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Chapter 91

“Alright. Be good now. There are no butts. You’ve already angered me without realizing it. I have yet to gat

even with you.

“You were out of my care for only a few days. How did you get so much slimmer? It took a lot of elonto me to fatten you up a little.

“You went and reversed all my work. Are you trying to be a skeleton?

I don’t want to be a skeleton.

Turning my head around arrogantly, I pretended that I didn’t care if he was there. He had no right to say that to me.

“On that note, why aren’t you eating?” Colin reached out to flick my forehead. However, I managed to twist my head and avoid it.

“I’ve already eaten. I do eat every day. Colin, you don’t have to humor me here. You can go and accompany Jasmine.” I sniffed, feeling slightly angry.

“I’m alright on my own.”

I did eat every day. But I was still becoming slimmer each day. I felt like it was such a waste of food

since it did not help.

“How can you tell me you’ve eaten when you’re all skin and bones?”

“That’s enough. Don’t overthink things. Just focus on getting better. I’ll be here with you and watch over your meals. I’ll make sure I fatten you up.”

Colin allowed me to lie on his chest. I could hear his steady heartbeat and the unique scent of pinecones on him.

“Then are you going watch over all my meals now that you’re not leaving?”

“I will. I’ll manage all your meals, and you can have anything you want to eat.” Colin’s voice was deep and hoarse.

He lowered his eyes to look at me. I felt my heart skip a beat when I saw the warmth in his eyes.

“But you didn’t return my calls or my messages. I thought you abandoned me. Why are you here now?”

I couldn’t help myself as tears pooled in my eyes. I began to cry as I used my hands to wipe away my tears.

“I never planned on abandoning you. I was just slightly angry at you.” Colin comforted me with a low voice.

Then, he tucked my hands back under the covers and wiped away my tears.

I could feel the warmth of his breath on my face, leaving me in a daze. I could not believe Colin was back.

>What was he doing? How could he leave and return as he wished? He didn't even tell me the reason behind his actions. And he's supposed to be the eldest one in the family.

"What did

did I do wrong? I know you're angry at me. But I've thought things through repeatedly, and I can't understand what I did wrong to make you so angry. No one would tell me why either."

I began to feel bitter as I thought of the past few days. My tears began to fall faster, and I felt slightly breathless from all the crying.

I couldn't understand myself. I had felt much more anger and shame when Felix had humiliated me back then.,I was also sad, but I wasn't overly sad.

However, I felt like I had been depressed during the few days that Colin went missing.

"You dummy. I've been angry for so long, yet you didn't understand a thing.

"I'll just tell you the truth.

"I'm an adult. I know what I want. I can take care of my own love life. I don't need or want you to push me

onto someone else," Colin said with a sigh.

He began to hug me and slowly patted my chest like he was handling a child:

So, that was why he was so upset. However, that had never been my intention.

“I didn’t push you to anyone. I just helped deliver a letter to you. Jasmine asked me to do it. She was firm

about it. I thought she would still find other ways to give it to you even if I refused her.

“The letter would end up in your hands sooner or later. I decided to do it as it was convenient, and I would

much rather give it to you than have someone else do it.

“I never thought of pushing you to anybody. You left with Jasmin and proceeded to ignore me. I was so upset when I saw that.

“You have always treated me the best out of everyone else, I thought you didn’t want me anymore. I event

cried.”

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I struggled to break free from his embrace, wanting to hide under my sheets.

I hated myself for acting like this and always crying. I felt weak.

I did not want to be someone like Lilac, who always used her tears as a weapon against people.

Colin laughed and caught me firmly. He pressed his forehead against mine.

His voice was hoarse and slightly seductive. "So, are you still going to help deliver other people's love letters?"

I shook my head obediently. "No."

"Will you still try to help me find a lover?"

"No. Colin, I'm sorry." I apologized obediently.

I finally understood what happened. Colin was angry at me for delivering another woman's letter.

