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Meet My Brothers by Red Thirteen chapter 1069-Shelly countered, "Why do you assume I couldn't get on the reservation list? Your family doesn't own Nord City."

At that moment, Sharon added, "Shelly, let's save the birthday talk after securing the collaboration. There's still plenty of time before your birthday."

Shelly was fuming with indignation. Philip had promised to secure her reservation, but Mia's interference and threats had made him back out. Shelly suspected Mia was just jealous.

She glared at Mia and said, "Are you happy now? But don't celebrate too soon. Once Aide Castle Hotel collaborates with us, I'll still get my birthday banquet. Let's see you try to stop me then."

Mia shot back, "Let me save you the trouble. None of that will ever happen, and there's no chance you'll have your birthday banquet here."

"Wow, Mia, you're really full of yourself. Do you think you own the hotel? You've been acting high and mighty, bossing the manager around and firing him like you're in charge."

"Why? Do you think I'm not the hotel's owner?"

"You're claiming you're the owner? Give me a break. If you're going to lie, at least make it believable."

Jasmine's eyes widened in shock as she stared at Mia. Though not entirely unexpected, this revelation was still astonishing.

After all, the initial investors in Aide Castle were related to the Lane family. The actual owner had always remained a mystery, which made many suspect it was someone from the Lane family keeping a low profile.

Since Dominic was one of the investors, rumors circulated that the hotel was established for his mistress, and her identity was kept secret to avoid Eva's wrath.

Upon learning that Mia might be the owner, Jasmine found it plausible. She couldn't believe Mia, who always seemed like a carefree socialite, owned Aide

Castle Hotel. Jasmine had heard about Mia's passion for landscape design and her awards in the field, so it made sense that she designed all the unique themes at the hotel. The hotel's success was primarily due to its innovative and distinctive designs. Jasmine was impressed and realized Mia was much more talented than she had thought. Mia calmly responded, "Why should I lie?"

"If you claim to be the owner of Aide Castle Hotel, why didn't the manager recognize you earlier?"

"Well, he's just filling in as the manager temporarily. Naturally, some of the newer staff members haven't had the chance to meet me yet," Mia explained.

"You're really into this act, huh? If you're really the hotel owner, with so many people here today, someone should know you."

"They probably wouldn't recognize me. I've stayed out of the spotlight for years and have never publicly appeared at my workplace."

Previously she had amnesia and had to hide her identity to avoid being discovered by Timothy. So, she had others manage her businesses while she stayed in the background.

"Seriously, Mia, there's only so much we can believe. I can't imagine none of these guests know who owns Aide Castle. If someone does, your lie will be busted," Shelly asserted. She was skeptical of Mia's claim.

Jasmine chimed in, "Maybe Mia's telling the truth. The owner of Aide Castle Hotel has been a mystery for ages. + didn't even know it was her. She's done a great job keeping it a secret."

Meet My Brothers by Red Thirteen chapter 1070-Mia said, "I've kept it a secret for personal reasons."

Shelly rolled her eyes at Jasmine. "Of course, you're taking Mia's side since you're in league with her. I don't believe that a carefree socialite like her owns Aide Castle Hotel."

"Just because you can't do something doesn't mean others can't," Jasmine countered.

Sharon looked at Mia skeptically. “You say you’re the hotel’s owner. How do you prove it? Are you going to call the former manager, Mike? But how do we know the person you call is him?”

Mia nodded. “You’re right. But I don’t see any reason to prove my identity to you. It’s simply a waste of time, especially since I have a busy evening ahead.”

With that, Mia turned and left. She wanted to call someone to deal with Philip.

There couldn’t be any slip-ups at the investment banquet. Besides, she had no time to spare with Sharon and Shelly.

Jasmine chimed in, “Mia, you’re right. Let’s not waste our time on people who don’t matter.”

Shelly, feeling offended, stepped forward. “What do you mean by ‘people who don’t matter?’ I think Mia’s just feeling guilty.

“She can’t prove she’s the hotel’s owner, so she’s making excuses to leave. But her lies will be exposed once the guests arrive and the real owner of Aide Castle Hotel shows up. Let’s see how she explains it then.”

Sharon calmly adjusted her stylish coat and said, “Shelly, there’s no need to waste our time on irrelevant people. The guests are all here. You should go and greet them.”

Shelly nodded in response.

After they left, Mia immediately pulled out her phone to call Peyton, “What’s going on with the acting manager? Get him replaced right away.” Peyton asked respectfully, “Ms. Mia, what happened?”

“The acting manager promised the Barrett family they’d get priority on the reservation list. If this gets out, tonight’s event will be a disaster.” “Got it, Ms. Mia. I’ll handle it and shuffle the staff for the event,” he responded.

Mia angrily hung up the phone and double-checked the event venue. The food placement problem was fixed. After taking a glance, she felt that everything was in order and breathed a sigh of relief.

She looked up and spotted Sharon and Shelly chatting with a few guests, including a young man around Shelly's age. It looked like a blind date.

Mia wondered why Sharon had suddenly brought Shelly to the event. Didn't Sharon remember how Shelly had embarrassed the Barrett family in public?

At that moment, Jasmine approached her and said, "I just checked. Shelly is definitely on a blind date with that man. But it feels more like a business transaction than a romantic setup.

"The man is a nouveau riche, and his

son is into all sorts of unsavory activities like drinking, partying, and gambling. No decent family in Nord City wants to be associated with them. However, they have high standards and only seek to marry daughters from wealthy families.

"Even though Shelly isn't someone with status, the people of Nord City don't know her background. All they know is she's Timothy's cousin, and that's enough for them to see her as a suitable match."

Mia responded, "Well, my ex-mother-in-law isn't exactly known for her kindness. Why would she willingly introduce Shelly to these people?"

Meet My Brothers by Red Thirteen chapter 1071-Mia felt there was a motive behind Sharon's action.

"There must be some perks involved," Jasmine said. "Those nouveau riche are quite generous, and Mrs. Barrett is desperate for money. I heard it took a lot to bail out Ralph."

Sharon wasn't just short on cash. The Bowen family was also demanding hefty compensation from her, and she was already caught up in legal issues. Plus, she couldn't stay long in Nord City.

Mia had thought Sharon was in a tough spot, but now she had managed to bail Ralph out. How did Sharon get the Bowens to agree?

"Yeah, I was curious too," Jasmine stated. "I thought the Barrett family might have given it to her, but I had someone confirm, and that wasn't the case."

"Then, where did she get all this money from?" Mia asked.

Mia knew Sharon wanted to bail Ralph, but it seemed unlikely she would be willing to give up her entire fortune for him. Sharon cared too much about her image, and without money, how could she keep up her status in Bern City?

Plus, liquidating her assets wouldn't happen quickly. And Mia doubted Timothy would allow his mother to sell off all their property just to bail out his incompetent uncle.

So, she wondered where Sharon got this large sum of money and how she managed to persuade the Bowen family.

Jasmine whispered, "I heard Sharon has been associating with people from Yellow Island recently."

"She has been associating with people from Yellow Island? Are you sure?" Mia frowned.

After all, there had just been a conflict between the research institute and the so-called heiress of Yellow Island, Louisa, who was detained in Nord City and couldn't leave the country.

Yellow Island had negotiated with Raymond and submitted documents. Despite their desire to expedite the process, Louisa's arrogant remarks had drawn significant attention to the matter.

Because of this scrutiny, Yellow Island couldn't openly use backdoor channels and Raymond couldn't afford to show them leniency at this critical moment. The situation would only be manageable once public attention died down. Content belongs to FindNovel.net For now, the arrogant Louisa had to stay in Nord City. She was constantly monitored and couldn't go anywhere. It wasn't jail, but being under constant surveillance was still quite uncomfortable. Still, Mia hadn't expected Sharon to associate with the people from Yellow Island.

Mia was puzzled. "Who exactly is this person from Yellow Island that Mrs. Barrett is involved with?"

"I'm still investigating this matter," Jasmine said.

She added, "Their identity is quite mysterious, and they've never really shown themselves. But from what I've heard, it might be the island governor, who is the current prime minister's granddaughter."

“The prime minister’s granddaughter of Yellow Island? But his daughter died many years ago. How could he suddenly have a granddaughter?” Mia remarked.

Jasmine said, “I’m not sure. This matter involves the prime minister’s private family affairs, and he’s very protective of his privacy. It’s tough to find out the exact details.

“But if she truly is the prime minister’s granddaughter and she’s closely connected to Mrs. Barrett, there shouldn’t be too much of an issue with her lending a hand. But, why would she help yrs. Barrett?”

“That’s what I’m wondering as well,” Mia replied.

Given Sharon’s love for showing off, she would have boasted about any connections to Fellow Island a long time ago.

Meet My Brothers by Red Thirteen chapter 1072-Mia suddenly remembered Timothy’s background and found herself at a loss for words.

She had always found it strange how Sharon’s behavior caused so many embarrassing situations without anyone daring to criticize her. It dawned on Mia that this was due to the Barrett family’s elite status in Bern City.

Despite Sharon’s lack of competence befitting her status, the Barretts seemed unusually accepting of her. However, Mia had recently uncovered the reason, which was tied to Timothy’s background. Sharon and Timothy seemed to carry a sense of obligation from their past, which explained the Barretts’ tolerance toward Sharon.

Mia frowned as she thought about the conflict between the research institute and Yellow Island, which made her wary of anyone associated with Yellow Island.

Now, Sharon’s sudden bond with the granddaughter of Yellow Island’s prime minister seemed suspicious to her.

She suspected that Sharon’s calling for Shelly to Nord City and her matchmaking efforts might be related to the prime minister’s granddaughter.

Jasmine said, “I’ll have someone follow up on this issue. But my assistant just called to inform me that my dad has arrived. I invited him specifically to the

investment banquet today as a show of support.” “You didn’t have to do that, especially considering everything happening on your end.”

“Mia, I know there’s been some tension between our families lately, and I want to smooth things over. Let’s not let Luna’s antics drive a wedge between us.

That’s just giving her what she wants.” Mia sighed, and she understood Jasmine’s intention.

With Luna now at Raymond’s side and ties to the Barrett family, Jasmine needed new allies. So, the Lane family was an obvious choice.

Seeing Jasmine’s cautious expression, Mia reassured her, “Come on. Let’s go greet your father.”

After all, Raymond’s presence at the event was a courtesy. No matter what was going on behind the scenes, putting on a good front was essential.

As Mia observed Jasmine’s expression, memories of her own past within the Barrett family five years ago flooded back.

As Mia and Jasmine approached the entrance, they noticed Raymond’s car pulling up. However, when he stepped out, he was accompanied by an unexpected companion.

Mia wasn’t surprised to see Luna, but she couldn’t ignore the sour expression on Jasmine’s face? She comforted Jasmine by giving her a reassuring pat on the shoulder and said, “Keep your cool.”

“But I didn’t invite Luna, and I’m sure you didn’t, either. That shameless woman, how dare she come here with my dad? What if my mother finds out?” Jasmine fretted

“Don’t worry, I’ll handle the press. They won’t make this public or let any photos reach your mother.”

Jasmine expressed, “Thank you. I’ve already discussed it with my grandparents, but they haven’t agreed yet.”

“You’re too naïve. Sometimes, a false promise is all it takes,” Mia advised.

At the moment, Luna only had Asher as leverage. If Jasmine could swallow her pride, she would undoubtedly emerge as the ultimate winner.

Meet My Brothers by Red Thirteen chapter 1073-“But my grandparents were honorable people. They wouldn’t tolerate such wrongdoing or let me suffer like this,” Jasmine said.

Mia smiled. “If your grandparents care for you that much, then you should find ways to protect them.

“Sometimes, you can’t play fair when dealing with people who use dirty tactics.

Fighting fire with fire can be effective. It’s like giving them a taste of their own medicine.” “You’re right.” Jasmine sighed.

