiling. This was all too much for me.

Without any more words between us, just our smiling lips and eyes, he took my palm into his and nodded, motioning for me to start my pledge to his pack.

"I, Absaline Clair Montrell," His claw came out of his fingers and sliced my palm with it before he did the same thing with his. "...pledge my allegiance to Black Shadow Pack and accept you, Alpha Jacob Galhart as my Alpha... my only Alpha." My eyes fixed with his while I emphasized the last three words.

I saw his eyes flash solid black for a moment with my words before they returned to normal, his smile never faltered until it was time for him to accept me. "I, Alpha Jacob Galhart..." He placed my sliced palm on top of his and covered it with his other hand, eyes still locked with mine before he continued. "... accepts you, Absaline Clair Montrell as a member of my pack, the Black Shadow pack, and I vow to keep you safe this time around as your Alpha... your only Alpha." He bit his lower lip after the last part to suppress a smile from curving on it.

I giggled softly, and at that exact moment as our blood mixed in our palms, I felt a pack bond open. I was not able to revel in it as Jake pulled me into his arms and crushed his lips into mine.

The arena vanished from my hindsight as I slowly closed my eyes, my arms wrapped into his neck, body pressed against his torso. I've dreamed of this for days and I never thought I would be able to experience this moment again.

Sparks and tingles rushed all over my body as Jake held me tighter, his lips molding with mine with a k*iss full of passion and hunger. A low groan vibrated from his throat before he pulled me away from him, his eyes switched from obsidian black to his deep dark blue as he locked with my eyes.

"We need to get out of the arena first, or this Claiming is not yet over." He told me, his breath hitching and his chest heaving.

I nodded and let him clasp my hand with his, ready to make our way to the stage at the other end of the arena only for him to halt and turn back to face me. "Hop on my back, it'll be faster if I run." He winked at me.

"On your back? In front of those people? No way!" My forehead creased at his suggestion.

"If you would rather walk 200 meters long, then I' m fine with it. But don't go crying if some Alpha comes and challenges me for you. I might be too tired to fight and just leave you with him." He said c*oc*kily, without bothering to hide the smug grin on his face.

My eyes widened before I threw a punch on his shoulder. "Get down then!" I ordered him playfully, but deep inside I was worried. I could never stand another fight so better get on with this and get out of here.

His laughter filled the air as he crouched to my level, I easily swung my body into his back, my arms wrapped around his neck as his hands glided around my legs and hooked it under my knees to wrap it around his hips, my long dress flowing at my back.

He easily strutted towards the stage, not even in a hurry.

"Do you remember when I used to do this whenever we came back from the stream because you're too full from eating cakes and too lazy to walk? Was it really the case or do you just want to feel my body?" He asked teasingly.

I dipped my chin into his shoulder and tilted my face so my mouth reached his ears. "I was just lazy. And... I took advantage that you had a crush on me when we were younger and I know you would do whatever I want." I pecked his neck after I whispered.

He chuckled. "You took advantage of my generosity and innocence."

"And I'll do it again, Alpha. Over and over again." I giggled and rested my face at the nook of his neck, inhaling his calming scent.

"And I would let you, over and over again, princess. "He replied, in almost a whisper.

I said nothing more and just let myself revel in the fact that he was here with me now.

When we finally reached the stage he slowly placed me on my feet and took my hand.

One of the council members, which I believed was consisted of 5 Alphas, stood up with an intention to meet us but Jake did not stop on our way until he was called out by him.

"Are we not supposed to meet the Alpha Female you claimed, Alpha Jacob?" The man, which would be in his early 40s with black hair and light brown skin called us. He was followed by three men with strong auras but not of an Alpha.

Jake stopped on our track and turned around to face him without letting my hand go. "Alpha Marco. She's not my claimed Luna, she's my fated mate. I just took what's should have been mine in the first place!" He said firmly, voice filled with formality.

Shocked registered on the faces of the men in front of us. The man he called Alpha Marco was the first one to recover. "What blasphemy is that? How did you allow her to be on the Claiming if you already knew she was your mate?" I could see his nose flaring, it made me realize that despite the Claiming tradition, this Alpha honored and respected the mate bond.

"That's what I'm trying to find out. This is not the last time the council will hear from me. Once I found out the man responsible for all this, I will reach out to you and let you handle the case." He said in a cold voice, eyes never faltering from the man in front of us.

