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Hearing George's refusal, Christopher didn't offer any further suggestions and decisively ended the call

After hanging up, his expression turned cold and disdainful.

He used to adore Fanny immensely, extending his affection to the entire Kins Family.

However, remembering Fanny's previous scheme to deceive him into going to Northland on Florence's behalf, he felt a surge of disgust.

On the other side, George was troubled by the disconnected call.

Without Christopher's financial assistance, George was at a loss for who else to turn to.

The casino suggested he take out a high–interest loan, but he shuddered at the thought of how a small debt spiraled into a massive one due to Joey's scheme.

Despite his strong desire to gamble, George dared not engage with high–interest loans again.

And thinking of Joey, who had been unreachable since the incident, George was almost certain he'd been deliberately set up.

**But** why would Joey target me for no reason?

Was it Dylan's doing?

The thought of Dylan filled George with rage.

After the incident, Dylan had gone into hiding, and George felt he had see character.

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Now, far away in Riverdon and unable to confront Dylan physically, he decided to at least give him a piece of his mind over the phone.

Meanwhile, James was listening to Fanny share how she agreed to marry Christopher at home.

They were not the only ones **in** the living room. Accompanying them were Scarlet and Zacharias.

In comparison to the calm James, Scarlet was livid.

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Her disdain for Christopher was palpable, especially since he once had his eyes on Zacharias' kidney.

In an attempt to mediate the situation, Zacharias interjected, "Let Fanny explain, Mom." After having been interrupted, Fanny was now unsure of how to continue from where she left off. She could tell Scarlet was furious, but Christopher was her only way out.

With Christopher's ultimatum over the phone and George urging her, she felt compelled to spill the beans in the hopes that they would all return to Riverdon together.

Hopefully, Florence's men can't forcefully detain me.

At the sight of Fanny's internal struggles, Zacharias gently urged, "Fanny, just continue."

With a nod, she resumed from where she left off. "Mom, Dad just gave me a ring. He's urging me to return to marry Christopher pronto." After a brief thought, she decided to bring up George in the end.

"Does it have to be with Christopher? He's not a good man, Fanny!" The grudge Scarlet held for Christopher seemed deep-rooted as her face would distort in displeasure whenever she heard his name.

The helpless Fanny turned to James, who was now in charge of the family in George's absence. This was why she sought his opinion on this matter.

When she looked at him, everyone followed suit, awaiting his comment. James sensed everyone's eyes on him, so he cleared his throat and stated, "It will be for the best if Fanny and Christopher's wedding can occur sooner rather than later."

Before Scarlet could raise objections, he continued, "Mom, hear me out."

So, she waited, but she was visibly unhappy.

James had no choice but to reveal the current predicaments that their family business was facing in Riverdon. It was something that he kept close to his chest, so the more he explained, the more surprised and concerned acharias and Scarlet were.

Scarlet, incredulous, asked, "James, is what you're saying true?"

She could not believe what she had

heard. How long has it been? And our family business is already dealing with so **much** sh\*t?

Zacharias was surprised, albeit not as much as Scarlet. After all, Scarlet had been in a coma for quite a period of time and was unaware of what had happened. Upon noticing that James was struggling to respond without making Scarlet upset, Zacharias coughed lightly to draw

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When Scarlet turned to Zacharias, he reassured her, "Mom, James is telling the truth. Don't worry; he has his own ways to deal with it."

At this, he expectantly looked at James.

Only then did James bring up the potential benefits of an alliance with the Sanderses, including the resolution of their family predicament, albeit temporarily.

He concluded, "Not to mention, Fanny loves Christopher, and he cares a lot for her too. So, they are more than suited to marry each other."

As she listened to her family's exchange, Fanny became uneasy when she realized her marriage would serve such a purpose. However, she didn't dwell on it for long and quickly stated, "You'll have my full cooperation if it's able to help the family."

Like the Kins Family, she did not have any other choice but still hoped her efforts would be recognized.

James affectionately ruffled her hair. "Fanny, you are really sensible."

Scarlet, who was on the side, was at a loss for words, overwhelmed by the sheer number of issues their family faced without her knowledge. Suddenly, she blurted out, "Did all this happen because of that b\*tch Angela!?"

She still remembered George and Linda's affair, which seemed to involve Angela. However, before Scarlet could further investigate, George had pushed her into her comatose state.

Scarlet *had* remained in Northland after regaining consciousness, so she did not directly confront Linda. Once her sons informed her that Linda took the blame for pushing her, which led to Linda being imprisoned in bedlam, Scarlet stopped probing even more.

Now, she wanted to visit Linda and ask whether Angela was the instigator.

No one had responded to Scarlet's accusatory question, so she repeated her question, albeit in a louder tone, "Did Angela cause all this?!"

James answered, "Mom, Angela has nothing to do with what the company is facing."

When the company first faced issues, it was the consequences of the media pressure surrounding the family scandal. It resulted in the loss of several business collaborators, which was something hardly connected to Angela.

The issues that transpired later did not involve Angela either, especially since she had already moved to Northland.

Scarlet continued to pursue the matter. "It's definitely all her fault. If it weren't for her, why would disaster befall our family?"

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With that, she attributed all the misfortunes in their family to Angela.

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James sighed, not wanting to argue further. The last he visited Angela, he felt that she had played him out on top of the trip not being successful, which added to his dissatisfaction with her. He also thought that they did not need to defend Angela because, to liim, she

indeed was the cause of the Kins Family's downfall.

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James no longer spoke up for Angela and merely allowed Scarlet to continue with her curses.

**Zacharias** sighed. Then, he suggested, "Mom, we should deal with Fanny's marriage first."

His words reminded her about Fanny's marriage to Christopher. Looking with concern at Zacharias, she asked, "You don't mind this at all? Don't forget, Christopher had his eyes on your kidney once."

For the past few days, Scarlet had been restless. She was troubled by the thought that Zacharias' kidney was a match with Fanny's. Although she felt sorry for Fanny, she was even more worried about Zacharias, who was her blood and kin.

Given the excruciating struggles with his health, his donating a kidney would result in his death sentence.

However, she was also pained by the fact that the successful matching was a secret.

When Scarlet brought up the matter of Zacharias' and Fanny's kidneys being a match,

back as negative? This merely illustrates Christopher's genuine love for Fanny, right?"

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remained calm. Then, ht" "Didn't the test come

Scarlet accused, "If he really loved her, why wouldn't he test to see whether his kidney is compatible with Fanny's? He just doesn't want you to live!"

"Don't say that, Mom," James interrupted in a rush. "If Fanny were to hear that, think about her feelings."

Realizing that Fanny was already in tears at her words, Scarlet quickly com ted her, "Fanny, I didn't mean that."

Fanny appeared pitiful, her pale face streaming with tears. "Mom, I understand. I know you didn't mean to blame me, but I feel hurt..." she whispered in tears.

