

Twins In Her Womb: Sir President Please Be Gentle

Twins In Her Womb: Sir President Please Be Gentle Chapter 2401-His indifferent voice made Sophian shiver.

There was heating everywhere in the house, so it felt like a warm spring. However, at that moment, she felt as though she was outside where the wind and snow were falling on her body. It absorbed the temperature from her body little by little.

Sophian opened her mouth and breathed hard. She tried to make herself look calmer, but her legs were shaking involuntarily. She looked at the man whose head was turned away. There was fear in her eyes but also greed.

"I'm sorry, Mr. Crawford, I... I'm lost. Can you help me?" she said and took a step inside.

"Scram," Luke said without turning his head to take a second look.

His voice was like a beast dormant in the night, warning the creatures that intruded into its territory.

Sophian took a step back in an instant.

"I. I can't find my bedroom..." Sophian told a clumsy lie. She was so panicked that she felt as though she was about to cry.

She thought that Luke would want her when he saw her dressed as such.

What was happening was beyond her expectations.

She was dressed in sexy lingerie and thought that no man could not hold back when they saw her. Sophian did not expect that he would react so indifferently.

'Could it be that he's interested but he's choosing to push his desires down?'

Sophian could not figure him out. Her whole body was shaking, but she tried her best to control it. She did not want Luke to notice her fear.

'I have to be his woman. I have to.'

Sophian had only one belief in her heart, so she stood there firmly and said, "Mr. Crawford, can you take me back to my bedroom?"

Seeing that Sophian refused to leave, Luke got out of bed and walked to the door.

“Mr. Crawford...” When she saw him walk toward her, Sophian took a deep breath and could not stop her heartbeat from beating like a drum. She saw hope when the man she had been dreaming of was getting closer.

The next second, Luke slammed the door mercilessly and locked it.

The tip of Sophian’s nose was less than a centimeter away from the door. If she were just a step closer, the tip of her nose would have hit the door.

She immediately teared up.

Men could not refuse beautiful women, but at this moment, she was turned down by Luke even though she was dressed so sexily. She felt like she had lost her dignity.

“What are you doing standing here dressed like this?” Yuri walked up from the first floor to the second floor and walked over when she heard some sounds, only to see Sophian in a nightgown. Her mood turned gloomy in an instant.

She was standing in front of Luke’s bedroom dressed so sexily. She seemed to forget that there were other men in the house.

‘Is she trying to seduce Luke?’

Yuri did not care that she was trying to seduce Luke, but she was pissed because Louis also lived in the house. She instantly saw Sophian as an unwelcome and shameless guest.

Sophian panicked when she saw Yuri. “I-I’m lost...”

“Lost?” Yuri squinted her eyes and looked at her with disdain. She taunted her for going so far to seduce a man. “You’re lost at Luke’s bedroom door? Wow. However, the door’s closed shut but you’re still standing here wearing such revealing clothes. Why? Are you trying to seduce someone else?”

“No, no! I wanted to go downstairs to get some water, but I forgot... I...” Sophian hurriedly explained herself.

“Okay, I didn’t want to expose your little lie, but since you’re being stubborn. Crawford Manor is big, but it’s not so big that someone can get lost here. Do you think that this is a castle? I heard the sound of the door closing just now. You were kicked out, right? Also, Luke is picky with his women. Not all women can climb into his bed. Here’s some advice. Put away your ill intentions and go back to Korea,” Yuri said, disgusted.

Previously, she did not like Sophian but could not say that she disliked her.

She was now disgusted with her when she saw what she was up to.

After all, a lot of men and children were walking around Crawford Manor. What would the others think if they saw her dressed as such?

Many women had wanted to seduce Louis over the years, so Yuri hated this kind of shameless woman. "I. Mrs. Crawford, this is a misunderstanding..." Sophian panicked and tried to explain herself.