Alpha Marco nodded and turned his attention to me. "Well, I don't know what to say more, let me know if you need a*s*sistance or anything. Lady Clair, my apologies for this big mess but please know that this was something I was not aware of."

I wanted to say something but my mate squeezed my hand, instead, I just nodded my head before replying. "You will surely hear from us. It was nice to meet you, Alpha Marco. I only hoped it was on a different circumstance."

The Alpha smiled weakly at me, eyes filled with sincerity as he nodded his head. "I hoped on that as well." ®

"We will head off now, we have other things to take care of. See you around, Marco." Jake guided me away from the stage without waiting for the Alpha's response and pulled my body close to him.

As we walked away from the stage and the arena, my mind drifted to the Beta. I almost forgot him! "Jake... wait!" I pulled his hand to stop him from walking.

He immediately turned his body to face me, his brow raised. "Clair?"

"Gavin! I need to see him!" I swallowed an invisible lump in my throat, I couldn't find the words to explain to my mate that Gavin tried to claim me first.

"That's exactly where we were heading before you stopped me."

My eyes widened in surprise. "You knew what happened to Gavin?"

He let out a deep sigh and nodded, I saw regret in his eyes instead of anger that I was expecting which left me confused.

"Are you mad at him?" I asked in a low voice, I peeked at him through my long lashes, worried plastered on my face.

It was his turn to look at me with confusion on his face. "Mad? Why would I be mad at the man that saved you from Aeon's hand?"

He let go of my hand and cupped my face, he must have read my confusion. "What were you thinking? Do you think Gavin wanted you for himself?"

He placed a soft k*iss on my lips before he continued, his eyes fixed on mine. "He volunteered to challenge Aeon to buy me some time. I was still 3 minutes away when the Claiming started and if Gavin didn't step in on that arena, Aeon would have claimed you before I reached here. Then... it would be too late..." He said the last part with a hoarse, broken voice. He then rested his forehead on mine.

My jaw dropped opened when it hit me, as tears poured from my eyes. I couldn't believe the Beta offered himself for me.

"He... he al...most die! He almost dies... and he... he doesn't want., to yield! I had... to beg him... All because... he was... try... trying to., save me?! Your Beta... he's so... so stupid!" I stuttered between my cries, the side of my fist ramming on his chest at a controlled pace.

Jake coiled his palm at the back of my head and pulled me into his chest, resting his chin at the crown of my head. "Yes. He's really stupid. But he's the best Beta around. So I'm keeping him. I hope you don't mind."

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GAVIN

I was in this damn infirmary bed for the last 30 minutes but my mind was drifting somewhere. Matteo mind linked earlier that the Alpha came just in time before Alpha Aeon was able to claim and mark Clair. And by the silence in my head, I would a*s*sume that Jake won over him. At least all my effort and sacrifice did not go down the drain.

Sacrifice. My little lamb.

I closed my eyes for the nth time and pictured the female I saw at the ballroom today. I wanted her memory to linger longer, so I memorized her features and the way she looked at me. And then as if by memory, I started to smell her scent.

I snapped my eyes open and scanned the room I was in. I was alone but I heard retrieving footsteps from the hallway and her scent suddenly faded. I tried to sit and raise from laying down but the pain in my shoulder and my torso made it impossible.

I hissed in pain and laid back on my bed, cursing Aeon for my damage.

Did she come to see me? Wasn't she claimed? I had many questions but it seemed these questions would never find answers.

After moments of silence, I was snapped out of my thoughts by a door opening. Clair and Jake came in. Clair let go of Jake's hand and rushed forward flinging her arms around me.

"Aaargh!" I hissed in pain as she backed away abruptly from me.

Jake growled as he held Clair's shoulders to stop her from falling backward.

"I'm sorry. I forgot. I was just happy to see you awake." She spoke softly, her arms wrapped around her mate as she peeked behind him.

I smiled and Jake started to relax, pushing his mate forward beside my bed. "Don't touch him. It's either I will hurt him more because he scares you or because..." He then leaned to whisper in her ear. "... you think the Beta fancies you."

Her face started to turn scarlet red from his teasing which elicited a hearty laugh from me. She shrugged off Jake's hold and rolled her eyes on him before moving to sit at the side of my bed.

"How are you?" Her gaze shifted to my bandaged torso, and tears started to pool in her eyes.

I chuckled. "Stop crying, you cry all the time. Need to be tough, Luna." I joked at her.

She smiled weakly. "I just want to say thank you. And... don't do that again."

