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Chapter 341 Who Is He?

Christopher pushed open the door, and only then did he see Yaxley's face.

He frowned. He fixed an intense gaze on Yaxley with a blend of confusion and evident hostility in his expression. Then, suddenly pointing at Yaxley, he exclaimed, "It's you! You're the man who was with Angela before!"

Fanny was taken aback. After carefully examining Yaxley from head to toe, she froze in her chair.

No wonder she didn't recognize Yaxley. Yaxley's appearance now was entirely different from when he was with Angela at the coffee shop!

Previously, Yaxley had been dressed casually, with his hair down, giving off a student-like appearance. However, at present, he was impeccably dressed in a suit.

Fanny vaguely recalled the moment when she fainted on the road. At that moment, Yaxley was dressed as a meticulous clite and took her to the hospital.

The difference in appearance was too drastic for her to realize it was the same person.

However, Christopher recognized him.

Fanny felt extremely conflicted, but her first instinct was to calm Christopher down.

Not only did she fail to recognize Yaxley, but it also appeared that Yaxley didn't recognize her either.

Yaxley didn't show any aversion toward her, as if he hadn't seen her at the coffee shop. Even when Christopher caught Yaxley and Angela red-handed, she was right there.

Fanny briefly recalled that she had not said much in front of Christopher in order to maintain her image, which made her breathe a sigh of relief.

Whether it was Yaxley taking her to the hospital before or acknowledging their relationship that morning, it all pointed to the fact that Yaxley truly didn't remember the incident when she was with Christopher.

Fanny had a thousand thoughts in her mind, but in reality, she figured it out in just a second.

After recognizing Yaxley, Christopher looked at him in shock. He then turned to Fanny.

Yaxley turned his gaze toward Christopher, his face devoid of any additional expression. He

coldly inquired, "Do I know you? Do you know Angela?"

When Christopher mentioned Angela, Yaxley naturally assumed that the person was someone Angela knew. So, he casually asked.

Yaxley had a small issue since childhood—he generally wouldn't remember people he wasn't familiar with, and sometimes he even displayed symptoms of prosopagnosia. Consequently, most of the time, he immersed himself in his studies or research

"You!" Christopher glared at him fiercely. "Are you pretending not to remember? You were at the coffee shop with Angela before..."

"Christopher, don't get agitated," Fanny suddenly interrupted, standing up and using her eyes.

to calm him down.

"Fanny?" Christopher's attention shifted to her, and he realized that Fanny was with Yaxley. "Fanny? Come with me!"

Upon hearing this, Fanny didn't know what to say. She was worried that Yaxley would recall the incident when she and Christopher had caused trouble together.

Yaxley observed Fanny attentively. Unlike Christopher, who was visibly excited, Yaxley remained calm and composed, even softly inquiring. "Fanny, is he your friend?"

Fanny stood there stiffly, feeling flustered inside.

"Well, he is my friend," she hesitated before responding to Yaxley but dared not look at Christopher. "He probably got the wrong private room."

However, Christopher directly asked, "Fanny, I came to find you. Tell me, what were you doing with him?"

As soon as he said this, the faces of the other two people in the private room changed.

Fanny turned pale with worry and fear while Yaxley became displeased at being offended.

His intuition indicated that the person in front of him had a close connection with Fanny.

The atmosphere grew tense as Fanny remained silent, and the air seemed to thicken.

Unable to contain his frustration, Christopher took a step forward and reached for Fanny's hand.

Startled, Fanny quickly withdrew her hand.

Christopher looked surprised and hurt. He gazed at Fanny in disbelief. "Fanny?"

He never expected Fanny to reject his touch.

Despite his inner anger, Christopher managed to maintain his composure, concerned about frightening Fanny.

He had never been harsh with her before, and he didn't want to start now. He simply stared at her, waiting for a response.

Confused and puzzled, he restrained himself and approached Fanny again, gently pulling

her closer.

Fanny was suddenly yanked toward him, causing her arm to ache, and she let out a soft "um." Yaxley swiftly intervened, pushing Christopher's hand away and shielding Fanny behind him. Although Fanny had cut off Christopher earlier, Yaxley still recognized Christopher. This was because Christopher's current anger mirrored their encounter at the coffee shop.

Truly, a clown always remains a clown, no matter the circumstance.

Observing Yaxley blocking Fanny behind him, Christopher lifted his hand, attempting to push Yaxley aside. However, Yaxley intercepted his move. Christopher angrily demanded, "What's your game? Move!"

Yaxley coldly retorted, "Shouldn't I be asking you that? You barged in and disrupted us. Are you trying to catch us in the act again?"

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His words dripped with sarcasm, and his actions were equally impolite as he forcefully pushed away Christopher's hand.

Enraged, Christopher clenched his fist and struck out—his punch connected with Yaxley's face, prompting Yaxley to retaliate without hesitation.

While Fanny was still processing the situation, the two men were already grappling with each other.

Panicked, she attempted to intervene and halt their altercation. However, they paid no heed, causing her to be pushed to the ground.

She hit the floor hard, tears immediately welling up in her eyes.

Upon hearing her sobbing, the two combatants halted their fight and assisted her to her feet.

After Fanny stood up, she whispered something to Yaxley and then ushered Christopher out of the room.

Christopher assumed Fanny was willing to leave with him, a smug grin on his face as he provocatively glanced at Yaxley.

Yaxley furrowed his brow, lost in contemplation.

The two exited the room, with Christopher holding Fanny's hand. Fanny pondered her words, allowing Christopher to lead the way.

Fanny took a few steps down the corridor before halting

Christopher attempted to continue walking with her, but Fanny stood her ground, staring at him intently.

"Fanny? What's the matter? Are you still in pain?" Christopher suppressed the urge to mention Yaxley, planning to inquire further after returning with Fanny.

“Why are you here?” Fanny hesitated before speaking, sidestepping Christopher’s question and inquiring about his presence.

“I saw you ahead and grew concerned, so I followed to check on you,” Christopher explained.

“So, you were following me,” Fanny spoke softly, a tinge of sadness in her voice.

“I wasn’t...” Christopher was cut off by Fanny before he could finish. She continued, “You shouldn’t have intruded and disrupted us, Christopher...”

“Fanny, you used to affectionately call me Christopher. Why the sudden change?” Christopher gazed at Fanny in disbelief and asked, “Who on earth is he?”

Chapter 342 Finally Found You

Fanny bit her lip and lowered her head in panic as she replied to Christopher. “It’s none of your business.”

She had never expected to meet Christopher now. She was not ready for a confrontation with him.

“None of my business?!” With both of his eyes wide open and fixed on Fanny, Christopher took hold of her arm.

He terrified Fanny, who attempted to wriggle out of his hold but was unsuccessful.

Christopher clung to her more tightly the more she attempted to let go of him. All she could do was whimper weakly. “It hurts.”

Upon hearing Fanny’s soft voice, he became aware that he had let his rage overcome him.

He anxiously examined Fanny's arm, gently blowing on the spot where she had been pinched, before softening his tone and asking, "Fanny, are you—still angry? We already made up, didn't we?"

He knew it was wrong of him to leave Northland without saying anything to Riverdon, but wasn't Fanny also here in Northland?

Furthermore, Fanny went with him to rent a home yesterday. Why was she having a fling with another person today?

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He decided that the person in the private room was to blame.

"Did he force you?" Christopher asked for confirmation as he leaned in and cupped Fanny's face.

Pushing his hand aside, Fanny retreated a few steps. With her eyes red, she said, "No. Aren't you in Northland for a blind date? Well, he's my blind date."