"Scram back to your room! How are you going to explain yourself if the children see you dressed like this? Also, besides Luke and Louis, Crawford Manor has male servants walking around too. If you're interested in the servants, by all means. But forget about it if you're trying to go for Luke. My advice to you is to pack your bags tonight, return to South Korea tomorrow, and go for more plastic surgery. Maybe then your tricks will be useful to other men." Yuri sneered and returned to her bedroom.

Sophian covered her face and ran to the guest room for fear that a third person would see her at that moment.

Two people had seen through her. She could not help but hate Allison. If it were not for her instigation, she would not have crossed the line and done what she did.

She closed the door of the guest room and held her cold hands. She was so frightened that her body temperature went down when she was standing in front of Luke's bedroom. At that moment, her heart felt like it had fallen to the bottom of an ice cave.

Sophian covered her face to hide the despair it would show. She felt like she had lost all hope...

'Maybe Luke will kick me out tomorrow...'

Sophian was unwilling to give up when she thought of Luke's indifferent gaze.

She did not want to let go of the opportunity after she had waited so long to meet such a handsome and wealthy man...

'You can't just give up. You can't, you can't! You have to be Luke's woman!'

Sophian said to herself.

On the other hand.

Yuri went back to the bedroom. Louis was still awake. He was leaning on the bed and reading a book.

"Weren't you lying down? Why are you reading now?" Yuri could not help but ask.

"I couldn't fall asleep, so I started reading," Louis said as he flipped through the book and continued to read.

Yuri frowned. Although their bedroom was some distance from Luke's, there was no guarantee that Louis did not see Sophian.

All men like to play. Louis used to like to fool around, so Yuri could not help but worry and ask, "Did you go out of the bedroom just now?"

"No," Louis said.

"If you didn't go out of the bedroom, where did you get the book?" Yuri wanted the details.

"This book has been on the bedside table." Louis held up the book and showed her the cover.

Yuri recognized that it was the book that he kept on the bedside table and occasionally read before going to bed. She was relieved and said, "Do you know who I bumped into just now?"

Twins In Her Womb: Sir President Please Be Gentle Chapter 2402-Louis did not try to guess. He continued to read his book and replied casually, "Ms. Thomas?"

"How did you know? You left the room?" Yuri instantly became suspicious.

"I didn't go out. Ms. Thomas is the only outsider in our home. Since you asked the question that way, anyone can tell that you're talking about her," Louis explained. If she had bumped into someone else, she would not have phrased it that way.

From what he knew of her, if Yuri had bumped into someone at Crawford Manor who did something wrong, she would tell him directly who was doing what instead of having him guess.

Yuri thought about it for a few seconds and thought that what he said made sense.

"What did Ms. Thomas do?" Louis asked.

"She wore black sexy lingerie and went to Luke's bedroom but was kicked out." Yuri did not dare to make up stories about Luke's interest in Sophian, so she told Louis the truth.

Louis frowned when he heard that. He could not help but say in disgust, "That's outrageous."

“Mom is right. That woman has bad intentions. How dare she seduce Luke and do such an outrageous thing!” Yuri smeared hand cream on her hands and mocked Sophian.

Louis remembered how Sophian was staring at Luke when she came down with the tray while they were watching the New Year Gala.

“It’s not the first time this kind of thing has happened,” he said.

“Yes, but there’s never been a woman who tried to seduce Luke in the manor. If Grandpa finds out, he’ll be raving mad,” Yuri said. Those other women who were interested in Luke were not like Sophian.

Allison was being ridiculous for bringing such a woman to the manor.

Louis kept quiet.

Yuri guessed aloud, “Do you think that Luke’s mother asked her to do this?”

“Enough with the nonsense. You’re overthinking this.” Louis did not want her to speculate.

“Otherwise, how could she be so bold?” Yuri got into bed after she put on her skincare.

“Don’t speculate, and don’t tell Mom about this,” Louis said. If Susan heard about this, there would definitely be another war.

He wanted to spend the new year peacefully.

