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Roanne was utterly stunned by Charlotte's sudden aggressive behavior.

She bit her lip and lifted her head to stare at Charlotte, blood still seeping out of the corner of her mouth." Charlotte, I have no idea what you're so pissed about."

Roanne was just telling the truth; she did not understand why Charlotte was so irate.

Whether it was at the orphanage or after they had escaped from that horrible place, Charlotte had always been the one who loved mutton.

When they were still at the orphanage, a girl named Number-9 used to offer her uneaten mutton to Charlotte in exchange for vegetables and bread.

Even though Roanne was a timid girl who was constantly bullied by the rest of the children, she still knew what was going on and had a vivid memory of this kind girl.

This was because...every time Number-9 got her hands on the vegetables and bread, she would give half of her food to Roanne in secret.

Because of Number-9's kindness, Roanne had managed to survive and did not starve to death at the orphanage.

However, after less than two years at the orphanage, Number-9 was one day adopted. Before she left, however, she did not forget to remind Number-12, who was Charlotte, to take care of poor, timid little Roanne.

This was the only reason Charlotte brought Roanne along with her when she left the orphanage many years later.

Despite this, Charlotte had never treated her kindly at all. She forced Roanne to return her favor, claiming that she owed her life to Charlotte and treated her like a slave.

This was another instance of Charlotte's unruly behavior toward her. Roanne had no idea what she had done wrong, yet Charlotte had smacked her even before giving her a chance to explain!

"Don't you know where you fucked up?" Charlotte glared at Roanne. "Didn't I tell you to shut your mouth about everything that happened at the orphanage? How

dare you tell Jim that I was the one who loved mutton? Are you trying to expose me?

“Let me tell you this, Roanne, if Jim abandons me one day, then I’ll bring you with me to hell!

“Get out of my sight! In the future, you’re not allowed to step foot into Landry Mansion without my orders, much less stay for dinner!”

With that, she turned around and stomped off.

Roanne was slumped against the hood of her car with her hand clutching her burning cheek. She stared at Charlotte’s retreating figure, tears brimming in her eyes.

“Here.” All of a sudden, a clear, melodic man’s voice rang out next to her.

Roanne’s entire body stiffened.

She immediately lifted her head to glance in the direction of the voice.

A clean and neat-looking gentleman stood next to her, offering her a piece of tissue.

Staring at the tissue, Roanne pursed her lips, then took it from him with a guarded expression. “Who are you?”

The man gave her a warm smile. “Don’t worry about who I am.”

He stared at the fingerprints on Roanne’s swollen face and asked, “Do you have anything in your car that can bring down the swelling?”

Roanne shook her head.

“What about ice?”

She shook her head once more.

The man smiled and pointed at a car parked next to hers. “Why don’t you come with me? I have some ice in the mini-fridge of my car.”

Then, he glanced at her swollen face once more and added, “If you don’t bring down the swelling soon, it’ll look even worse tomorrow, and what a pity it’ll be to ruin such a beautiful face.”

With her bottom lip caught between her teeth, Roanne contemplated this for a moment before finally nodding in agreement.

Truth be told, she did not know who he was, much less his name...but this was the first person who ever showed concern about her in so many years.

After being with Charlotte for so long, Roanne had already gotten used to being physically abused like this, but no one had ever been worried about her, much less offered to help her.

No one...ever told her she was beautiful, either.

Roanne's heart started to thump in her chest as she stared at the tall, handsome man underneath the dim street light. This man was like a Prince Charming that walked straight out of her fantasy.

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The man was mild-mannered, gentlemanly, and emanated an aura of knowledge and culture.

Roanne was willing to believe that this man was her dream come true.

However, this wondrous sensation only lasted until she got into the car.

As soon as she got into the backseat, she discovered that two other people were sitting in the car.

The man sitting in the front passenger seat was Joshua, whereas the woman sitting in the backseat, next to her, was none other than Luna.

She was more than familiar with these two faces.

Roanne bit her lip and was about to open the car door, but the handsome man swiftly locked the car before she could get out,

Theo, who had gotten into the driver's seat, smiled as he glanced at her. "You haven't even put ice on your swelling yet, so why are you so desperate to get out?"