Now that I thought back about it, I had indeed acted too hastily.

Colin had never told me about what kind of girls he liked. I could have been ruining Colin's chances at happiness by sending him all those letters.

"Alright. I know you're a good girl. I would also like to apologize to you. I shouldn't have left you alone for so many days. I wouldn't do that again.

"You haven't seen me for so many days. Did you miss me?" Colin's gaze was as deep as the abyss.

tempting me to jump in.

"I've missed you. I went to look for you every day, but there wasn't anyone in the studio. You and Eden

wouldn't answer my calls.

"I thought something happened to you, and I didn't know where you were.

"I would cry every day, feeling scared. I didn't even know why you were angry at me." I explained my

feelings for the past few days.

Colin's eyes were filled with pain as he hugged me tighter. He rubbed his chin on top of my head. "I was wrong. Can you forgive me? No matter how angry I am, I promise to tell you where I go."

"Alright. I'll remember that. If you do that again, I'll unfriend and ignore you. Colin, are you really back?

+15 ROHS

You're not lying, right?"

I looked up at Colin and realized he had been looking at me with a dark gaze. He began to rub his cheek

on my forehead.

"I never thought of leaving you. I've always been near you. You just couldn't see me.

angry that you wor

"I was so angry that you were trying to push me onto someone else. I only wanted to punish you a little. I'm sorry for making you sad."

“Alright. I’ll forgive you this time. Colin, I’m hungry. Everything doesn’t taste nice without you here. You’ve raised me into a brat.”

Colin laughed happily. “Lulu, don’t cry anymore, alright? Let me ask your doctor if there’s anything you can’t eat since you’re hungry.”

Kebabs, pizza, pork ribs, lobsters, barbeque wings...

I listed down everything I wanted to eat to Colin while counting them with my fingers. Suddenly, someone knocked on my door.

Colin went to open the door, and Jasmine came in with a fruit basket. She placed the fruit basket on a small cabinet and sat beside my bed.

“Luna, how are you feeling? Do you feel sick?”

I pursed my lips and forced myself to smile.

I was in a great mood after talking to Colin, so I managed to chat with Jasmine for a while.

After around ten minutes, Jasmine told me she still had something to do. She reminded me to take care of myself before leaving.

Colin covered me with the blankets and went to walk Jasmine out.

My ward was a six–person ward with no bathrooms. I was also the only one staying in that ward.

I wanted to go to the bathroom after finishing my IV drip. I had no choice but to go outside and use the public bathroom.

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+ 15 BONUS.

It was my first time being in this hospital, so I wasn't familiar with the place. I had walked around for a while before finding the bathroom.

I was about to open the door when I heard someone talking in the smoking room by the bathrooms. I could hear them clearly as they weren't exactly quiet.

"You're not going to hide it anymore? Can't bear it?" It was Jasmine.

"Yes. I can't bear it anymore."

"I never thought someone like you would..."

Jasmine sighed and continued, "I won't say anything. Just take good care of Lulu. You can come to me if you need help. I'll try my best to help you."

"Since we can't be lovers. We can at least be friends."

Colin got up with a smile. "Of course. Thank you for your help."

Jasmine immediately noticed me standing by the bathroom door when she left the smoking room. She turned around to look at Colin before giving me a meaningful smile.

Then, she left.

I couldn't believe I felt slightly happy when I heard that Jasmine and Colin would not be lovers.

However, I could not understand what they were talking about.

I was mad at myself for coming too late and not hearing the first half of their conversation.

"Do you want to go to the bathroom? I'll wait for you here while you go."

I made a fuss and told Colin I wanted to leave the hospital when we returned to my ward.

He brought me to ask the doctor about it. However, the doctor said that I was too sick. I had an inflamed throat, and I needed to be observed for another two days.

I would only be able to be discharged when my condition stabilized.