“Why can’t we let Mom know?” Yuri lifted the blanket and lay down in bed.

Louis put his bookmark in the book and reminded her, “Do you want to start a family war on New Year’s Day?”

Yuri pouted and said nothing.

The next day.

The Crawfords would go to the ancestral hall in the backyard to pay their respects to their ancestors and Zachary on the first day of the new year.

After Luke got up, he was annoyed when he thought of what Sophian had done last night. “What an annoying woman.” novelbin

If the woman standing at the door of his bedroom in sexy pajamas was Luca, he would be more than happy to welcome her into the room. He was not at all interested in other women.

Luke got up and glanced at his phone.

Luca had not texted him.

He picked up his phone, put on the new slippers that Luca had prepared for him, and went into the bathroom to wash up.

After he was done, he changed into new clothes and shoes, which were all prepared for him by Luca.

He then went downstairs.

The children had woken up. They stood in front of Old Master Crawford and took turns wishing him a happy new year.

Old Master Crawford's displeasure yesterday disappeared without a trace after a night's rest. Luke stepped forward and respectfully said to Old Master Crawford, "Grandpa, happy new year. I wish you good health and everything you wish to come true."

"Okay, okay." Old Master Crawford happily handed Luke an envelope with money inside.

Luke took it.

This was their family tradition. Old Master Crawford might not be pleased if he did not accept it.

After a while, Louis and his family also came downstairs to greet Old Master Crawford.

Seeing that almost everyone was in the living room, Old Master Crawford stood up with the help of his cane and said, "Let's go to the backyard to pay our respects to our ancestors and Zachary."

"Yes, Great-grandpa," Tommy said.

The butler stepped forward to support Old Master Crawford. He whispered, "Old Master Crawford, Madam Allison..."

Old Master Crawford glanced around, and sure enough, Allison had not come downstairs yet.

Susan said disdainfully, "What are we waiting for? She's not married to Zachary. On top of that, her face might scare the ancestors!"

"What nonsense!" Old Master Crawford scolded her when he heard her speaking recklessly.

Susan shut up, but she was telling the truth.

If a ghost saw Allison's face, it would be afraid too.

"Let's go. She must be sleeping in. If we wait for her, we won't have time for breakfast."
Old Master Crawford did not plan to wait for Allison.

She could do what she liked. Old Master Crawford was too lazy to care now. Otherwise, he would get angry.

Old Master Crawford led everyone to the backyard.

The maid opened the door of the ancestral hall, and the smell of sandalwood wafted into their noses.

People cleaned the area every day. The ancestral hall was well maintained.

The butler lit up candles for them.

Old Master Crawford took one and offered his respects to his ancestors. He then looked at his son's memorial tablet and shook his head helplessly.

He put the other candle in front of Zachary's tablet.

Susan followed behind him.

Susan was the legal wife. She took the candle handed over by the butler, said some prayers, and then placed the candle in front of the tablet.

She turned her head to look at Louis and said, "Louis, Yuri, come. Pay your respects to our ancestors and your father."

Old Master Crawford said, "Follow the seniority."

Susan paused. She understood that Old Master Crawford wanted Luke to go first.

She had to give up her place.

Luke and the kids took the candles from the butler's hand and placed the candles in order. He did not say anything. After all, he did not remember much about Zachary.

After all, he had been with Old Master Crawford since he was brought back to the Crawfords.

When Luke was done, Louis followed behind.

After that, everyone bowed to the tablet. When they were about to leave, Allison's voice came from behind the door.

"Hey, are you guys leaving now? Why didn't anyone wait for me? You don't think of me as a Crawford? My biological son also has the Crawford surname!" Allison said.

Everyone turned around and saw her walking in with Sophian.

Luke frowned even more. He should not have listened to Old Master Crawford and should have just sent Allison off on a plane back to Korea.

