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"Bonnie requested that I come save her because Jim was forcing her to marry him, adding that it'd be too late if I didn't come soon. She even attached headlines of Merchant City's newspapers for me to see, reports all about Bonnie and Jim getting married."

Christopher shut his eyes, and his voice turned gruff as he continued, "She also said that she would've married Jim had she wanted to, that the only reason stopping her was that she was unwilling. Now, Jim wants to take advantage of her when she's sick."

Christopher opened his eyes and gazed at Joshua. "I can't calm myself after reading the email. I just can't accept it. In the end, Aunt Rosalyn didn't want me to come back because she didn't want me to know Jim and Bonnie are getting married. She knew that I'm in love with Bonnie, too.

"If she had told me Jim and Bonnie are getting married, I would've given them my blessing, but why did she have to hide it from me? Why did she want me to stay in Lincoln City?"

Christopher was visibly heartbroken and depressed.

Luna bit her lip and held her hands tightly together. "That's not what my mom thinks."

"What's the reason, then?" Christopher glared at Luna with bloodshot eyes. "Isn't it true that Bonnie got drugged and is in a coma now? Isn't it real that she only has six days left to live? It's all the truth! When Aunt Rosalyn promised me that Bonnie is fine and she'll cure Bonnie, it's all because Jim is her son, and I'm just her nephew, isn't it?"

Luna was out of words. Her mouth hung open when she looked at how crazy Christopher was.

She wanted to tell him Bonnie was not drugged, but Joshua stopped her.

Joshua looked at Luna and shook his head before he turned to look at Christopher. "I know there's hatred in your heart, but it's too complicated to explain things to you now. Give me some time, and I'll explain everything to you once I get to the bottom of this."

With that, Joshua grabbed Luna's hand and left the ward.

As they walked away, she turned to look at Christopher again. He sat on the floor with his back against the wall, looking devastated and in despair. It was as if he trusted everything in the email that was sent by the person whom he believed to be Bonnie.

"Why did you stop me from telling him the truth?" When they were outside, Luna flung away Joshua's hand angrily, her eyebrows knitted together tightly. "Christopher had misunderstood my mother, and as her daughter, I have the obligation to explain this to him!"

Joshua smiled helplessly as he looked at how angry Luna was. He pulled her into his arms and gave her a light peck on the forehead. "I know you can't stand knowing Christopher had a misunderstanding with your mother, but let's keep it a secret from Christopher for now."

Luna was less angry because of Joshua's gentleness. Nonetheless, her eyebrows furrowed as she looked at his face. "Why?"

"Because ..." Joshua looked out the window and squinted." Since someone had used Bonnie's name to contact Christopher once, maybe he or she will do it again. If Christopher knows the truth, the perpetrator will also know it."

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Luna's brow creased at Joshua's explanation, and it took her a while to fully understand what Joshua was planning.

"Are you saying...someone had impersonated Bonnie and sent Christopher an email to fool him?"

Joshua smiled and smoothed Luna's head affectionately . His voice was as soft as the spring breeze as he spoke," What else do you think? Do you truly believe Bonnie would suddenly wake up in the middle of the night and send him an email?"

After listening to Joshua's answer, Luna bit her lip and realized her question...was ridiculous to begin with.

"You're so silly, it's cute." Joshua sighed and trapped Luna tightly in his arms, saying, "You used to be so smart and independent, solving all the problems on your own. So good to me and never asking anything in return. Not only that, but you also didn't want to trouble me or allow me to share some of your burdens. You never showed your silly side to me.

"I thought you'd be a silly, dumb woman who doesn't know how to ask for love and affection. I think it's cute that you're silly sometimes."

Luna's heart started racing. She bit her lip and pushed Joshua away sheepishly as she lowered her voice, asking," So who could've impersonated Bonnie and sent the email?"

No matter how close she was to Bonnie, she never knew the password to Bonnie's email account nor logged in into it before. Besides, Bonnie was the president of Craig Group, despite her being hardly involved with management matters, so her email account should have a high-security level that no one could easily hack into.