Yaxley had made a promise to her before, and he mentioned engagement right away. Already her heart was drawing comparisons between Christopher and Yaxley.

Even if she liked Christopher, she couldn't show weakness in this situation.

Not only that, but Christopher also traveled to Northland, especially to go on a blind date with another woman!

Boy's question stunned him.

"You knew Christopher was taken aback by banny's expression of disappointment. He clarified in a hurry, saying, "Fanny, I don't want to go for blind dates either. My father is the

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Peeling untair. Fanny interrupted him straight away, asking, “Do you think I want it as well? My dad also wants me to go on a blind date.”

She had tears in her eyes, but only she knew she was relieved on the inside.

Christopher did not choose to go on a blind date; it was Michael’s idea.

As long as Christopher had her in his heart, it didn’t matter if he went on a blind date with another woman.

Chris, let’s discuss this another day. Will you please go now? You’re the person I like, but like you. I have no control over some things.

Christopher felt a pang of sadness at her pitiful and helpless appearance. He wished he could. slap himself twice, thinking of all the times he’d scared and nearly hurt Fanny in the past.

“But I’m worried about you. Who knows what harm that person might do to you—he knows Angela!” Christopher exclaimed.

“He. Just as Fanny shook her head and opened her mouth to speak, Christopher’s phone

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You should answer the phone, Chris.”

At first, Christopher didn’t want to answer, but after he realized it was Michael on the caller ID. he did.

The phone connected, and Michael’s roar came through.

“Where are you? The girl has been waiting for you for so long! Why haven’t you arrived yet?”

Christopher looked puzzled and asked, “Dad, didn’t you ask me to pay her a visit at her house?”

“Have you not seen the message I sent to you earlier? The girl is waiting. Hurry up and go to her!”

Michael said his final two words loudly and hung up the phone.

Fanny stood next to Christopher, listening to Michael’s words, and softly said, “Chris, go now. Don’t upset your dad, and don’t keep the girl waiting too long.

Without giving Christopher a chance to respond, she turned and went back to the private room where Yaxley was waiting.

Christopher didn’t have the time to console Fanny, and with Michael’s warning in mind, he quickly checked the message. After reading it, he had no room for thought about Fanny

anymore.

He decided he would comfort Fanny later and teach that man a lesson.

After that, he proceeded directly to the blind date location, stopping along the way to pick up a present.

Having clashed with Yaxley before, luckily without causing any damage to his face, Christopher believed it wouldn’t affect the blind date much.

Fanny, in the meantime, made her way back to the private room, inhaled deeply, thought carefully about what to do next, and then slowly opened the door.

Yaxley was still seated, the bruise from Christopher's blow still evident on his face.

"Yaxley, should we do something about your face?" Fanny whispered her question.

He shook his head and gestured for her to come closer.

And Fanny approached him slowly.

Yaxley remained expressionless and quietly stated, "The food's here, so let's eat. After that, I'll take you home."

He asked no questions, which made Fanny feel both relieved and uneasy.

"Okay." Fanny sat down, pondering why Yaxley didn't inquire further, and ate everything dejectedly on her plate.

"You don't like it?" Yaxley questioned.

He was concerned about Fanny's lack of enthusiasm for the food.

Fanny quickly denied it and mentioned Christopher. "It's not that. I want to apologize on behalf of my friend."

She didn't want Yaxley to harbor resentment now that he was still valuable to her, or at least

quite valuable.

"Hmm? It's fine. I fought back, so no harm was done." Yaxley dismissed the incident. "It wasn't his first time acting like that. Just ignore it."

Hearing that, Fanny felt reassured. Yaxley didn't recall her presence in the café with Christopher.

"Let's not dwell on that anymore. We should eat."

The room fell silent as they enjoyed their meal.

One appeared calm, whereas the other was truly at peace.

Meanwhile, in Jonathan's office, Angela stretched and took a glance at Jonathan.

Jonathan was engrossed in the documents, looking serious and attractive.

Noticing Angela's gaze, he looked up and asked, "What's on your mind?"

She pointed to the clock. "Are you almost finished? It's time for dinner."

Jonathan set aside the files, grabbed his jacket, and headed toward Angela.

"Yeah. Let's go grab a bite."

Together, they left the office after Angela finished packing.

As they left the building, they were greeted by an unexpected visitor.

"Angela!" Joseph called out.

She was surprised to see Joseph, who appeared dusty and fatigued.

Why is he here in Northland when he's supposed to be in Riverdon?

"I finally found you, Angela." Joseph drew a deep breath as he said that to Angela.

Chapter 343 She's Busy at the Moment

Angela frowned at Joseph while Jonathan shielded her by his side. They both stared at the panting Joseph, but neither of them responded.

Joseph caught his breath before continuing, "Zac is seriously ill. Come with me to see him, Angela."

Upon hearing Joseph's blunt words, Angela asked in disbelief, "Go where to see him? I can't leave now."

Just in time for the weekend, she had two days of free time. Tomorrow marked the end of the weekend, and she must resume her project and training.

Moreover, she didn't appreciate Joseph's presumptuous attitude.

For a brief moment, Joseph was about to speak, but he noticed Jonathan's chilly stare. He gathered his emotions before saying, "You don't have to go to Riverdon. Zac is here in Northland. He hasn't been feeling well these days, and I couldn't reach you, so I transferred him to another hospital and came directly to Northland."

Joseph thought Angela was avoiding him until he found out that Angela was in Northland for training.

And Jonathan also followed to Northland.

Angela was planning to stay in Northland for a long time. Zacharias was unstable; their

mother, Scarlet, couldn't wake up, so Joseph gritted his teeth and transferred the two of them. to another hospital.

They rushed to Northland, and while the two were being transferred, Joseph also applied for a job exchange, making it convenient to stay in Northland.

He tried calling Angela, but she didn't answer. Fortunately, Michael told him where Jonathan's company was located.

He had originally thought that finding Jonathan would lead him to Angela. But he didn't expect it to be so coincidental that he had just gotten out of the car and run into Angela.

He was lucky.

"Where is he?" Angela heard that Zacharias had been taken to Northland, glanced at Jonathan, and then asked Joseph.

Jonathan did not stop Angela but just held her hand. Although he didn't say anything, his intention was clear.

Joseph hurriedly said, "He is in Mercy Hospital, not far from here. Let's go now."

Zacharias was not doing well at the moment. Joseph was worried that Angela would back out, even though he didn't say it aloud.

But if Angela really dared to back out, he couldn't just sit back and do nothing. He just needed to put pressure on Angela, and he could certainly pull it off.

After hearing Joseph's words, Angela did not agree right away but looked at Jonathan beside her. Jonathan pursed his lips, obviously a little displeased.

"She's busy now," Jonathan said coldly, then realized Angela was looking at him. With a gentle voice, he said to Angela, "Let's go eat."

Joseph was stunned by Jonathan's decisive refusal and didn't react immediately.

It took him some time to realize that he needed to catch up with them, but Jonathan had already dragged Angela away.

Fortunately, they hadn't gone far, only to a nearby street food area.

Joseph hesitated for a moment as he followed behind them, considering Jonathan's tone and expression earlier.

He would not hesitate for the world if only Angela was there. But he could not ignore Jonathan's presence.¹

This was because The Kins family was not doing well in Riverdon right now. Although Jonathan was not in Riverdon, his company was still there. The Kins Family would undoubtedly face more hardships if they offended him.

During Joseph's hesitation, Angela was also in a dilemma.

With Jonathan's arms wrapped around Angela's shoulders, she felt a surge of security, but her cheeks continued to flush.