"I shouldn't have said those words," came Scarlet's words of solace.

"Fanny, Mom was too hasty with her words," added Zacharias. "Don't take it to heart."

After Scarlet's apology, Zacharias tried to diffuse the tension. "We should rest and discuss our return plans to Riverdon tomorrow."

Such words brought the conversation to an end.

The Kins Family's night was tumultuous, and Angela had retired earlier.

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The following morning, she had planned to leave with Jonathan as usual, but they were held back by Yarrison's unexpected arrival.

Yarrison had urgent matters to discuss with Jonathan.

After some consideration, she decided to let Jonathan stay home, but the man persisted in his ways. "I'll send you off and return later."

"Shall we talk in the car?"

Realizing Yarrison had important matters to discuss with Jonathan, she convinced him, "Don't worry; I'll have four bodyguards with me besides Oliver today."

Jonathan agreed, "Let me know if you need anything."

She naturally agreed to this.

Once they were in the car, Angela advised Oliver, "Be more cautious today."

Since she had finally managed to persuade Jonathan not to send her, she felt that she had to protect herself. Failing which, it would be difficult to convince him further. Although she knew he cared for her, she didn't want him to focus too much on her.

After watching Angela leave, Jonathan turned to discuss the urgent matters with Yarrison. "What's so urgent?"

He knew it was no small matter from Yarrison's direct approach. "I've found the leads that we lost earlier. Would you like to have a look?" he said as he pushed the documents. Then, he glanced at the unfinished breakfast. "You don't mind if I have the leftovers, do you?"

"Go ahead," Jonathan replied as he took the documents. He skimmed thro with a frown, asking, "Is there anything else?"

"What? You want more?!" Yarrison stuffed food into his mouth. He rolled his know how much loops I went through to get this?"

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eyes.

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There were moments when he felt like he wasn't on the quest for something but rather being on the dangerous side of the law in his frantic probing. That being said, the information he uncovered was proportional to the risk involved.

Jonathan took **a** seat and pragmatically stated, "It's not enough for us to execute our previous plan."

The helpless Yarrison shrugged. "That's all we have for now. Use this to threaten them. It should make them keep their distance for a while."

Jonathan nodded in acknowledgment. "Thanks for your hard work."

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"Oh, hearing 'hard work' from you is rare," Yarrison mumbled through his bun, "After pulling all-nighters recently, I need some good rest."

"Sure, rest well," said Jonathan. "Also, I'll be leaving Northland soon."

"What? You're leaving?" Yarrison was shocked. "Then why bother investigating stuff on Florence?"

They were clear from the start; Florence, **as** the heiress of the Shelton Family, wielded her family's power brazenly but only within Northland.

If Jonathan left Northland, Florence wouldn't be a concern.

"It's for Spencer. He's in my company now, remember?" Jonathan reminded him.

wouldn't. To prevent Florence from acting

Even though he would leave, his branch compan desperately, it was essential to find her vulnerabilities and hold them tightly.

"Oh, right, I forgot about that." Yarrison scratched his head.

Seeing Jonathan closing the documents and putting them in his briefcase, ready to leave, Yarrison suddenly asked, "Wait, where are you going?"

He had been too busy to know why Jonathan suddenly planned to leave Northland.

"Not sure yet," Jonathan replied, "But I'll be leaving in a few days."

Once the results of Angela's tests were out, he would know where they needed to go.

On the road, Angela was also contemplating the upcoming test.

Tomorrow was the test day, and she hoped no chaos would ensue today.

While musing, she heard Oliver, seated in the front, say, "Mrs. Lawson, someone is following us again."

Thinking of the previous day's followers, Florence and James, she instructed, "Turn around and see who it is this time."

Her conversation with James yesterday hadn't been pleasant, and given his temperament, he shouldn't be approaching her again so soon.

Oliver signaled the driver to find an opportunity to turn around, keeping a close watch on the person in the car behind.

Upon recognizing the follower, he immediately reported, "It's that fat guy with the surname Reed from before."

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"Reed?" Angela was momentarily puzzled, but recalling Oliver's description of a fat man, **she** connected the dots to Kaydron. "Kaydron Reed?"

Indeed, Yaxley had informed her that Kaydron had been bailed out by Fanny.

However, she hadn't anticipated that Kaydron would attempt to target her again.

Considering Kaydron's association with Fanny, Angela deduced that his trailing her was likely instigated by Fanny.

"The charges he faced last time were too light," Angela remarked.

Oliver agreed, "Yeah, they didn't even get close before we took care of them. They're useless."

Hearing his comment, Angela was amused yet thought it might be time for Kaydron to face. more serious charges.

"Let's stage a drama to ensure he stays behind bars for a good while," she proposed, tired of Kaydron's pestering and seeking a permanent solution.

Puzzled, Oliver inquired, "Mrs. Lawson, how do we stage this play?"

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"Find a secluded and open area to stop the car; I will meet him and see what he wants," Angela said with a slight smile, her eyes unwavering.

After a moment's thought, Oliver responded, "Mrs. Lawson, let me handle it instead; **it's** too risky for you to go."

Even without deeming Kaydron's men particularly formidable, she still wouldn't expose Angela to potential danger.

Angela didn't insist, casually agreeing.

After all, she could probably get a clear view from inside the car.

Soon, following Angela's direction, the driver steered towards a more isolated area, thinking that settling Kaydron quickly wouldn't cause them to be late.

Shortly, their convoy came to a halt.

Kaydron, trailing behind, finally sensed something amiss.

He urgently inquired of his driver, "Why have we come here? Isn't she heading to Northland Medical University?"

For this operation, Kaydron brought along three cars filled with people, not only more in number but also stronger than the last time.

He was determined to make Angela suffer extensively.

However, recalling the guards around Angela, he felt inherently timid.

Kaydron initially planned a surprise attack.

To ensure the **success** of this ambush, he was anxious and deviated from the original plan of acting in the suburbs as agreed with Fanny.

Although the outskirts of Northland were his domain, he preferred to keep his identity concealed this time.

Thus, he even hired outsiders for this task.

From the start, Kaydron planned to disguise himself with a hood or similar covering after capturing Angela to conceal his identity while he taught her a lesson.

"Don't know, Mr. Reed. They've stopped; should we get out?" asked the driver, unaware of

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Kaydron's thoughts, and pulled over nearby.

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As they talked, the opposing party had already disembarked and were approaching in an argumentative manner.

Kaydron, realizing his exposure, urgently ordered, "Drive away! They've spotted us and lured us here on purpose!"

The driver, puzzled, remarked, "But Mr. Reed, we've got three cars full of guys, much more than their two." His point was that they significantly outnumbered Angela's group and had no reason to fear.

Yet, recalling the capabilities of Angela's bodyguards and his own need to remain hidden, Kaydron still urged the driver to leave.