I puffed my cheeks and returned to the ward unhappily. I pulled the covers over me and began to sulk.

The doctors were so mean. Colin had finally calmed down and was no longer angry at me. I had planned to ask him to bring me out to eat delicious food. But I couldn't do that anymore,

Colin comforted me patiently before I willingly stuck my head out from under the covers. However, I still didn't want to talk.

Colin patiently sat by my bed to cut some slices of apples for me.

I suddenly remembered the time I fell off a cliff and was admitted to the hospital. The sun had been shining brightly on that day as well. I had hoped that Felix would come and visit me.

I didn't care if he came as my friend or neighbor. I just wanted him to care.

Back then, I had hoped I would wake up to see him cutting an apple for me. He would bask under the sunlight, looking like my savior.

However, he never came. He was also never my savior.

Now that I was lying on the hospital bed again, I had planned to give up on expecting to see that special someone.

But Colin came and accompanied me. He even said he would never abandon me. I was so happy.

He sat under the sunlight, focused on cutting the apples. He was captivating as he sat there.

Colin was so handsome. I thought he looked like a God.

"Lulu, open your mouth. Have a slice of apple."

"I don't want apples. I want to eat meat."

"You're a good girl. Apples can help strengthen your immune system. It's good for your body."

"You haven't been eating properly for the past few days. You need to refill your energy. You can't eat"

foods that are too heavy.

“Listen to me and open your mouth. I’ll feed you.”

I was bewitched by Colin’s gentleness.

I opened my mouth and began to chew on the apples. The sweet taste began to fill my senses, and I

began to sense my cheek redden inexplicably.

I didn’t dare to meet Colin’s gaze as I started to look around the room. My actions caused Colin to laugh.

“Oh, my. Love is in the air. Did we come at the wrong time?” Aaron was being a bitch like usual.

He was wearing a jacket when he entered my ward. There were many people behind him.

Other than Colin’s stupid friends, who stopped contacting me for six days, Queenie and Julia were behind

them as well,

“Colin, I also haven’t eaten properly in so many days. I need to replenish my energy. Could you also feed me, Colin?”

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Eden swayed his hips as he walked toward Colin with a seductive expression. Colin lifted his leg and kicked him in exasperation.

Eden hit the wall as he groaned in pain.

I laughed along with them. Although I understood that Colin only saw me as a sister, I still pulled the covers over myself shyly. I didn't want to listen to their teasing.

At that moment, I thought about how happy I would be if Colin could continue treating me so kindly.

But I knew it would be impossible. Colin was no longer young. He would find a proper girlfriend soon. He would get married and build a family.

By then, I would no longer be the woman he cherished the most.

But that was a situation for the future.

At least Colin still loved me the most right now. That was enough for me. When Colin found the one he loved, I would try my best to treat his girlfriend with kindness.

Queenie ignored my bashfulness and lifted the covers to expose me. "What's wrong? How can you act

like that when you're the one who turned yourself into such a mess?

"We're using our time to come and visit you. We even spent our money to buy you a gift."

I realized the small cabinet by the bed was full of fruits and snacks only then. They had bought all the

things I liked.

"I'm not the one who wanted to get sick. How can you blame me for that?" snatched the covers back.

Weren't we roommates? How could she expose me like that?

"Who was to blame if not you? You used to sit in the cold wind each night."

Queenie rolled her eyes dramatically.

She was just about to talk to Julia when Flynn dragged her to another bed, and they engaged in a heated conversation.

I wanted to say something, but the words seemed stuck in my throat.

Julia sat beside my bed and narrowed her eyes at me. "Have you finally understood what you did wrong?"

+15 DONUS

"Yes. Colin already told me, I should not have helped deliver other people's notes. Colin can choose his future wife on his own."

The atmosphere in the room immediately tensed when the words left my mouth. Most of their smiles looked forced.

What did I say wrong again this time? Why were they all looking at me?