"Maybe I should just go see him, Jonathan," Angela whispered after walking a few steps.

"Do you have to?" Jonathan asked while still walking.

He wasn't intentionally trying to make things difficult for The Kins Family, but he did find it difficult to have a favorable opinion of them. He was aggravated even more by Joseph's

authoritative tone toward Angela.

He didn't want Angela to feel unfairly treated.

"Well, I promised to treat Zacharias," Angela replied softly.

commitment to treat Before leaving Riverdon for training in Northland, she had made. Zacharias. She had blocked those she needed to block, hoping for a peaceful training period without any disturbances.

To her surprise, Zacharias had followed her to Northland. Since she could help with his illness, she felt obligated to keep her promise and treat him.

With a sigh, Jonathan wanted to say something, but he just nodded, seeing Angela's determination.

"Alright, I'll go with you," he said.

Joseph arrived just in time to overhear their conversation and felt relieved.

The fact that Angela had accepted the treatment was fantastic; he didn't need to convince her anymore. Nor had he anticipated Jonathan joining her.

Joseph wouldn't be able to stop him from coming.

Considering Jonathan's busy schedule, Angela shook her head and declined. "Oliver can come with me. You should go have your meal and return to the company."

After a brief pause, Jonathan responded, "No, it's fine. I've got nothing after this. Spencer's got the rest under control."

Spencer, the Lorenzo Family's former company manager, was fired by the family. Jonathan thought he had potential and planned to make use of his abilities.

Upon hearing Jonathan's assurance, Angela nodded in agreement.

They quickly arrived at the hospital, where Zacharias was admitted to the regular ward. Despite his transfer to Northland, Joseph's influence had not grown enough to secure a private room in such a prestigious hospital.

A private room in a hospital like this would be impossible for an employee at his level.

Upon seeing Zacharias, Angela asked Jonathan and Joseph to wait outside while she gave Zacharias a check-up.

His health had declined, and he was no longer conscious.

Realizing that acupuncture was required, Angela reached for her silver needles. Zacharias regained consciousness abruptly as she was getting the needles ready.

He awoke startled, his face pale and drenched in cold sweat.

"Angela," he uttered after recognizing the person beside him.

"It's me," she said, observing his condition. "Have you been sleeping poorly?"

"Yeah. Zacharias replied weakly. "Nightmares have kept me awake."

A hint of sadness lingered in his eyes as he gazed at Angela.

She was surprised because she saw emotions in his eyes that she had never seen before.

"You need acupuncture. Remove your shirt," she instructed.

Zacharias hesitated before complying, revealing his frail frame.

As if he hadn't fully recovered from the nightmare just now, his movements were very slow and he looked particularly weak.

And Angela waited aside, showing no intention of helping him.

After taking off his shirt, she realized that Zacharias was so thin that even his ribs were clearly visible. It was obvious that he had not slept well during this period, nor had he eaten well.

Seeing him like that, Angela wondered if the Kins Family had neglected his well-being.

Zacharias had no clue what Angela was thinking. He put the clothes aside and let out a cough. Then, he asked, "Do we start with my back, as usual?"

She snapped back to reality and replied, "Yes, we'll start with your back."

Chapter 344 My Family Consists of Only One Person

At this point, neither of them spoke. Zacharias undressed and lay down on the sick bed.

Angela took her needle and concentrated on applying acupuncture to him.

As the acupuncture session progressed, when Angela was removing the needles from his back, Zacharias spoke again. "I didn't expect you to still be willing to come and treat me. I thought you were angry about what happened before."

"What happened?" Angela asked, raising an eyebrow as she took out the needles.

Zacharias thought she had forgotten, paused for a moment, and then added, "They will bring Fanny back home. I didn't expect this to happen because it was not what was promised, but I couldn't stop it. I'm sorry."

With a frown, Angela pulled out the needles. "Wasn't she sent away later?"

She was aware of Fanny's return, and Scarlet had caused a commotion with her at the time, but she refused to give in.

In the end, Fanny was indeed sent out of the Kins Family again.

"They..." Zacharias hesitated, realizing that Angela was not forgetful but truly kept in the dark.

She didn't know that Fanny had been brought back to the Kins Family again. James and Joseph had kept it a secret so well.

He didn't know either until he went home to get something before leaving and found Fanny's room being cleaned again.

Fanny was in Northland, but the Kins Family cared about her. Especially George, who stayed at home, kept mentioning Fanny and even said that Fanny would bring Angela back to Riverdon.

The entire Kins Family, except for George, who deluded himself, did not believe that Fanny could bring Angela back to Riverdon.

It was also the reason he showed up in Northland.

Joseph and James agreed to send Fanny to Northland mainly because Fanny had once again become famous in Northland, and the scandal of being a third party had made it to the Riverdon Daily, so she needed to lay low in Northland.

Joseph came up with the idea of transferring to Northland himself, bringing Zacharias and Scarlet to seek medical treatment in Northland.

“What happened to them?” Angela sensed that something was wrong, gesturing for him to lie down for acupuncture while asking.

Zacharias slowly lay down and finally confessed, “Fanny, she went back home again.”

“Is that so?” Angela pinched the silver needle, asking expressionlessly.

Before leaving Riverdon, she had no interest in the Kins Family’s affairs as she was busy preparing for training. However, she did not expect that Joseph and James were still up to their old tricks, bringing Fanny back into the Kins Family.

“Yes,” Zacharias replied affirmatively, feeling guilty. He didn’t dare to look at Angela’s face, instead saying, “If you’re upset, you don’t have to treat me.”

He knew that Angela had truly helped him every time she treated him, and he was genuinely grateful to her. Therefore, when his brothers in the Kins Family did such a thing again, he couldn’t ignore it or feel guiltless.

“I don’t do anything halfway.” Although she was speechless, Angela continued to insert the needles without stopping.

Her response took Zacharias by surprise.

“But you know now, you can choose to just let me go on like this.” He lay there, but his words were just as firm.

Angela put down another needle and repeated, “I said, I don’t do things halfway. And even if you want me to stop now, Joseph will still come to bother me.”

She lacked the time and energy to keep going back and forth. If Zacharias wasn’t in Northland, she would have refused without hesitation. However, Joseph brought Zacharias to Northland, so there was no need for her to refuse.

Having lived two lifetimes, in her previous life she didn't live authentically. In this lifetime, she wished to live freely and follow her heart.

"I understand." With a quiet sigh, Zacharias said, "I'll let Joseph know not to bother you anymore."

Angela glanced at him and met Zacharias' gaze.

However, there was a lack of vitality in his eyes.

Seeing the emotions in his eyes, she questioned, a little shocked, "Why? Why did you think this way?"

Angela had never seen Zacharias give up on treatment and express himself in such a way- not in this life or the last.

She felt like she had overlooked something.

"It's nothing. I just feel like as your brother, I have been neglectful. From the moment you returned to the Kins Family, until now, we have..., Zacharias paused to catch his breath before continuing. "We haven't been good to you. So, I feel uneasy."

He appeared uneasy and awkward, with no other expression on his face.

His change was not sudden; she had sensed it even back in Riverdon when they were together.

She assumed it was all in her head, though, so she ignored it at the time.

Now that she heard Zacharias say it, she understood it wasn't a figment of her imagination; rather, it was real.

He had indeed changed a bit, and they were both slow to realize it.

Angela said, "You feel bad? Then live your life well.",

Among the four Kins brothers, she had the least dislike for Zacharias, and he had done the least to disgust her.

She would most likely pick him to live with if she could choose between the Kins brothers.

"But I..." Zacharias looked at her, surprised, and opened his mouth to say something, but didn't.