Dressed in a designer gown, Luna walked beside Raymond as she relished the attention of the crowd. The gazes of admiration she received made her feel like a celebrity, and she couldn’t resist putting on a smug smile.

This was her first public appearance with him, and she knew everyone was speculating about her identity. She knew soon that she would be able to reveal her actual identity.

As his daughter and a wealthy heiress, she aimed to make those who had once looked down on her regret their judgment.

Seeing Mia and Jasmine nearby, Luna’s eyes gleamed with satisfaction.

Luna had finally reached this milestone, and she was determined not to let those who had once belittled her off the hook.

Jasmine approached Raymond. “Dad, I’m glad you’re here. I thought you were busy today.”

“How could I say no to my daughter’s request?” His expression was conflicted.

He hadn’t planned on attending, but Luna had persuaded him.

Jasmine pretended not to notice Luna and said, “Dad, what do you think of the theme of today’s event? Mom’s birthday is approaching, and I was thinking of booking this theme for her. What’s your opinion?” “I think it’s great. Your mother is going to love it.”



She added, "But I haven't made any arrangements yet. You know she isn't keen on celebrating birthdays heard you had a reservation at Aide Castle Hotel for a business event. Could we use it for her birthday instead?"

"Sure," Raymond agreed without hesitation.

Ever since Luna came into the picture, his relationship with Jasmine had become strained. Now that she was reaching out to him, he wasn't going to turn her away.

Luna's expression froze. "Dad, didn't you promise to host Asher's birthday bash here at Aide Castle Hotel and introduce him to our relatives and friends?"

The idea of Alison snagging that reservation made Luna uneasy. She wondered what would happen to Asher's big day.

Luna knew how difficult it was to score a reservation at Aide Castle Hotel. If they missed out, her son's birthday bash might be postponed or held somewhere else.

When Jasmine heard that, she clenched her fists tightly as she felt the pain ripple through her body. She the pain ripple through her body, she couldn't believe that conniving woman, was trying to compete with her mother for Asher's sake.

Though Jasmine wanted to lash out, she knew she had to remain calm!

She, wasn't her father's only understood she had to play ninet daughter anymore, and she to reclaim what was rightfully hers and mother's.

Meet My Brothers by Red Thirteen chapter 1074-Raymond was momentarily taken aback. "Well, I've been quite busy lately, so this slipped my mind."

Jasmine looked at her father. "Dad, you know mom's health is declining. So, I thought we could throw her a party to lift her spirits. We can invite Grandma and Grandpa too and have a joyful family gathering." Raymond nodded. "You're right. Let me check if we can still make the arrangements."

Luna saw her chance and piped up, "Dad, why don't you help Jasmine out and ask Aide Castle Hotel? They'd probably accommodate us for another event."

Jasmine's expression darkened. She couldn't believe Luna would say something like that.

Just then, someone approached Raymond to greet him, and he walked over to the group.

Jasmine and Luna remained standing at where they were, and the atmosphere grew tense.

Luna adjusted her designer bag with a smile. "Jasmine, I understand your mom's birthday is a big deal. But I did talk to Dad first, you know. There's an order to these things, right?"

She believed it was essential for Asher to make his first public appearance with Raymond at Aide Castle Hotel. This would show Raymond's regard for Asher and ensure that people took them seriously. Jasmine scoffed. "If we're really talking about order, then you shouldn't be here at all."

"Oh, please. I'm older than you. If we're talking about order, it's my mom and I first, then you and yours."

"A mistress like you, who's been kept

in the shadows and can't be acknowledged publicly, talking about order? This sounds just like a former maid trying to play the role of the lady of the house!" Jasmine quipped.

Luna's expression changed. "Let me make it clear that this party is for my son. Your mother can forget about having it for herself. You know how much Dad has been wishing for a son to carry on the family name.

"Plus, your mother has been sick for years. It wouldn't hurt to postpone her celebration until next year. Or are you worried she won't be around anymore?" Jasmine was livid upon hearing that. "Luna, I dare you to say that again."

"What? Did I say something wrong?"

Just as Jasmine was about to lunge at Luna, Mia stepped in and grabbed her arm. "What's going on? This drink is surprisingly good. Try it."

Mia handed Jasmine a cocktail, and she subtly reminded Jasmine not to act impulsively.

With many guests present today, and knowing how much Raymond cared about his reputation, Jasmine realized that causing a scene here would only give Luna more leverage. So, she grabbed the cocktail and downed it while swallowing her anger in the process. Content

Disappointment flickered in Luna's eyes. She had hoped to provoke Jasmine into acting out but she was stopped by Mia.

Luna smirked and turned around, walking toward Raymond. She knew her only support was her father.

After Luna left, Jasmine wanted to smash her glass in frustration. "Mia, did you hear what that bitch just said? I wanted to throw a party for my mom, and she's trying to steal it for her son.

"And my dad's being all vague, talking about contacting Aide Castle Hotel. Doesn't he know about their reservation system..." She let her words trail off.

Meet My Brothers by Red Thirteen chapter 1075-When Mia heard that, she knew what Jasmine wanted to say.

After a moment of silence, Mia said, "You're aware of the policies at Aide Castle Hotel. Besides, all the reservations for this year are full. Unless there's a cancellation or a transfer, we won't be able to secure a spot for your banquet."

"Mia, don't worry. I won't let you down. And I won't let Luna have her way. My dad already made the reservation, and there's no way I'm giving it to Asher." Jasmine would never let this matter slide.

But at the moment, the most pressing issue wasn't just finding a way to host a banquet at Aide Castle Hotel. It was about securing her father's reservation and using it for her mother's birthday instead of wasting it on a welcome party for Asher.

"So, have you thought about how you're going to persuade your father to change his mind? Luna isn't going to give up this opportunity easily. For her, hosting the event at Aide Castle Hotel is the ultimate move to flaunt her new status," Mia remarked.

"I know, but I won't let that bitch succeed."

Seeing Jasmine's determined expression, Mia figured she had a plan and didn't press further.

It wasn't easy to change Raymond's mind, but if Jasmine accepted Mia's advice to welcome Asher, Luna would undoubtedly be at a position of advantage. It depended on how Jasmine handled the situation herself, as she had her own obstacles to overcome.

Jasmine strode confidently toward her father and stood proudly by his side. Her upbringing and education set her apart from Luna. Even though Luna had been trying to change the way she carried herself recently, it was just a facade and she was easily seen through.

Soon, all attention turned to Jasmine, who effortlessly commanded the room and drew smiles from everyone. Meanwhile, Luna looked like a mere bystander and was left on the sidelines. Luna felt embarrassed, but she still forced a smile. Despite her internal anger, she couldn't let it show. This was her first public appearance, and she couldn't afford to make a bad impression.

Mia was relieved when she observed Jasmine regain her composure. She approached Raymond with a cocktail in hand and greeted him warmly, "Mr. Shelbert, thank you for making time to attend this event despite your busy schedule."

He accepted the drink and gave her a courteous nod. "Since you're so close to my daughter, I had to come and show my support."

Mia smiled and was about to toast him when suddenly, Luna stopped him. "Remember, your health comes first. The doctor advised against alcohol. Have you forgotten?" she reminded him. "Oh, I almost forgot about that. Thanks for the reminder. But I'll just have a sip. It should be fine."

Luna took the glass from his hand and said, "Considering your age and health, the doctor's orders are clear. Not even a drop of alcohol. Let's opt for tea instead. I'm sure everyone will understand." After Luna's tactful intervention, the crowd exchanged puzzled glances. They were intrigued by her identity and unexpected appearance beside Raymond.

Meet My Brothers by Red Thirteen chapter 1076-At first, some speculated that Luna was Raymond's mistress, but that seemed unlikely, given his clean record in recent years. However, they still couldn't help but wonder about the

young woman by his side. Then, someone standing nearby asked curiously, “Mr. Shelbert, who is this young lady? I don’t believe we’ve met her before.”

Upon hearing that, Luna breathed a sigh of relief. She had attended the banquet today with one purpose, and that was to announce to everyone that she was Raymond’s daughter.

She looked at Jasmine smugly and thought, “No matter how hard you try, you can’t stop this.”

Raymond was surprised by the question.

Just as he was about to explain, Jasmine promptly chimed in, “This is Ms. Maynard. She is the daughter of one of my dad’s old acquaintances. After her mother passed away, there were some family issues, so my father graciously took her in.”

Upon hearing that, Luna’s expression instantly changed.

Just as she was about to explain, Raymond nodded and said, “That’s right. Ms. Maynard is the daughter of an old friend. Being a young girl, she’s been through a lot, and it’s the least we could do to help.” Jasmine smiled and added, “Dad, you’re always so kind and ready to help others.”

Mia said, “Yes. As the mayor of Nord City, helping a friend’s daughter is nothing out of the ordinary for Mr. Shelbert. He’s setting a great example for all of us. Let’s give him a round of applause.”

The room erupted in enthusiastic applause and the guests showered Raymond with praise. He looked visibly relieved.

But amidst the celebration, Luna couldn’t hide her discontent. Struggling to maintain her

composure, Luna clenched her fists as she tried to contain her emotions. This was her one chance to reveal her identity to everyone.

By then, she wouldn’t just be an illegitimate daughter without a solid status.

However, Jasmine’s unexpected assertion that she was merely an old friend’s daughter threw Luna off guard.

She thought her father would correct Jasmine, but to her surprise, he agreed. What did that make her now?

Her mind raced with conflicting thoughts. She couldn't let this opportunity slip away. If she didn't assert her identity now, she might never get another chance.

Luna knew she had to seize the moment and declare her true identity. Once this opportunity passed, it would be lost forever.

At that moment, Luna made up her mind and turned to Raymond. "Dad, what about Asher if I'm just considered an old friend's daughter?"

She wanted to remind him about his intentions to adopt Asher into the family formally. If she were only seen as an acquaintance's daughter, that bond wouldn't exist.

Luna calling Raymond "Dad" instantly caught everyone's attention. They quickly exchanged glances with one another.

After all, just a moment ago, they had speculated that if Luna wasn't Raymond's mistress, she might be his illegitimate daughter. Such things weren't uncommon in elite circles.

Raymond felt a mix of emotions at that instant. He hadn't anticipated Luna openly referring to him as "Dad".

Jasmine smiled and linked arms

with her father. "Why are you all so surprised? Didn't my dad mention earlier that he brought a friend's daughter to live with us? Of course he has thought about adopting her."

Meet My Brothers by Red Thirteen chapter 1077-After Mia heard Jasmine's words, she immediately fixed her gaze on Jasmine.

She had a strong feeling that Jasmine had made a decision.

Luna attended this banquet with Raymond today with the sole purpose of unveiling her true identity. Jasmine's recent words have effectively thwarted all of Luna's intended plans and left her feeling trapped.

Raymond had recently confessed that Luna was the daughter of his old friend, and he took her under his wing out of friendship. Although there might be a hint of skepticism regarding her status as an illegitimate child, no one would dare to voice such doubts in public.

Ultimately, the attendees were all highly respected and sensible individuals who would never publicly humiliate Raymond.

Raymond had revealed Luna's true identity as a friend's daughter when she made her first public appearance. From that moment on, it would prove challenging to alter her identity later. Luna was undoubtedly furious as her flawless plan had been thwarted by Jasmine.

Mia couldn't help but notice Luna's expression, which was one of pure distress. At that moment, Luna's anger was so intense that it seemed as if she was on the verge of exploding. She had never expected Jasmine to react so quickly this time.

She believed that once she revealed this information, Jasmine would not be able to tolerate it and would immediately expose her illegitimate daughter's identity or yell at her. If Jasmine had done so, she could have had a chance to explain or control the situation.

However, Luna was taken by surprise when Jasmine chose to remain silent instead of making a scene. Even more unexpectedly, Jasmine claimed that Luna was the daughter of Raymond's old friend. She even stated that Raymond would acknowledge her as his goddaughter.