I subconsciously turned to look at Colin, only to see his smile falter momentarily before returning to his

usual gentle self.

Queenie and Julia were looking at me like I was hopeless. I was angry. So, I hid under the covers again and ignored everyone there.

Queenie and Julia had always been like that. I admit that I wasn't as smart or sensible as them, and they would call me dumb sometimes, but I was slow. What could I do?

As my friends, shouldn't they just tell me whenever I did something wrong? Why did they always make me guess?

It was the same time as last time. They clearly knew why Colin was angry at me, yet they only scolded me.

I ended up not seeing Colin for several days. If one of them had told me earlier. I would have tried my best to explain things to Colin.

It's the same thing again this time. Nevermind. I'd just ask Colin about it since he would not ignore me now.

Later on

on, I did ask Colin about it while he helped me tie the shoelaces of new white shoes.

He was basking under the evening glow, making himself look like he was covered in gold.

He said, "It's nothing. I'm not angry at you. You're still young. You'll understand when you're older."

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I had to stay in the hospital for another three days.

Colin sent me back to my dorm on the day I was discharged. That had attracted the attention and envy of

the girls from my dorm.

Queenie said that Colin had been protecting and looking after me as if I was a porcelain doll. It reminded me of historical times of how the prince would protect the princess.

Throughout my stay in the hospital, Colin had been regulating my food.

He wouldn't let me eat most things. He only allowed me to eat different kinds of porridge every day.

I felt like I would puke if I had to eat porridge for another day.

Not to mention, I still hadn't received a proper reason behind his disappearance a few days back. It

caused me to be in a foul mood.

Colin did reflect on his six days of absence and promised to never abandon me again. So, I decided to be the bigger person and forgive him. We quickly returned to being friends.

After we made up, Colin seemed much more attentive and gentle toward me.

I greedily enjoyed his treatment and wanted things to last a little longer.

There had been a sudden influx of situations in Colin's research institute. He was always busy. Yet he always managed to free some time and accompany me.

He would even order takeout for me whenever he was too busy.

I slowly returned to my happy state,

Time passed quickly, and November soon arrived. The weather became cold as all my classmates slowly changed into their coats.

I remember on that fateful evening, the sunset was beautiful. Colin had messaged me to come down as he had something important to tell me.

I put on my coat and placed my phone in my pockets before running downstairs.

It had snowed a little in the afternoon. The white snow on the tree leaves shimmered in the night light.

Colin was standing under a tree as he waved at me. There was uncontrollable excitement on his face. He looked like he had great news to share.

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"Colin, did the competition results get released?" I whizzed toward him like a bullet. I grabbed his coat

and looked up at him.

He nodded as his eyes shined brightly. He held my shoulders and said, "Lulu, guess what place we got?"

"Did we get first place?" I hesitantly voiced out my guess.

Colin laughed out loud. He slipped his hands under my armpits and lifted me, spinning me in circles.

"Of course, we got first place. Lulu, you're the best."

That night, Colin and I laughed and jumped under the snow. I jumped onto his back as he carried me and

ran around the compound. We even attracted many envious glances.

Back then, I would want to share everything with Felix. But I didn't think of him when I won first place that

day.

I believed I was slowly losing my feelings for Felix. I was slowly healing from the wounds he gave me.

To celebrate our win, Colin treated my roommates and his friends to a meal.

His friends were usually under Colin's control. They were delighted that they finally had an opportunity to

tease Colin.

Congratulations were said repeatedly. Every time someone said it, they would give Colin a toast. I only drank two cups before Colin stopped me.

I had planned to drink until I was tipsy. Yet Colin stopped me halfway through. How could that be?

However, my alcohol tolerance had always been a secret of mine. My mom told me to never tell anyone about how much I could drink.

So, I could only watch Colin's friends drink with jealousy.

"Colin, why can't I drink? I can still drink some more."

"You've already drunk two glasses. It's not safe for women to drink in public." Colin convinced me gently.