And before I could say anything, she pressed her lips into my forehead and I felt her tears drop into my face. She then moved back and headed out of the room, Jake followed but after a moment he went back inside my room.

"You're supposed to not let her out of your sight." I reminded him.

He chuckled before his face turned serious. "She's just outside with Matteo and Harrold. She doesn't want to see you like that."

I just nodded. No words to say.

"Thanks, man. I don't know how I could ever repay you. Just say it and I'll do my best." The Alpha looked at me, and even without saying anything, I knew he meant it.

I knew that if the same thing happened again, I would do it for him and his Luna.

But maybe, this time it was my turn to ask for his help.

"I found my mate today. At the Claiming Ball." I told him in a low voice.

"F*uc*k!" His jaw tightened as his eyes dilated into the full black. He knew what my revelation meant.

Iake

"Ready to go home?" I roared the engine back to life and tilted my head to my side, looking

contentedly at the most beautiful woman I've ever laid my eyes upon.

Clair was buckling her seat belt, lips pouting in annoyance since she couldn't seem to do it right. I leaned closer to her, my hand reached for the belt lock in her hand and fixed it for her instead, making sure it wasn't too tight or too loose on her.

"You're welcome." I k*issed her forehead before I leaned my back to my seat. "Ready to go home?" I asked again.

She raised her eyes on me, excitement flashed through her sapphire blue eyes as she bobbed her head up and down. "Yes, Alpha."

We drove in comfortable silence, my hand entwined with hers which was seated in her thigh. Her other hand fiddled with my fingers.

"Jake..." She called out in a whisper, breaking my focus on the road.

"Hmmm..." I replied without glancing at her.

"What are we?" She asked in a soft tone, there was uncertainty in her voice.

I swallowed hard, her question caught me off guard me but I knew she wanted clarity but before I could open my mouth, she added more.

"When you came at the Claiming, did you just come to save me or... you wanted to claim me?" Her eyes were now fixed on me.

I stopped the car and parked it in an isolated parking space. We were in a middle of a city but it was already way past midnight and they were no humans on the street, except for a few inside convenient stores that were open 24/7.

I was hoping to talk with her as soon as we arrived on the territory but we were still 3 hours away and I guessed I could not keep my mate from waiting that long.

As soon as I stopped the engine, I angled my body towards her and motioned for her to come closer. She scooted over as I wrapped my arms around her and rested my face at the nook of her neck, inhaling her scent.

"I want you, Clair. More than you know..." I told her huskily, her scent was making me lose control. I wanted to have her now.

"I think we established that already. We want each other, Jake but is it enough for you to claim me as your mate? Or are you satisfied that we are just like this? Because I don't think..."

"Ssshhhh... you talk so much." I chuckled. She never let me finish anything. I started to nip the skin of her neck but she let out a deep sigh and pulled away from me, crossing her arm as she leaned back on her seat.

"I guess I got my answer already." She said coldly with her eyes closed.

I let out a c*oc*ky grin, knowing she was pissed off.

I adjusted my seat and moved it back, allowing more space at my front. And in a swift motion, I hooked one arm under her knees and the other hand at her back as I lifted her from her seat, placing her on my lap that she ended up straddling on me.

"Whoaaa!" She gasped in surprise, eyes widening as she held on to my shoulders for support.

I moved my hands to cupped her face, capturing her gaze. "I'm not good with this, little mate.

Relationship and things... but let me try, okay?" I said in a low voice. She remained silent, her gaze fixed with mine.

"I want you, Clair. All of you. Even before this mate bond came into the picture. The only thing that stopped me from claiming you, was the fear that the bond might harm you. I'm scared of losing you. But I'm taking this step forward... if you will take it with me." I told her my truth. I felt my eyes flicker full black for a moment. Echo wanted out, he wanted to claim our mate.

I saw tears pooled in her eyes, her lips parted but before she could say her piece I opened my mouth to speak again.

"I, Alpha Jacob Galhart accept you, Absaline Clair Montrell as my Fated Mate, the future Luna of my pack and I vowed to the Goddess that I will love

you, cherish you, respect you and honor you for as long as I live..."

Without waiting for me to finish, Clair crushed her lips into mine and placed soft k*isses on my lips as she spoke of her vows to our bond. "I, Absaline... Clair Montrell... accept you... Alpha Jacob...

Galhart... as my Fated Mate... as my Alpha... And I promise., to love you... forever."