Jasmine's sudden change made Luna instantly wary. This time, she had underestimated her enemy.

She wondered whether Jasmine had followed someone's advice to do this. Luna suspected that this was the case and looked at Mia who was sitting next to Jasmine.

It was clear that Mia had been her rival from the start.

As long as Mia was present, nothing would go smoothly for her. This was evident when she returned to the Barrett family and relied on Dana's assistance to get rid of Mia, allowing her to live a comfortable life for five years.

Luna believed she could secure her place in the Barrett family through Asher's identity, but Mia's return shattered her plans. She was not only expelled from the Barrett family, but she also ended up in jail.

Despite thinking that she could easily handle Jasmine, she was blindsided by Mia once more, derailing her scheme.

Luna glanced at Raymond with grievance in her eyes and exclaimed, "Dad, aren't you going to say anything?"

At the moment, Luna's sole hope

rested on Raymond. According to Raymond's earlier statement, he

would acknowledge her identity at

long as she agreed to have Asher adopted into the Shelbert family. She spent a lot of time persuading Raymond to let her come to this banquet with him today.

After all, Asher would make his first public appearance at the Aide Castle Hotel later So, Luna attending this banquet today could be seen as a sign of what was to come. Nevertheless, she never expected her plans to be thwarted. S

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Raymond's expression momentarily froze, leaving him feeling trapped. Truth be told, Raymond was unwilling to reveal Luna's true identity as his illegitimate daughter. Such revelation would greatly tarnish his esteemed reputation.

However, for Asher's sake, he still decided to bring Luna to the banquet. Little did he know that Luna would audaciously choose to reveal her true identity herself.

It became evident that Luna truly belonged to a modest family and lacked sophisticated manners like Jasmine.

Jasmine had effortlessly handled the situation and earned him praise for assisting his old friend's daughter.



Meet My Brothers by Red Thirteen chapter 1078-Raymond cleared his throat and replied quickly, "Don't worry, Luna. Once you become part of our Shelbert family, you'll be my daughter, and I'll treat you as my own. No one will ever look down on you. Trust me, there's nothing to worry about."

As long as Luna returned to his side and received proper care, it made no difference whether he acknowledged her as his daughter or not. It was a win-win situation for him.

Jasmine smiled and replied, "Indeed. My dad has always been supportive and kind to others. With Luna now here in our home, we're truly becoming a family. Luna, please know that you don't need to worry about these events. If you ever have any doubts or need assistance in the future, I'll be here to guide you and teach you."

Raymond nodded to Jasmine with deep satisfaction and remarked, "You've truly matured. Luna has endured so much since childhood and is quite inexperienced in these matters. You should guide her to socialize more and teach her your ways. As Asher's mother, she can't be ignorant."

Jasmine felt bitter, yet she still managed to force a smile as she responded, "Don't worry, Dad. I'll definitely teach Luna properly."

It was difficult to make that decision. However, seeing Luna's frustration, anger, and powerlessness, she felt that she made the right choice. Ultimately, there was nothing wrong with beating someone at their own game.

Luna tried her best to maintain control over her expression. Any display of anger at this critical moment would render all her previous attempts pointless. She also worried that if she made any wrong move, Raymond would not recognize her or bring her out to events again.

Luna took a deep breath and said, "I still have a lot of things I don't understand. I'm afraid of inadvertently making a mistake in front of everyone in the future. I need your help to prevent that from happening. We're going to be a family, and I don't want to be the one to embarrass our Shelbert name with a joke that falls flat."

Jasmine's eyes grew cold as she pondered whether Luna's words meant something more was she threatening them?

Jasmine said with a half-smile, "Don't worry. I'll try my best. After all, teachers can only guide us, but learning ultimately depends on ourselves. Luna, you'll have to work harder in the future."

Luna glared at Jasmine with an expression of reluctance. She couldn't believe that this bitch dared to speak to her in such a way.

Mia witnessed Luna's defeat and locked eyes with Jasmine. Without uttering a single word, they communicated through the unspoken language of their shared gaze.

Someone nearby quickly intervened to smooth things over. "Mr. Shelbert, your daughter is remarkably well-educated. She's incredibly kind and generous. You're truly fortunate to have her, unlike the brat in our family. He always disappoints everyone."

"That's right. What are the advantages of having a son nowadays? You still have to clean up his mess. It's far more advantageous to have a daughter. A daughter is thoughtful, diligent, ambitious, and compassionate."

"I agree. When I was sick before, only my daughter was there to take care of me, and my son was nowhere to be found. What's the point of having a son?"

Luna's expression froze as she pondered why having a son would be considered useless.

The only reason she was able to return to Raymond's side was because he valued sons more than daughters. Raymond desired to have his own son to inherit the family business, and that was her ticket back to him.

Jasmine's eyes turned cold as she said loudly, "Indeed, Dad has consistently displayed a preference for girls over boys. He instilled in me the belief that there is no distinction between genders, raising me to be his rightful heir."

Luna's expression suddenly changed upon hearing that.

Meet My Brothers by Red Thirteen chapter 1079-Mia was surprised and glanced at Jasmine, who had truly come into her own today. It was clear that Raymond's efforts in investing years in educating her had not been in vain. Despite his preference for sons, premium education always paid off. With Jasmine overcoming this obstacle, Luna's only bargaining chip would no longer hold any advantage. Raymond gazed deeply at Jasmine and said,

“Yes, I’ve always preferred to have a daughter, and Jasmine has always been exceptional.”

“Indeed, it has been widely known that Mr. Shelbert has always been an adoring father to his daughter.”

“I truly admire Mr. Shelbert for having such an exceptional daughter.”

Jasmine glanced at Raymond, who stood beside her. She had heard these words repeated countless times before. She used to believe that what Raymond said was true.

However, as she grew older, she realized that the invisible preference for boys over girls truly existed.

It was evident in the words of those two women who were seemingly belittling their son, when in fact they were showing off.

For instance, Mrs. Jonas, the first to speak, always claimed that her son was incompetent and that she would give her daughter anything she desired. However, when her husband retired, the inheritance rights went directly to her incompetent son. Despite her daughter graduating as an executive with outstanding abilities, she was only able to serve as a deputy general manager in the company, with no real authority over the group.

Those who were accustomed to treating their daughters well and their sons poorly would reveal their clear biases when it came time to divide the family inheritance. In those days, all the property was inherited by the sons, while the daughters were married off and received only a small share. However, their daughters would come in handy when they needed someone to take care of them.

After thinking about this, Jasmine instantly felt nauseous. She couldn’t help but wonder how parents could be so vicious to their own children.

Mia noticed that everything was almost ready, so she quickly announced, “Dinner is about to be served. Please go over and grab a bite. Let’s not linger here.”

Once she finished speaking, everyone scattered. Raymond also departed alongside the elders.

Luna glared at Mia with a discontented expression. “This is a banquet at Aide Castle Hotel. It’s not hosted by your Lane family. Why are you acting as if you’re the one charge here, insisting that go and grab a bite? How in anyone presumptuous of you.” Content

Mia must have been the one who taught Jasmine how to fight back. Otherwise, dealing with a pretentious woman like Jasmine would have been a simple task.

Mia was just a woman who couldn’t stand the thought of someone being better than her. She was afraid that one day someone might surpass her so she tried every possible means to stop that from happening.

Mia observed the furious expression on Luna’s face. It was clear that Jasmine’s counterattack had truly caught her off guard.

Mia smiled confidently, her red lips curving slightly as she declared, “I don’t need to pretend to be the owner. I am the owner of Aide Castle Hotel.”

“Are you claiming to be the owner of Aide Castle Hotel? Are you kidding me? Do you honestly believe that the owner would maintain a low profile to allow others like you to assume their identity?”

“I don’t have to explain to you,” Mia said flatly.

Luna sneered “Mia, I’ve left the

Barrett family, so why do you still insist on targeting me? You were once an orphan yourself before you discovered your own family. You of all people should be able to to o

empathize with my experience.”

Mia's eyes widened with surprise as she exclaimed, "How could I possibly understand your situation? I am my parents' biological child!"

Unbeknownst to others, Jasmine discreetly spilled her cocktail onto Luna's dress. Luna immediately screamed, "Do you know how expensive my dress costs? It's a limited edition!"

"I know. I apologize for what just happened. My hand accidentally slipped. You don't mind, right?"

Meet My Brothers by Red Thirteen chapter 1080-Luna glanced at her stained dress and snapped at Jasmine. "You did that deliberately, but let me make one thing clear. Even if my dress is damaged, Dad can easily buy me a new one. You can never stop me from returning to the Shelbert family. Your dirty tricks are utterly disgraceful!"

Jasmine chided, "Didn't I learn all this from you? Although these underhanded tricks are not widely embraced, they're quite straightforward to use. This is why I've started learning from you. Whatever tricks you use, I'll use as well. Does that please you?"

"Jasmine, don't be complacent. I'll deal with you sooner or later when I return to the Shelbert family."

Luna was in no mood to argue. Her dress was stained, and she had to quickly change into a new one. She had to continue her appearance in front of the guests. After all, today was very important to her. Despite her identity now being Raymond's goddaughter and the daughter of his old friend, it was only the beginning. She was determined to personally clarify her identity in the future.

After Luna left, only Mia and Jasmine remained. Mia commented with a smile, "You did an excellent job today. Luna's identity is now entirely established. She's simply the daughter of an old friend and incapable of causing any trouble. Even if anyone questions her identity, they wouldn't dare to do so openly. She's merely an unacknowledged illegitimate daughter, and no one will pay attention to her." In prominent families, such occurrences were not unheard of.

"I know. I should have listened to you earlier. So many things could have been avoided, and my Mom wouldn't have been so upset that she ended up in the

hospital.” Jasmine now felt a twinge of regret. “It’s not too late for you to change now, and you’ve timed it perfectly,” Mia remarked.

Jasmine said, “I have Luna to thank for that. What she did just now has made me determined. I understand now that these people have always favored sons over daughters, but they don’t openly show it. They often claim to be good to their daughters, but their true intentions are revealed when it’s time to divide interests.”

“Actually, this only represents a

portion of the population and they

cannot speak for everyone. For instance, when my parents drafted their will, they evenly distributed all the property among their children, regardless of their gender. S

Jasmine envied Mia and said, “Not everyone has parents like yours, or as many loving brothers as you do.”

Mia gently pressed her lips together,

a subtle smile adorning her face. It seemed slightly awkward to boast about her brother in front of Jasmine at this particular moment. Hence she shifted the topic of conversation, suggesting, “The

investment banquet is out to

commence. Why don’t we grab a bite first?”

After finishing their meal, the duo made their way towards the banquet venue. Mia glanced up and caught a glimpse of Luna quickly changing into yet another dress before making her way out. Jasmine snorted. “It seems that my Dad has arranged for a lot of people to tend to Luna.”

In general, when people like them went out, their assistants usually brought a change of clothes. However, someone like Luna probably only had that one dress.

Jasmine didn’t want to see Luna at

the banquet anymore, so she deliberately dirtied Luna’s skirt to prompt her to leave. However, she didn’t expect Luna to change into another dress and

reappear so quickly. It showed that Raymond had arranged for an assistant for Luna.

Luna hadn't even returned to the Shelbert family, and Raymond was already treating her so well. For a while, Jasmine felt utterly disappointed in Raymond. Luna proudly strolled into the banquet venue, casting a provocative glance at Mia and Jasmine.

Shelly walked over directly and asked tentatively, "Are you Luna?"

Meet My Brothers by Red Thirteen chapter 1081-When Mia saw Shelly approaching Luna, she was slightly surprised. It felt as if a great show was about to unfold.

Meanwhile, Jasmine still felt very uncomfortable about Luna's quick dress change. Mia gently squeezed Jasmine's hand and said, "Perhaps we'll be able to witness something good happen later." However, Jasmine only wore a surprised expression, revealing her uncertainty about the situation.