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"But I have you here with me. I believe you'll keep me safe. You even managed to beat Shawn to a pulp. Just let me drink one more beer," I said with a kittenish tone

I tugged on Colin's sleeves, hoping my stubbornness would get him to agree with my request.

Colin held my hand, and his tone remained firm. "Be good. You'll get a headache if you drink too much."

Eden had to close his gaping jaw. "Oh, my God. Colin, since when were you so gentle? I never knew you could be so charming. I don't think I can stand this. I'm falling in love with you."

"Stop dreaming. Colin is Lulu's man. Don't even think about it."

Colin had drunk too much. His bright eyes looked slightly dazed, making him look charming and seductive.

There was a slight itch in my heart. I suddenly felt the urge to reach out and touch the corner of his eyes.

So, I reached out to touch it gently, along with his long eyelashes.

God had definitely favored Colin. He was almost 30, yet his skin was in perfect condition. Even his eyelashes looked perfect.

How could a woman resist him?

By the time the party ended, everyone was tipsy. We sang out of tune as we walked alongside the quiet street.

Colin tried his best to stay sober. He had followed me all the way to my dorm building. He only left after seeing me go in.

For some reason, Queenie and Eden were gone. I asked Julia about it. She pursed her lips and said.

Don't mention that simp in front of me."

"What does that mean? Are you saying Queenie has fallen for Eden? How can that be? We haven't interrogated him and given him our stamp of approval. She can't make a decision yet."

“That’s enough. You should mind your own business. What about you?”

“Colin looks like he treats you very well. He looks at you like you’re his sun. What about you? If you don’t

like him, you should be direct about it. Don’t keep stringing him along.

+16 BONUS

“Many girls have dubbed him Lincoln University’s most handsome man. You shouldn’t waste such an opportunity.”

Here it was again. I don’t know what these people were thinking. Everyone kept pitting me with him ever

since Colin and I had made up.

No matter how many times I told people I saw him as a brother, no one would believe me.

Even if every man on Earth had feelings for me, Colin would not.

He only saw me as his sister. I had solidified my position a long time ago.

I was too lazy to explain myself. Even if Julia wasn’t tired of listening to me, I was tired of having to explain myself.

I rolled my eyes and pretended I didn’t hear her. She angrily elbowed me and said, “You will come to a

realization soon enough. With that EQ of yours, I pity him.”

“Cut it out.”

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Julia and I were talkin

talking and laughing when we reached the fourth floor. We immediately noticed Eden

and Queenie kissing in the corner.

No wonder I didn't see them. They had already sneaked back to the dorms.

I had planned to watch a while longer. However, Queenie and Eden caught us.

Queenie's face turned red as she entered the dorms. While the two of us weren't paying attention, Eden took the opportunity to leave. We didn't even have the chance to condemn him.

We followed behind Queenie and returned to our dorms.

We asked Queenie why we didn't hear anything from her when their relationship had reached this level.

Queenie acted shy and embarrassed. She joined forces with Zoey and moved the topic to me.

They were both adamant that Colin had feelings for me. They asked me to appreciate the opportunity

and quickly snag him up.

I did not have any energy left to explain myself and could only pretend that I had fallen asleep.

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I thought I would have spent winter break alone. I was reluctant to leave my dorms. However, Colin was already waiting for me downstairs when I left my block.

He said he hadn't been home for two years, and his family had asked him to return home.

I was so happy that I jumped in excitement and asked why he didn't tell me. Colin told me he wanted it to

be a surprise.

I had to admit, I was indeed surprised.

With Colin with me, the ride back home was much more comfortable. He was attentive as he took care of

me like I was a young child.

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om opened the door and was surprised to see me with Colin. She froze momentarily before

greeting us happily.

"Colin, you're back and looking as dashing as always. Did Lulu cause you any trouble in school? I know

she can be quite clingy.” She took my luggage and invited us in.