Not only did this impersonator know about Bonnie's situation, but they even knew Jim and Bonnie's relationship, as well as Bonnie's password for her email account. Who could this person be?

Having thought that, Luna furrowed her eyebrows. "Maybe... someone we know?"

After all, a person who knew all of these could not have popped up just recently.

Joshua squinted as he looked at how serious Luna was." Let's go to the administrator's office and retrieve Christopher's phone."

Luna nodded and grabbed Joshua's hand to head toward the hospital's administrative department. "That's right. We should take a look at the email. Maybe we can find clues from the way the person wrote the email."

As Joshua admired Luna's alluring back, his lips curved into a smile. Then, as he walked alongside her, he responded,

albeit with an affectionate tone, "You're wrong. Since the person was impersonating, they'd surely be able to copy the way Bonnie speaks. Do you truly think Christopher wouldn't have noticed it based on how deep his love for Bonnie is?"

Luna paused, her glabella creasing into a frown. "Since there won't be any clue on the email, then why do we need to look at the email?"

"You won't understand." Joshua smiled and walked past her to head to the administrative department. "Do you remember someone saying she likes hackers? At that time, I did say hackers were just a bunch of programmers, and there was nothing special about them. In truth, however, I took the time to learn hacking skills in my spare time.

"I planned on showing it off to this certain someone when she least expected it, but before I could, she left me after someone else had won over her."

Luna's cheeks turned red, and she felt her face heating up at Joshua's words.

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Luna gazed at Joshua's back and reminisced on the time she asked him about hacking skills and if he could attempt it. Joshua, back then, told her that there was nothing special about hackers and that it was just like being a programmer, all while adding that she had a boring type with a discerning face.

Luna was taken aback by this and never brought up these things to Joshua ever again.

Six years later, they had finally reunited. However, there was a point in time that she was heartbroken upon learning that Joshua was, in fact, skilled in hacking into things and thought he did not bother to show it to her at all. Even when she had mentioned that she thought it was cool to be a hacker and would be thrilled if her other half was one, he refused to show it to her.

The reality struck Luna; Joshua learned these things because of her!

Albeit having a discerning look on his face, he remembered what Luna said. Not only that, he even took the time to learn it. All this while, it was just a misunderstanding. She thought he hated her.

Having these thoughts in her mind, Luna felt guilt. swallowing her. She was a fool to have believed what other

people said when they told her Joshua did not love her. No matter what he did for her, she would blindly believe it when she was told that Joshua had no feelings for her. The root cause was her lack of confidence.

In this relationship, Luna was the one who fell in love with Joshua first. She was the one who started the pursuit, so she struggled to digest the fact that Joshua had feelings for her too.

She took a deep breath and ran after Joshua, taking his hand into hers. "Why didn't you tell me the reason you learned all that for me?"

Joshua shook his head helplessly. "I was waiting for you to find out for yourself." He was also waiting for her to find out that he had feelings for her. Alas, this silly girl...believed what others told her instead.

Despite all the things he had done for her, she did not think he could be in love with her. Luckily, she finally believed it, and everything he had done in Merchant City was worth it.

"You had to tell me, Joshua, so that I could've known that, including everything that you've done for me. You have to say it to me." Luna pursed her lips and grabbed his hand tightly. With a low voice, she said, "If you don't say it, I'll never know..."

Joshua curled up his lips into a smile. "I'm still not going to say it in the future. I want you to find out for yourself."

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They arrived at the administrative department of the hospital, hand-in-hand while they talked. When they entered the department, Luna furrowed her eyebrows. "Oh, right, why did you suddenly bring up the topic of being a hacker?"

Joshua slightly tapped on Luna's head with tenderness. "I brought it up to tell you; your husband is a very good hacker. Based on the time and IP address from the impersonator, I can gather some information about them."

Luna finally understood Joshua's plan.

They then told the administrator the purpose of their visit, and the administrator found Christopher's phone and passed it to them.

Turning on Bonnie's phone, Joshua got to work and noticed an email sent to Christopher's phone. The sender of the email was, no doubt, Bonnie.

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Christopher did not lie after all. He did receive an email from Bonnie.