I slid my finger through her hair and curved my hand at the back of her head, holding her in place while my mouth fully captured hers, not letting her go this time. She moaned against my mouth, her lashes fluttered in oblivion. I gently pried her lips open with my teeth and my tongue, slipping my own on hers and devouring her sweetness. E*

Her breathing shallowed, and her moans were getting louder and s*exier which only ignited the thirst I had for her.

Days ago, I never thought I would be able to hold her in my arms again. And I knew that whatever the Goddess would throw our way, I would gladly take it as long as I have her.

My hand coiled against her hair, tugging it upward to tilt her head up. I trailed k*isses from her jaws to her collarbone, stopping intentionally on the soft spot in her neck. "Soon..." I mumbled under my breath, running my breath on her skin.

She tilted her pelvis and brought her hips closer to my stomach and her center was brushing against my growing erection. I gave in and let my hand slide under her dress, searching for her wetness. Her face broadened in a wide s*exual smile against my face, she was seducing me with her eyes while her hands fumbled to unbutton my pants.

I was just starting to fondle with her wet nub when she shifted and raised herself from me, taking my hard c**k and bobbing it free from my pants, and plunged herself on my erection without any warning. She hissed and bared her teeth, a fleeting second of pain flashed on her face before it relaxed just as her wet p***y adjusted on my length.

"Can't wait to have me inside, princess." I teased her in a husky voice, my hands gripped the side of her hips, guiding her as she started to grind up and down on me.

She licked her lips and bit her lower lip without taking her eyes off me. She was letting Rain take full control of her as she rocked faster, her hair bouncing all over her.

"Faster, Alpha!" She moaned her command and I was enchanted by her again.

If I f*uc*ked her faster, the car would attract attention.

F*uc*k.This. F*uc*k them.

I let out a controlled growl as I gripped her hips tighter and angled my feet for leverage on the car floor as I started to pounce upon her. I raised both her legs up and hooked it on my shoulder before carefully leaning her back on the steering wheel. She closed her eyes and gripped my arm for support as she moaned my name, letting me take full control of her body.

There was no holding back now.

She's mine and it was f*uc*king time to let everyone know about it.

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Clair

As soon as the car halted to a stop in front of the packhouse, I saw Aaron jump from his seat at the steps in front of the house and rush towards the passenger side, opening the door abruptly.

I automatically flung my arms around him as he scooped me up for a tight embrace, my feet left the ground while he swung us around.

"dairy! You're here!!!" His hug was so tight almost suffocating but I would never complain, not anymore, not after the separation.

"I missed you, Aaron!" I shrieked with happiness. "You did?" He put me back on my feet and pulled away from the hug but his arms were still around me. "Goddess! You reeked of the Alpha! You can't even wait to get home?" His nose scrunched up, feigning a gag but a mischievous smile crept on his mouth.

"Once you found your mate, try saying that again to your sister! And let me know if you can keep your hands off your mate." A loud voice came around and I heard people snickered and laugh around us with my brother feigning a gag while my cheeks started to heat up in embarra*s*sment.

"Yeah yeah, don't get started with that mate bond spiel I grew up with, Dad!" Aaron rolled his eyes and let me go.

I spun around to face my father. His arms wrapped around mine immediately as I buried my face on his chest. "Dad!" I felt tears start to pool in my eyes. "You're safe, Dad."

He pulled away, his hands on my shoulder looking at me with a confused stare. "I'm safe. You're the one who was in danger, sweetheart."

I shook my head and buried my head on his chest again, little sobs filled the air as I tried to explain. "Alpha Noah said... if I don't do what he wanted... he would kill you... He had men follow you around. I was scared that once you leave the territory they will harm you."

An angry growl vibrated behind me, I knew it came from Jake while I felt my father's body stiffen as he held me closer.

"Sssshh... No harm came to me. And he can never hurt me. Okay?"

"We will talk more about this after Clair had rested. I will not let Noah and Aeon get away with this." I heard Jake say, and I could feel his angst. I pulled away from my father, smiling at him before walking towards my mate, he automatically pulled me into his arms.

"You're safe here now. I'm not letting you out of sight anymore." He whispered at the crown of my head, sending goosebumps all over my body.

The sparks kept growing but I welcomed it, I could never get enough of this.

I was still reveling at the comfort of his touch when I heard my brother's loud voice, my head automatically snapped to him and the Beta.

"What-the-f*uc*k-happened to you, man? I thought it was the Alpha who went against Alpha Aeon?" Aaron's eyes widened in shock upon seeing the Beta as he emerged out of the backseat of his car. Aaron's eyes shifted from the Beta to his Alpha.