Eventually, the driver complied with Kaydron's instructions to drive off.

As one car moved, the others, though confused, quickly followed suit.

Before Angela's bodyguards could close in, the three cars vanished in a flash.

"Mrs. Lawson, they ran away," Oliver said, incredulous at the sight of the cars fleeing as if on fire, puzzled about their intentions.

Angela was equally bemused, thinking how cowardly this was.

By the time the bodyguard returned, Angela, checking the time, sighed. "Let's just head to school."

The delay was brief, so she wouldn't be late.

However, Kaydron's antics amused her greatly.

Meanwhile, Kaydron and his convoy hurried back to the casino where he had initially recruited people.

Given it was daytime, the casino was quiet, but their return still startled the manager.

Surprised by Kaydron's quick return, the manager inquired, "Mr. Reed, back so soon? Is the job done?"

Kaydron, uneasy, replied, "Got an urgent matter. I'll call the guys again another day." He was reluctant to admit he fled after realizing they were spotted.

Noting Kaydron's unease and the following glance at his men, the manager casually responded.

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Without waiting for more conversation, Kaydron brought up payment. Even though the hired men hadn't been useful, he still had to settle their fees. Despite its rundown appearance, everyone knew the casino had powerful backing beyond Kaydron's small-time

status.

Hearing about payment, the manager's smile became genuinely warmer, gesturing Kaydron to the payment area,

After settling the bill, Kaydron noticed the mocking glances from his hired group, feeling deeply humiliated.

The manager, having exchanged information with one of them, approached Kaydron with a smile. "Mr. Reed, remember us for future jobs like this; our guys are always ready to help you."

Though the words sounded nice, Kaydron felt mocked, replying, "Next time, I need people who won't get caught tailing. Find me someone who fits the bill."

Catching the hint of blame in Kaydron's words, the manager feigned surprise. "Mr. Reed, were you planning to kidnap, not direct attack?"

It seemed like Kaydron hadn't been clear about his intentions from the start.

Irritated, Kaydron's frown deepened, his displeasure evident.

The manager continued, "Who do you want to kidnap? We have a package for kidnapping people. You can take a look." His eyes narrowed slightly, with a hint of cunning.

Kaydron asked, "Can you guarantee a successful kidnap?"

The manager confidently nodded. "Of course! But it'll cost double today's rate."

Price was the least of Kaydron's worries; he didn't want another beating. If the casino could deliver Angela to him, even at double the cost, it would be worth it.

Initially, his aim was to use Angela/to forge a connection with the Collier Family through Fanny. But now, his grudge had deepened, eager to exact revenge on Angela for his previous humiliation.

Kaydron quickly discussed the, specific execution plan with the casino manager, paying upfront this time.

Although it pained him to part with the money, the potential benefits made it bearable.

However, he had one concern.

"Why does it have to be tomorrow? Can't it be done today?"

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He had already paid, but the manager told him that the kidnapping could only be carried out the next day. This made Kaydron suspect he might be getting scammed.

The manager provided a reasonable explanation, "Mr. Reed, you've already spooked the target today, making it unlikely to successfully kidnap her now. Tomorrow will be the best opportunity. Our guys have found out that Angela is going to WindMill City for a test

tomorrow."

Kaydron was aware of Angela's test in WindMill City; he had even planned to act tomorrow.

Today's botched tracking, thanks to the driver's lackluster skills, seemed to leave no choice but to wait until tomorrow.

Eventually, Kaydron conceded, "Alright, then tomorrow."

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**After Kaydron left**, the casino manager promptly exited through the back door of the **casino with his** associates.

**In the** car, the manager dialed a number.

"It's all set," he said with a hint of flattery in his voice.

After hearing something from the other end, the manager kept agreeing, "Sure, sure."

Once the call ended, the driver who had worked for Kaydron asked the manager, "Is this also instructed by that person from above?"

"Not **exactly**. It's **a** good chance to pin the blame on Mr. Reed. Someone in the middle took initiative, and you don't need to worry about it. Follow the original plan tomorrow, kidnap the target, and after the examination time is up, hand her over to Mr. Reed."

"Understood," the driver immediately complied, not probing further.

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They all were aware that the person above was connected to the Shelton Family, and it wasn't their place to question or discuss such matters.

If someone overheard, it could lead to serious trouble.

Meanwhile, Kaydron was oblivious to the fact that he was being targeted, not to mention a huge trap being prepared just for him. It was his unfortunate timing that made him an easy scapegoat for the Shelton Family's plan against Angela.

As for Fanny, she woke up early, restless about planning her successful return to Riverdon.

With no mood to attend school, she decided to take a leave, just like before.

Considering Florence had assigned people to follow her, she lost all desire to step outside.

Furthermore, James had said they would discuss returning to Riverdon today, but he and **Scarlet** left early in the morning without any sign of discussion. She was even clueless about their whereabouts.

Feeling uneasy, she decided to gauge Zacharias' opinion on returning to Riverdon.

After taking a deep breath, **she** knocked on Zacharias' door.

After a while, Zacharias' weak voice came from inside, "Come in."

She entered to see Zacharias looking frail and pale, as if he had just managed to wash and

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tidy up. His gaunt figure seemed like it could collapse at any moment.

The draft from the door caused Zacharias to sway, looking as if he was about to fall.

She quickly rushed over, helping him to sit in the wheelchair by the bathroom door.

"Zacharias, are you feeling unwell anywhere?" she asked with concern.

He weakly shook his head. "No." His voice was hoarse and feeble.

As Fanny pushed the wheelchair out, she casually inquired, "Zacharias, do you know what James and Mom went out for?"

Zacharias was momentarily taken aback before asking, "Mom and James went out?"

He had been thinking about how to secretly visit the hospital without James and Scarlet knowing, unaware that they had already left. And with Fanny still at home, he realized today was the perfect opportunity to take her to another hospital.

Fanny pouted. "So, you don't know either."

Noticing Zacharias lost in thought, Fanny pondered how to ask him about returning to Riverdon or if he was willing to go back with her. Despite thinking it over, she couldn't find the right words.

While she was troubled, Zacharias suddenly spoke up, suggesting they visit the hospital together.

Confused by the sudden shift in topic, Fanny asked, "Zacharias, are you feeling unwell or need a hospital check-up?"

"Feeling a bit unwell, accompany me, please," he replied.

Fanny couldn't say no, though she internally complained about Zacharias' demands. Remembering their kidney compatibility, she mustered some patience and agreed to accompany him to the hospital.

Soon enough, Fanny set off with Zacharias.

However, Zacharias insisted on going to a different hospital.

"Aren't we going to Mercy Hospital, Zacharias? It's not far, and you were treated there before, so they should be more familiar with your condition," Fanny guestioned.

Finding Zacharias' behavior a bit strange, Fanny raised an eyebrow.

Zacharias sighed and explained, "We're going to a private hospital run by a friend of mine.