"Luna was with the Barrett family for five years. You should be familiar with Shelly's personality too. She would likely bully, mistreat, and look down on Luna," Mia said.

Based on Mia's understanding of Shelly, Luna, whom she had previously looked down upon, had now transformed. Shelly harbored jealousy in her heart, and she might do something unexpectedly. Luna proudly changed into her new dress and emerged, ready to show off in front of Jasmine. After all, Raymond had arranged an assistant for her and prepared a change of clothes, which she didn't expect to come in handy. Unexpectedly, this idiot Shelly also showed up at today's banquet.

What a coincidence. It seemed that God was still favoring her. When she made a public appearance today, she actually met the Barretts.

Luna looked at Shelly and said with a condescending tone, "Yes, it's me. Long time no see."

Her last encounter with the Barretts occurred at a charity dinner hosted by Jasmine. That was when she spotted Sharon and wanted to show off, but she never anticipated being driven away by the bodyguard. But things have changed now. Raymond had accepted her, and she was officially Raymond's daughter.

She had always been looked down upon by the Barrett family, especially by Shelly. Although Shelly was undeniably a parasite in the Barrett family she always presented herself as more superior than Luna and looked down on her. Content

But now, the tables have turned. She had become Raymond's daughter, while Shelly, the foolish one, remained the good-for-nothing eldest daughter of the Barrett family.

At that moment, Shelly's sense of superiority set in.

Shelly gazed at Luna's attire in astonishment. "This is the new Vior dress. It's not cheap. How did you manage to afford such an expensive dress?"

Luna confidently straightened her

dress and delicately brushed her fingers across her branded ring. She boasted. These are just simple garments and accessories. There's nothing I can't afford. I accidentally dirtied my dress a moment ago, but I immediately changed into a new

one."

Upon hearing that, Shelly was immediately overcome with a sense of discontent. After all, Luna had shamelessly stayed with the Barrett family in the past, solely because she desired to marry Timothy and become his wife.

At that time, she could see that Luna wasn't very well-liked by anyone. As a result, she didn't consider the possibility of Luna marrying into the Barrett family. She didn't take Luna seriously and instead relished the idea that Luna was constantly trying to please her. Nevertheless, she had not expected Luna to be released from prison, let alone thrive. Content

Shelly bluntly stated, "Aren't you just a mistress? And an arrogant one too! Back then, you claimed to not care about money, and you acted aloof. Yet, your true colors are finally showing now." "Shelly, I strongly advise you to watch your language. Do you honestly believe that after all this time, I would still be lacking in manners like you?"

"Who lacks manners? I'm the eldest daughter of the Barrett family. With your background, you're not worthy of being compared to me. What qualifications do you have to teach me a lesson?" Shelly had always harbored a sense of



superiority over Luna. Hence, being lectured by Luna now was intolerable for her.

Meet My Brothers by Red Thirteen chapter 1082-Furthermore, Shelly attended the banquet today for a blind date. Several women from prominent families had already spoken highly of her and they even hoped to arrange a match with their sons. If she married into a wealthy family in Nord City, she would become a wealthy wife herself.

Yet, Luna was just a poor woman with no financial resources and relied on men to achieve success. She wondered what qualifications Luna had to lecture her.

When Luna heard those words, her expression suddenly transformed into one of anger. She gritted her teeth and declared, "Stop looking down on me. I've found my family now. I'm no longer the person you used to bully."

"Found your family? Are you under the impression that this is some kind of television series? Do you truly believe that Mia somehow managed to find her long-lost family and became the esteemed daughter of the Lane family? And you, do you really think you've also found your family and have now ascended as the cherished daughter of a wealthy family? Stop daydreaming!"

After Shelly's remarks, she turned to Sharon and said, "Aunt Sharon, come here and see this. Luna claimed that she found her family and insisted that my status is not comparable to hers. What a joke! That's the funniest thing I've heard all year."

Luna, whom she had always looked down on, was acting so condescendingly. She had absolutely no right to behave in such a manner.

Sharon came over after hearing the noise, her surprise evident as she looked at Luna. She had heard about the relationship between Luna and Raymond before. It was because of Raymond that Luna was able to get out of prison.

Ever since their encounter at Jasmine's party, Sharon couldn't shake the suspicion that Luna might be Raymond's mistress. However, after a conversation with some well-respected ladies earlier, she discovered that Luna was actually Raymond's illegitimate daughter.

Despite Raymond's claim that Luna was the daughter of an old friend whom he took in and treated as his own, only few were convinced of that claim. In

fact, this was the common practice among affluent families of treating illegitimate children in such a manner.

However, Sharon couldn't embarrass Raymond, so she calmly stated, "Shelly, it's important to speak with politeness. You shouldn't raise your voice like that."

Despite her dislike for Luna as an illegitimate daughter, Raymond being present today compelled her to show him some respect.

Shelly was scolded and she

suddenly felt a surge of anger. "Aunt Sharon, I performed exceptionally well just now, but now I'm facing Luna. I don't need to be nice to her. She must have pulled some strings to attend today's event. Her sugar daddy must be quite capable."

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"Shut up, Shelly, it's improper to say such things, Sharon considered Shelly to be a complete idiot. If Shelly was to really go on a blind date today, her future marriage prospects might be jeopardized if her poor behavior were to be discovered.

"Aunt Sharon, why are you yelling at me? Luna has clearly caused you so much harm before, but you have forgotten so quickly. Without her, how could you have been sentenced to probation?" Sharon's expression soured even more. If she had not been aware of Luna being Raymond's illegitimate daughter, she would not have shown any kindness to Luna now. Instantly, Luna expressed her anger and said, "I'm the one who was implicated, okay? That had nothing to do with me, yet I ended up in prison. It was completely unfair."

"It was completely fair. You're just jealous of Mia and Timothy's relationship. You were trying to stop Mia from seeing Timothy by coming up with those bad ideas," Shelly retorted. Mia strode over and asked coldly, "Is that the case?"

Shelly was getting more excited as

she spoke. "Yeah. In the end, Timothy didn't fall for Luna's tricks at all. She had been exerting so much effort in the Barrett family for five years, and Timothy didn't even get close to her. It was so embarrassing."

Luna's mind was instantly overwhelmed by an explosion of thoughts. Suddenly, she stepped forward and slapped Shelly.

Meet My Brothers by Red Thirteen chapter 1083-Luna had endured it for five years, but now, she was Raymond's daughter. Shelly, that bitch, dared to humiliate herself in this way. She couldn't bear it any further.

After being slapped, Shelly was shocked. She covered her face and exclaimed, "How dare you slap me?"

Sharon, standing next to her, gently grasped Shelly's arm. "Calm down. Consider the event today. Don't act impulsively."

Shelly shielded her face and said with a mix of despair and hope, "Aunt Sharon, I was slapped. Do you still expect me to endure it? You just stood by and watched her bully us. We're the Barretts!"

Shelly's loud outburst immediately captured everyone's attention. The unexpected slap at the banquet prompted many people to cast their gaze in their direction.

Mia was taken aback when Luna didn't hesitate to slap Shelly directly. It was evident that Shelly had been mocking Luna within the Barrett family during those five years, which explained Luna's strong reaction. Mia winked at Jasmine, signaling her to begin the performance.

Jasmine smiled and promptly stepped forward, standing beside Luna. "How could you possibly slap someone at a banquet? Please apologize to Ms. Barrett immediately."

Luna exclaimed in disbelief, "Why should I apologize to Shelly? She humiliated me with her crude words. I only reacted when I could no longer bear it. You have no idea how I suffered during those five years with the Barrett family. Despite everything, she still has the audacity to continue mocking me like this. Why should I have to endure it?"

Luna finished speaking in one breath, and her heart suddenly filled with joy. She glanced at Shelly, who was slapped by her, and felt no remorse for what she had done. She had been waiting for this moment for so long, and today she finally released all her pent-up anger.

At that moment, Raymond's voice came through. "Luna, what are you doing? Apologize to Ms. Barrett now. She's a guest. How could you slap her?"

As Luna turned around, she began to

slowly regain control of her

rationality when she saw Raymond

However, her unhappiness

persisted. "Dad, I don't want to

apologize to her. Shelly used to bully

me a lot in the past." Content

When Shelly heard her calling Raymond "Dad", she was utterly shocked. "You called Mr. Shelbert 'Dad?' But isn't your father a general worker who passed away long ago?"

Luna's expression abruptly shifted. Just as she was on the verge of explaining, Jasmine interrupted eagerly and said, "What did Luna's father used to do? I'm really curious."

"He's a security captain who worked at a shopping mall." After Shelly spoke, Luna's face turned pale. She was so embarrassed that she wanted to dig a hole and disappear inside it.

Her origin was the one thing she desperately wanted to keep hidden. She yearned to establish a new identity and join the ranks of the affluent, but she never anticipated that the bitch, Shelly, would

expose

heringlorious past so brazenly. It

was utterly hateful! Content belongs

Luna felt the weight of everyone's scrutinizing stares on her and was overcome with acute embarrassment. Instinctively, she turned to Raymond, silently pleading for his support.

However, Raymond couldn't help but

frown as well. He couldn't help but question whether Luna's mother had actually married a security guard in the end. At that moment, Raymond couldn't shake off the feeling that his status had been somewhat diminished.

Jasmine glanced at Raymond and uttered, "Dad, considering that Luna's father was a security guard, it seems like you and him were destined to have a connection."

Someone nearby also said, "Yes, Mr. Shelbert. Why haven't we heard you mention such an old friend before? Is there a story between you two?"

Raymond hesitated to respond, feeling somewhat uneasy. What sort of encounter would he have with an unimportant security guard?

Meet My Brothers by Red Thirteen chapter 1084-That insignificant security guard did not deserve to be compared to him.

Mia couldn't resist the urge to applaud when she witnessed the scene. She wished to have some popcorn to enjoy the show with.

She was aware that when Shelly appeared, it would be quite a spectacle. However, she never anticipated that Shelly would exceed her expectations.

The conflict between Shelly and Luna had been building for quite some time. Given Shelly's temperament, it was only a matter of time before she stirred up trouble. Luna, having endured relentless bullying in the past, was not one to stand idly by.

When two determined women came together, trouble was certain to follow.

At this critical moment, Sharon stepped in to defuse the situation. "This is Mr. Shelbert's personal affair. After all, Mr. Shelbert has always been inclined to do good deeds. The bond between gentlemen is always unique, so it's understandable that he didn't bring it up."

Raymond hesitantly nodded as he replied, "Mrs. Barrett expressed everything I intended to convey. It's accurate that I haven't met him many times, but our relationship has always been positive."

Sharon continued, "It was Shelly's fault just now. She shouldn't have caused a scene here. Shelly, please apologize to Luna right away."

"Why should I apologize? Luna hit me first. Why should I apologize to the person who hit me first?"

Jasmine seized the opportunity to escalate the situation. "Luna, it was wrong of you to hit others first. You owe Ms. Barrett an apology. If she decides to seek legal counsel, you could find yourself in serious trouble."

Jasmine was reminding Luna about her criminal record. If Shelly really sought a lawyer, it would only complicate matters further.

Luna still refused to apologize. Raymond frowned and said firmly, "Luna, look at what your sister is teaching you. You should learn from her. This is about understanding the bigger picture. Apologize to Ms. Barrett immediately. The Shelbert family does not have a daughter like you, who goes around hitting people randomly."

Jasmine said with a smile, "Indeed, Dad has instilled in us the importance of being polite since we were young and not resorting to violence."

After the conversation, Mia noticed that Luna was on the verge of losing her mind.

Luna expected Raymond to defend her, but she didn't anticipate that he would make her apologize to Shelly. She felt overwhelmed.

It appeared that Luna was still

struggling to define her own identity

and position. Today was meant to be her moment to shine, but

everything was shattered by Shelly's sudden appearance. Content

Due to Raymond's instruction, Luna had no choice but to utter to Shelly, "I'm sorry."