The impersonator explained in detail Bonnie's situation: drugged, wounded, and forced. She wanted to deny the marriage arrangement with Jim, but she did not know how to refuse. Her only hope rested with Christopher as she requested him to come to Merchant City to rescue her.

The details in the email were just the same as Bonnie's current situation, except for the part about being in a coma. Not only did the impersonator know of Bonnie's condition, but they also were well aware of the relationship between the Landry family and Bonnie. The perpetrator even knew which media companies were informed of Jim and Bonnies wedding! Even Luna did not know about those details.

Luna repeatedly read the email to spot any blunders, but there were none. The impersonator knew all of Bonnie's habits, word choices, and tone in structuring the entire email. It made sense why Christopher would believe that it was indeed Bonnie who sent him the email and disobeyed Rosalyn.

"Can you...really locate where this email was sent from?" Luna asked worriedly as she sat beside Joshua, watching as he linked the phone to a laptop. She knew Joshua was a better hacker than Nigel, the 'Little Hacker Genius', but her worries remained.

Faking an IP address was easy as a piece of cake with some applications on the net. Since the impersonator had taken the effort to fake the email, they surely would have thought about the issue with the IP address.

"Don't worry." Joshua squinted and got to work on the perpetrator's digital footprints with a smile on his face." Even if the impersonator had faked their IP address, it's still traceable."

Luna's eyebrows knitted together at this. "But Nigel had tried it before, and some fake IP addresses are untraceable..."

Joshua curled up his lips. "You've said it yourself. Just because Nigel can't trace it doesn't mean I can't."

Since Joshua was confident and paid full attention to tracing the impersonator, Luna sighed and moved to the couch beside the table. She contacted Gwen to tell her what they found out from Christopher.

She texted, (Hey, who do you think the impersonator is?]

Gwen replied, adding a curious-looking emoji, [Did Jim and Bonnie offend or make enemies with anyone recently?]

[Obviously, the impersonator is trying to ruin their wedding.)

[He knows everything about Bonnie and Jim, and also doesn't want them to be together...]

There was a moment of silence from Gwen before she gave Luna a potential name.

(Do you think it could be Sean, the man that your mother had just taken in as her son?)

The name took Luna aback for a good few seconds. She bit her lip as the scene from that particular morning appeared in Luna's mind, when Sean went to her house and knocked on the door angrily, demanding to know if Jim was marrying Bonnie.

He looked very furious, too.

(But... Sean won't possibly know the password to Bonnie's email account.]

(He's not a hacker, so he can't possibly decipher it.]

Gwen sent an eye-roll emoji.

(Gwen: Don't forget that he used to be Bonnie's fake boyfriend.]

[Gwen: What if Bonnie logged in to her email account without hiding away from Sean?]

[Gwen: Think about it: the only reason we didn't know her password was because we never thought about knowing it. She never hid from us when she logged in.]

[Gwen: What if Sean had remembered it purposely when he saw Bonnie's password?]

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Luna's heart fluttered as she read what Gwen was implying.. Was it Sean after all?'

Undoubtedly, Luna was not willing to believe it. A couple of hours ago, Sean had stood between Jim and Christopher and intercepted the stabbing attack that could have wounded Jim. If the perpetrator was truly Sean, why did he need to stop Christopher?

(Gwen: Maybe he never expected it'd get so serious.]

(Gwen: I think Sean isn't a bad person. Maybe he thinks that by telling Christopher about it, he can stop Jim and Bonnie from getting married.]

[Gwen: He couldn't have thought Christopher would go crazy and attempt to kill Jim, I think.)

(Gwen: Maybe he stopped Christopher because he felt guilty and sorry.]

Luna bit her lip and grasped her phone tightly as she read the messages. She knew Gwen was just analyzing the whole incident without any prejudice. However, she felt hurt when she read these speculations.

Jim and Sean's relationship had gotten better because Sean had saved Jim. She was unwilling to speculate on Sean with such evil thoughts. She would rather just believe Sean rescued Jim because he cared about his brother.

However, just like Gwen mentioned, the impersonator...

There was no one else who had the same motives as Sean.