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He says it's good."

Though still finding it strange, Fanny didn't question further.

In the cab. Zacharias suddenly inquired about her health, leading her to suspect her exaggerated sickness act from the night before was too convincing.

She assured him she was fine.

He nodded and suggested, "Fanny, why don't you also get a check-up today?"

At that moment, Fanny realized why everything felt odd.

Was he considering donating his kidney to me?

This thought secretly thrilled her, but she modestly agreed.

Her diagnosis of kidney failure was a recent event, and because it was in the early stages, there were no significant changes to her health. Yet, the condition hung over her like the sword of Damocles, always threatening to fall.

Aware that her match with Zacharias was likely successful, she couldn't stop thinking about how to get his kidney transplanted into her.

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Now that Zacharias had initiated the process, Fanny was thrilled, though she knew she had to conceal her excitement.

Feigning just the right amount of doubt, she asked, "Is it necessary? But Zacharias, I just had a check-up at Mercy Hospital." Her recent health scare had alarmed Scarlet, leading to that check-up.

This pretext was perfect for nudging Zacharias to reveal the truth about their manipulated matching results.

As expected, Zacharias frowned upon hearing this.

He appeared contemplative, causing Fanny to wait anxiously, her heart racing with a mix of discomfort and eagerness.

Eventually, Zacharias broke the silence, saying, "Fanny, there's something I need to tell you." He spoke softly, ensuring others wouldn't overhear.

Leaning in, Fanny wore a mask of confusion and concern.

"The matching results we got before might not be accurate," Zacharias confessed, then, amidst Fanny's shocked gaze, continued, "We need to redo the matching test at a private hospital owned by my friend."

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Fanny, pretending to be too surprised to speak, prompted Zacharias to sigh and ask, "Is that okay with you?"

She nodded, feigning comprehension, then started to object, "Zacharias, we don't need to do it. Even if the match is successful, I can't let you donate your kidney. Your health is too fragile."

She had no idea about the previous test, as it was Christopher who had taken the initiative to have the doctors do it during her check—up.

So, this time, of course, she couldn't just agree to it!

Fanny was getting into the role, unaware that there was a car following them.

And in that car sat none other than James, Scarlet, with Hugh behind the wheel.

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In **the car**, Scarlet anxiously fixed her gaze on the cab ahead, asking, "Are Zacharias and Fanny really going to the hospital?"

James remained silent, his expression grim. He, too, was watching the cab ahead, lost in thought.

Hugh, the driver, seeing James deep in contemplation, answered Scarlet, "Yes, Madam Scarlet, this road indeed leads to that private hospital."

James had previously briefed Scarlet about Zacharias' contact with the private hospital. It was this clear explanation of the stakes involved that convinced Scarlet to wait outside instead of immediately confronting Zacharias for answers.

"What should we do then? How do we handle this?" Scarlet was at a loss, then suddenly asserted, "We can't let Zacharias find out! Hurry, catch up to them and stop them!"

She was adamant about keeping Zacharias in the dark, unwilling to see him actually donate his kidney.

Hugh, feeling uncomfortable, said, "Madam Scarlet, it's difficult to overtake here. We should handle it at the hospital."

Initially, Hugh was reluctant to bring Scarlet along, fearing she might complicate matters.

However, James was concerned that leaving her with Zacharias might also lead to problems. So, he took Scarlet out early in the morning to divert her attention and visit Joseph to ensure they were not missing any crucial information.

Scarlet seemed to sense something was amiss and returned quickly without meeting Zacharias.

Eventually, James decided it was best to keep her with him.

"It'll be too late by the time we reach the hospital!" Scarlet insisted.

With no choice, Hugh said, "Madam Scarlet, it won't be too late. We can switch the **test** results."

James added, "Mom, don't worry about it. Hugh and I planned to replace the results with a negative match after they come out."

Although it might take some effort, James believed it would be worth it. Ensuring both Zacharias and Fanny give up on the idea after this test was crucial.

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Hearing James' plan, Scarlet finally understood, yet remained apprehensive. "James, can we really keep it a secret?"

Despite understanding James' intentions and knowing that success would lessen their worries, Scarlet couldn't fully ease her mind.

James reassured her with a nod, "Mom, trust me."

Taking a deep breath, Scarlet agreed to proceed with the plan.

After a moment of silence in the car, still on their way to the hospital, she broached another concern, "Is there really no news about a kidney donor?"

She feared that even if they managed to deceive them this time, Zacharias might try again in the future.

The only viable solution to the problem was finding a kidney donor.

Days had passed without any news, leaving them anxious.

James shook his head. "Mom, the waiting list is too long; it's beyond our control."

Hearing the helplessness in her son's voice, Scarlet didn't

press further.

Soon, Zacharias and Fanny were at the hospital for compatibility testing.

Despite paying for expedited processing, they were told the results wouldn't be available until the next day, which disappointed Zacharias.

"You said the results would be quick," Zacharias noted to the doctor, a friend with whom he had only recently reconnected.

The doctor shrugged. "You were too late. Had you arrived earlier this morning, we could have had the results by tonight. Now, it will be tomorrow. The lab technicians need rest, too."

Fanny felt waiting one more day was acceptable, especially since she never expected to get a transplant in Northland.

She hoped to return to Riverdon with Zacharias, relying on Christopher's support. With Christopher present, even if the Kins Family did not support her receiving Zacharias' kidney, Christopher could take care of her whenever needed.

"Zacharias, the results will be out tomorrow. There's no need to hurry," Fanny reassured.

Zacharias glanced at the doctor again, considering the possibility of James and Scarlet returning soon, and suggested, "Let's

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Once they left the hospital, they quickly made their way back home.

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On the way back, Zacharias made Fanny promise not to tell James and Scarlet about their hospital visit, to which she readily agreed.

After Zacharias and Fanny left the hospital, Hugh led James to see the doctor Zacharias had met earlier.

When Scarlet saw the doctor greeting Hugh and mentioning Zacharias and Fanny, she rushed to confirm. "Did they really come for compatibility testing?"

"Yes," replied the doctor.

She felt a mix of anxiety and anger, wondering how Fanny could agree to come with Zacharias for a match without changing her expression when leaving.

Scarlet, both anxious and angry, questioned further, "Did Fanny do it voluntarily? Did she know?"

She couldn't comprehend why Fanny would agree to compatibility testing with her brother, knowing well that Zacharias' health wouldn't withstand losing a kidney.

Upon hearing the doctor's confirmation that Fanny was aware, she felt faint and nearly collapsed, but James caught her in time, quickly changing the subject.

"Please take care of the test results," James said to the doctor while supporting Scarlet.

The doctor smiled. "I will do as Hugh requested."

Noticing Scarlet's poor condition, Hugh asked, "Should we do a check-up for your mom?"

James declined, "No need, I'll take her to see Joseph."