"What? Is there something wrong with what I said? When Luke stepped into Crawford Manor, you told me that I'm also a part of the Crawfords. You only agreed after Luke and Zachary did DNA tests that proved that they're father and son. I still have the DNA report. Do you want to see it?" Allison put her hands on her hips. Everyone in the villa had seen her face, so she did not bother to wear a hat and mask. That was to allow her skin to breathe.

Nevertheless, it was horrifying.

Susan looked at her annoyed expression and could not help herself from scolding, "Ugly people often do bizarre things to gain others' attention."

Twins In Her Womb: Sir President Please Be Gentle Chapter 2403-"Susan, you're not any better, you biddy." Allison would not back off as she took the candle handed over by the butler.

"You..." Susan was about to make a scene when Old Master Crawford scolded angrily, "Was yesterday not enough? Do you want to argue in front of the ancestors today too?"

Allison looked at Susan provocatively.

Susan clenched her fists and wished she could slap Allison in front of the ancestors' and Zachary's tablets.

After Allison placed the candle in front of the ancestors' tablet, she put the remaining candles in front of Zachary's tablet.

The people around her were watching, so she wiped away her crocodile tears and said, "Zachary, how have you been?"

Susan frowned.

Zachary had been gone for so many years. She did not understand why Allison chose to put on a show now.

‘No one will believe you. Stop humiliating yourself.

When Allison saw that no one intended to talk to her, she continued her performance and lay on the table before she started crying. “You left such a mess for me. I’ve been having a hard time all these years. I had to raise Luke and face all kinds of pressure. Sigh, I wish you had taken me with you when you left.”

Old Master Crawford saw Allison crying to Zachary with tears and snot on her face. He asked sternly, “Do you feel that you’ve been wronged during your time at the Crawfords? Did we starve you or something?”

Allison was startled and stopped crying. “Dad...”

“Over the years, you’ve always gotten everything that Susan would get. Luke has been treating you well. But you did so many things to harm our family. Others might think that you’re an enemy of the Crawfords instead of my daughter-in-law! Do you think that the Crawfords have anything to do with what you’ve become?!” Old Master Crawford continued to ask, and his expression was ugly.

He had always treated them as equals, but Allison seemed to believe that he was biased and mean. Old Master Crawford could not believe that she chose such a day to complain to Zachary.

Old Master Crawford felt like his tolerance of her in the past all went down the dumps.

Allison realized that she went too far. Although she was annoyed with Old Master Crawford, he was now acting up in front of everyone. She quickly explained, “Dad, I don’t mean that. I just don’t feel like this family wants me. I’m being challenged for everything that I do. I’m so sad...”

She was hinting that it was Susan who made her life difficult.

Old Master Crawford snorted coldly. “Go back to your villa if you feel uncomfortable. Don’t disrupt the peace of the ancestors. Butler, get the chauffeur to take her back to the villa after breakfast.”

Allison was stunned. She did not expect that her little speech had turned into a self-defeating act.

She hurriedly shook her head and said, “Dad, I don’t want to go back. I’ll stay here to serve you and honor you this new year. Don’t send me back.”

"I don't want you here." Old Master Crawford was not soft-hearted at all. In the past, he tolerated all kinds of things because of Luke. However, he did not hold back now that she had said such things in front of the whole family.

Luke understood why Old Master Crawford did so.

"Butler, let the chauffeur know and have him wait at the door."

"Yes, Old Master Crawford." The butler walked out of the ancestral hall to make the necessary arrangements.

"Dad..." Allison wanted to chase after him but was frightened by the look in Old Master Crawford's eyes, so she stopped abruptly. novelbin

She knew that if she said anything more, she would be thrown out of the Crawford family by Old Master Crawford.

If that happened, she would have nothing.

Allison did not think that things would turn out this way. She just wanted to let Old Master Crawford know that she had been leading a hard life and have him give her some slack.

She looked at Luke and said, "Luke, help me."

Luke looked cold. She glanced at Sophian and said indifferently, "Grandpa is right. You should go back to the villa."

