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"It's not the same!" Luna shot Theo an exasperated look, her eyebrows furrowed at how sarcastic he was acting. "You know why I'm angry; it's the fact that Jim didn't ask permission from Bonnie and forcefully announced that they're getting married. It's the fact that he wants to marry Bonnie when she is still in a coma by force. "Think about if this happens between you and Roanne. It's the same theory as wanting to marry Roanne without seeking permission from her." Luna raised her head. "Roanna has passed away. We'll never truly know if she was willing to marry you if she's still here."

Theo smiled bitterly. "This was her last wish." "Did she say that to you?" Luna glared at him coldly. "All she wanted before she breathed her last was a hug from you. I may not be close to her, but I...truly feel that that's all she wanted. She didn't expect you to stay single for her, to give up your future relationship and live a lonely life forever."

Luna's interpretation stunned Theo. He looked to the far side while smiling bitterly. "Do you really think so?"

Luna sneered. "How else would you put it? Think about it from your perspective. If you're Roanne, are you willing to let the woman you like live as your wife and be lonely for the rest of your life?"

To this, Theo had no comebacks.

At that moment, the doorbell rang. Lucas hurried over to open the door, revealing none other than Caleb and Rachel, with Rachel holding onto Caleb's arm as they walked in. Both of them were wearing the same color couple outfit with their fingers interlocked with each other. They looked very dashing, like the perfect couple. Theo's eyebrows knitted together when he saw them walking in. He knew he should leave to avoid confrontation with them, but...his legs felt so heavy that he had a hard time walking away. In the end, he just looked in another direction, pretending he did not know they were there.

Both Caleb and Rachel noticed this, however. Caleb smiled and grabbed Rachel's hand softly." Not even a hello?"

"I have nothing to say to him." Rachel glanced at Theo coldly before turning to greet Luna EVRgKBBQ Joshua smilingly, "Good day to you, Mr. Lynch and Ms. Luna." Luna quickly got on her feet to welcome them. "Dr. Liddell." Increasing her volume, she spoke to Rachel, "Have you and Young Master Crawford set a date for your wedding ceremony?" Rachel chuckled, not caring if Theo was listening. "It's next month. We

originally wanted it to be a week later, but Young Master Landry has already occupied that day. "Small fries like us won't dare steal his thunder, hence why we postponed it to a month later.

Who would've thought he'd move up to an earlier date."

She sighed regretfully. "If I knew it, we'd just continue on with next week's date. It's too late to change now since we had already sent out all of our invitations." After that, she glanced at Theo and quickly looked at Caleb. "Actually, his family is more anxious than I am." Caleb chuckled. "That's right. My family has been urging me to settle down with Dr. Liddell."

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"In fact, I went on a blind date with Dr. Liddell before, but she didn't have any feelings for me then."

Caleb could not help but glance at Theo for a moment. "I should be thanking someone for giving me the chance to marry Dr. Liddell."

It was at this moment that Theo mentally snapped. He stood up to go back to his room and slammed the door so loudly that everyone heard it.

The slam, however, awoke Shelly and Riley, who were sleeping soundly in the upstairs room. Their cries rang loudly across the villa. The nanny had to comfort them for a few minutes before they finally calmed down. Luna scratched her head embarrassingly and smiled at Rachel and Caleb awkwardly. "We have a few kids at home now, and they recently got scared, so..."

"It's alright. Crying proves that they have a strong vitality." Rachel curled up her lips and sat on the couch. "Ms. Luna, are you sure that your mother said that Ms. Craig is poisoned and only has seven days left to live?"

Luna's face shifted to a more serious expression as Rachel started to discuss a serious topic." Yes, that's what my mother said. She even had Christoper stop his research on the medicine to restore Jim's memory and have him concentrate on studying the antidote for Bonnie. She said she'd also concentrate on studying the antidote." She raised her head to look at Rachel. "Why? Is something wrong? Dr. Liddell, have you...gone to visit Bonnie?"

Rachel nodded. "Of course. I'm a family friend of the Landry family. Although I don't know who Bonnie is, I don't mind giving her a full-body checkup and analysis since she is going to be Jim's wife. That being said..."

Her brows furrowed as she placed a document in front of Luna and Joshua. "This is the report I got from the hospital this morning. I'm curious about the poison present in Bonnie's system.

Luna and Joshua instantly looked at each other unconsciously, before Joshua took the document and opened it up to read.

It was the report from Bonnie's most recent checkup, and although they did not underst DPShMGeV what those indications meant…every line of analysis ended with (normal). Joshua's eyebrows were knitted at this. "Bonnie is fine?"