Scarlet insisted, "Let's go to see Joseph."

Their excuse for the outing was indeed to visit Joseph, who was still detained, and Scarlet was worried about him.

After sending them off, Hugh gestured to James for a call, indicating they would communicate later.

Once the couple had left, Hugh asked the doctor for a detailed account of Zacharias and Fanny's visit, intending to finalize the timing of the test results after consulting with James.

The doctor agreed and recounted everything without omission.

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**James** took Scarlet to the detention center.

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After waiting for a while, Scarlet finally saw Joseph, who looked much more haggard and spiritless than before.

Upon seeing Joseph's condition, Scarlet couldn't help but tear up.

Joseph, noticing his mother outside, tried to muster some energy to comfort her. "Mom, I'm fine."

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Scarlet, unable to believe his words and seeing his lack of spirit, became furious and started cursing Angela, "How can you be fine? It's all Angela's fault. She caused you to be like this."

Joseph didn't argue.

Deep down, he almost agreed with Scarlet's accusations.

He believed his current plight was indeed caused by Angela.

If only Angela had kept her promise to treat Zacharias, and **if** she hadn't ignored Fanny's illness, he wouldn't have resorted to posting that paper. He never imagined that simply telling the truth on a piece of paper would get him accused of spreading rumors.

Angela's manipulations were indeed cunning!

As he thought about how Angela had wronged him, Joseph clenched his teeth, tasting a faint bitterness in his mouth, and his eyes filled with gloom.

To prevent worrying Scarlet, he quickly looked down.

Scarlet, mistaking his silence for sorrow and despair, felt a surge of pity. "James is outside. Joseph, don't worry. He will definitely find a way to help you! You'll be out soon!"

Scarlet knew that even without bail, Joseph would only be detained for about ten days, but they couldn't bear to **see** him suffer that long.

They were determined to get him released as soon as possible.

Joseph managed a rare smile. "I know."

He was aware of James' efforts; James had visited him the day before. Although they hadn't found a way to bail him out yet, he was informed of the situation.

Even though he told his family that a few days in detention didn't bother him, he didn't want

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to stay any longer than necessary.

Nobody prefers confinement over freedom.

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Shortly after their conversation began, James entered. Standing behind Scarlet, he looked at Joseph sitting across from her. His expression was calm, but Joseph could sense a hint of dejection in his approach, indicating that his elder James had yet to find a solution.

Joseph tried to put on a brave face, managing a faint smile. "James."

Scarlet, hearing James' name, realized he had arrived. She turned around eagerly and asked, "James, can we bail him out now?"

James shook his head.

Scarlet was stunned, her eyes widening as she pressed for an explanation. "Why? Why can't we bail him out?"

James expressed his helplessness, "They still won't disclose who is applying the pressure, so I came to ask Joseph."

He referred to the police when mentioning 'they'

"It might not be that they are unwilling to tell, but rather they truly don't know," James pondered, recalling the demeanor of the officers he had questioned, which seemed genuinely uninformed.

Scarlet stood still, lost in thought. James, concerned that she would continue to be upset, sighed and softly suggested, "Mom, let me take you outside to rest a bit. I'll talk with Joseph."

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His tone was gentle, showing considerable concern for Scarlet's feelings and well-being.

However, Scarlet shook her head. "I'm fine; I'll stay here. You guys talk."

She stepped aside to allow James to face Joseph directly.

Joseph, seeing Scarlet's distracted state, grew

worried.

But before he could say anything to comfort her, Scarlet suddenly murmured, questioning, "You just believed Angela when she said she wasn't applying the pressure?"

Her voice, initially soft, suddenly sharpened, sounding almost accusatory.

After asking, she fixed her gaze intensely on James, as if wanting to catch every nuance of his

reaction.

Facing Scarlet's pointed stare, James just slightly furrowed his brow. "It's probably not her."

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His tone remained neutral, his expression meticulous.

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Scarlet, however, suddenly became agitated. "How can it not be her? I'm sure it's her! She wants to ruin our family!"

"Mom!" Joseph called out from behind her.

He couldn't see her face, but her body language alone betrayed her emotional turmoil and abnormal state.

Scarlet momentarily snapped out of it when Joseph called her, but her thoughts quickly returned to Angela, igniting another burst of vitriol.

She cursed vehemently, her face contorted with loathing and ferocity, with only Joseph and James as witnesses to her outburst.

Joseph tried several times to calm her, but she seemed not to hear him.

James also attempted to bring her back to reality, but she was like someone possessed, cursing and shaking until she eventually wrapped her arms around her head, covered her ears, and continued her tirade.

Scarlet felt an excruciating pain in her head, as if it was about to split open.

She clutched her head tightly, trying to suppress the throbbing, but it only intensified, giving rise to a loud and erratic noise inside her brain.

Desperately covering her ears, she realized it did nothing to alleviate the cacophony, the disorienting and nauseating sounds enveloping her, causing her limbs to tremble uncontrollably.

James noticed that Scarlet was overwhelmed by a stress that seemed to be concocted by her own mind. Seeing her about to collapse, he quickly supported her and administered a fast- acting heart–saving pill.

This wasn't the first time Scarlet had succumbed to such a state; James had been scared by her condition before and had since prepared medication specifically for her.

After taking the pill, Scarlet's condition improved slightly, though she continued to murmur indistinctly, most likely cursing Angela.

With the situation having escalated to this point, their resentment toward Angela was undeniable.

However, seeing Scarlet deteriorate physically because of her obsession with Angela was distressing for them.

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"I'll handle this, Mom. You don't need to worry. Angela won't get away with it," James, concerned about triggering another outburst, ended up promising to deal with Angela.

Supported by James, the pill eased some of the noise in Scarlet's ears.

Hearing James' words, her weak hand clutched at his clothes. "Yes! Angela has kept Joseph locked up for so long, you must deal with her! Make her regret it, make her pay!"

Scarlet's voice was feeble yet filled with a deep and forceful malice toward Angela.

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"We will," James reassured Scarlet while offering her comfort.

Despite James' assurance, Scarlet continued to cling to him tightly.

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"Don't worry too much, Mom. Angela can't keep me locked up for long," Joseph intervened, noticing she was finally calming down and quickly comforted her.

Scarlet turned to see Joseph's gaunt face, and her expression became dazed, showing a look of heartache.

"Joseph, you've suffered."

She blamed herself for birthing Angela, the cause of her precious sons' torment, and the near dissolution of their family.

Joseph quickly shook his head. Seeing Scarlet's brows still furrowed, he felt worried and continued, "Mom, stop worrying needlessly. We will deal with Angela. She won't get off easily."

Scarlet felt somewhat reassured by these words, her emotions stabilizing considerably.

"Joseph is right," James spoke while guiding Scarlet out, "Mom, let's get you some rest."

Concerned for her well-being, James didn't want Scarlet to continue overhearing their conversation.