"Shh. I need to focus. He hesitated, but Angela ignored it, saying just one line and focusing on the acupuncture.

Although the mysterious needles were magical, they were also draining, and she didn't want to keep distracting herself by talking to Zacharias.

Zacharias still didn't speak up until the acupuncture was done.

"Angela, Jonathan, and the others... They're just oblivious to the truth," he said abruptly as Angela prepared to leave the ward after putting away the needles.

"Someday, they will understand, and I will help you. Then you can go home. We have always been a family." Zacharias' voice was a little less weak than before, but it still had a hint of uncertainty as he spoke softly.

Angela glanced back at him, frowned, and replied, "You're overthinking it. I never thought about going back to the Kins Family."

For her, the Kins Family was never a good place. It was a predicament, a cage, and definitely not her home.

She saw Zacharias' expression change. Even though he had received acupuncture and his face was no longer as pale—in fact, it was slightly pink—he looked extremely ashamed.

“But—” Zacharias wanted to say something more after hearing Angela's words.

Straight away, Angela cut him off, saying, “There's no ‘but. You're not my family. My family consists of only one person.”

She had already guessed what Zacharias wanted to say. He tried to emphasize the concept of family, but she didn't let him.

Once she had finished her sentence, Angela turned to leave the ward.

Chapter 345 Did Angela Bully You?

Upon exiting the ward, Angela was greeted by Jonathan and Joseph.

With Jonathan at her side, Joseph hesitated to step forward despite his concern.

Jonathan observed Angela's pallid complexion, feeling a pang of sympathy as he helped her to her feet. In return, Angela offered him a reassuring smile.

Joseph inquired, “How is Zac faring?”

Angela glanced at him before responding. “You should have someone assess his mental state.”

Subsequently, she took hold of Jonathan's hand and suggested, "Let's go."

Their lunch plans were thwarted by Joseph's interruption, depriving them not only of a meal but also of their chance to rest.

Although Joseph wanted to ask more questions, a stern look from Jonathan deterred him as he watched the pair walk away.

As they retreated, he suddenly remembered that Angela had not unblocked him.

However, his concern for Zacharias prompted him to cautiously check on his condition.

Jonathan assisted Angela into the car and inquired, "Are you feeling better?"

Seeing her exhaustion, he expressed his concern and care for her.

Angela shook her head, replying, "I'll be fine after a short rest. Let's go grab a bite."

Seeing her acquiescence, Jonathan instructed Oliver to drive.

He drew her close and whispered, "You can take a nap; we'll order food and dine at home."

She nodded at the mention of returning home, leaning against Jonathan and drifting off to sleep.

Meanwhile, after Angela departed, Joseph checked on Zacharias before contacting Fanny.

At that moment, Fanny had just been escorted home by Yaxley and was elated to learn of their impending trip to Northland.

Despite feeling physically and mentally drained from her encounter with Yaxley, she agreed

to go to the hospital.

Upon arrival, Joseph was preoccupied, prompting her to visit Scarlet first.

Even after Scarlet's transfer to Northland, May continued to care for her. Spotting Fanny, May exclaimed, "Oh, it's Miss Fanny!"

Relieved, Fanny inquired, "How is my mom doing?"

May sighed and replied, "It's only been a few days, so there hasn't been any change. I hope the doctors in Northland can help. It's distressing to see your mother in this state. I'm sure you're worried, too."

Fanny nodded in agreement, stating, "Yes, I hope she'll wake up soon."

May was about to say more when Fanny abruptly requested, "Ms. May, could you step out for a moment? I'd like to have a private conversation with my mother."

"About what?" May inquired, but upon receiving no response from Fanny, she simply shrugged and exited the room.

Alone by the bedside, Fanny took a seat. Tears welled up in her eyes as she pleaded, "Mom, please wake up soon. I'm going through so much right now."

After spending a few days in Northland, she came to realize that Mr. Leigh introduced by George was not genuinely concerned for her well-being but viewed her as a means to maintain connections with affluent individuals.

Though Dylan's intentions were not overt, she could sense his ulterior motives.

Fortunately, she crossed paths with Yaxley, sparing her from being coerced by Dylan into attending blind dates with other people.

Fanny's thoughts turned to Christopher as she reflected on blind dates.

Feeling conflicted, she decided to confide in Scarlet about Christopher and her predicament.

Christopher was portrayed as the deceitful individual who persisted in entangling himself with her despite betraying her.

And there were also mentions of Angela. However, most of the things related to Angela were not spoken of in a positive light..

As she cried and spoke, she didn't notice Scarlet's fingers moving slightly.

Just then, there was a knock on the room door, and she quickly wiped away her tears.

Joseph entered, and upon seeing Fanny crying so intensely, he immediately felt heartbroken.

"Fanny, what's wrong?" he asked.

Seeing Joseph, Fanny threw herself into his arms, sobbing.

She hadn't been suffering much these days, but once her emotions erupted, it was hard to contain. At that moment, she didn't want to hold back.

Joseph quickly embraced her, comforting her and gently patting her to soothe her.

He felt sorry for her and wanted to ask why, but he knew he couldn't rush her.

After a while, when Fanny had cried herself out and leaned against Joseph's chest, he finally asked, "What's wrong? Fanny, who hurt you?"

Fanny whispered, "No one, Joseph.

"Why are you crying like this?" Joseph didn't let go of his suspicions, speculating in his mind. whether it was caused by Angela.

Angela was also in Northland, so it would be easy for her to hurt their Fanny.

With this thought in mind, he asked, "Did Angela bully you?"

Fanny was startled, still sobbing, but remained silent.

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This only confirmed Joseph's suspicions.

"What did she do? Fanny, tell me. I will help you seek justice!" Joseph had completely forgotten about being scared to speak up when he saw Angela before, under the influence of his excessive protective instincts.

In the face of his overprotectiveness, all fear was thrown out of his mind.

"She..." Fanny hesitated, then abruptly stopped, changing the subject. "Joseph, let's not talk about her. I'll go check on Zac."

She couldn't come up with a specific incident to tell him, so she chose to change the topic.

However, Joseph saw her behavior as pitiful, being bullied by Angela to the point where she dared not speak up.

He felt a deep hatred in his heart but didn't press further, only determined to the pain Fanny suffered from Angela.

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Joseph took Fanny to see Zacharias, and before entering, he said, "Zac isn't feeling well, so don't stay long. Do you want me to go with you?"

Fanny shook her head and said, "I'll go see him myself. You go ahead and do your work."

Joseph didn't look too relaxed, but she didn't insist on him staying. Moreover, she couldn't shake off the feeling that Zacharias had been acting strangely toward her during their time in Riverdon..

She felt a little nervous about meeting Zacharias now.

And Joseph patted her head and went off to do his own thing.

Fanny took a deep breath before knocking on Zacharias' door.

When Zacharias saw that it was Fanny who had come, he didn't speak first.

"Zac, are you feeling better lately?" Fanny timidly approached, standing in front of his bed, looking at him and asking.

There was concern in her eyes, but when he looked back at her, she avoided his gaze.

"Yes, I am." Zacharias said, "It's all thanks to Angela for doing acupuncture for me; otherwise, I'd be in pain for a little longer."

The look on Fanny's face left Zacharias feeling torn between satisfaction and conflict. Fanny was their younger sister, after all, and had not done anything particularly outlandish. He shouldn't be cold towards her.

When Fanny heard Zacharias mention Angela, her face stiffened slightly, but she agreed anyway, saying, "Yes, all thanks to her. I'm to blame since I'm not a medical professional, and I can't help you."