"Luke, I'm your mother. Why are you saying that?!" Allison was raving mad. She did not dare to disobey Old Master Crawford, but she still dared to say such things to Luke while taking advantage of their relationship.

Luke walked out.

Her presence would only stir up disputes. Since Old Master Crawford had ordered her to go back to the villa, he was more than happy to go along with it.

"Luke!" Allison stamped her feet anxiously and stepped forward to stop him. "You're my son! You should side with me. How dare you go against me in front of everyone?!"

Luke walked around her without stopping.

"You..."

Allison wanted to start swearing at Luke when she heard Susan say, "Why? Do you want to continue acting like a shrew here for the new year?"

Allison stared at the woman who was not far away. 'If she wasn't around, I wouldn't be shamed like this!

It's all her fault!"

"What are you so proud of? Sooner or later, you'll be kicked out of Crawford Manor like me!" she cursed Susan.

"I'm not as brainless as you. You never learned your lesson and continued to work with outsiders to harm the Crawfords. Look, even your son is not on your side now." Susan deliberately glanced at Luke. She was overjoyed.

"I'll tear your mouth apart if you keep talking nonsense!" Allison gritted her teeth and was about to launch her attack.

Sophian stopped her right away. Allison was kicked out of the Crawford Manor, but she was not being chased back to Korea.

However, if Allison kept on making a fuss, she might be sent to a plane heading to Korea right away. "Ms. Allison, don't be angry."

Allison stared at Sophian, who held her back. "Let go."

Sophian was worried that Allison would displace her anger at her, so she bit her lip, struggled for a few seconds, and eventually let go.

Susan laughed and said arrogantly, "Allison, who do you think you are? Look at the kind of person you've brought to our house. You even got a woman like her to seduce your son. How entertaining. Is Luke really your biological son? How could a mother defraud her son like that?"

Allison was confused. 'What does she mean? Seduce and defraud Luke?'

She did not understand the nonsense that Susan was spewing.

Sophian heard Susan, and her expression instantly changed. She knew that Susan had found out that Yuri had bumped into her last night, so she hurriedly took Allison's hand and said, "Ms. Allison, stop wasting your time. If this goes any further, we might not be able to deal with the consequences."

Allison pulled out her hand and asked with a frown, "Susan, what did you say?"

"Oh? Didn't you ask this woman to wear sexy lingerie and stand at the door of Luke's bedroom?" Susan raised her eyebrows. She noticed Sophian's expression and guessed that Sophian did everything herself.

It could be possible that Allison knew nothing.

However, Sophian was brought into the house by Allison. Even if she did not know anything about it, she had to bear the responsibility.

Allison could not believe what she heard. She stared at Sophian with wide eyes and uttered, "You did... what?!"

Twins In Her Womb: Sir President Please Be Gentle Chapter 2404-Sophian looked anxious and awkward. She opened her mouth to explain. "Ms. Allison, didn't you—"

Allison looked stern and scolded her coldly, "I didn't tell you to seduce Luke!"

Sophian was interrupted and dared not speak again.

She felt wronged!

After all, Allison had hinted at her to take her chance.

Although she did not think it through, she took the initiative to show Luke that she was interested. She thought that it was what Allison hinted for her to do!

How could she be Luke's woman if she did not take action?

Susan was enjoying the show. She said, "Allison, stop acting innocent. If you hadn't agreed to it, how could the person you brought here dare to do this? If Old Master Crawford finds out, I wonder what he'll think of you?"

Old Master Crawford had always been strict with Luke, including the matters of his private life.

He did not allow the successor he had cultivated to have a bad lifestyle. If Old Master Crawford found out that Allison allowed Sophian to go to Luke's room in sexy pajamas to seduce him, he would be furious.

"I can't be bothered to waste time with you," Allison said and left looking pissed.

She realized that she was in the wrong. If Old Master Crawford found out, she would be scolded.

At that time, they would not just send her back to the villa.