“How could that be? Lulu has always been a good girl. She’s no trouble at all.

“I’m quite happy to take care of her.” Colin chatted with my mom as he turned around to knock on his family’s door.

Two seconds later, Melinda began to shriek.

“Look how happy Aunt Melinda is.” My mom pursed her lips and smiled.

She began to unpack my luggage while telling me how Aunt Melinda would pretend that she did not miss

Colin.

The truth was Aunt Melinda had missed Colin deeply as she kept talking about him with my mom.

Dad came home much later than before. I didn’t tell him that I would be home today. So, his eyes

widened in shock when he saw me.

“Oh, my God. My baby girl is finally home. Why didn’t you tell me? I could have brought back some food for you.”

Colin’s parents did not expect Colin to return. Even Felix was shocked.

Felix's break started one day earlier than ours. However, he returned one day later as Lilac wanted to visit Jinovy.

On the day Felix returned, his parents had invited us for dinner.

They claimed it's been two years of having dinners without Colin. Now that he was back, we had to have a proper dinner together.

They asked Felix to head to the restaurant when he arrived at the airport. Then, we would all go home together.

Although everyone was here for the dinner, the atmosphere was slightly tense.

Everyone did not expect Felix to arrive with Lilac.

The air around the eight people was awkward when we all sat together.

My parents had been in a good mood. However, the smiles on their face immediately faded when they saw Felix and Lilac.

They greeted them out of courtesy and did not say anything more.

Uncle Austin's and Aunt Melinda's expressions had also faltered, especially Aunt Melinda's.

She kept glancing at me and my mom, unable to hide the awkwardness and annoyance from her expression.

I think those unhappy memories had already been ingrained in everyone's memories. It wasn't something that could be smoothed over with a few forced smiles.

But it was all in the past. I wouldn't have anything to do with Felix anymore. Now, he was nothing more than my neighbor and a childhood friend. That was all he would ever be.

I admitted that I still did not want to see him even though three years had passed.

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them.

a time when I would go crazy over his eyes. Now, I only felt uncomfortable whenever I saw

He was part of my

However, those feelings of pain had already faded away to the point that I barely felt it. He

past now.

Colin sat beside me and could sense the shift in everyone's mood. He also noticed my expression had turned bitter when I saw Felix and Lilac.

He quietly grabbed my cold hands and held them tightly. His grip was so hard that it shocked me slightly.

“Don’t force yourself to stay if you’re not happy. Do you want to go outside for a walk?” Colin was still as

considerate as ever.

I smiled at him and shook my head. “No worries. I’m fine.”

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Soon, the food arrived, and Uncle Austin began encouraging everyone to eat. We all listened and started to eat..

All four parents had different expressions on their faces as they ate quietly. Even Uncle Austin and my dad, who would often drink together, were exceptionally quiet as they looked at their food.

“Lili, the fish and chips here are delicious. Have a bite.” Felix broke the silence and gave Lilac some of his broccoli.

He told her about the fish and chips here. Yet he gave her broccoli instead.

It looked like Felix wasn’t as calm as he appeared to be.

Lilac didn’t eat the food on her plate. Instead, she was staring at Colin. “Felix, is this your big brother?”

Felix's hands froze as he looked at Colin. Then, he said, "That's right. He's my brother. He graduated from Lincoln University. It's the same school that Lulu goes to. Don't you know my brother?"

"Lulu, didn't you bring Lili to meet Colin when she went to your university?"

I paused. I felt awful and couldn't swallow the food in my mouth.

He was acting up again!

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That was his own brother! Why didn't he introduce Colin to her himself? Why did he have to drag me into

the conversation?

Whether Lilac knew Colin or not was the White's problem. I have no obligation to introduce them to each

other! That is not my responsibility!

Felix was reprimanding me blindly again! Was something wrong with his brain?

I once questioned if I had been blind for the past few years.