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He quickly reassured Fanny, "Don't say that, Fanny. As long as you are well, I am happy."

Unlike his guilt toward Angela, he truly cared for Fanny.

His genuine gaze put Fanny at ease at last. She sat by Zacharias' bedside, held his hand, and asked, "Zac, Angela is so talented. When will she be able to cure you?"

At first glance, this statement seemed harmless, but upon closer inspection, it felt a bit odd.

Zacharias noticed the strangeness, but he didn't think it was intentional on Fanny's part. After all, he didn't believe that his innocent-minded sister would say something with hidden motives.

He smiled and replied, "Although Angela is talented, my body has been deteriorating for too long. It's not easy to recover?"

Zacharias was well aware of his physical condition, and his words were meant to comfort Fanny,

Fanny subconsciously tightened her grip on his hand when she heard that.

She had forgotten that she was still holding Zacharias' hand, and in her moment of absent-mindedness, she accidentally caused him a slight pain.

"Fanny? What are you thinking about?" Zacharias gently patted her hand, soothing her sudden nervousness;

Fanny snapped back to reality, seeing how tightly she had been holding Zacharias' hand. She quickly apologized, I'm sorry, Zac. I was just thinking about school, and I got distracted."

Zacharias didn't doubt her and asked, "Is everything okay at school?"

Fanny bit her lip and said. "I've never heard of the school Mr. Leigh arranged for me before, but I'm okay with it."

Although she said so, her expression was intriguing, and Zacharias could tell her emotions at a glance. He whispered soothingly, "Fanny, don't be sad. Someone as outstanding as you will shine wherever you go."

She did not expect to hear these words, so she rolled her eyes inwardly while maintaining a mature demeanor on the outside.

After chatting with Zacharias for a few moments, Fanny was about to leave,

Before leaving, she casually mentioned Angela's current training school, her tone filled with envy.

Zacharias sighed and called George after Fanny left.

He wasn't sure if George could influence Dylan to transfer Fanny, but since Fanny couldn't let go and was unwilling to give up as her older brother, he had to try his best.

With a pained expression, Fanny left the ward, still crying as she left the hospital.

Joseph was busy and couldn't even spare the time to take her home.

She saw Joseph busy from a distance and saw the usually leisurely Joseph at Riverdon Hospital being called around in the hospital in Northland, which made her feel bad.

Unknowingly, she thought of Yaxley.

Outside the hospital, Fanny looked at the nearby buildings and couldn't help but compare Riverdon to Northland.

Riverdon was already considered a well-developed city, but compared to Northland, it was still far behind.

There were too many new things in Northland, and Fanny had only been there for a few days, but she was already feeling overwhelmed.

She made up her mind to stay in Northland by any means necessary.

The day passed quickly, and Monday had arrived.

Angela arrived early at the classroom of Northland Medical University.

The early training classroom was more like a self-study room, and the training supervisor didn't even show up.

When Tyler saw Angela, he walked over to her right away. "Angela, right? Why didn't you come to our welcome party?"

He clearly looked down on Angela, especially when Yaxley was not around. His arrogance was undisguised.

Angela glanced inexplicably at him, placed her belongings on the table, and inquired, "Who are you?"

She had only met the other participants in the training once, and most of them had not left a lasting impression on her, except for Tyler standing in front of her.

At that time, Tyler and Lara approached, Lara's demeanor was gentle and polite. Angela even accepted an invitation from Lara, so she had some recollection of both of them.

However, Tyler was now alone, and his attitude seemed condescending. Angela feigned ignorance to avoid any potential trouble.

She could see that dealing with Tyler could be challenging, and she genuinely preferred not to engage with him.

Tyler's expression darkened instantly as he was clearly taken aback by Angela's response.

He slammed his hand on the table and glared at Angela. "You're asking me who I am? Didn't you listen to my introduction earlier?"

Confused, Angela tilted her head and questioned, "Is your introduction relevant to the discussion? Or does your name have anything to do with the training?"

Her response was quite clever, eliciting laughter from several classmates who had been drawn to Tyler's table.

Tyler stared them down, but those who were laughing were no longer there.

They were all students at Northland Medical University, including Tyler. Moreover, Tyler had previously hosted a welcome banquet, so it was important to maintain a level of respect for the university.

"Angela, his name is Tyler," someone kindly reminded her.

"Thank you." Angela smiled warmly at the person and then turned to Tyler, asking, "Can I help you, Tyler? If it's about the party, you mentioned that it wasn't compulsory, right?"

“Why did

you take the invitation then?” Tyler’s demeanor softened a bit, though he still appeared somewhat upset.

Tyler felt disrespected by Yaxley’s absence from his event, not Angela’s participation in it. And, since Yaxley had not arrived, he decided to lash out at Angela to make himself feel better.

But who knew? For someone who appeared frail, her unexpected resistance surprised him.

“You all forced it on me. I had no choice.” Angela innocently shrugged, then noticed Yaxley entering the classroom and heading towards her.

Before Tyler could say anything, Yaxley’s voice interrupted, “Don’t block the way.”

Tyler was indeed obstructing the seat next to Angela.

“Oh, you’re here. Yaxley, why didn’t you attend the welcome party? Are you scared?” Tyler arrogantly questioned upon seeing Yaxley.

Yaxley glanced at him nonchalantly and replied, “Boring.”

Tyler’s expression darkened. Before he could retort, the bell rang, and Lara entered the classroom, relaying the mentor’s instructions for the afternoon.

“The mentor wants us to research our own topics and present them later.” Lara smiled, then led Tyler away.

Tyler glared at Yaxley and Angela, clearly still displeased, but they paid him no mind.

“Why are you so late, Yaxley?” Angela handed the research topic to Yaxley and received his copy, casually inquiring about it.

Yaxley glanced at her before responding, “Didn’t sleep well, so I woke up late.”

Accustomed to his brief answers, Angela nodded and began reviewing the analysis done by Yaxley.

As she neared the end of the document, she was startled by Yaxley’s question. “Do you know someone named Fanny?”

Surprised, Angela looked at Yaxley, realizing he was serious and struggling to contain her laughter.

Professor Terence had previously mentioned that Yaxley was oblivious to many things, and she had thought it was an exaggeration. However, it seemed to be true—Yaxley was truly ignorant of many things.

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Angela paused slightly before replying, “I do.”

Yaxley asked when he heard that, “What a coincidence. You both share the same surname. Do you know each other?”

Angela was unsure whether Yaxley was pretending or genuinely didn’t know about Kins Family of Riverdon. She only looked at Yaxley in confusion, and she suddenly recalled that Yaxley had met Fanny before just as she was about to change the subject.

“There were two people who tried to catch us off guard back when you and I were having a discussion at the cafe, and Fanny was there.”

Yaxley was stunned as soon as she finished speaking.

“Where was she?” Yaxley tried to recall but to no avail.

“Fanny was the girl who stood next to the boy who tried to catch us off guard,” Angela said helplessly in frustration.

Yaxley had asked her about Fanny, so it must mean that he had at least known about her. However, Yaxley seemed clueless when she mentioned Fanny was at the cafe, which was

strange.

Yaxley tried to recall as hard as he could. There was indeed a girl who stood next to Christopher Sanders at that time, but he hadn’t paid much attention to her.

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“Are you sure that girl was Fanny?” Yaxley asked.

Angela nodded. “Yes.”

Then, Yaxley got lost in his thoughts as he looked at Angela. It turned out that Fanny had met him before.

He couldn’t help but feel like something was off.

“Could it be that they share the same name?” Yaxley asked.

Angela replied, “I only know one Fanny Kins. Do you know another?”