Sophian quickly followed behind her.

After what Susan said, she realized the seriousness of the matter and did not dare to say anything.

She followed Allison to the entrance of the Crawford Manor. Seeing that she was about to open the door to leave, she braced herself to ask, "Ms. Allison, don't you want to have breakfast and pack up before we leave?"

Allison stopped and stared at her fiercely. "Do you dare to go pack up? If we go in, that b*tch will tell Old Master Crawford about what happened and I'll have to go back to Korea. There'll be no chance of me coming back. I didn't think that you would do such a mindless thing and let her find out! Sophian, did you do it on purpose?"

She knew that even if Luke rejected Sophian, he would not tell others about it.

Therefore, what Sophian did must have been seen by others.

She thought that it was dumb for Sophian to be seen by others when she was trying to seduce Luke.

Sophian shook her head and explained, "Ms. Allison, I didn't expect there would be people walking around at that time. I thought that everyone in the villa was sleeping..."

"If everyone was sleeping, how did Susan find out?" Allison glared at her. 'How stupid is she? She didn't even bother to plan it properly!'

Sophian felt even more aggrieved. If Allison had not hinted to her to do so, she would not have been so bold. "Ms. Allison—"

"I don't want to hear you speak! I brought you back so you could help me. Now, I can never hold my head up high in this house." Allison opened the door angrily.

The chauffeur was already waiting outside.

Sophian followed behind her and asked, "Ms. Allison, what will you do in the future?"

"Shut up and get in the car." Allison did not have the best tone. After all, she had some room to refute before. Now, Susan had this against her. If she said anything, she would be attacked. Allison knew that the best option was to keep a low profile.

Sophian had no choice but to follow her and get into the car.

The chauffeur did not say anything and drove them straight to the villa.

On the other hand.

Susan smiled as she watched Allison leave. She had won the battle.

Louis stood on the side, frowned, and asked Yuri, "Why did you tell Mom about this?"

"She had to tell me! Otherwise, how would we know that Allison had done something so outrageous?" Susan protected Yuri.

"Mom, are you trying to make things worse?" Louis said helplessly.

"You don't understand. You treat her as a family member, but she doesn't! If she's allowed to live here, this house will be hers sooner or later. You're kind, but I can't be," Susan said as she moved toward the main house.

Louis looked at her. He was speechless and looked at Yuri.

"Don't look at me like that. I support Mom's decision. Luke hates that woman. We're somewhat helping Luke too," Yuri said.

If Allison had not made such a fuss at the ancestral hall, Susan would have mentioned it when they had breakfast together.

Old Master Crawford would surely be pissed that Allison supported a random woman to do such a ridiculous thing.

Louis thought that what she said made some sense.

It was better that Susan brought it up instead of them.

At least it solved a big problem for Luke.

Yuri said, "Although Grandpa has already made the decision, do you think she would've obediently taken that woman and left if Mom hadn't stepped in?"

"No," Louis replied. He knew that Allison had never been obedient.

"Isn't it good that things happened the way they did? Like Mom said, we can avoid war and make Grandpa feel better." Yuri explained her logic in case he blamed her for telling Susan.

Louis kept silent.

In the dining room.

Old Master Crawford sat in his seat. The others took their seats one after another. They were ready for breakfast.

The butler walked in and whispered to Old Master Crawford, "Old Master Crawford, Madam Allison and Ms. Thomas have left."

Old Master Crawford frowned. 'They left without eating breakfast?'

That was beyond what he expected. He thought that Allison would make a fuss and only leave when she could not get what she wanted.

"Let her be. Have the kitchen serve the dishes." Old Master Crawford did not show much of a reaction.

After all, what Allison said earlier had made him quite angry.

The butler nodded and asked the kitchen staff to serve breakfast.

Susan had good timing, so she did not take advantage of the situation and reveal what Sophian did. After all, Old Master Crawford was in a bad mood right now. Since Allison was not here, she would not be so stupid to tick him off for nothing.

