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Matthias turned his attention to Wynn amid all the discussion around them.

She could feel his gaze even with her eyes lowered.

However, before she could react, Matthias curled his lips into a mocking smile.

"Ms. Locket, if I remember correctly, you're the same age as Cel, aren't you? She developed Cuap when she was only 17. To this day, Cuap remains YodaVision's strongest competitive advantage, and no one in the industry has managed to crack it.

"Later, although she stepped away from her career after getting married and having a child, she returned to the company and achieved remarkable results in less than two years."

Everyone around them had fallen silent again the moment Matthias began speaking.

However, he paid them no attention and continued. "But what about you? If I remember correctly, you still haven't accomplished anything of note in the industry. You haven't developed anything of real value that you can call your own, have you?

"Perhaps we can put all that aside. Let's talk about the papers Cel published. Without help from anyone else, I imagine you'd have a hard time fully understanding them.

"Compared to Cel, how could anyone call you anything but utterly mediocre? So, when I said my mentor refused to take you as his student simply because you were too ordinary and didn't meet his standard, was I wrong?"

Wynn clenched her hands, her face turning deathly pale.

The people around them were also whispering in astonishment.

"So, Mr. Newman rejected her simply because she wasn't good enough? He didn't think she qualified, but she assumed Ms. Rodriguez was sabotaging her behind the scenes. She even went around telling people that Ms. Rodriguez used improper means to get into YodaVision and that all her papers were fabricated.

"So, it turns out she was the joke all along."

"Well, when your own heart is filthy, you just see filth everywhere."

Jorge and Kieran watched everything unfold, their feelings complicated. Yet when they heard Matthias pressing Wynn for answers, neither of them said a word.

Quentin and Narcissa were equally conflicted, especially Quentin.

He was in the industry himself, and he had read Celeste's papers. He genuinely hadn't been able to understand them completely.

If Cuap really had been developed by Celeste, if those papers had all been written by her, and if many of Yadavisions breakthroughs in recent years were also connected to her, then all he could say was that Celeste was terrifyingly impressive. Content

Matthias turned toward Philip amidst the murmurs. "Professor Lancaster, I've pretty much said

everything I needed to say. I'm sorry. None of us expected tonight to turn ke

out this and lat

disrupting your anniversary

For

celebration.

"But, as for your intention on taking Cel as your student, we genuinely had no idea about it beforehand. So, I'd still like to ask you to explain it to everyone. I don't want people to misunderstand my junior."

Philip's feelings were complicated as well. As for Matthias's apology, he couldn't simply tell him it was all right.

Even though none of this had been deliberately caused by Matthias, his banquet had been turned into this, so naturally, he wasn't exactly pleased.

However, he also knew that he couldn't blame Matthias and Celeste. After all, his decision to take Celeste as his student had been one of the catalysts that had set everything else in motion.

With that thought, he spoke. "From

what was said earlier, when I expressed my wish to take Ms. Rodriguez as my student she bad, haidea about it beforehand was the one who came up with that idea after reading her papers...