Rachel nodded and crossed her legs gracefully. "Yes. I think her body has a type of substance that renders her asleep for a long period. According to the dosage in her body, she'll wake up three days from now, so the facts that she'd wake up seven days later and die seven days later aren't valid."

She, again, looked at Luna. "Ms. Luna, I'm gonna ask you again: did your mother truly say that Bonnie only has seven days to live?"

Luna was stunned by Rachel's question. "Dr. Liddell, are you saying..." "I'm just curious. Since your mother has far more medical knowledge and experience than I do, there shouldn't be any misdiagnosis if she's the one who had examined Bonnie. However, all the indications from the report had stated that Bonnie's body is obviously normal." She lifted her head and looked at Luna with a solemn expression. "Could Mrs. Landry have lied about Bonnie's condition so Jim would marry Bonnie?"

It was an assumption that Luna had never thought about, and her heart suddenly started beating rapidly. 'If this is true, then it's the best scenario!' "There's another possibility," Joshua said as he looked at Rachel indifferently. "Maybe you didn't discover the poison's degree of toxicity."

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The living room fell quiet upon Joshua's words. Rachel lifted her head unconsciously with a hint of disbelief in her eyes. "What are you trying to imply, Mr. Lynch?"

She lifted her brows as she added, "Are you underestimating me?"

Joshua looked at Rachel as he curled up his lips. "I have more faith with my mother-inlaw, that's all. Dr. Liddell, I admit that you're a very accomplished doctor in your field, and 1, on the other hand, have no medical knowledge. "However, I believe that my mother-in-law didn't have a lapse of judgment in diagnosing Bonnie."

Joshua meant that Rachel was wrong since he was convinced that Rosalyn could not be wrong. However, Rachel was not someone who was willing to just accept and carry on when someone who had no medical knowledge like Joshua criticized her.

None had ever dared to say she made a mistake ever since she studied to become a doctor, and Joshua was the first ever. Her ego, thus, did not allow anyone to criticize her.

She sneered and snatched the document from Joshua. "If Mr. Lynch doesn't believe me, care to point out what mistake did I make? If you can't, I hope you'll apologize to me now. I may just be a run-on-the-mill doctor with no influence and power like you do, but I refuse to let anyone question my knowledge and ability in the medicinal area."

Joshua squinted, his eyes seemingly gleaming cunningly. "But there is no reason for my mother-in-law to say that her future daughter-in-law is about to die, is there?" He sighed. "Dr. Liddell, there's no need to get so worked up. I'm just telling you my query." Rachel sighed coldly before turning away, crossing her arms at her chest. Caleb quickly comforted her by stroking her back. "Calm down, calm down. Mr. Lynch is just curious. He didn't mean to be rude. You..."

He subconsciously looked in the direction of Caleb's room and whispered to Rachel's ear, "If you got worked up and talked loudly, the man will think that you purposely wanted to attract his attention."

Rachel rolled her eyes when Caleb mentioned Theo. She lowered her voice CWYCKEFY retorted, "How childish can he be?"

"It's the same with every man who's in love." Caleb chuckled and continued to whisper to Rachel's ear and rubbed her head affectionately, "Alright, alright. Didn't we agree that you're going to forget that heartless man? I'll be by your side to remind you not to do anything that makes him think he has any chances with you, just as we've discussed." Only then did Rachel's face eased a little. She pursed her lips and looked at Caleb helplessly." Fine, I will stay calm." Just as Caleb finally calmed Rachel, he curled up his lip and was about to get on his feet.

Suddenly, he saw Theo open his door, and he swiftly pulled Rachel into his arms and played with the loose hair on her sideburns with a smile on his face. "Mr. Lynch, you've hurt Rach a little here. Maybe you're right, though, or perhaps Rach is too excited to be engaged with me these few days and failed to see the problem. "I'll let her do another examination when there's a chance." Theo overheard the conversation and was stunned. 'Caleb is calling her 'Rach' now? He even says she's overjoyed because she's

engaged to him, and that's why she made a mistake in her work' Loneliness and jealousy crept into Theo's heart.

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'Rachel is...'

A few days ago, she was in despair to see Theo throwing a tantrum at the Civil Affairs Bureau just to obtain a legal marriage license.

It had only been a couple of days since that day, yet she was already making mistakes in her work just because she was thrilled to be engaged with Caleb.

Back then, Theo knew there was a very professional doctor who respected her work a lot by the name of Rachel Liddell. Not once had she ever made a mistake in her work, too.

After he met her, he often accompanied her and was there to witness her successfully completing many surgeries that many did not dare attempt. Even when she suffered from great pressure, she never faltered.