Shelly's face lit up with a bright smile. Although she felt a little guilty just moments before, she felt gleeful that Luna had actually apologized.

Shelly wanted to make a few more comments, but Sharon discreetly pinched her. Lowering her voice, Sharon said, "That's enough. Be careful, or else next time I won't take you out again." Upon hearing this, Shelley fell silent gloomily. However, she figured that once she married into a wealthy family in Nord City, she wouldn't have to endure Sharon's nonsense any longer. Mia saw that the scene was almost over, so she said, "Everyone, please take your seats first. The banquet will start soon."

Luna harbored a considerable

amount of anger toward Mia and eventually confronted her, saying, "Ms. Lane, your tone in discussing tonight's banquet has been quite unusual from the start. If someone didn't know any better, they might think you were the host."

Shelly, who was standing next to her, remarked, "Yes, Mia just told us the same thing. She mentioned that she's the owner of Aide Castle Hotel."

Meet My Brothers by Red Thirteen chapter 1085-Luna didn't look happy when Shelly spoke up for Mia.

She couldn't simply brush off the recent incident. She had just been on the same side as Shelly.

After those words were spoken, people around them began to discuss among themselves. After all, Aide Castle Hotel had appeared and quickly became a popular high-end hotel in Nord City. Bookings were in high demand, and it soon became the premier venue for the upper class to host banquets.

However, the owner of Aide Castle had always been shrouded in mystery, designing each banquet venue with a flair that never failed to surprise and captivate. With every new theme, they manage to set trends and become the talk of the town. Despite various speculations surrounding the owner's identity, it was known that the Lane family was certainly involved. After all, Aide Castle's initial investment came from Dominic.

Shelly also overheard the conversations of the people around her, and it was clear that everyone was curious about the identity of the owner of Aide Castle.

"I heard that the owner of Aide Castle is a man."

"I've also heard that someone has apparently met the owner of Aide Castle. He's not too young, and he's very kind to others."

Luna's lips curled into a cold smile. "Ms. Lane, if that's the case, then please verify your identity. After all, everyone here holds a certain status. If you're deceiving us, it won't bode well for the Lane family, will it?"

Shelly further fanned the flames by stating, "Mia, your birth determines everything. You were an orphan from a young age and only recently returned to the Lane family. Why did you lie?"

Luna heard Shelly's words and immediately glared at her. Shelly was clearly mocking her on purpose. Mia stood there calmly, unfazed by the situation, and openly accepted everyone's suspicions.

She openly confessed to Shelly and Luna that she was the rightful owner of Aide Castle and had no plans to conceal her identity. Her decision had nothing to do with timing, instead, it stemmed from her refusal to tolerate these women's pretense.

Given their apparent desire to receive a reality check, she graciously gave them the opportunity to have their egos bruised today.

Jasmine remained silent, attentively observing the show from the sidelines. She was convinced that Mia was the rightful owner of Aide Castle. Thus, she considered Shelly and Luna mere clowns who deserved to face the consequences.

Raymond looked at Mia in surprise and asked, "Ms. Lane, what's happening? Are you close to the owner of Aide Castle?"

Shelly replied before Mia did and said, "I believe Mia may have met the owner of Aide Castle a few times, but she's not acquainted with the owner at all. Despite the owner's mysterious nature, she still insisted on flaunting and deceiving others. Just earlier, the general manager of Aide Castle came out to greet my Aunt Sharon. At that moment, the general manager did not acknowledge Mia at all. Mia must be lying." Jasmine quickly clarified, "The general manager is just overseeing the shift, and he's new to the team. So it's understandable that he doesn't know who Mia is."

Luna continued, "It's amusing, isn't it? Nowadays, every general manager knows what their boss looks like. Would anyone believe him if he said otherwise?"



Shelley immediately agreed, saying, “Exactly! Besides, Aide Castle Hotel is going to collaborate with our Barrett family. There’s no way we could mistake the identity of the wrong person. Mia is definitely not the owner of Aide Castle.”

Witnessing Shelly’s unwavering determination, Mia couldn’t help but ask with a playful grin, “If you’re that confident, have you had the chance to meet the owner of Aide Castle?”

Meet My Brothers by Red Thirteen chapter 1086-“Well... I’ve never met the owner before,” Shelly said.

Mia burst into laughter. “You’ve never met the owner before, and yet you dare to talk so boldly?”

Shelly refused to be at a disadvantage and promptly responded, “But I’ll be able to see him soon. Our two families are about to cooperate, and we’ll surely meet frequently in the future.” “Who told you that Aide Castle will definitely cooperate with the Barrett family?”

“I am sure of it. We came to Nord City for this collaboration. Isn’t that right, Aunt Sharon?”

Sharon nodded confidently. “Indeed, Ms. Lane, whether we choose to collaborate with the owner or not, your approval alone doesn’t hold any weight.”

Mia’s eyes were sharp as she declared, “I have the final say in choosing who Aide Castle will collaborate with, and your input is irrelevant.”

Sharon’s expression froze instantly. “How arrogant!”

“I can’t help it. As the owner, I have the final decision on all of Aide Castle Hotel’s collaborations. Besides the Barrett family, we have many other great partners among our guests here today.”

Mia emanated a completely different aura, speaking with a superior attitude. She was no longer the gentle young lady she was earlier. Sharon felt somewhat embarrassed.

Shelly shouted, “Mia, stop lying! Just because you claimed to be the owner of Aide Castle, it doesn’t mean you own it!”

“Who’s the owner of Aide Castle?” As soon as Shelly finished speaking, the crowd swiftly parted, and Timothy entered from outside.

Dressed in a sleek black suit, his striking features stood out in the crowd. As soon as he spotted Mia, Timothy unconsciously made his way toward her.

He certainly didn’t expect to encounter Mia at the banquet today. Since the last hacking incident, Sage had deleted his contact completely. That callous boy Sage had shown no mercy to him.

As soon as Timothy appeared, the

scene turned quiet. He positioned himself directly in front of her, his once distant eyes now filled with cautiousness, as if afraid of inadvertently offending Mia. Now, he was extremely careful when facing Mia and the two kids.

Mia stared at Timothy with disdain. She found him utterly unlikable. The Barretts were truly annoying.

Timothy was acutely aware of Mia’s

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displeasure, and he immediately began to reflect on the fact that he had not offended her recently, except for the incident last time involving Sage. He wondered if Mia

was still angry.

When Timothy was about to speak, Luna stepped forward and greeted him. “Timothy, it’s been quite a while.”

As Luna spoke, she adjusted her branded dress and turned her head slightly to reveal her most beautiful profile. She was no longer the ordinary girl she had been before. It

was time for Timothy to see a different side of her. Content

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Mia saw Luna’s bitchy look and scoffed dismissively. It seemed that old habits die hard. Did Luna truly believe she could win over Timothy in this manner?

It was utterly improbable that Luna was involved with Timothy's brother, though Luna was unaware of this fact for now. Mia calmly folded her arms and narrowed her eyes, looking unconcerned.

Noticing Timothy's lack of response, Luna reached out and took hold of his arm. "Timothy, did you hear me?"

Timothy moved aside and replied coldly, "I'm not familiar with you."

Meet My Brothers by Red Thirteen chapter 1087-Timothy dodged Luna as though he was dodging something filthy and repulsive.

Her features stiffened. "Timothy, I know you're still angry at me."

He frowned. "I don't get angry at outsiders."

At this point, she didn't have the courage to speak to him no matter how much she wanted to get close to him. Mia watched the duo and felt baffled at their interaction. Timothy was acting slightly out of character today.

He lowered his head to look at her. Then, he asked, "Mia, I texted you. Why didn't you reply to me?"

It was like he was whining, and he now had a completely different personality from his aloof character a moment ago.

Her eyes blinked profusely. She was really confused by how Timothy was acting today. "I missed it," she said nonchalantly.

In fact, she left the message on "seen" on purpose.

"Are you still angry at me?" he asked.

"I don't get angry at outsiders."

Timothy was rendered speechless. He had just said the same thing to Luna a moment ago.

Mia's words hurt him, weighing on his heart until they pulled it to the pit of his stomach.

Jasmine, who was enjoying the show, chuckled without a care. She remarked, "Every person has a different destiny, right?"

That was clearly directed at Luna.

After all, Timothy made the same comment to Luna just now.

Furious, Luna clenched her fists. She was livid at the fact that Jasmine, the bitch, had just made fun of her.

Once Luna inherited the Shelbert family's assets, she swore she would teach Jasmine a lesson and drive Jasmine and her mother out of the house.

Since Asher was the heir of the Shelbert family, Jasmine and her mother should be banished to the streets.

Shelly couldn't help the urge to join

the fun and she said, "I know, right? I

she

know there was someone who tried to stay with us shamelessly back then. She stooped so low that I couldn't see her. Now that she holds a little power, she's all puffed up and looks down upon everyone. Any change in life will never change that petty character of hers. Timothy will never fall for this kind of woman."

Luna almost lost it when she heard that.

Although she didn't have the nerves to lash back at Jasmine, she wasn't patient enough to be nice toward Shelly. "Ms. Barrett, I did so many things for your family while we were

living together.

"I didn't contribute anything worth praising, but I proved my worth the hard way. Now that I've finally found a lovely family, you can't just make fun of me like this.

"Everyone in Bern City knows that

you're a good-for-nothing who lived off your family since young. Previously, you were also made to pay a huge compensation after someone reported you for wearing imitations."

Shelly huffed. “Who are you calling a good-for-nothing? I dare you to say that again.”

She was livid. She had joined today’s banquet to meet a potential spouse.

Now that Luna exposed Shelly, how was she supposed to hold her head high or marry a rich man in Nord City?

“Did I say anything wrong? Ladies and gentlemen, if you don’t believe me, you can search for it online. It made the entertainment headlines,” Luna said, her tone laced with mockery.

Shelly noticed that some people began searching it up online. One of them was a rich lady she had just engaged with. Things were looking bad!

Anger got the best of Shelly as she grabbed Luna’s hair and slapped her.

She blamed it all on Luna. “How dare you say that in public, you bitch?” Luna shrieked, “Shelly Barrett, you crazy witch! Let me go!”

Meet My Brothers by Red Thirteen chapter 1088-“How dare you, Luna Maynard! We basically fed you when you lived with us. Don’t think that you’ve become the main character of a rags-to-riches story. You’re not qualified for that,” Shelly barked. That humiliation was the final blow. Unable to take it anymore, Luna fought back. “Who do you think you are? You’re a rich lady who wore imitations. You’re just a joke in Bern City. There wasn’t a place for you there and so you came here. Don’t act all mighty and graceful. Look at you now. Getting all riled up just because I told everyone your true colors.”

Shelly retorted, “Who’s all riled up? I’m just trying to teach you a lesson so that you won’t run your mouth however you wish, bitch!”

“Who are you calling a bitch? You’re the bitch!”

The two women went from pulling each other by the hair to engaging in a brawl.

Mia covered her face at the turn of events. Just when would this end?

They were calling each other out verbally just one second ago. Then, Luna slapped Shelly! Now, the situation has escalated to a physical fight!

The scene was tense yet awkward at the same time.

After all, having two beautiful ladies fight wasn't a sight to behold.

With one hand, one can count all the moves they used to attack each other.

Their hair was a mess from all the pulling.

Sharon was triggered and she exclaimed, "Stop right there, Shelly Barrett! Did you hear me? Stop!"

Sharon's plan was ruined because Shelly initiated the fight. Things were going smoothly at first! But now, it has turned into a fiasco.

However, Shelly was so caught up in the moment and she wasn't in the right state of mind to listen to such advice.

She was dogged to teach Luna a lesson!

Meanwhile, Jasmine was enjoying the show to her heart's content.

When noticing Raymond's grim expression, she quickly managed her expression.

Pretentiously, she stepped forward to stop the fight. "Luna, stop fighting. It's not nice fighting here."