She had a feeling that something was wrong with Yaxley, judging from his expression.

“Forget it. Thank you, Angela. Let’s just focus on the task at hand. We can talk later.” Yaxley

still had a lot of questions in his mind, but he decided to deal with them later.

Maybe Fanny didn’t recognize me as well.

Angela didn’t press him. She glanced briefly at Yaxley before burying herself in work.

Meanwhile, Fanny was in a foul mood.

She skipped her morning class only to learn from Dylan that he had failed to take a photo of Angela.

She had questioned Dylan over the phone last night. Although she was furious, she only remained silent for the most part now that he was in front of her.

“It’s all my fault. But her husband was quick to act. They had already found her by the time I got off the elevator. It was as if they were monitoring her movements all along!”

Dylan was also frustrated as he recalled the incident.

He regretted not acting sooner. He realized that he shouldn’t have taken her to the hotel room. He should have just found a restroom nearby and taken the photo.

Moreover, he was agitated by the fact that he hadn’t been able to use the bottles of medicine on Angela. He couldn’t help but feel furious.

“How did we mess it up when our target had already fainted?” Fanny lamented.

She still remembered how happy she was last night, but now, it was all for nothing.

Dylan said when he noticed that her expression had turned ugly, “Well, at least you’ve caught the attention of a certain young man of the Collier Family, isn’t that right? You can still stick it to her even if you don’t have her photo.”

Fanny only looked at him before saying, “But Yaxley wouldn’t take any action even if I got his attention, Mr. Leigh. Angela has caused so much trouble for my family. That’s why my father said that she must face the consequences.”

She didn’t come to Northland just to help Dylan win over some wealthy families here. She came to settle the score with Angela.

“It’s not set in stone just yet.” Then, Dylan added, “Don’t worry, I will figure something out.”

The way he treated Fanny had changed especially after she had revealed her engagement with Yaxley. He was now more proactive.

Fanny only nodded, as she didn’t trust Dylan all that much.

She inquired, “Surely you didn’t ask me to skip class just to discuss this, did you, Mr. Leigh?”

Fanny was already skipping classes because of Dylan even though she had just transferred to another university recently. She also had a feeling that he wasn’t doing this in her best

interest.

To her surprise, Dylan responded, “Of course not. There’s also something regarding your recent transfer.”

“What is it?” Fanny felt uneasy, and she furrowed her brows. “Is there a problem with this university?”

She had looked down on this university which Dylan had arranged for her initially. However, she eventually made peace with it, considering she was unfamiliar with life in Northland and Kins Family wasn’t as influential around here.

Fortunately, this subpar university was close to the one where Yaxley was studying. It made it convenient for her to get at Angela and get in touch with Yaxley.

But Dylan shook his head. “How could that be? I’m only worried that your talent will be wasted at this university, so I’m trying to arrange for your transfer to Northland Medical University.”

Fanny was taken aback when she heard that. She asked with her eyes widened, “Northland Medical University?”

Dylan wore a proud smile. “That’s what I’ve said.”

“Really?” She asked again in disbelief as she couldn’t believe that he would go through all the trouble to arrange for her transfer.

Dylan continued, “Yaxley also studies at Northland Medical University. It will be easier for you to get in touch with him that way.”

Fanny regained her composure following that.

Dylan adopted a typical businessman’s mindset. He always sought something in return for whatever he did. Fanny realized that he had the means to get her into Northland Medical University before, but he didn’t.

He only did it now that she got herself involved with Yaxley. It just showed how alluring it was to have an alliance with the Collier Family.

Fanny disdainfully sneered deep down as she expressed joy and gratitude. "Thank you, Mr. Leigh."

Dylan was pleased. He patted her on the shoulder before adding, "Your father also made contact with me to have you transferred to a better university, for Zacharias is worried for you."

He continued as he looked at Fanny, "I did this because of your family. Now, it may prove to be a little problematic, but you just sit tight and wait for the news."

Fanny was surprised to learn that Zacharias Kins was involved.

She didn't expect Zacharias to speak to George Kins about it back when she briefly mentioned that she was envious of Angela, who was studying at Northland Medical University after she had left the ward.

It seemed that George had made a request to Dylan right after that. That would explain his unexpected and swift actions to get her closer to Yaxley.

She asked again as her excitement waned, "Can I not go to the university while you're working your magic?"

Fanny asked hesitantly as if she was a diligent student who didn't want to neglect her studies.

Dylan casually replied, "Of course. Enjoy yourself for a few days and get yourself familiar with Collier Family while you're at it."

Chapter 348 A Party

Does he think Angela is not deserving of the Collier Family? Fanny could guess Dylan's intentions, but she chose to feign ignorance.

Dylan proceeded to elaborate, "Didn't Yaxley agree to be engaged with you? That means you should familiarize yourself with his family background."

Fanny helplessly asked as she fidgeted with her fingers, "But how am I supposed to do that?"

"I'll help you." Dylan added, "I'll have my assistant provide you with details about the Leigh Family later today. Just look it up then."

Fanny accepted the offer, and her sour mood, which Angela caused, improved significantly.

However, it only lasted a brief moment when she thought of Angela again.

She inquired, "My father also wanted me to ask you if you could deal with Angela sooner, Mr. Leigh?"

Fanny couldn't tolerate Angela any longer, so she used George's name to amp up the pressure.

The thought of Angela thriving in Riverdon and now in Northland had made Fanny agitated.

Angela does not deserve this!

"Good opportunities don't come by often." Dylan hesitated for a while before replying.

He was initially tasked by George to deal with Angela back then, but Dylan

had now refrained from taking action because George had not mentioned what to do with Angela during their recent conversation.

Fanny gritted her teeth and said when she saw his reluctance, "But Angela knows Yaxley. She could jeopardize my relationship with him by telling him about me if she remains in his company."

Dylan immediately became wary and replied, "Keep on the lookout for opportunities if that's the case. Do not hesitate to contact me if you require assistance."

Fanny finally felt relieved when she heard his response. She nodded in agreement, and Dylan took his leave following that.

However, another knocking on the door was heard right after Fanny bid Dylan farewell.

She was surprised when she met Christopher, who she saw after opening the door.

Christopher had unexpectedly arrived at her doorstep, and it caused Fanny to panic as she held onto the door. "Why are you here?"

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Why isn't Christopher attending his classes?

"I feel unsettled, Fanny. I miss you," Christopher confessed.

He had just attended his potential soon-to-be marriage arranged by his family yesterday, but distractions had caused him to displease the lady's family.

So, Michael Sanders had prohibited him from attending any arrangement for the time being when he learned about that.

Christopher sought out Fanny, who he wanted to see in his own will.

"Won't you allow me to come in and talk, Fanny?" Fanny remained silent, so he had no choice but to try another approach.

However, Fanny stood firm at the door and asked, "Aren't you supposed to be meeting with your potential partners for your marriage? Why are you here?"

Christopher felt a sense of guilt as he had tried to conceal the fact that he had met other ladies from Fanny before.

But he knew he had no excuse at that instant.

He wholeheartedly apologized while looking at Fanny with a rueful smile, "I'm sorry, Fanny. I—"

"It's okay. No need to explain," Fanny interjected. "I understand that you are forced, so I don't blame you, Christopher."

Christopher promptly let out a sigh of relief when he heard that.

Fortunately, Fanny knew he wasn't acting of his own accord. The last thing he would want in this world was being misunderstood by her.

Fanny couldn't help but roll her eyes up deep down when she noticed Christopher exhaled in relief. Then, she continued with a hint of sorrow, "But, we should steer clear of each other since you are meeting other women for dates. I wouldn't want a repeat of what happened in Riverdon. I don't want you to get hurt again..."