Joseph also added, "Mom, you should rest outside for a while."

This time, Scarlet did not resist.

Her emotions had fluctuated greatly just moments ago, and she hadn't fully recovered yet. Lacking the strength to remain standing, she had no choice but to leave.

Shortly after escorting Scarlet out, James returned.

The brothers exchanged weary and helpless glances.

"James, don't bring Mom next time. She's getting old and can't handle much stress," Joseph remarked, knowing his disheveled appearance was the reason Scarlet became overly emotional.

He expressed his concern both for her well-being and to spare her from seeing his deteriorated state.

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James nodded in agreement.

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"If we really can't find out who's exerting the pressure, let's not bother anymore. I'll be released when the time comes," Joseph, sensing his brother's continued worry about the bail, casually reassured him.

He had gradually come to accept his situation since being detained.

Initially indifferent and not wanting to burden Scarlet with the efforts of securing his release, he hadn't mentioned the bail to her.

He also didn't want her to know about the possibility of his release, fearing she might be deliberately troubled by Angela's people.

However, Scarlet, unaware of the bail, had directly summoned James to the city.

Once in the city, Joseph didn't object to the bail process. But then they realized he couldn't be released, and even the reason remained elusive.

With no clue who was behind it, and Angela denying involvement, James was at a dead end.

Joseph listed every potential enemy he could think of, but none seemed likely to be behind his predicament.

James concluded, "Then let's assume Angela is responsible."

Regardless, for the sake of easing their mother's distress, they decided to make Angela pay for Joseph's suffering, adding another reason to blame her.

"Well, James, we'll talk when I get out," sighed Joseph, resigned to his fate.

James nodded, then suddenly mentioned, "Fanny might be getting married soon."

"What?" Joseph was startled.

"Is Fanny getting married already? To whom?"

His confusion was evident, and without waiting for his question, James answered, "To Christopher, and it seems they plan to hold the wedding in Riverdon. We might all need to go back there soon."

Joseph, alarmed, asked, "When are we going back? Can I make it in time?"

He pondered the urgency of the wedding.

Starting to plan a wedding now would usually mean the actual ceremony wouldn't take place for at least a month, considering the preparations involved.

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Moreover, if the wedding was in Riverdon, he could use the opportunity to return and avoid coming back to Northland, where he had faced nothing but troubles.

After spending an arduous time in Northland, Joseph longed to return to Riverdon, where life had beca smoother, and he had been a respected doctor. The desire to return grew intensely in him.

Lost in his thoughts, Joseph was abruptly brought back to reality when James mentioned, "Within three days."

"What do you mean within three days?" Joseph asked, and then it hit him, "Getting married in three days?"

Seeing James nod, he immediately inquired, "Was it that b\*stard, Christopher's idea?"

His frown deepened as he mentioned Christopher dismissively.

James, noticing the anger in Joseph's eyes, explained, "It seems so, and Fanny is quite supportive. She wants to go back to Riverdon and marry Christopher as soon as possible."

After learning that Christopher had once eyed his younger brother's kidney, James' view of him soured.

However, having missed Christopher, who had already returned to Riverdon, his resentment wasn't as intense as Joseph's or Scarlet's.

Still, he was displeased when Fanny mentioned rushing back for the wedding, especially since George, who rarely involved himself in family matters, suddenly took an interest in the wedding, adding to James' irritation.

Despite his feelings, James acknowledged the alliance with the Sanders Family was beneficial for the Kins Family.

He wasn't sure why the Sanders Family was in a hurry, but it was clearly advantageous for the Kins Family to proceed with the wedding sooner.

"Will I miss Fanny's wedding then?" Joseph suddenly asked, realizing the urgency.

If the wedding was indeed in three days, he would still be in custody and unable to attend.

James assured, "I'll think of a way."

He was determined to find a way to release Joseph in time, considering risking a more daring approach.

He recalled encountering Florence at Jonathan's company, who had also been trailing his car.

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Previously, James had considered approaching Florence but was deterred by her dangerous reputation.

Now, however, a promising idea struck him, requiring confirmation of a suspicion. If correct, Florence might **just** cooperate with him.

Mulling over this, James stepped aside and called Hugh.

Upon connection, Hugh began discussing Fanny and Zacharias' hospital **visit**, but James redirected to inquire about Florence, Angela, and Jonathan.

Hugh, puzzled, asked, "I investigated this before; weren't you disinterested? Why the change?"

James replied, "I need her help."

Hugh, aware of whom he referred to, chuckled. "Florence helping you?"

"It's not just help; it could be cooperation," James clarified, cutting short further questioning, "Send me the information you gathered earlier, thanks."

After receiving and swiftly reviewing the data, James formulated a plan.

"I have a way," he assured Joseph, "If successful, you could be released today."

Skeptical yet hopeful, Joseph asked, "Do you really have a solution?"

Eager to return to Riverdon and not miss Fanny's wedding, his interest was piqued.

"Yes, there's a tentative plan. Its feasibility is uncertain, but let me explain," James responded, choosing to share his thoughts with Joseph, who would be ideal for executing the plan due to his available time and necessity in the strategy, potentially convincing Florence to expedite Joseph's release.

Joseph's eyes brightened, intently awaiting further details.

"Let me go to Flo..." James began, but was interrupted by a police officer entering to usher him out.

Halting mid-sentence to avoid revealing too much, he reassured Joseph, "Wait for good news. We'll discuss more once you're out."

Left in confusion without the crucial information, Joseph could only watch as James departed.

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James' confidence stemmed from the information Hugh provided, which matched his suspicions. Previously, he had followed Jonathan and Angela to persuade Angela to relent on Joseph's matter.

However, he pondered why Florence was tracking Jonathan's car that day, realizing she did so to meet him.

Initially, James assumed Florence wanted to discuss business with Jonathan.

Despite Angela's naive attempt to block Florence, he expected Florence to teach her a lesson, but surprisingly, she refrained from reacting.

Upon reviewing the information, he discovered Florence was openly pursuing Jonathan, a married man.

This revelation led James to consider a plan that might be feasible.

Upon seeing James return, Scarlet inquired, "Did you find a way?"

"Yes," James responded, "Mom, I'll take you home first. After sorting out Fanny and Joseph's issues and finalizing our return to Riverdon, I'll seek someone's help."

He intended to contact Florence but lacked her contact details.

However, he believed Fanny might have them or at least could connect with someone who did, based on previous findings that Florence had once taken Fanny out, which Hugh had investigated.

Hearing James' assertiveness, Scarlet didn't press further, only emphasizing, "We must get Joseph out as soon as possible."

"Of course," affirmed James, "Once we get home, please follow instructions."

Soon after, they returned home.

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Following James' instructions, Scarlet proactively discussed the marriage with Christopher and inquired about the return to Riverdon with Fanny.