Luna couldn't stomach the humiliation from the fight that Shelly started.

If she stopped now, it would be her

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Jasmine wanted to come close to them, but Luna accidentally elbowed her stomach.

Jasmine stumbled backward while hugging her stomach.

Raymond rushed to her. "Jazzy, are you alright?"

She took a deep breath. Her face was as pale as a sheet, but she pretended to be fine. "I'm alright. Luna didn't do it on purpose. I was just trying to stop them. Fighting won't solve the issue, but I don't think Luna will listen." Content

After saying that, she noticed that solemnity weighed heavier between his brows.

She lowered her head to hide her smug smile.

In actuality, she intentionally went up to the ladies so that Luna could accidentally hit her.

Anyone could put on a pitiful act.

It was just that she didn't see the need to use it in front of her family.

However, it was different when it came to Luna, who played foul.

Mia was right—a tooth for a tooth; an eye for an eye.

"Don't go close to them. You might get hurt," Jasmine said as she stopped Raymond.

But he didn't care. He marched

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forward and yanked Luna over,

chiding her, "Enough! Just when will

you stop the ruckus? Don't you feel embarrassed enough? If I had known this would happen, I wouldn't have brought you along."

She retorted, reluctant to admit her defeat, "But she started it first! Why can't I fight back?"

Then, he slapped her.

Meet My Brothers by Red Thirteen chapter 1089-Mia was surprised that Raymond actually slapped Luna. But the surprise gave way to tranquility soon after. Raymond was an egoistic man.

Today was his first time bringing Luna along to a banquet, but she ended up causing so much trouble.

Given Raymond's character, he must be very upset with her.

The slap finally pulled Luna back to her senses.

Her heart sank when she noticed how angry he looked.

It was only then did she regain her composure. She began stuttering, "Dad, you...you saw what happened. Shelly hit me first!"

Luna was forced to apologize to Shelly for slapping her. However, it was Shelly who started the fight first!

Luna believed that Shelly was the one to be blamed.

Raymond reprimanded her, "Still, you shouldn't have said that to Ms. Barrett. Is this how you were raised? Are you so incompetent compared to your sister?"

Luna's expression stiffened. When she noticed Jasmine standing over there, she grew even more annoyed.

Jasmine smiled pretentiously and said, "Don't blame her, Dad. It's her first time attending this kind of banquet so she hasn't gotten used to it. It's my fault for not telling her the rules beforehand. Don't blame her. Blame it on me."

Raymond remarked, "Look at how mature your sister is. And look at yourself."

She was at a loss for words for a moment until she managed to point her finger at Shelly. "But Shelly hit me first! Didn't you say that the one who started the fight was the one to be blamed? This time, it's her, not me."

"Treating others with tolerance is our virtue to uphold. Ms. Barrett attended this banquet as a guest, but you didn't. Hurry up and apologize to her! Do you hear me?"

His remarks riveted her, leaving her speechless.

She didn't expect her father to say that to her.



From Luna's expression alone, Mia could tell what kind of emotional rollercoaster she was experiencing.

Luna didn't see this coming at all!

Shelly was clearly the one who initiated the fight, but Raymond still insisted that Luna apologize.

Perhaps, Luna held a feeble hope of Raymond standing up for her. But reality played out differently. Not only did he not stand up for her, but he also scolded Luna for being rude and demanded that she apologize.

Well, everything made sense. Luna should never forget how she returned to his side.

She was the unaccepted child.

Raymond wouldn't have treated his daughter this way, and Luna was his illegitimate daughter, after all.

To him, Asher was the one that held value, not Luna.

Luna basically humiliated herself at the banquet. As an egoistic person, he would never take a liking to his child who had just brought disgrace to his name.

Thus, he had to lower Luna's position in order to save his own image.

And Luna was clever enough to see that.

Jasmine seized the chance to add fuel to the fire. "Luna, Dad's doing it for your sake. As the host, we should be more patient with our guests.

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Luna was so angry that her face turned beet red. Why did they insist that she apologize?

Why? On what grounds?

She already returned to Raymond's side, so why must she still suffer?

Meet My Brothers by Red Thirteen chapter 1090-Touching her stinging scalp, Shelly glared at Luna. "I won't accept her apology. She bullied me! Is everyone from Nord City this arrogant? I'm going to report this to the police. How could the daughter of the mayor hit someone?"

Sharon played along. "If people know that Mr. Shelbert has accepted a god-daughter, and an arrogant one at that, it'll affect the Shelbert family's reputation."

Although Shelly's action was humiliating, the Barrett family could hold their reputation by demanding an apology from Luna by force.

The fact that Raymond treated them with respect proved Shelly's identity was still held in high regard.

Raymond's expression turned grim when he heard that. He turned to Luna and snapped at her. "Hurry up!"

"I won't apologize! Why must I apologize to her? She should be the one apologizing!" Luna choked on her voice.

She covered her face. The voice in her was screaming at her to leave the place. Leaving the scene was her best option, but Raymond suddenly grabbed her arm.

He lowered his voice and said, "Stop right there. If you leave, don't think of coming back anymore."

She stopped in her tracks. Now, she was at her wit's end.

What should she do?

Jasmine read the atmosphere before speaking to Shelly. "I'm sorry, Ms. Barrett. Luna must be in a bad mood. We'll talk to her when she calms down so that she'll offer you an apology. I can apologize in her stead for now. I'll call a doctor to tend to your wounds. It'll be bad to leave a scar on your face."

Mia, who figured that she had enough entertainment, voiced up and said, "Aide Castle has a specialized medical team. We can call them over now to tend to your wounds so that you ladies won't suffer from side effects after that."

Soon, a medical team came over with a medical kit to disinfect their wounds.

The fight left them with some scratches. It was nothing serious.

Mia looked at Shelly and Luna. She said to the both of them, "If you still feel unwell, you can take a CT scan and a full body checkup in the medical room. If you don't trust the medical team and would like to go to the hospital, Aide Castle can assign a driver to take you there. Don't worry. The medical system in Aide Castle is comprehensive."

A doctor was disinfecting Luna's wound. It hurt and she drew in a sharp breath.

She sneered at Mia. "I know that. I

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Luna was basically a ticking time bomb that could explode at any time after the humiliation.

Mia grinned. "Is that important now?"

She did not expect the duo to fight twice. It just got worse.

"How is that not important? Ouch! It hurts! Be gentle!" Shelly scolded the nurse. "Mia Lane, I bet you don't know this but the owner of Aide

Castle personally organized the net

banquet. I heard that he's going to show up in person. Aren't you afraid that everyone here would know that you're lying?"

"Why would I be scared?"

Shelly turned to look at Timothy. "Tim, can you believe it? Mia said that she's the real owner of Aide Castle."

Timothy gazed at Mia in surprise, wondering if she really is the owner of Aide Castle.

Meet My Brothers by Red Thirteen chapter 1091-It was no wonder Mia suddenly asked him about the collaboration with Aide Castle when they were flying from Bern City to Nord City.

Soon after that, Aide Castle gave in and offered a chance at negotiation to the Barrett Group.

He had a strange feeling back then. Why did Aide Castle suddenly change their mind?

Now, he knew why.

Mia had asked him about the collaboration when she saw that special collaboration proposal brought over by his subordinate.

At that time, he told her that he would ban Aide Castle if they chose not to collaborate with Barrett Group.

Mia had been setting him up all this while! She even mentioned that she knew the owner of Aide Castle and could introduce the owner to him.

He was deceived.

Mia let out a cough as she felt the weight of his questioning gaze on her. "What are you looking at? Got an opinion about it?"

"Why didn't you tell me sooner?" Timothy sounded aggrieved.

Shelly barked, "Oh, stop pretending, Mia Lane. The manager of Aide Castle is here. He's going to expose you!"

Mia raised her head only to see Philip walking over.

Her brows creased. She already informed someone to fire him.

So why was he still here?

No one could violate the values of Aide Castle. She didn't need an employee like him here.

Shelly smirked. "This is the newly appointed general manager here, Mr. Philip Landry. Since he's from the management team, he must  
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have met the real owner of Aide ne

Castle himself. But he didn't acknowledge Mia's presence when

he welcomed us. With him, we'll be able to expose her lies." Content

Every step Philip took felt dreadful. He gingerly glanced at Mia, not knowing how to beg for her mercy.

He didn't expect this woman to be the real owner of Aide Castle!

He failed to recognize her and committed a grave sin in front of her. He was given a notice to leave the company completely.

He couldn't afford to lose his job. He had a family to feed. Thus, he thought of coming to beg for forgiveness from Mia to see if he could still stay at Aide Castle.

Luna saw him and flashed a smile.

"Please explain the situation to us. Is

Ms. Lane lying to us? Is she the

owner

ide Castle? I hope you

can straighten things out because the owner personally organized this banquet. It won't be good to have an impersonator around."

Sharon joined in, pushing Mia to the edge. "She's right. Someone showed up and is impersonating the owner of Aide Castle. This will surely affect your organization's name. I hope you can clear things up for us."

Sharon wished for Philip to expose Mia's true colors. That way, Mia would learn her lesson for being arrogant.

Timothy's expression turned serious. "What is there to explain about this?"

He thought that it was unnecessary because Mia was truly the owner of Aide Castle.

Sharon huffed. "Tim, you can't take her side. She's lying! I thought you were going to collaborate with Aide Castle soon. What if an impersonator is deceiving you and you go bankrupt?"

"I don't mind that if it's her."

"Are you out of your mind? Mia's a liar!"

Meet My Brothers by Red Thirteen chapter 1092-Mia lifted her head to glance at Timothy.

Was he out of his mind?

What did he mean when he said he was willing to go bankrupt as long as it was her?

Besides, she wasn't a liar nor an imposter!

Luna remarked, "It won't do her anything good if you keep forgiving her. The truth can never be covered up by lies. We can expose her at any time. I bet you don't want others to comment on how your ex-wife is a liar, do you?"

Timothy glared at Luna. "Who are you calling a liar? I believe her. I believe that she is the owner of Aide Castle."

"I think you're not in your right state of mind because of her lies, Tim. This is a huge matter. How could you just take her words at face value? The real owner has yet to reveal himself. Is Mia the owner just because she said so? She can't even prove it." Sharon attempted to talk some senses into him.

Shelly chimed in, "She has a point. Not even the general manager admitted that she was the real owner back there. Isn't this enough to tell you that she's lying?"

"Zip it! Behave!" Timothy warned.

Timothy's intimidating glare immediately scared Shelly into keeping quiet.

He turned his head to look at Philip. "Since everyone's asking you to straighten things out, why don't you tell us something? Given your position, you should know who the real owner is. Otherwise, there's no reason for you to continue staying in the company."

Mia arched her brow at how much Timothy understood her. She actually fired Philip over the phone a while ago.

Philip gulped upon hearing that. Taking a deep breath, he presented himself in front of Mia.

Luna's eyes lit up in anticipation. "Say something, Mr. Landry. Is Mia really the owner?"

It would be best if he could mock Mia as well. Luna couldn't accept the fact that Mia was better than her in anything.

Philip bowed 90 degrees, catching Mia off guard as she stepped backward right away. "What are you doing?"

"I was a fool to not know that you are the real owner, and I shouldn't have been rude. But I seriously can't lose this job. I have a family to feed. Please forgive me." His voice was trembling.

Mia didn't know how to respond upon hearing that.

At the same time, the crowd broke into a heated discussion.

"What? Mia Lane is really the owner of Aide Castle?"

"Oh my lord. I didn't expect that! I heard people saying that she's a good-for-nothing-oh, I don't mean it in a bad way-but the Lane family pampered her so much after finally finding her. I didn't hear anything about her starting a business though."

"Of course, you wouldn't have heard anything. When I worked with Aide Castle, I couldn't even find out who the real owner was. I didn't expect it to be Ms. Lane! Everyone in their family has exceptional

achievements. I'm so jealous."