He glanced at Luna and said, "Get her some ice."

Luna muttered in agreement and handed Roanne a packet of ice she had prepared beforehand. "Here you

90."

Roanne bit her lip and, after trying to open the door countless times to no avail, finally took the ice pack from Luna. She glanced first at Luna, then at Joshua with a guarded look as she placed the ice pack on her swollen face. "What are you trying to do?"

She would be stupid if she still could not tell that the handsome man was clearly one of their allies.

Luna and Joshua knew fully well that if they were to get out of the car and beckon her, she would never get into the car with them.

Therefore, they had deliberately sent this man, whom she had never seen before, to trick her into their car.

"Nothing much. We just wanted to ask you if Charlotte had finished using the drug she stole from the Landry family warehouse."

Roanne glanced at them, frowning. "Yes, she's used up every last drop."

Since Joshua and Luna had already found out about what had happened, she decided it was futile to hide the truth from them anymore.

After all, it did not matter what they thought. As long as Jim continued to believe Charlotte's lies, their plan had succeeded.

The color drained from Luna's face when she heard this.

Previously, when they were still at Tea Cottage, Christopher had already explained this to them: If Charlotte and Roanne had not used up all the medication, then Jim would still be able to be saved.

At this stage, however...

Luna bit her lip and clenched her fists.

Joshua, who was sitting in the passenger seat, furrowed his brows and glanced impassively at Roanne's red, swollen face. "Does Charlotte treat you like this all the time?"

"Why are you still working for her despite this cruel treatment?"

Roanne fell silent for a moment, then sneered. "Because she's my sister. Is that enough of a reason for

you?"

With that, she turned and shot Luna a cold glance. "Aren't you the same as me? Didn't you continue to reach out to Jim despite the way he treated you?"

"If you didn't care about him, you wouldn't even be sitting here right now, would you?"

Luna narrowed her eyes when she heard this but did not reply.

Blood was thicker than water. Even though Jim had treated her so harshly...she still tried to think of ways to save him.

"But you and Charlotte aren't real sisters at all," Joshua said, curling his lips into a smirk. "The two of you just grew up together at the orphanage."

He flipped through the stack of documents in his hand and continued with a smirk spreading across his face, "She just helped you escape from the orphanage, but you chose to repay her with your unwavering loyalty and servitude for so many years. "What if I helped you find your birth parents? How are you going to repay me then?"

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Roanne's entire body stiffened when she heard this.

She lifted her head to stare at Joshua through the rearview mirror. "Are you saying...you can help me find my birth parents?"

Joshua curled his lips into a small smile. "Of course I can."

He shifted into a comfortable position and gave Roanne an elegant smile. "The only people in Merchant City who are willing to help you...aren't capable of doing so, whereas the people who can...will never be willing to help you.

"Therefore, your only chance is to work with me."

Roanne bit her lip when she heard this.

Joshua was right.

It was not that she had never tried searching for her birth parents before, but the people willing to help her did not have the power and influence to do so.

To find the couple who had abandoned her more than 20 years ago was like trying to find a needle in a haystack.

However, the people who could truly help her...would not be willing to do so at all.

Even though she was the sister of Charlotte Jacobs, Jim Landry's girlfriend, he would not help her at all because Charlotte refused to.

Roanne had told Charlotte of her intentions to find her birth parents countless times over the years they spent together.

She remembered that the reason her parents left her at the orphanage was that they were too poor and could not afford to raise a child.

At that time, her parents had even cried while hugging her and told her that they would return for her as soon as they came into some money.

However, more than 20 years had passed, and they did not come.

Because of this, Roanne wanted to find her parents herself and ask them where they had been all these years. She wanted to ask them whether they had never managed to turn their lives around, or maybe they had simply forgotten about the daughter they had abandoned at the orphanage.

Alas...

Every time she brought up this topic, Charlotte would smack her and snap, "Why can't you be like me and pretend that your birth parents are dead?"