She wasn't worried that Christopher was going on blind dates with other women. She knew he would always come back to her as long as she had a place in his heart.

But she couldn't let Christopher come to her side at this moment because he would disrupt her plans.

She had to give it her all to deal with Yaxley now, and she didn't have time to deal with Christopher.

Unfortunately, Christopher didn't know about that. He only listened to Fanny's words, feeling sad.

It seemed Fanny had already resorted to this to prevent him from being hurt again.

He wanted to abandon everything and take Fanny somewhere far away, but he remained realistic. He only said, "Fanny... I'm so sorry. I've wronged you."

"I don't blame you, Christopher. It was our fathers who had arranged them for us separately, after all. I don't think we can get out of this predicament anytime soon. But, come look for me if you manage to get out of this somehow someday. I'll..."

Christopher understood her even though she didn't finish her sentence, and the tears in his eyes diminished.

"Okay..." Christopher answered before he turned and left dejectedly.

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The day passed in the blink of an eye. It was already evening...

Yaxley invited Angela to a party organized by Mobius.

The party was held at one of Mobius' houses. There were already quite a few people inside the house when they arrived.

Most of the people Mobius had invited were their classmates. They were all young gentlemen and ladies from prestigious families.

Angela didn't want to be here. But Jonathan Lawson happened to need to work overtime, and she couldn't refuse the passionate Yaxley,

She discovered that Yoanna Tuckson was also there after arriving.

Yoanna saw Angela, and she immediately came to her. "You're here, Angela. Please come in and make yourself at home."

Yoanna had grown quite familiar with Angela because she had been meeting her frequently for the past few days. She no longer harbored any hostility toward her after she had learned that Angela had a husband.

However, Angela greeted her and said, "You guys enjoy yourselves. I'll just sit here for a while, and then, I'll take my leave."

"Why would you do that? They are all friends of Turner Family. Let's get to know each other together." Yoanna pulled Angela along and handed her a glass of fruit juice.

Angela only nodded.

There weren't that many around in the party. The guests were all either friends of Mobius since school days or his acquaintances. They were all decent and innocent folks. That was why Angela was happy

to socialize with them.

Everyone was friendly toward Angela.

Just then, Mobius received a phone call. He looked cheekily at Yaxley. "Guess who's here, Yaxley?"

Yaxley looked at him in confusion, having no idea who it could be. "Who is it?"

"She's right outside. Why don't you go and bring her in?" Mobius asked as he handed his phone to Yaxley.

Yaxley held the phone, and he was greeted by a familiar voice from the other end of the phone.

That person was none other than Fanny.

Fanny sounded nervous when she heard Yaxley's voice, and she asked,

"Mr. Collier? Are you there? I seem to have lost my way, and I don't know how to get there..."

"Yeah, I'm here. I'll go to you and pick you up then." Yaxley took a glance at Mobius before heading out following that.

Chapter 349 His Fiancee

Yaxley didn't expect Mobius to invite Fanny. He didn't even know how Mobius knew about Fanny.

He went out to pick Fanny up since she was already on her way here.

Meanwhile, Mobius didn't neglect Angela while he was gone. She invited everybody over for introductions, as Angela was an esteemed guest brought over by Yaxley, after all.

"This is Yaxley's junior. She is currently undergoing training at Northland Medical University. Please get acquainted with her, and be kind when you meet her in the future,"

Mobius introduced in a light-hearted tone. It carried a sense of jest and seriousness at the same time, and his friends all played along.

Angela smiled at the group of young men and women before introducing herself. "Hello, I'm Angela Kins."

Everyone else followed suit to introduce themselves after that. The atmosphere was harmonious and lively.

Angela managed to remember a few names, but Yoanna brought her some food, ushered the crowd surrounding her away, and sat with Angela in a corner on a couch.

“What’s on your mind?” Angela asked Yoanna as she seemed preoccupied.

Yoanna softly asked, “Can you help me pursue Yaxley, Angela?”

Angela looked at Yoanna when she heard that. She noticed she was shy but also serious. She realized it wasn’t a joke.

“But how can I help?” Angela was puzzled as she had no idea how she could aid her.

Although she and Yaxley were classmates, they didn’t interact much aside from training together in Northland.

Yoanna might be better off seeking help from Mobius rather than from her.

“Huh? Did you agree?” Yoanna was surprised to hear what Angela had asked.

Angela nodded and asked, “What do you need me to do?” She didn’t think she had much to offer, even if she wanted to.

Yoanna was taken aback momentarily. Then, she replied, “I just want opportunities to spend some time with Yaxley. I can’t always be the one who actively looks for him, but I can certainly always look for you...”

Angela smiled before saying, “Well, you can come find me after we are done discussing.”

She didn’t have many friends in Northland. Although there was a slight misunderstanding between them at first, she found that Yoanna was a decent person after they resolved it, and they got along pretty well.

Yoanna was thrilled by what she heard and wanted to hug Angela in gratitude, but Angela gently pushed her away.

Luckily, she didn't feel offended as she talked about her feelings for Yaxley following that.

On the other hand, Angela was thinking about heading home soon as she listened quietly. She didn't want Jonathan to return home and not find her there, especially since he was working overtime today.

Just then, she received a text message from Jonathan. He mentioned that he had finished his work early and he was on his way to pick her up.

Angela quickly forgot about leaving Mobius' place, and she sent Jonathan the address of the villa.

She regretted it slightly as she thought she should have gone to Jonathan's office and waited for him there if she had known he would finish work early.

However, she decided to wait for Jonathan patiently now that she was already at the party.

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Yaxley was not wearing his usual suit and leather shoes, which Fanny had seen before. He only adopted a student's look, just like when they met at the coffee shop. However, she still insisted on addressing him politely.

“That’s me. Just call me by my name.” Yaxley nodded at Fanny and said, “I didn’t expect Mobius to invite you too.”

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“Do you not want me to come, Yaxley?” Fanny asked timidly.

Yaxley shook his head. “Why would I? Come, let’s head inside.”

Fanny silently bit her lip as she felt like Yaxley’s attitude toward her had changed. But she didn’t dare to get into that. She only followed Yaxley quietly behind.

“You finally brought her here. It took you too long,” Mobius said when he saw the two of them coming in one after the other. Then, he leaned into Yaxley and asked quietly, “Surprised?”

Yaxley glanced at him and asked in a low voice, “How do you know Fanny?”

Mobius only shrugged. He was bored by Yaxley’s straightforwardness, so he replied, “Take a guess.”

He only invited Fanny because he thought she was the person with whom Yaxley had spent time that night. However, he didn’t expect Yaxley to react like this.

It seemed that Yaxley was not that delighted to see Fanny. Could it be that they were not familiar with each other?

But Fanny certainly didn’t seem so. She kept her eyes locked on Yaxley from the moment she came in.

Yaxley had no interest in playing his game. So, he only glanced at him silently.

Just then, a guy with dyed blonde hair approached. He looked at Fanny before asking Yaxley, "Who is this, Yaxley? Aren't you going to introduce her?"

Yaxley ignored Mobius and introduced Fanny to the people in the villa.

"This is Fanny Kins. She's my fiancée."

Everyone in the villa started making a fuss as soon as he said that.

"Your fiancée? Come on, Yaxley. This is not fair. How could you hide the fact that you already have a fiancée from us?"

Mobius was shocked even though he was the one who invited Fanny. "What? Did I just casually call your fiancée by accident?"

Yaxley did not respond to Mobius as other people started greeting Fanny.