Those voices rang in Luna's ears and her mind buzzed. Her whole world died down.

Her body began shaking as she didn't expect such a turn of events.

Now, it seemed like everyone was laughing at her.

Jasmine intentionally said, "Are you happy now, Luna Maynard? Mia is really the owner of Aide Castle."

Meet My Brothers by Red Thirteen chapter 1093-Luna almost bit her lip until it bled.

Jasmine was doing that on purpose.

Luna had always looked down upon Mia, but it turns out that Mia was leading a successful life!

Different emotions bubbled up inside Luna like a storm. There was no way she could regain her composure at the moment.

Luna kept insisting that Mia was a liar.

Now, she was the butt of the joke.

Who would've guessed that Mia was the owner of Aide Castle?

On top of that, Luna desperately wished to hold a birthday party for Asher at Aide Castle.

Like a fool, she kept bragging about how she was going to organize the party at Aide Castle, which was owned by Mia!

There was no way she could accept this humiliating defeat, nor could she counter back with a defence.

Mia looked at Philip. "Get up. Now's not the time to discuss your matter."

"Please forgive me, Ms. Lane. I just became the general manager not long ago. I acted rudely because I didn't know who you were."

She said, "Enough. Don't guilt-trip me. You're fired not because you didn't know me, but because you promised the clients that you could change the appointment sequence secretly for them, right in front of me too. I can't condone that."



Despair weighed heavy on his dropped shoulders.

Mia turned her head to look at Shelly and Sharon, who both looked awkward and stiff right now.

This felt like déjà vu for Mia all over again.

Sharon and Shelly had the same reaction when they realized that Mia was the real heiress of the Lane family.

They hadn't changed one bit even after five years had passed.

Smiling, Mia raised her brows at them. She said nothing, but her gaze alone put them on tenterhook.

They wished they could hide in a hole somewhere. After all, it was embarrassing that they tried to cause a huge ruckus out of the whole situation.

Shelly lowered her head, pretending to check on her wound innocently to avoid people's eyes on her.

Sharon felt the piercing gazes of everyone present on her and stood there awkwardly.

She hadn't expected Mia to be the real owner of Aide Castle either!

Before this, she had bragged about how Aide Castle was going to collaborate with Barrett Group and that she would like to hold a banquet here. Most importantly, she even bragged about it once in front of Mia, like an idiot!

Sharon looked down upon Mia, who turned out to be the real owner of Aide Castle.

Mia must've thought that Sharon was a clown at that time.

Jasmine hurriedly said, "Mrs. Barrett, it seemed you don't know Mia that well. No wonder she left your family. Since then, she has been getting better day by day."

The corner of Sharon's lips twitched.

Other guests started to shower Mia with praises.

“I never knew how capable Ms. Lane was until today. The theme she designed was gorgeous. How nice would it be to have such a talented daughter-in-law? It would be a dream to be close to her.”

“I wonder what kind of standards Ms. Lane had set for her future husband. She’s exceptional. If she’s my daughter-in-law, I will surely treat her well like a queen.” Content

Upon hearing that, Sharon’s cheeks flushed crimson and her anger surged.

They were basically poking fun at her.

Mia cocked her brow at Sharon. “As I’ve said, no one can change the rules of setting up appointments at Aide Castle. Do you finally believe me now?”

Meet My Brothers by Red Thirteen chapter 1094-It took Sharon a while to think of something to say. “What does that have to do with me? It’s not like I want to make a reservation at Aide Castle.”

Shelly, who was hiding in a corner, wished to turn invisible at this very moment.

But, to her dismay, someone noticed her immediately.

Doing her best to manage her expression despite the guilt she’s feeling, she glanced at Mia and stammered, “I heard that we’re going to work together. Can’t you turn a blind eye to this for old times’ sake?” She really wished to hold a banquet at Aide Castle Hotel. Mia could make it happen with a single lift of a finger.

But why wouldn’t Mia relent?

“Old times’ sake? I have nothing to do with your family. Even if I do, I won’t break our management principles just for you.”

Mia’s words put Shelly in an awkward position.

Shelly huffed. “What did you mean by that? Are you looking down on us? You’re talking as if we’re desperate to hold a party at your place.”

Timothy piped up, “What rights do you have to say that? A good-for-nothing like you who only knows how to live off the family shouldn’t say something like that.”

“Tim, how could you say that to me in public?” She stomped her foot and scanned the people around them.

She was supposed to search for a potential husband here. Now that Timothy had described her that way, her chances of marrying a rich man were slim.

“What’s the matter? Did I say anything wrong? From now onward, your credit cards will be frozen. Settle your expenses yourself. We don’t raise good-for-nothings at home.” “Tim, you can’t do this to me. You promised Dad to look after me!” she reminded him.

“I did promise that, but it’s only until you turn into an adult. I didn’t promise to look after you forever. If you talk back to me again, I’ll drive you out of the family,” he warned. She zipped her lips immediately.

He frowned. “What are you standing there for? Apologize to Mia.”

“Why must I apologize to her?” she questioned back.

“Why? Do have to remind you that you accused her of lying? The truth has been revealed. She’s the owner of Aide Castle. What is there left for you to say?”

It pricked at her guilt, but she didn’t want to offer an apology.

Then, she looked at Luna. “It’s not like I said that alone. Luna said that too, but she hasn’t apologized yet.”

Luna had yet to pull her senses back because she couldn’t accept the fact that Mia was truly the owner of Aide Castle.

The person she had been looking down on all this while turned out to be such a successful person!

Luna appeared to be a failure in an instant. Jealousy overwhelmed her.

Raymond chided, “Luna, apologize to Ms. Lane now. You shouldn’t have said anything mindlessly when you didn’t know better. People will think badly of us.”

“I didn’t say that alone though.” She was reluctant to apologize too.

He stepped forward and whispered into

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as one of us anymore.”

“But what about Asher?”

“Take him with you!”

Only then did she grasp the gravity of the situation.

If she left the Shelbert family, she would be a nobody, returning to a life of poverty once again.

She had enough of it. She didn’t want to live that kind of life again.

Despite her reluctance, she looked at Mia.



Meet My Brothers by Red Thirteen chapter 1095-Luna had always thought that she wasn't that bad compared to Mia.

Now that she has returned to Raymond's side, she should be considered as someone coming from a rich family herself! She held a high social status in society! But why was she still lacking compared to Mia?

Feeling wronged by the unfairness, she lowered her head. "Sorry. I shouldn't have said those nonsense without thinking," she said rather reluctantly.

Noticing the unwillingness and ambition in Luna's eyes, Mia lost her patience. "It's fine. You and Ms. Barrett are not welcome here. Please leave," she said flatly.

Letting Luna and Shelly stay would only stir up more problems at the party.

"Sorry for the trouble, Ms. Mia," Raymond said in an attempt to lighten the mood.

"Apology accepted, but I don't think Ms. Luna suits this kind of banquet. You should save yourself from becoming a joke, Mr. Shelbert. It is enough for your family to have only Ms. Jasmine. She's good enough. He nodded contentedly. "You're right. Jazzy has never let me down these few years."

On the other hand, his illegitimate daughter who showed up out of nowhere had brought disgrace to his reputation.

Jasmine grinned. "I'm flattered, Ms. Mia."

"What I said wasn't just mere words of courtesy. Everyone saw how the both of you acted today, and it was obvious that you're better. I expect nothing less from Mr. Shelbert's biological daughter."

As soon as Mia finished her sentence, she noticed how fierce Luna's gaze became. It was as if the latter wanted to devour her whole!

Mia spoke up, "Since Mr. Shelbert has offered an apology, let's put an end to this. Forget about what I've said. I hope both of you won't throw a tantrum again." Pretentious acting had always been Luna's way of deceiving others. She had never thought that she would be embarrassed at today's banquet.

Today's banquet was very different from the places Luna had been in the past. The guests here were sly foxes who could tell who was the one playing tricks. At the end of the day, family background and the individual's capability would always be the decisive factors for judgment of character.

Luna had neither the family background nor the capabilities. Even her tricks were that of an amateur.

Raymond looked at Mia. "Still, my daughter has a lot to learn from you, Ms. Mia. You've achieved great achievements despite your young age. You founded Aide Castle. You're one of the most capable women in Nord City. There's a lot she should learn from you."

Mia didn't mind Raymond's change in attitude.

She smiled. "Don't be such a stranger. Jazzy is smart. With a mayor for a father who could teach her great things, she'll reach new heights in life."

His expression softened when he heard that. He even gave Jasmine a look of approval, and he completely forgot about Luna who was still having her wounds treated.

Mia returned her attention to Philip, who was still bowing. "I will never let you work at Aide Castle again. You've broken the principles, after all. There's no way I can forgive that."

Soon, Peyton led a few security guards over to take Philip away.

Mia then turned to the guests and said, "Sorry for meeting everyone in this kind of situation. I've founded and handled Aide Castle single-handedly all these years net Every design here was done by me alone. I poured a lot of effort into them. I hope you'll support us in the future."

Meet My Brothers by Red Thirteen chapter 1096-"Why have you been keeping your identity a secret, Ms. Lane? Is there a reason?" someone asked.

Hearing that, Timothy stared at Mia, who was holding a microphone.

She was standing on the stage in a simple evening dress. The stage light shone on her, and she looked like she was the bright moon hanging in the night sky.

“What do you think, Tim? Are you losing confidence now that Mia has made exceptional achievements?”

Hearing Caleb’s voice, Timothy looked over his shoulder. “What brought you here?”

“I heard that the banquet was super entertaining, so I rushed over. I didn’t want to miss the show. I heard some women got into a fight too. But I guess it’s over. What a shame. If I had known that, I would’ve come along with you.”

Timothy was rendered speechless.

Caleb continued, “But I totally didn’t expect Mia to be the real owner of Aide Castle. In this case, it’s not entirely impossible for you to work with Aide Castle.”

“Why do you say so? I think we’ll get the deal for sure.”

Caleb exclaimed, “On what grounds, Tim?”

Just who had boosted Timothy’s confidence?

Mia had six brothers backing her up!

Timothy rolled up his sleeves calmly. “Connection is important when it comes to joint ventures. Think about the relationship I have with Mia. Do you think there would be a problem?” Caleb retorted cruelly, “Do I have to remind you that you haven’t even won her heart back yet? Stop dreaming about working with her in business. I’m telling you, you don’t stand a chance!” “Shut up. Enough.” Timothy didn’t want to continue the conversation with Caleb any longer.

He lifted his head, refocusing his gaze on Mia on the stage.

The sheer sight of her softened his gaze.

Mia, who was incredibly meek back then, had transformed into a woman so stunning that he couldn’t take his eyes off her.

From the stage, Mia could feel his intrusive gaze.

She noticed him from the corner of her eyes. His gaze was so deep that she couldn’t get used to it.

Why was he looking at her?

She took a deep breath. "I kept my identity a secret because I wanted to prove that I can run a business successfully without the help of my family."

As soon as she finished, Timothy was the first to clap his hands, leading the guests to join in a thunderous applause for her.

Everyone was aware of their relationship.

Timothy was Mia's ex-husband while she was the only daughter of the Lane family.

She could have enjoyed her life free from woes and stress, but she chose to show everyone how talented and hard-working she was instead.

The guests present at the banquet

began to think about their feckless children and sighed. They wished they could turn back time and raise them better.

Just how did the Lane family get lucky with such a wonderful daughter?

The guests began to compare their children with Mia, there was no end to the jealousy they felt toward the Lane family.

Jasmine clapped her hands with passion, as she was able to come this far thanks to Mia. Mia helped her a lot from behind the scenes.

Jasmine purposely cast a gaze at Luna, who was sitting next to her. Mia had clearly driven Luna out of the place, but she chose to stay so brazenly. No one could imagine how shameless she could be.

Jasmine said intentionally, "Luna, you should learn more from Mia. Look. She's of your age, but she has already established her own company, a successful company at that."