All visible wounds on Beta Gavin's face were closed already but he still has blue and black marks on his face and his half-naked body was covered in a bandage.

"I tripped." The Beta snickered, his eyes shifted to me and he flashed me a smile that never reached his eyes.

Jake must have felt my discomfort that he started rubbing my arms with his palm. "We'll tell more tomorrow, but Gavin needed to rest. They wanted him to stay there so he can rest but I'm not leaving my Beta behind. He's not yet okay. Bring him to the infirmary."

"No, man. I'm good. I just want my own bed." The Beta replied.

"No. Infirmary. I want Mara to check you first." My Alpha stood his ground, referring to the in-house physician we have at the infirmary.

"You know I only follow the Alpha. Come now, warrior!" Aaron chuckled as he pulled Gavin to start walking.

"F*uc*k! Careful man, my arm might fall off soon!" He glared at my brother.

"Beta Gavin!" I called out before they left, he turned his head and looked at me. I smiled weakly, my hands clinging to Jake's arm. "Thank you..." I said in almost a whisper, just enough for him and the people around us to hear.

"Anytime, Luna." He winked before turning his attention to my brother as they walked off towards the infirmary.

Once they left, it was only then that I realized that the front of the pack house was surrounded by people.

The former Beta and Gamma females made the first move and rushed forward and hold my hands, relief visible in their eyes.

"Oh, Clair! We're so happy the Alpha was able to get you back!" Marina, the former Beta Female clasped my hand into hers before hugging me.

Katya, the former Gamma Female did the same after. "Welcome home, Luna!" She whispered softly in my ears.

I swallowed hard as I lifted my eyes to peeked at Jake under my long lashes.

A little embarra*s*sed to be called Luna by the former Gamma Female, did they know we were fated mates?

I wanted to ask my Alpha but he already invaded my head with answers.

'They know. Just as everyone in the pack knows you' re mine, princess. So get used to it.1 He smirked, brushing his hair away from his forehead while his other hand was securely placed inside his pant's pocket.

I felt my cheeks start to burn red as I looked back at the females in front of me. "Thank you. I'm happy to be back here." I smiled, the words I said speak my truth.

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It was almost 4 in the morning and the pack house was still alive with many people around. We transferred from the ground and were now seated at the dining area. Jenny and Chloe came in just a few minutes ago. They were on patrol but went directly here after their shift was over and we were now huddled at the end of the long table.

I slowly turned my head when I felt my neck start to burn and like I thought, I found my Alpha boring stares at me. He was leaning on the counter with a glass of whisky in his hand, but it remained untouched. I smiled lazily at him before turning my attention back to the girls.

'Stop staring at me, Alpha. You know it's rude.1 I mind linked him.

'I just can't believe you're here. Are you not tired? I can send them home.1

'Yes, please. I couldn't understand what the girls were saying.1

Before I could say more, I heard him move from his positioned and cleared his throat.

"This has been a great evening. Or morning. But I need to send you all home. Clair needs to rest and we all have things to do tomorrow. So... good night everyone. And thank you!" He smiled and motioned with his hand, directing everyone at the door.

The moment he ended, chairs screeched and feet started to scuttered between giggles and stifled laughter. Most of the females around went and gave me a hug before leaving, including Jenny and Chloe. And the men bobbed their heads at me and the Alpha.

Now we were left alone with just Dad, Aaron, former Beta Anthony, and his mate Marina.

Jake went beside me and curled his arm on my waist, pulling me to his side.

"Would you like to stay with me here tonight or do you want your own bed?" He asked in a soft tone which I took offensively.

I didn't realize that I growled before I spoke. "You said you're not leaving me alone!" I snapped at him, which elicited laughter from the people around.

Jake paled as he raised his hands in defense while I continued to glare at him. "I didn't mean you're sleeping alone. I was just giving you an option if you want us to sleep here or in your bed."

To which former Anthony added. "Finally, someone who can scare the Alpha." He chuckled while his mate slapped his chest playfully.

"You're just as bad as him." Marina teased his mate.

My breathing started to normalize while my gaze traveled to my father. He was looking at us and I saw a flash of longing in his eyes. He was missing Mom.

I stepped away from Jake and wrapped my arms around Dad and k*issed his cheek. "I'll stay with my mate, Dad. Rest and I'll visit you tomorrow."