"So, you're Fanny Kins. Hi there, we are Yaxley's friends. He really is a tight-lipped man. We wouldn't have known about you had Mobius not invited you over today."

Meanwhile, Angela and Yoanna also heard Yaxley's words. Angela frowned, but she remained silent while Yoanna widened her eyes in disbelief.

"Who is she? How could she be Yaxley's fiancée? I've never even heard of her!" Yoanna exclaimed as she grabbed Angela's hand tightly.

Angela gently parted her hand as she tried to calm her down. "Get a hold of yourself."

She looked at Fanny, and she recalled how Yaxley had asked her about Fanny earlier today. She finally understood why he was inquiring about her.

But how could she be his fiancée? What was going on?

Is this because of the Kins Family's strong influence? Are they able to find someone as great as Yaxley Collier to be Fanny's fiancé that quickly in Northland after a marriage arrangement had turned sour in Riverdon?

Moreover, how Yaxley had not heard any scandal about Fanny when he was in

Riverdon was still a mystery. Is there a chance that the Collier Family has not looked into Fanny, their soon-to-be daughter-in-law?

There were simply too many things that didn't make sense. Angela couldn't help but be lost in her thoughts for a moment.

She just sat quietly in the corner on the couch, comforting Yoanna while not showing any sign of joining the rest any time soon.

Meanwhile, Mobius and the others gathered around Fanny and Yaxley. Most of them were there to give their blessings, while some were sizing up Fanny,

Fanny felt shocked, but it was a pleasant surprise. She didn't think Yaxley would announce their relationship on that occasion, and she was uneasy under the watchful eyes of others.

Chapter 350 What A Coincidence

It was a pure coincidence. Fanny spotted Angela the moment she stepped into the villa. She couldn't help but wonder if Angela had said something to Yaxley that might have caused him to act coldly toward her outside the villa a moment ago.

However, she quickly dismissed her suspicions after Yaxley had publicly announced their engagement.

She was certain that Angela wouldn't dare to say anything she would regret.

Fanny glanced at Angela. She noticed her whispering to the woman beside her, and she was delighted..

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"Thank you, everyone. Please don't flatter me too much. I can't take much alcohol," Fanny said. She cast a glance at Yaxley as she continued, "I'd like to sit down for a moment, Yaxley."

Yaxley replied, "Let's go to the couch. I'll introduce you to Angela."

Fanny followed him, pretending she hadn't seen Angela before, and

greeted her in surprise, "Is that you, Angela? What a coincidence to see you here."

Her acting was so great that even Angela felt she deserved a prize when she looked up at her.

"It's not a coincidence." Angela stood up without even forcing a smile. "I'm leaving."

Angela had no idea how Fanny had engaged to Yaxley all of a sudden and the mere presence of her made her feel disgusted.

So, she couldn't stay for a minute longer. She decided to put some distance between herself and someone like Fanny, whom she considered

bad news.

"Huh? What's the matter, Angela?" Fanny inquired as she appeared hurt.

Just then, Mobius showed up. "Are you going somewhere, Angela? Why the sudden departure?"

Although he was curious about the connection between Angela and Fanny, he knew he must try to make Angela stay instead of probing into their relationship at that instant.

Angela answered, "Yeah, Jonathan has finished his work for the day."

Jonathan Lawson was supposed to come and pick Angela up, but she did not wish to remain in the company of Fanny for a second longer.

"Allow me to escort you," Yaxley said.

Mobius heard Fanny's feeble voice just as he was about to interject. "I'll go instead if you're leaving because of me..."

However, Mobius stopped her before she could.

"Hey, don't leave just yet. Is there a misunderstanding between you two?" Mobius was a straightforward man. He asked as he gazed at Angela and Fanny with confusion.

Fanny turned around and murmured, "A misunderstanding? Perhaps that is the case for Angela. I—"

But Angela interrupted. "It's nothing like that. Forget it. I'll stay here and wait for Jonathan to pick me up."

Even the sight of Fanny gave her a headache at that instant. However, she

didn't want to put Mobius in an awkward position as the host.

It would look bad for Mobius and Yaxley if she left now. She didn't care that much about Mobius, but Yaxley was her senior and a student highly esteemed by Professor Terence, so she felt obliged to show him some respect.

Fanny bit her lip as she felt a sense of regret when Angela decided to stay.

She didn't want a potential troublemaker like Angela lingering around Yaxley. Furthermore, the woman next to Angela was glaring at her with

anger.

"Wonderful. We're all friends here." Mobius smiled as he attempted to ease the tension. Then, he suddenly exclaimed, "Wait, Angela. This is Fanny. She shares your last name. What a coincidence!"

Isn't that right? Angela silently pondered to herself.

Meanwhile, Yoanna, who was glaring at Fanny, was perplexed by Fanny's sudden engagement to Yaxley. She was still contemplating how to enlist Angela's help just a moment ago. But now, it

appeared that Angela was already acquainted with Yaxley's fiancée.

Her eyes welled up with tears. She felt as though Angela had played a trick on her.

"Angela didn't pay much attention to Yoanna even after she had moved further away from her as she had no idea what was Yoanna thinking.

Just then, Fanny said, "I had no idea you knew each other, Angela. Oh, by the way, Yaxley, Angela is my sister..."

Everyone present in the villa turned their attention to Fanny after she had said that.

Yoanna couldn't believe what she heard. She turned to Angela and asked, "Angela Kins. Did you know all along?"

She was hurt and furious at the same time, as she felt she had been deceived by Angela.

Angela remained silent for a brief moment before she looked at her and replied, "I've just found out about this as well."

She hadn't paid much attention to Yaxley and Fanny. How could she have known about their sudden engagement? Besides, she and Fanny weren't close. Fanny enjoyed keeping everything to herself.

"How could you just find out that she's your sister? Stop lying to me!" Yoanna yelled before storming out of the villa.

Mobius quickly followed her when he saw that, even though he had no idea what happened.

Angela attempted to clarify the misunderstanding as she followed them, but Fanny stopped her.

"Don't go just yet, Angela. I have a message from Dad to share with you." Fanny held onto Angela as she mentioned George Kins.

However, Angela didn't care who had something to say at that instant, and she shook off Fanny's hand before asking, "Didn't you move out of Kins Family already? Why are you still calling him father?"

Angela had learned from Zacharias Kins that Fanny had been secretly brought back to the Kins Family before confronting her.

She had no interest in Kins Family's schemes, but Fanny's provocations made it hard to ignore.

"Huh? I... Dad had taken care of me for so many years. How could I not call

him dad?" Fanny asked in tears.

Yaxley intervened when he saw Fanny crying. "Wait here, Angela. I'll calm her down."

Angela glanced at them and decided not to leave immediately.

She called Yoanna, who answered her phone call in tears.

“Why are you calling me? Are you gonna apologize?” She asked.

“I’ll help you to pursue Yaxley. Come back here now,” Angela replied.

She sensed Fanny and Yaxley weren’t that close with each other, judging from the lack of interactions between them.

She also picked up on the tension between Yaxley and Fanny. She couldn’t help but wonder why he would be engaged to her.

Angela still recalled how Fanny had been getting along with Christopher Sanders just days ago, even though she stuck herself with Yaxley now.

She decided that she couldn’t just sit there and watch Yaxley fall into Fanny’s trap.

Yoanna added in tears, “But... But he already has a fiancée.”

Meanwhile, Yaxley questioned Fanny when he took Fanny upstairs, “Is Angela really your sister?”

Angela didn’t mention her relationship with Fanny when they talked earlier today. So, Yaxley was skeptical of Fanny’s words.