Fanny, seeing Scarlet's softened stance, promptly responded, "I'll follow your arrangement."

Scarlet decisively declared, "We'll return once Joseph is out."

Fanny was taken aback, and even Zacharias nearby was slow to react.

"Can Joseph come out now?" Fanny inquired.

"I have a plan we can try," James stated.

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Joy and anticipation filled Fanny's eyes. "That would be wonderful."

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"Alright, that's settled then," James concluded, then said to Fanny, "Come to my room. I need to talk to you."

Summoned by James, Fanny felt nervous, her mind racing with doubts, fearing their visit to the private hospital with Zacharias might have been discovered.

In the living room, Zacharias was equally anxious, his gaze fixed on them as they entered the

room.

Inside the room, after entering, James gestured for Fanny to sit while he took a seat opposite her.

He stared at her, pondering over her agreement to undergo matching with Zacharias, especially since she had done so knowingly, leaving him feeling uneasy.

Even without hearing the details from Hugh, James could guess Fanny's possible rationale.

Could she be unaware that losing a kidney would drastically shorten Zacharias' life?

Raised in their family's affection, Fanny was adored and showered with love, especially by her brothers, who wished to give her everything best.

Yet, how could she be so indifferent about Zacharias' life?

His disappointment grew as he contemplated more, but he also considered that Fanny might have agreed to the matching to avoid upsetting Zacharias, hoping she wouldn't actually accept his kidney even if the matching was successful.

Despite this hopeful thought, James couldn't shake off his doubts and discomfort.

The room filled with heavy silence.

Fanny felt uneasy under James' intense gaze, breaking the silence by mustering the courage to ask, "James, what did you want to ask me?"

James snapped back to reality and deflected with, "I wanted to know if you really want to marry Christopher."

He didn't bring up Florence, puzzled by Fanny's apprehensive look.

Instead, he chose to discuss Christopher and marriage, intending to soothe her emotions.

He didn't want their cherished little princess to be hurt due to his assumptions.

Fanny breathed a sigh of relief and confidently responded, "James, of course, I really want to

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marry Christopher!"

To reassure James, she smiled, "I've always liked Christopher, you know that."

Seeing her simile, James suddenly thought of what Hugh had found about Kaydron.

Fanny had bailed out Kaydron and even spent nights at his place more than once.

He abruptly asked, "What's going on with you and that Kaydron Reed?"

Fanny's heart skipped a beat, her mind reeling as if struck by a heavy blow.

"I... James, how do you know about Kaydron?"

Could it be that Kaydron had shared the photos...

Fanny was too frightened to continue the thought.

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She clenched her teeth tightly, her head bowed, and her eyelashes trembled uncontrollably.

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James sensed something off about Fanny's behavior.

**She seemed nervous**. **Has** something happened between her and Kaydron?

He frowned abruptly.

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"Fanny," he called softly, noting her head bowed and arms wrapped around herself, trembling slightly.

Fanny then looked up at James, her eyes brimming with tears.

"James, that Kaydron forced me, so I…" She gave a vague response, mainly playing the victim, hoping James would fill in the blanks and stop her from elaborating.

As expected, James, out of sympathy, interrupted her, "Fanny, stop there."

Fanny trembled again, sobbing. "James, how did you know about him?"

She was extremely concerned that James might have seen the photos or met Kaydron directly.

Though she was a victim in this situation, she had also incited Kaydron to act against Angela.

She didn't want her family to know about those incidents.

"Just came across it," James casually dismissed the topic of Kaydron, partly to avoid upsetting Fanny and also to steer the conversation toward the main issue.

Without waiting for her response, he asked, "Fanny, do you know Miss Florence Shelton?"

Fanny was taken aback again.

Still pondering over Kaydron's matter, she wondered why James suddenly mentioned Florence.

But she dared not speak carelessly about Florence.

"I do," Fanny hurriedly said, "James, I met Miss Shelton by chance before. She has been trying to find a way to meet Jonathan."

Although she was cautious, she avoided mentioning Florence's attempts to use Christopher as leverage to meet Jonathan.

Having resolved to marry Christopher properly in Riverdon, she naturally wouldn't continue

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assisting Florence as before.

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**Pleased** with her affirmative answer, James nodded appreciatively, then asked, "Can you **reach** out to her?"

Fanny looked at James in surprise, her lips moving, but she neither confirmed nor denied.

Seeing Fanny silent, he spoke up, "I thought of a way to get Joseph out early, but it requires Miss Shelton's little help."

He had realized that in a city **as** complex as Northland, he wouldn't have as much influence as Florence.

While he couldn't get a straight answer from the police about who was applying pressure, Florence could likely find out and even secure the release directly.

Therefore, winning over Florence was essential.

Hearing it was for saving Joseph, Fanny understood why James had previously mentioned they would all return to Riverdon once Joseph was released.

With Florence's intervention, Joseph could probably be released that same day.

However, she wondered how James knew she was acquainted with Florence.

**Could** it be that **the** two people Florence had following me had been discovered by Jam es?

But she then thought it was unlikely.

If James had noticed she was being monitored by Florence's people, he wouldn't have remained so calm and serious.

Realizing this, she felt less tense.

"Really?" She looked at James skeptically, remembering his words.

Could he really get Florence to help release James?

James nodded affirmatively.

Then, Fanny said, "James, I only have Miss Shelton's number."

She had more than Florence's number, but she was hesitant and reluctant to contact Florence directly, fearing Florence might bring up Christopher.

James sensed her reluctance to contact Florence and took over the conversation, saying, "I don't need you to make the contact; I can handle it myself."

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Fanny nodded, pulled out her phone, and read out Florence's number.

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As she recited the number, Fanny felt a twinge in the spots where Florence's people had hit her before.

James quickly noted down the number and comforted Fanny.

Before leaving, he asked, "Do you need my help with Kaydron?"

Upon hearing this, Fanny immediately shook her head vigorously, her expression filled with refusal.

She didn't want James involved in the matter with Kaydron.

James confirmed again, "Are you sure you don't need my help?"

"No need, James, I can handle it. I'll sort it out before we go back to Riverdon," Fanny said hastily, her voice trembling.

James seemed to notice the quiver in her voice and finally sighed. "Whatever happens, if you need help, just tell me. I'll definitely help you."

After seeing Fanny nod earnestly, James concluded, "Let's end our discussion here for today, Fanny. Go back and rest well."

Fanny, feeling like she had been pardoned, bowed her head and hurried out, feeling a mix of respect and fear towards James.

After Fanny left, James didn't directly contact Florence; instead, he first consulted with Hugh.

Once they had discussed everything thoroughly, he then called Florence.

Upon receiving James' call, Florence's first reaction was to ask who was on the line, her tone somewhat unfriendly.

"Miss Shelton, it's me, James Kins. We've met before. Do you remember?"

James' voice grew increasingly gentle, his words progressively humbler.