As such, breakfast was fairly peaceful.

After they were done eating, the children went upstairs to get their school bags. They waited for the others to head back to the villa.

Louis asked, "Brother, are all of you going back to the villa?"

"Mm." Luke nodded.

Tommy added, "Great-grandpa will come with us too."

"Grandpa is going with you?" Louis was surprised. He thought that Old Master Crawford would be at home. After all, many guests would visit starting the second day of the new year.

"He's going to stay there for one day and come back the next day," Luke said.

Although Old Master Crawford said he wanted to escape the strife, there was no issue now that Allison had been sent back to the villa.

Nevertheless, he still wanted to spend New Year's with Luca, so Luke did not turn him down.

Twins In Her Womb: Sir President Please Be Gentle Chapter 2405-Louis nodded. It was fine as long as Old Master Crawford came back on the second day of the new year.

After all, many would be visiting. All of them wanted to build a good relationship to obtain corresponding benefits in T Corporation.

Since Luke was not at Crawford Manor, Old Master Crawford had to be there.

After about five minutes, Old Master Crawford walked slowly to the living room with the help of his cane. The butler stood beside him and carried a travel bag containing Old Master Crawford's clothes and other personal items.

"Did you pack everything?" Luke asked the butler.

The butler nodded and replied, "Yes, I got everything."

"I don't need a lot of things. After all, I'm only spending a night there. I'll be back the next day. Nothing to worry about," Old Master Crawford said. He did not think that they needed to prepare everything.

"Great-grandpa, let's go." Rainie stepped forward and grabbed Old Master Crawford's free hand.

"Okay, let's go." Old Master Crawford smiled. He felt much better.

Louis sent them off and sat on the sofa. No guests would visit that day, and he felt relaxed since the customary ceremonies had been completed as well.

Susan went downstairs and saw that Louis was the only one in the living room, so she asked, "Where's your grandfather? Is he in the study?"

"Grandpa went to Luke's place," Louis replied casually while he watched the news.

"He went to Luke's house?" Susan raised her voice in surprise and walked to his side. "Why didn't you stop him?"

Louis could not watch the TV as she was blocking it. He moved and replied, "Why should I stop him? Grandpa wants to have a change in environment to improve his mood for the new year. What's the problem?"

"You..." Susan could not help but throw a tantrum when she saw how calm he was. "You should stop him! He's going to Luke's place on such an important day. Isn't he making it clear that he doesn't like us and that's why he's going there? I originally planned to find some business for your stupid studio during the new year. Now, everyone will be going to Luke's side! Since you don't want to put up a fight, you can go to the streets to eat dust."

Old Master Crawford wanted to spend some time with Luke. It was normal no matter how many days he wanted to stay at Luke's place.

Susan's reaction was dramatic. He did not think that it would make a difference even if those potential partners went to Luke's place because Old Master Crawford was there and did not visit Crawford Manor for the new year.

After all, it was T Corporation who picked the partner, not them who picked T Corporation.

"What is in your head? It's fine if you don't live up to my expectations on a normal day, but you didn't even seize this opportunity during the new year. Why do I have a son like you?"

Louis stood up. He was more than a head taller than her. He said impatiently, "Grandpa will be at Luke's house for one day and will come back tomorrow. Even if he lives there for a whole year, so what? What reason do I have to stop him?"

After he said that, he turned around to go upstairs.

His New Year's started unpleasantly.

Susan stood there, baffled. 'Old Master Crawford is just going there to stay for a day?'

She did not believe it and thought that Luke lied because he wanted to curry favor with Old Master Crawford so he would be able to get more benefits in the future.

The butler returned after he walked Old Master Crawford to the car.

He had been standing at the entrance where he overheard Susan and Louis' conversation. He did not walk in to avoid the awkwardness. He only stepped in after they were done fighting.

Susan looked at the butler and asked with a frown, "You didn't go with him?"