That changed right after she was engaged to Caleb.

Did that mean Caleb was very important to her? She did not seem to be as excited when she promised to be Theo's girlfriend.

It hurt. It felt as though hundreds and thousands of ants were crawling on Theo's heart.

He took a deep breath and strode toward the kitchen. Rachel saw the way he walked to the kitchen with a glass of water at hand and not looking anywhere else. She smiled bitterly and thought, 'Caleb is right. Does he truly think I was angry and made a commotion just to attract his attention?'

She thus placed her head on Caleb's shoulder and said, "Caleb was right; I admit I was too irritated. No one had ever questioned me, so I think that Caleb could be right. I was too happy to be engaged with him and had made a mistake in my work. I'll go back and reexamine Bonnie once more and try to discover the basis of Ms. Lawson's diagnosis."

Luna could not help but furrow her brows, and she then looked in the direction where Theo was at.

He was pouring himself a glass of water in the kitchen, but Luna could tell there was water in the glass before he supposedly 'refilled' it. It was enough for him to drink for the whole afternoon, too. 'He picked this time to go to the kitchen to get some water, but it's not to refill his glass. This man...'

She sighed DWSLAfP gazed at Rachel, who, at this moment, was leaning into Caleb's arms with a pretty smile. She acted all lovey-dovey with Caleb as though she was truly a woman in love.

Luna would have believed they were in love had she not known Caleb was into women. At this, her heart could not help and felt sorrowful for Rachel and Theo. 'what if Rachel marries Caleb a month from now after all? What is Theo going to do? Is he going to live as Roanne's husband for the rest of his life?'

Amid Luna's worry, someone knocked on the door. This time, it was Sean, Luna's non biological brother. He looked like he just woke up with his hair tousled. "The news is everywhere; Jim is marrying Bonnie today." Sean's eyes reddened as he stared at Luna. "Is it true?"

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Luna paused as she gazed back into Sean's grieving eyes. She wanted to tell Sean the truth, but she found herself struggling to.

She opened her mouth as her voice disappeared in her throat. "Sean, you..."

Luna knew that Sean had a crush on Bonnie, but she did not expect him to have such deep feelings for her. The sadness and despair in Sean's eyes were so strong that Luna could not bear to tell him the truth that would hurt him. Sean was like a wounded puppy, waiting for his owner to give the ultimatum. Luna sighed and turned her face to another side, unwilling to speak.

"Yes, Bonnie is marrying Jim today." Joshua stood up and pulled Luna into his arms, looking at Sean indifferently. "Sean, as Jim's biological brother and the godson of Charles and Rosalyn, you should be happy." Joshua then walked over and used his hand to straighten Sean's hair gently. "You should tidy up your image and wear something decent to attend your brother and sister-in-law's wedding.

Every word that Joshua had uttered was like a knife, stabbed deeply into Sean's heart.' Brother? Sister-in-law? I don't want a brother or a sister-in-law! I only want Bonnie!'

Bonnie was the first woman he had ever wanted to take care of and protect in his life, other than Nikki. He was there to see her endure all the pain and torture Jim had dealt him, and he was heartbroken to see her beat her chest because of Jim.

He wanted nothing but to be beside Bonnie to take care of her, even if she did not like him, even if she still had feelings for Jim.

He did not care. All he wanted was to protect her. Why did God deny him that chance?

Moreover, Bonnie was still unconscious. Without her consent, how could Jim make the decision to announce they were getting married?

'I won't allow it! I disagree!' Sean bit his lip and stared at Joshua with reddened eyes. "Bonnie is still unconscious. This wedding isn't legitimate."

"That's not up to you to decide." Joshua furrowed his brows and said plainly, "Sean, you're Aunt Lucy's second son. Blood relation-wise, you're my cousin BSVCNCFU also part of the Lynch family.

"As a Lynch, you should be able to let those who aren't yours go with ease. Since Bonnie has someone taking care of her, you should let her go." Sean sneered and raised his head to look at Joshua. "Easier said than done. If Luna is with another man, will you congratulate her sincerely?"

Dead silence quickly enveloped the atmosphere in the living room.

Caleb and Rachel made eye contact, feeling that Sean was inappropriate for Sean to be asking this question. Theo, who was in the kitchen, turned off the tap water and played with his phone as he waited for his water to boil, all while eavesdropping on their conversation. If Luna was with another, would Joshua ever choose to give up? He knew very well the answer to that question. When he and Luna were pretending to be a couple, Joshua had never given up on Luna Theo was quite curious as to what Joshua would answer. Luna furrowed her brows and looked at Joshua, then at Sean, before saying, "It's not the same.