Or not, why would I have thought that Felix was the best man in the world? Why would I have wanted to marry him?

I was just about to retort when Colin held my hand.

He said with a sullen expression, "Who is Lilac? Why does Lulu need to introduce her to me? Do you think

any animal can meet me as they wish? Sorry. I don't have the time for that."

Colin's retort was amazing!

Lilac had wanted to grow closer to the Whites. She never expected Colin to deny her that opportunity.

There was a mixture of emotions on her face.

Her hands trembled with anger and humiliation as she held her spoon. Her eyes immediately turned red, making her look like she was about to cry.

It also made her look pitiful.

It made sense. No matter how shameless someone was, they could not remain calm after being called an animal.

Lilac looked aggrieved and was trying her best to hold it in. Felix felt his heart break when he saw that and quickly slammed his cutlery on the table.

"Colin, how can you say that? Lilac is my girlfriend. She's not an animal."

“Oh, really?” Colin slowly looked up and looked at Felix. His gaze was cold and sharp. Even I could feel

the coldness in the air around him.

“She’s your girlfriend? Why did no one tell me? Since she’s your girlfriend, why didn’t you inform me she

was at Lincoln University? Do you not respect me?”

That was a great accusation!

I was delighted. Colin was amazing for supporting me.

Although it was for my sake, it wasn’t right for Colin and Felix to be at odds with each other. However,

Colin was only speaking the truth, right?

Not to mention, I never instigated Colin to do anything for me. With that—point in mind, I was innocent in

this dispute.

“You were busy with your studies. It wasn’t a big deal so I didn’t tell you about it. You just need to focus on yourself and take good care of Lulu. You don’t need to worry about anything else.”

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“You don’t need to worry about anything else. Me and your dad are still here. There’s no need for you to worry about our family.”

Aunt Melida had just finished cutting her steak. Although she sat far away from me, she passed a slice to my plate and gestured for me to eat it.

Uncle Austin looked at the plate and said to Aunt Melina, ‘Melina, you can cut a few more slices for Lulu. She likes to eat steak.

“Also, Colin, we’ve watched Lulu grow up. You must take good care of her there. You don’t need to come home anymore if anything happens to her.”

“Alright. I’m still cutting the steak. You could help if you think I’m too slow.”

“It’s alright. Mom, Dad, you two can eat. I’ll cut it.”

The three of them began to discuss who would cut the steak for me. As the center of attention, I felt happy and worried.

Lilac had already been wary of me. She was scared I would steal Felix and her position in the White family away from her.

With that personality of hers, there was a high possibility that she’d hate me for garnering Colin’s protection and care.

I couldn’t help but shudder in fear when I thought of her cruel and harsh tricks.

I wasn't afraid of her. I was mostly annoyed. So, I just decided to ignore her.

Felix knew he could not fight his family on this. After considering, he backed down and held Lilac's hand protectively.

He said, "Lili, let me formally introduce you to my big brother, Colin White. Colin, I've been with Lili for some time now.

"I didn't tell you because you were too busy. I thought you would meet her eventually since we were family, so I didn't overthink it

"I didn't think things through. I'm sorry." It was quite a shock to see Felix back down.

Lilac could tell that the situation was not in her favor, so she did not dare to say anything more,

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She greeted Colin aggrievedly with red eyes. She lowered her head and began eating her food. She looked pitiful.

Colin glanced at Lilac through the corner of his eyes and threw his napkin on the table.

He said, "There's a famous socialite in Northpool that goes by the name of Lilac Hawthorn. I wonder if you just share the same name as her."

"Colin, I didn't know you knew that. They don't share the same name. She is Lilac Hawthorn. She has a few family issues, so she moved here with her mother some time back."

Colin slowly leaned back against the chair and looked at Felix and Lilac.

His expression remained indifferent when he said, “Did I remember incorrectly? Didn’t the Hawthorns and the Dixons have a marriage of convenience? Why did you come to Southville?”