His cautiousness almost seemed to spill out through the phone.

Florence enjoyed hearing people speak with trepidation, especially when she was in a bad mood.

She liked listening to the fearful tone in their voices.

Therefore, she quite appreciated James' careful appearement.

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However, she wasn't someone who remembered just anyone.

Who was James Kins again?

Thus, she casually asked again, "Who? I don't recognize you."

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After saying this, she didn't rush to hang up the phone; instead, she felt like having a casual chat for a bit before ending the call.

James, sensing the perfunctory and casual tone in Florence's voice, realized she probably hadn't seriously considered whether she remembered him. He quickly provided a more detailed response, while also not forgetting to compliment Florence again.

He described the time they followed Jonathan's car to his company and subtly embellished the details, mainly to flatter Florence.

Towards the end of his recount, James expressed indignant support for Florence.

"Miss Shelton, you graciously made the effort to approach Mr. Lawson, and he must certainly be aware of your feelings, but..."

Florence seemed to become interested, asking, "But what?"

She found James' words pleasing, and even though she thought he was exaggerating, she wanted to hear more.

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**Hearing** a chance to proceed, James eagerly raised his voice, infused with rich emotion, "But **someone** intentionally loiters around Mr. Lawson, leading him to seemingly neglect you..."

**He** didn't explicitly **state** that Jonathan **was** ignoring Florence; instead, he abruptly paused there.

Of course, Florence wouldn't ask how Jonathan felt about her; she just asked, "You contacted me just to tell me a story?"

She suspected James had an ulterior motive.

Through James' earlier description, she recalled having indeed met him.

At that time, she wasn't impressed by James and became even more disdainful after learning he was associated with Angela.

But now, his carefully chosen words seemed to be targeting Angela.

She slowly prodded to see what James was up to.

James, awaiting Florence's query, seized the opportunity as soon as he heard her question, immediately explaining, "Of course not, Miss Shelton. I suddenly thought of a way that could be of help to you!"

Mentioning that he could help Florence, his emotions surged.

Florence, listening to James' tone, felt as if she were recalling the sight of his calculating face, smeared with a sycophantic smile.

She slightly furrowed her brows, chuckled coldly, and then, sarcastically asked, "How can you help me?"

James, detecting disdain and scorn in her tone and acutely sensing her irritation, felt a twitch in his eyelid, regretting his approach.

Considering his prior conjectures about Florence's temperament, James decided to risk his tentative plan, hurriedly saying, "Actually, you don't need my help; rather, I have a favor to ask of you...

Although initially unaware of Florence's disposition, James managed to grasp it through their brief conversation, learning/how to converse in a manner that pleased her.

Sure enough, upon hearing that James sought her assistance, Florence's laughter came through, sounding far more genuine than the cold chuckle when James offered help.

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James heaved a sigh of relief, feeling a cold sweat on his forehead.

Touching it, he realized his brow was covered in sweat.

The renown of Miss Florence Shelton was indeed intimidating.

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After Florence had laughed enough, she asked, "What favor do you want to ask of me?"

Her tone was cheerful, and her demeanor was as condescending as if she were about to bestow alms on a street beggar.

James dared not withhold any information, especially as he was genuinely concerned about Joseph's situation.

However, given Florence's attitude, he felt he might have approached the right person.

"Miss Shelton, it's like this: my younger brother was detained due to a misunderstanding, and I don't know who is exerting pressure, so I can't bail him out directly. That's why I've come to ask for your help," James explained.

Florence clicked her tongue lightly. "I thought it was something major."

Hearing her response, James felt a surge of hope. "Miss Shelton, if you help me, I will certainly repay you."

He carefully catered to Florence's temperament, appearing ready to do anything for her, betting that she wouldn't take his words seriously or give him much thought.

As expected, she chuckled disdainfully. "What help can you offer me?"

"I..." James pretended to be conflicted and upset.

However, Florence cut him off, decisively stating, "I'll have someone look into your brother's issue, considering the effort you've made to reach me."

James was thrilled with this dismissal, quickly expressing gratitude, "Thank you, Miss

Shelton."

Even though he hadn't finished thanking her before Florence briskly hung up, a look of joy and relief spread across his face.

His performance might have been somewhat humiliating, but it proved beneficial.

Believing that Florence's people would quickly find out who was applying the pressure, James rejoiced in his successful act.

Meanwhile, Florence, after hanging up, casually ordered her subordinates to investigate the

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Soon, she was presented with a heap of findings.

A subordinate respectfully laid all the gathered information on the table. "Miss, we have compiled everything we found here."

Florence, impatiently scanning the documents without intending to delve into them, commanded, "Just tell me."

She only wanted to know who was pressuring the police to prevent Joseph's release and was surprised by the volume of information collected.

Preferring a summary, she urged her subordinate to get to the point.

"Miss, the situation is somewhat complex, which is why we found so much information," the subordinate explained.

"Cut the nonsense. Tell me who it is."

Although she was interested in the narrative, her curiosity about the outcome prevailed.

"Miss, it's the Tuckson Family," he said, pulling out the documents related to the Tuckson Family.

The connection to the Tuckson Family was surprising even to her subordinates when they uncovered it.

However, further investigation revealed it wasn't unfounded; while it might seem unrelated on the surface, deeper links existed.

"Hmm? Which Tuckson Family?" Florence asked in confusion.

Having returned to Northland for almost a month, she hadn't paid much attention to the city's familial clans, especially not one like the Tuckson Family, which couldn't compare to the Shelton Family.

Florence could barely remember the Collier Family, only because they were indeed significant now.

"Harmen Tuckson's family."

The subordinate explained while handing the documents about the Tuckson Family to Florence, who didn't even need to flip through the pages to get a brief understanding of who the Tuckson Family was.

After a quick scan, Florence asked eagerly, "How are they related?"

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She realized after reviewing the Tuckson Family's information that they were not a minor clan and held a respectable position in Northland's hierarchy.

No wonder James came to her for help.

Given the Tuckson Family's entangled interests with the Collier Family, directly linking this incident to the Tuckson Family indeed seemed complex.

The subordinate promptly began to explain the connection.

It turned out that the Tuckson Family's pressure on Joseph was related to Dylan.

After suffering under the Tuckson Family's oppression due to an incident involving Yoanna's car accident, Dylan, lacking the strength to retaliate, harbored all his resentment towards Fanny.

Although he despised Fanny, he never showed it and could only maneuver stealthily due to the Tuckson Family's suppression.

When things settled slightly, he still sought revenge against Fanny, thus deliberately getting close to the Kins Family.

Joseph was one of his targets, but before Dylan could act, Joseph got arrested.

Upon learning of the interactions between Joseph and Dylan, the Tuckson Family effortlessly exerted their influence to ensure Joseph couldn't be bailed out immediately.

"Tsk," Florence listened, finding the situation somewhat absurd and dull.

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