Having thought that, Luna raised her head. Joshua was still trying to trace the fake IP address with his full attention.

She bit her lip and took a deep breath. "Joshua."

Joshua paused for a while from typing on the keyboard, then he continued. "Yes?"

"I want to ask you…" Luna went on a silent moment as she then looked at Joshua earnestly. "What do you think about Sean?"

"Why do you suddenly ask this?" With his deep, sunken eyes, Joshua continued staring at the monitor without noticing Luna's emotion. "Sean is a good kid, and he's also my aunt's son. A little rebellious, sure, and there is a conflict between him and Jim, but I knew he wasn't a bad person when I first saw him."

Otherwise, Joshua would not have offered Sean to be a driver just because Sean saved Bonnie. He chose Sean because he gave him a very familiar feeling, and...

He believed Sean was a kind, gentle young man. At that time, he never expected Sean to be his aunt's second son.

Luna's heart felt unsettled because of Joshua's answer. It was obvious Joshua was fond of Sean. If Sean truly was the impersonator, then his appearance did not show what kind of person he was.

Joshua would be downright disappointed if Sean turned out to be the impersonator.

Just when Luna's thoughts were everywhere, the laptop's notification rang.

"I got it." Joshua narrowed his eyes and looked at the screen, "The IP address of this email is from… Landry Mansion?"

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'The Landry Mansion ?' Instantly, Luna gathered all of her senses. She jumped up from the couch and looked at Joshua in shock. "Are you sure?"

Did the IP address truly show the email was sent from the Landry Mansion?

"It shows right here." Joshua took a sip of tea, and his dark eyes squinted. "This IP address was faked multiple times. It took me great effort to decipher it. The Landry Mansion is exactly the location of this real IP address."

Then, he furrowed his brow and looked at Luna. "Who do you think has sent the email?"

Luna was out of words. She bit her lip and shut her eyes to think back.

Ever since the misunderstanding between the Landry family and the Lynch family was cleared, she had been staying together with Joshua at his house. Basically, she had not stayed in the Landry Mansion.

Other than the butler, maids, and bodyguards, only Jim, Charles, and Rosalyn stayed in the mansion. Of course, Jim could not have been the one who sent the email, but neither could it be Charles and Rosalyn. They did not have the motives to do so.

Jim had been busy preparing for the wedding since last night, while the only things Charles and Rosalyn knew of Bonnie were just her appearance and name. They could not have impersonated Bonnie and sent an email to Christopher using Bonnie's mannerisms. Other than them, there was no one else in the Landry Mansion who could have...

Suddenly, Luna's eyes widened at the thought of someone.

Someone who just moved into the Landry Mansion.

Sean Wheeler.

After Bonnie was admitted to the hospital, Sean agreed to let the butler and his son, Mickey move his luggage to the Landry Mansion and stayed there. The butler and Mickey had been aggressive in their persuasion, and thus yesterday was the first day Sean stayed in the Landry Mansion.

Summing up with the analysis Gwen said...

Luna bit her lip and wrung her hands together. 'Could it have been Sean after all? Could he have imitated Bonnie's tone to send an email to Christopher so he would return to Merchant City?'

She quickly took her phone and called the mansion's butler." Butler Fred, can you tell me which room Sean is staying in the Landry Mansion?"

Butler Fred entered a moment of silence. "Ms. Luna; why do you suddenly want to know this?"

"I'm just...curious." Luna pursed her lips. "Can you please tell me which room he's staying in?"

Butler Fred did not answer instantly, not with a long pause, but he eventually spoke, "He's staying where Heather used to stay; the last room on the second floor."

After that, Butler Fred asked inquisitively, "Ms. Luna, why are you suddenly asking me this? Is there something going on with Mr. Sean?"

"No." Luna took a deep breath and briefly chatted with Butler Fred before hanging up. She put away her phone and made eye contact with Joshua as soon as she lifted her head.

"Are you suspecting Sean to be the impersonator ?" Joshua asked.

Meeting Joshua's questioning gaze, Luna paused for a moment and nodded. "I had gone through it together with Gwen and thought that the only person who had the motive to send the email was Sean."