He nodded and ruffled my hair. "I guess you'll be staying here for good now. Tomorrow then. Good night, sweetheart. Good night, Alpha." He bobbed his head to Jake and turned around to walk towards the door and the former Beta couple followed after they said their goodbyes.

Once they left, Aaron shifted in his spot before stepping back towards the door, hands in his pockets.

"I guess I'll sleep at home tonight. Gavin is not here and I don't want to be the only one to hear when you banged each other tonight." He feigned a shiver and laughed before heading out.

"Goodnight Alpha, Luna," Aaron added as he closed the front door behind him.

Jake

Finally, I had my mate alone.

I shut down the main lights of the house before I scooped her up and carried her bridal style towards the bedroom and then on to the bathroom. I

carefully placed her on the sink bank and started to run water on the tub.

It has been a long night and as much as I wanted to bang – Aaron's words not mine – my mate tonight, it could wait another day. I just wanted her to relax and sleep beside me tonight.

I took a deep satisfied breath before standing in front of her, in between her legs. Her eyes followed my movement as I curled my hand on her back and unzipped her dress and carefully pulled it down.

"I don't use any scent on the water when I used the tub so I don't have anything to use for you now. But we can buy it tomorrow, and you can tell me what else you want to have here. I don't really have much so we might need to buy more things so you'll be comfortable here." I told her in a low voice, my finger trailed her bare shoulder before it moved to unclasp her bra.

I swallowed at the sight of her b*reas*t, her nipple stood proud, wanting attention but I tried not to be tempted, not tonight.

"I got everything I wanted in here." She replied softly, her eyes beamed with happiness as she bit her lower lip.

"Clair..." My voice came out raspy. I felt my d*ic*k twitched inside my pants and before I could restrain myself, my temptress mate had already crushed her lips on mine, her legs wrapped around my hips.

I coiled my hand on her neck and k*issed her back, my other hand slid on her bottom and lifted her. She let go of her legs on my hips, letting her dress fall on the floor before wrapping them around me again.

I carefully placed her on the tub and pulled away from her. She growled and bared her teeth on me, not liking the distance. I chuckled as I pulled off my shirt and my pants including my boxers, with my c* *k springing forward.

My little mate gasped with lust in her eyes as she stare at my manhood, following my movement as I slid behind her on the tub.

She wiggled her a*s*s, slipped off her underwear, and threw it on the floor before positioning herself comfortably in between my legs, my hardness pressing against her back.

She closed her eyes and leaned her back on me while my hand wrapped around her, resting it on her stomach just below her b*reas*t, I dipped my head to her neck and

suckled her skin. "You know I' ve been wanting to mark you the whole night but we need to wait..."

My hand slowly went down to her core, my finger brushing softly against her folds. I would just pleasure her, just her. I kept reminding myself.

She moaned in response.

"...I wanted the Goddess to bless us through the Blue Moon." She kept moaning, as my thumb circled on her c**t and my finger rubbed gently to open her wet entrance.

I was not even sure if she was hearing me now.

"...Don't ever think I don't want to claim you." I let my other hand play with her b*reas*t as I bit and sucked her neck, while I thrust a finger inside her wetness, "...because I do."

Clair let out a groan of pleasure as she moved her body against the thrusting of my finger inside her, her hands gripping my knees on her sides. I continued to work my magic inside her, slipping another finger while I whispered my promises to her.

Promises I intended to keep for as long as I live.

It went on like this until I felt her body stiffen and her grip on my legs tightened, I sucked the soft spot on her neck while I twisted her n^{****} e with my one hand and at the same time f^*uc^* king her p^{***} y faster and harder with my thick fingers.

"Goddess! Jake..." She moaned wildly as her body convulsed in my arms as the o*rgas*m took over her. I continued to move my fingers in and out of her until she got over from the highs of her release and her body slumped back on me.

"Do you want me to pleasure you, Alpha?" She asked softly, her voice almost a whisper with her eyes closed.

"I'm okay, baby. Sleep." I placed a k*iss on her head and wrapped my arms around her for a tight embrace. She nodded and smiled, keeping her eyes closed.

"I love you, Jake." She whispered before she let sleep take over her.

She said the words I've been wanting to tell her but didn't have the courage to say.

I closed my eyes and held her tighter, reveling at this moment that I finally have the woman I loved in my arms. I would let no one take her away again. "I love you, Clair," I whispered back not caring if she doesn't hear me now.

And I promised myself, starting today, I would tell her how I feel about her that she would no longer doubt where she stands in my life.