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I can't fathom how she ever married Declan. To top it off, she knows Lydia! She must be incredibly Lucky."

Bryson put down his wine, stood, and moved closer to the railing for a better view of Hannah, who was now engaged in a spirited drinking game.

"When Sadie wronged Grace and was taken to the tower, that woman stood alone in her defense." Bryson smirked as if recalling a fond memory.

"Seems she has more spine than anyone in the Edwards family."

Brayden's eyes widened in shock.

"Wait, the gutsy woman who bested you in Roulette is Declan's ex-wife?"

Bryson simply nodded.

Amazed, Brayden gave Hannah another glance. Then he remembered something and queried, "Speaking of which, how's Grace? Any updates on the so-called Phantom Healer?"

The cheerful expression on Bryson's face vanished instantly. With a measured tone, he said, "Word is, the Phantom Healer was once the top racer on the East Coast Racing circuit but retired four years ago for unknown reasons. I intend to see if I can meet them this time around."

Hannah reached Declan's grandparents' house thirty minutes before the scheduled gathering.

"Ah, Mrs. Hannah Edwards, you're..."

The housekeeper, momentarily flabbergasted by Hannah's uncharacteristic outfit, quickly regained composure and escorted her inside.

"Mrs. Allison Edwards has been looking forward to seeing you. There's time for a little chat before dinner starts."

Hannah sensed that Allison's invitation for dinner was merely a cover.

The true agenda was to persuade her against divorcing Declan.

The moment Hannah stepped into the living room, she noticed a huddle of people lounging on the sofas. Though she contemplated avoiding the crowd, Allison called out warmly, "Hannah, over here! It's been ages, let's catch up."

Feeling obligated, Hannah approached to offer her greetings. As she did, she spotted Leah, accompanied by Sadie and Eliana.

Declan's mother, Leah, never a fan of Hannah, rolled her eyes disdainfully before Hannah even reached them.

Once, Hannah had gone out of her way to win Declan's favor by being accommodating and respectful to Leah. When Leah was in the hospital for a couple of days dealing with uterine fibroids, Hannah personally cared for her and prepared her meals, only to go unacknowledged.

Now, with the divorce virtually certain, Hannah couldn't muster the will to cater to Leah again. She took a seat next to Allison, neglecting everyone else.

Caught off guard by Hannah's disregard, Leah couldn't contain her irritation.

"How disrespectful! Won't you greet your elders? Should we be the ones to greet you?"

Holding Allison's hand and smiling her usual sweet smile, Hannah inquired, "Allison, has your cough improved? Did you enjoy the snow pear soup I made?"

Allison, clearly fond of Hannah, affectionately patted her hand.