“Was it because the Dixons noticed that the Hawthorns were losing power and regretted it?”

Seeing Lilac being humiliated was amazing.

Lilac’s expression immediately changed when she heard Colin mention the Dixons from Northpool. Her body tensed as emotions immediately flashed across her face.

My parents pretended they couldn’t hear their conversation and began discussing how the broccoli was cooked to perfection.

Colin and Felix had a silent standoff while their parents’ expressions darkened without a word. I watched the scene unfold.

Eating a meal was so tiring!

I was lost in my thoughts when Lilac suddenly turned to me. Her gaze was sharp as she looked at me with hatred.

It was obvious that she thought I was the one who told Colin that she had cheated.

My conscience was clear. I had never told anyone.

It was because there wasn’t even a need for me to. Colin knew more than I did. There must have been

some

unsuitable things in the investigation report as Colin did not let me read through it.

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However, it made sense why Lilac had suspected me. Only I knew about what she did at Lincoln

University.

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The atmosphere around the table was heavy and tense. It was uncomfortable. I wouldn't have come if I

knew things would turn out like these.

The whole dinner felt meaningless.

I talked to Uncle Austin and Aunt Melinda before I left.

Lilac could think whatever she wanted. I didn't do anything, so I was not afraid she would misunderstand

me.

The restaurant had a cozy vibe. There was even a garden behind the restaurant. The garden had a small

stream, dividing it in two.

Vegetables were growing on the left side. The weather was cooler now, so the vegetables looked healthy.

There was a small table and chairs on the right side. The chairs were made of stone. There was even a well with a wooden bucket. The whole garden felt cozy.

I was bored and sat on the chair, looking through my phone. I just wanted to stay away from that table.

After a while, I saw something move as someone sat on the chair opposite of me. "You do know how to find a good spot."

I looked up to see Felix sitting before me.

"Why are you sitting here for so long? Have you finished eating?" he asked.

I placed my phone on the table and smiled. "I ate too much during lunch. Why aren't you accompanying Lilac?"

"She went home."

I didn't ask why, nor did he tell me. We just sat there quietly, pretending the other party did not exist.

I used to love spending alone time with him. It had been a while since we were alone. I never expected to

feel so indifferent.

The feelings I had for him had slowly faded away with time.

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After a while, Felix took out a box of cigarettes from his jacket and took one out. Then, he asked me if I would mind.

What was there to mind? We were out in public. We weren't at home. I had no right to stop him.

However, he didn't smoke back then. He only went to study for three years. Did he also learn how to smoke?

Felix lit up a cigarette and inhaled deeply. Then, he looked up and exhaled multiple smoke rings.

I suddenly remembered that I'd once read a book saying that smoke rings were the products of loneliness.

Did he feel lonely?

Did he know what had happened?

"Felix, are you and Lilac doing okay?" I asked hesitantly.

I always felt guilty about knowing about it and never telling him. I wanted to use this opportunity to let - out everything I had kept in my heart.

He turned to look at me. There was a hint of warmth underneath his beautiful eyes.

Felix would only look like that when he thought of Lilac.

His voice lightened up at the mention of Lilac. "We're doing well."

"Colin mentioned the Northpool family and the Dixon family. Lilac has-"

"Shut up, Luna. Since when did you become like this? Since when did you start gossiping about other people?"

"What's wrong with the Northpool family and the Dixon family? Who doesn't have a past? You and I have been matched together for the past 18 years. Am I supposed to take on that responsibility forever?"

I suddenly felt like what I was trying to do was meaningless.

It was meaningless of me to stupidly try and help him. It was useless since he was willing to be a fool.

I was only trying to help him, yet he misunderstood.

Fine. It was my fault for even trying to say anything. I would not say a word anymore.

Felix, I did my best. You could only reap what you sowed in the future.

I ignored his words and left the garden without even sparing him a glance.