"It's been more than twenty years now, and if they wanted to find you, they would've done so a long time ago!"

"What's wrong? Do you think living with me is unbearable? Is that why you keep on wanting to find your. parents?"

Every time this happened, Roanne's face would burn from the slaps, but no matter how much it hurt, she could not say anything to defend herself.

"Why don't you consider it?" seeing that Roanne's attitude had softened, Joshua curled his lips into a smile and glanced at her red, swollen face. "Judging from the looks of this, this isn't the first time

Charlotte beat you, is it?

"Do you seriously think that this woman, with whom you have no blood relations to and yet constantly orders you around like a maid, will treat you better in the future?"

If you miss out on this opportunity to work with me, I don't think you'll be able to find anyone else with the same power and influence to help you."

Roanne clenched her fists upon hearing this.

She bit her lip and lifted her head to stare at Joshua. "What do you want?"

"What I want is simple." Joshua curled his lips into a smirk, seeing how anxious Roanne was. "You know exactly what we want."

Roanne lowered her head but did not say another word.

A split second later, she sniffed and replied, "I'll never betray my sister."

With that, she shot Theo a cold glance and said, "Unlock the car. I'm getting off."

Roanne knew exactly how cruel and merciless Charlotte could be.

Heather and Charlotte were best friends six years ago, but that did not stop Charlotte from ending Heather's life cold bloodedly when she betrayed her after.

If Roanne were to do the same to Charlotte..she would probably suffer an even more painful death.

Even though finding the whereabouts of her parents was important, it did not matter as much as her life.

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Theo furrowed his brows and glanced at Joshua with a somewhat pained look.

Joshua narrowed his eyes and said impassively, "Even if you're not willing to help us, I'll still help you track down your parents."

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"When I find them, I'll bring them over to see you so that they can get a clear idea of what you've been up to alongside Charlotte."

The tone in Joshua's voice grew frostier as he continued, "You deliberately sabotaged Jim and Bonnie's relationship and his sibling bond with Luna, and even plotted to take the Landry family fortune as your own.

"If your parents see the despicable things you did, they'll probably be glad that they decided to abandon you at that orphanage."

The atmosphere inside the car was suffocating.

Roanne clenched her fists as she lifted her head to glare at Joshua. "I never did any of these! Don't spout nonsense like this!"

All of these were Charlotte's doing, so what did they have to do with her?

She was obeying Charlotte's orders and doing things as she wanted!

"This isn't nonsense; everyone in Merchant City knows what you did." Joshua reached out to unlock the car door with a sneer. "Didn't you want to get off? Well, you can go now, and anything I do after this, anything I say to anyone-will have nothing to do with you from now on."

Roanne's entire body stiffened when she heard this.

She never thought that Joshua would behave like this after she rejected the offer to cooperate with him.

It was as though she mattered almost nothing to him, but...

She was Charlotte's personal assistant, the person closest to her, so how could he possibly give up his plans to bribe her so easily?

Just as Roanne was staring at Joshua's face blankly, trying to figure out what to do, he suddenly turned around to glance at her with a sneer. "Please don't be under the impression that you're important to me.

"I was trying to do you a favor and help you find your parents, but you couldn't understand my kindness.

"Maybe I was wrong, and in fact, you love being Charlotte's slave and love being slapped by her in broad daylight.

"Theo, send her off."

The color drained from Roanne's face when she heard this.

Theo quickly got out of the driver's seat, strode over to Roanne's side, and opened the car door. "Please leave."

With that, he even shot Joshua a helpless glance and added, "You shouldn't get on his bad side. When he's angry, there's no telling what he won't do."

Luna, who was sitting next to her, sighed and gently patted Roanne's shoulder. Then, she gave her another two packs of ice and said, "It's okay if you don't want to work with us, but please have this so you can bring down the swelling a little more."

Roanne bit her lip and took the ice packs from Luna. Then, she let out a sigh and followed Theo out of the car.

After getting off, she glanced at Joshua in the front passenger seat as though she wanted to say something.

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Finally, she let out an exhale, summoned the courage to walk over to Theo's side, and said in a low voice, "Can... Can I have a name card?"