Meet My Brothers by Red Thirteen chapter 1097-Luna watched Mia standing on the stage as jealousy filled her to the brim.

This entire time, Luna had never thought that she performed worse than Mia.

But the sight of Mia getting the spotlight right now angered her.



Luna smirked. “You have got to be kidding me, Jasmine. Mia’s business gained success because of her family’s investment and connection, no? If she was still an orphan, would her business have been successful?”

Jasmine retorted, “At least she’s talented. She designed all of these herself.”

“There are a bunch of talents out there, but running a successful business is different. Without enough investment and her family’s help, would she have been able to come this far?”

Luna lowered her voice as she continued, “I can see that you’re taking her side, but she’s just using you to get rid of me. What do you take her for? Someone kind who doesn’t have ulterior motives?” Jasmine noticed the jealousy written over Luna’s face. “Is it that difficult for you to admit that someone else is extraordinary? Dad taught me to be humble and learn from others since young. Hard work is what fills the gap, not jealousy,” Jasmine said.

Raymond turned his head and said, “I think Jazzy is right. Look at Ms. Mia. She keeps a low profile. She did such a good job of keeping everyone else in the dark before gaining success with her business. Both of you should learn this from her.”

Luna rolled her eyes when he told them to set Mia as their exemplary model.

There was no way Luna was going to look up to Mia. She believed that she was just as good as Mia!

If she was the daughter of the Lane family, she believed that she would’ve done way better than Mia.

Raymond advised Jasmine, “You should be on good terms with Ms. Mia.”

He noticed Timothy’s attitude toward Luna earlier. It was obvious that she didn’t have proper standing in the Barrett family.

Now, he slightly regretted bringing her back to his family. He shouldn’t have bought her lies.

Luna whispered, “Dad, didn’t you tell us to keep our distance from the Lane family? We’re going to work with the Barrett family, after all.”

“Zip it! When did I say that? The Lanes and the Barretts have formed a marriage alliance. Mia and Timothy even have a child together! They’re a family.”

She huffed. “They divorced five years ago, Dad. They will never get back together again.”

Jasmine smiled and remarked, “How funny. How are you so sure that they won’t remarry? Do you think Timothy will lower his standards and fall for you?” “Why not? I’m the daughter of the mayor. What do I lack?” Luna snapped back.

Jasmine arched her brow. “Don’t forget, Timothy is Asher’s biological uncle. It seems you’ve forgotten. what kind of relationship your child has with him. I’m sure he’s smart enough not to be with you. Content

Raymond nodded. “Luna, you must be on good terms with the Barrett family. You better be nice when talking to Ms. Mia. Do you hear me?”

Luna almost lost it. The voice in her head kept telling her that she shouldn’t have attended today’s banquet.

She initially thought that this banquet would mark the beginning of her prime, but it became her nightmare instead.

Meanwhile, Mia had just finished her speech.

She then spoke with the collaborators of Aide Castle after walking down the stage.

Timothy’s expression turned grim when he noticed a man following Mia around earnestly.

He held his wine glass tightly, and his eyes never left her. There were a few men trying to get into her good books.

Those men were like annoying flies to him.

Caleb rubbed his chin as he

commented, “Are you not going to do anything, Tim? If you stay still and watch for any second longer, someone might steal your wife away.”

Sharon bulldozed her way over. "Tim, look at Mia. She's all puffed up! Look at the men swarming around her. How disgraceful! Can't you see her true colors?"

Meet My Brothers by Red Thirteen chapter 1098-Timothy responded coldly, "If there are this many capable men around her, that means she's capable."

After saying that, he put his wine glass down before walking in Mia's direction.

Sharon stomped her foot, feeling frustrated.

Caleb flashed a meaningful smile. "Mrs. Barrett, is it this hard to admit someone else's capability? You should be proud to have had such a successful daughter-in-law. You shouldn't think that you can control her because these are her achievements. We should respect each other, not take each other down."

He just couldn't get why Sharon disliked Mia.

Well, Sharon might have had a reason to look down on Mia previously because of her identity as an orphan.

But Mia was now the daughter of the Lane family. She is now at the top of the social ladder.

However, Sharon's attitude toward Mia hadn't changed.

Sharon gritted her teeth and remarked, "You know nothing. You haven't even gotten married yet."

"Have you ever thought of what would happen if they really remarry each other? What good would you gain from offending her now?" He tried to reason with her.

"Don't give me a lecture. I simply think that she's not fit for my son." She spun around and left angrily.

Shelly followed her. "Aunt Sharon, leaving so soon already? Are you not going to introduce me to Mrs. Giacometti and the others? We should stay here longer so that they can get to know me."

Sharon sneered. "Are you still dreaming of marrying into a rich family? The fight just now left a bad impression on them, Shelly."

Shelly gulped. She felt guilty. "What about the promise you made before we came? You should figure out something to book a slot at Aide Castle so that I can host a party here."

Sharon looked at her in disbelief. She really couldn't fathom what was going on in Shelly's mind.

How could Shelly bring that matter up now?

"Mia is the real owner of Aide Castle, do you think she'll let you hold a banquet here? You may not have pride, and you may not feel humiliated, but I do."

Sharon would never beg Mia. Not over her dead body.

Sharon left and Shelly wanted to chase after her, but she couldn't run fast due to her injured ankle.

Left with no choice, she bit her lip angrily.

Who would've thought that Mia was the real owner of Aide Castle? No one expected her to be this successful.

Shelly stared at Mia, who was standing in the middle of the crowd like a proud princess.

Jealousy coursed through her veins.

The once meek and obedient Mia had now become the most dazzling person who ever existed.

While Mia was conversing with her acquaintances, a man kept chiming in to show off his knowledge, making her slightly uncomfortable.

"I think we click very well, Ms. Mia.

Why don't we exchange contact

number

We can hang out alone and talk about the possibility of a collaboration when we're free."

Mia didn't want to give him her contact number at all. She swirled her wine glass. "If it's

business-related, you may contact my secretary or meet me personally at my office."

"We're friends, aren't we, Ms. Mia? Can't you give me your personal contact number?"

"That's not something anyone can have," she said.

"Although you've run Aide Castle

successfully, there are tips that I can

share for improvements in some areas. This is how business works. You should expose yourself more to the real world or your company won't be able to grow well under your management. Don't you think so?"

Mia's expression darkened.

Just as she was about to say something, a man's voice sounded from behind them.

"Beggars should expose themselves more to the real world too."

Meet My Brothers by Red Thirteen chapter 1099-As soon as Timothy showed up, the atmosphere shifted.

The other men could not be compared to Timothy. None of their looks, heights or achievements could match that of Timothy's.

Mia couldn't help but turn her attention to Timothy. He was indeed handsome.

The man who had been showing off earlier lost his confidence upon noticing Timothy.

Still, his stance remained firm as his pride wouldn't let him back down. "What did you mean by that, Mr. Barrett?"

"You can't understand what I've just said?"

The man gulped. "How can I understand it when you've put it so vaguely?"

Timothy remarked, "That's true. How could you possibly understand me when you've learned how to do business from beggars?"

"It's unreasonable of you to say that, Mr. Barrett. I founded a big company all by myself, and I'm the one running it now. I'm different from people like you. You're just an elite who was born with a silver spoon in your mouth. Everything was handed to you. If you were in my position, you wouldn't even be able to achieve what I have now."

Heath whispered to Timothy, informing him of the man's background.

Timothy smirked. "You founded the company, you said? You leeches off your girlfriend and dumped her after your company became successful. Is this how you achieved your success?"

The man's face fell as he didn't expect Timothy to discover the truth of his background that quickly.

The man thought that he had taken care of things well. Not many people in his circle were aware of it.

Mia narrowed her eyes. "I despise this kind of man the most."

The man tried his best to remain calm. "It's not a big issue. Successful people shouldn't dwell on such trivial matters. Besides, I'm proposing a business collaboration with you here. My personal matters shouldn't concern you."  
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"I agree that the business proposal is indeed unrelated to your personal matters, but I remain skeptical about your capability. I would never work with you," Mia rejected him without hesitation.

Her prompt response put him in an

awkward position and his anger got

the best of him. "Who do you el

you are? You're just a divorced woman and a single mother! I proposed a collaboration with you out of courtesy. You should be grateful I was giving you a chance!"

As soon as the man finished, Timothy punched him in the face.

The man staggered and knelt on the ground. The corners of his lips were bleeding.

Timothy took a step forward. He looked like a grim reaper.

Not a single word was uttered, but an intimidating air loomed over him. His gentle persona was replaced by a menacing demeanor.

Timothy's scrutinizing gaze weighed heavily on the man's shoulders, gradually tearing his spirits down. He stammered, "Y-You hit me? You're dead meat! I'll have my lawyer send you to prison!"

"Apologize to her," Timothy said.

"Apologize to her?" The man thought he heard it wrongly.

Timothy repeated, "Yes. Apologize to Ms. Mia."

The man pointed at Mia. "Why should I apologize to this woman? She acted up first. And you hit me Guys, this couple is bullying me! I'm telling you, I will not let this slide that easily. You're going to pay for this!

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"I agree. This is a civilized city, unlike Yellow Island." Timothy held the man's pointing finger before bending it in the opposite direction.

The man screamed in pain, but Timothy remained unfazed.

Meet My Brothers by Red Thirteen chapter 1100-Timothy glared at the man. "Did you not hear me? I told you to apologize to my ex-wife."

Surprised, Mia looked at Timothy, whose anger seemed to come from nowhere.

Mia looked baffled, the situation hasn't fully registered in her yet.

After all, it had been years since they last met. No longer the supercilious man he was five years ago, he now became careful around her.

He never felt angry too, even when he faced her mockery.

She was so used to his change that she had almost forgotten that he was never a guy with a mild temper.

At that moment, the man who had always been gentle and attentive to her became a merciless businessman.

Mia pulled her senses back and walked over to them. She instructed Timothy, "Let him go first."

He frowned, looking at the man who was still kneeling on the floor. "Apologize to her and I'll let you go." Despite the pain, the man was reluctant to admit his defeat. He raised his voice daringly. "Over my dead body!"

"You have a death wish."

Mia pulled Timothy's arm and looked at him seriously. "Let him go first, then we'll talk, okay?"

Turning his head sideways, he gazed at her. Gentleness willed away the coldness in his eyes.

In the end, he released the man.

The man quickly helped himself up, and began running his foul mouth again. "Feeling scared already? Coward! I thought you were a man when you hit me, but you're just an obedient puppy who listens to women!"

Suddenly, Mia slapped the man with all her might. Pain numbed her palm. She scowled. "What's your name?"

"You can call me Mr. Obel-"

"Mr. Obel," Mia cut Wallace Obel off. "I will file a lawsuit against you tomorrow for causing a ruckus at the party."

The man was baffled. "I was the one who got hit though! And you want to sue me? How dare you!"

"You sexually harassed me first. And

my ex-husband stood up for me

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because he couldn't stand it." She continued, "I dare to sue you because my brother is the best lawyer in the largest law firm in Nord City. With the best lawyer on my side, I don't think sending you to

prison would be a problem."

Wallace finally felt scared, but he still wouldn't back down. "If you sue me, I will

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Timothy took out a handkerchief to wipe his hands. He said coldly, "I will give her however much money she needs. I have nowhere else to spend my money anyways."

Wallace gulped as he couldn't rebut that.

He might be able to retort if this was another person, but that was said by the president of Barrett Group.

As a man who possessed as much wealth as a country amassed, Timothy had the right to say that.

Mia clapped her hands and the security guards ran over immediately.

She ordered, "Escort this man out of here and ban him from any associations with us. We will never approve his request for any appointments."

"Do you think I wanted to be here? It's not like you're the only hotel around here. My company isn't that bad!"

Timothy growled, "Just a heads-up-your company will announce bankruptcy in a week."

"But this is Nord City." Wallace tried his best to stay calm.