Unlike a liar like Luna and a bad-tempered man like Joshua, she found this gentleman quite adoring.

Theo froze for a moment, then quickly took out a name card from his pocket.

"You're an artist?" Roanne lifted her head to stare at him in delight as she took the card from him. "This is my first time ever getting to know an artist."

The look in Roanne's eyes was full of awe and admiration, so much so that it made Theo feel a little embarrassed. "Yes. If you're free, you can pop over to my place to look at some of my artwork."

Roanne was overjoyed to hear this. "Sure! I'll be there as soon as I get the chance!"

All of a sudden, Roanne's phone rang.

It was a call from Charlotte.

"You haven't gone too far, have you? I suddenly recall that there's something I need you to help me with. Come wait for me in the backyard of Landry Mansion, and I'll come to find you as soon as I'm finished here."

With that, she hung up the phone without even giving Roanne the chance to say anything. Standing on the second-floor balcony of Landry Mansion, Charlotte was watching everything unfold outside the back door with a cold sneer.

She could not believe that this bitch would betray her and get into Joshua Lynch's car just a few seconds after she punished her! She would get what she deserved!

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Chapter 1845 After hanging up the phone, Roanne exhaled and lifted her head to glance at Theo, "I think you're a good person. You..."

She turned around and glanced at the black Masevati parked in the distance as though she wanted to say something, but in the end, nothing came out,

Finally, Roanne curled her lips into a smile and glanced at Theo once more. "I'll get in touch with you if I can

"My sister is looking for me, so I'd better go now."

With that, she strode back toward Landry Mansion, all while Theo remained motionless and watched her leave

When Roanne finally disappeared from view, he furrowed his brows and returned to the car.

"No wonder you kept reminding me to bring my name card before we left."

Theo never had the habit of bringing his name cards with him wherever he went. He thought that even though some of his artwork had become famous, he was still an ordinary artist, and no one would want to get to know him

Because of this, Theo rarely brought his name cards out with him, but that day, before they departed, Joshua had reminded him to bring some along.

At that time, Theo did not understand what Joshua had been trying to do, but at this moment, he did.

Sitting in the passenger seat, Joshua curled his lips into a smirk as he stared at the back door to Landry Mansion, where Roanne had disappeared into. "I asked Lucas to help me investigate this girl before,

"She has been interested in arts ever since she was young, but because of her poor upbringing, her parents couldn't afford to raise her at all, so they sent her to the orphanage.

The look in Joshua's eyes seemed to penetrate the windshield before him, landing on a place far, far away. "Therefore, I guessed that she'd probably admire an artist like Theo."

In the backseat, Luna furrowed her brows in sudden realization. "So you asked Theo to bring us here to use him as bait?"

Joshua nodded. "Theo's personality is indeed attractive to many women, but especially so to someone like Roanne.

"That's why I specially told him to bring his name card along today."

Theo could not help blushing when he heard this. He let out a slight cough and said, "I don't think...I'm that attractive at all.

"If I were really that charming, Luna would've chosen me a long, long time ago."

The entire car fell silent as soon as he said this

Luna, who had initially been wanting to continue the conversation, immediately shut up upon hearing this, unsure of what to say,

This sudden silence made Theo realize that he had accidentally said the wrong thing. He pursed his lips and was about to change the topic when Joshua suddenly rubbed his chin and said with a smile. "Even though you're a charming man, you're still no match for me."

Theo rolled his eyes in exasperation,

However, no matter how unwilling he acted on the outside, the truth was that he admired Joshua very much.

This man was able to find Roanne's weakness and develop a plan to exploit it in such a short time.

However...

Theo let out a sigh and lifted his head to glance out the window. "No matter how well we planned it out, we still failed tonight.

"Roanne refused to work with us, refused to betray her sister." Joshua smirked and lifted his head to glance at Landry Mansion. "Who says we failed?"

"Theo, you just wait patiently over the next few days. I'm sure Roanne will get in touch with you very soon." With that, he closed his eyes and leaned against the leather car seat. "Let's go home now."