"Madam Susan, Old Master Crawford will only be there for a day, so he didn't ask me to follow," the butler said.

Susan's heart felt a little more settled when she heard what he said. 'Since he didn't bring along the butler, it seems that Old Master Crawford won't stay with Luke for a long time.'

"Why did Old Master Crawford suddenly decide to stay with him for a day?" She still wanted to know why.

The butler said, "Old Master Crawford made the decision. I..."

“There’s no reason to hide this from me. Tell me.” Susan did not intend to let the butler go easily. She wanted to know the reason why Old Master Crawford made such a decision.

After all, Old Master Crawford did mention that he wanted Louis, Yuri, and Thea to move to the newly renovated villa after the new year.

He also asked for Susan to move in with them.

If she did not want to, he would move out and have her live alone in Crawford Manor.

Susan had such a big reaction because she was worried that Old Master Crawford would not come back after he went to Luke’s villa.

“Cough, cough...” The butler cleared his throat. He had no choice but to inform her of the reason why Old Master Crawford went there. “Old Master Crawford mentioned that Ms. Craw’s cooking is wonderful and he misses it very much. He’s staying for one day so he can have three meals prepared by Ms. Craw before he comes back.”

“Ms. Craw’s cooking is delicious.” The butler nodded and repeated Old Master Crawford’s words.

Susan snorted and replied, “Why didn’t I know that Old Master Crawford was a glutton?”

The butler wanted to reply that there were many things she did not know. After all, she, the daughter-in-law, did not even know what Old Master Crawford liked to eat.

However, he could not say that no matter how much he wanted to, so he just said, “Old Master Crawford loves good food. He was too busy when he was young and didn’t have much time to eat, so it’s not as obvious.”

Susan snorted coldly. She was still suspicious. “Tomorrow, make sure you remember to pick up Old Master Crawford yourself. If he doesn’t come back, tell him that many guests are waiting for him at home.”

“Okay, Madam Susan,” the butler replied. He could tell that she was afraid that Old Master Crawford would not come back.

Even if she did not remind him, Old Master Crawford would surely be back tomorrow.

He liked living with Luke and the others, but if those guests knew that he was there, they would flock there. It would only cause trouble for Luke.

Old Master Crawford would not do that to them.

Susan thought that he was annoying and scolded him, "I'm the legal wife of Zachary. Call me Madam Crawford!"

The butler was taken back. He did not take too much notice of such details as Allison had just left. "Sorry, Madam Crawford," he said quickly.

When she heard him call her 'Madam Crawford', Susan felt a little better and left.

On the other hand...

Allison, who had just been driven back to the villa by the Crawfords' chauffeur, received a message from a maid at Crawford Manor.

She told her that Luke went home after she left and Old Master Crawford went to his place to spend the new year together.

Allison frowned. Since Luke and Old Master Crawford were not there, it would be Susan's world over at Crawford Manor!

If that was the case, she should have lingered until Old Master Crawford and Luke left so she would not have to come back here for the new year.

"I was sloppy," Allison whispered and gripped her phone tightly.

Twins In Her Womb: Sir President Please Be Gentle Chapter 2406-Sophian noticed her acting odd and asked curiously, "Ms. Allison, what happened?"

Allison ignored her, turned around, stopped the chauffeur who was about to leave, and said, "I want to go back to Crawford Manor. Take me back."

"Madam Allison, I'm sorry. Old Master Crawford said that you have to stay here for now. I need to make a move now." The driver stuck his head out of the car and told her. The road ahead was blocked, so he backed up and left.

Allison watched the car leave and stomped. "I'm pissed off!"

"Ms. Allison, don't be angry..." Sophian hurriedly soothed her temper.

Allison glared at her. 'If it weren't for her, I wouldn't have been kicked out of Crawford Manor in such an embarrassing manner!'

She finally got the opportunity to go back, but she only stayed for a night before she was shooed back.

Allison looked at the villa in front of her. She used to think that it was luxurious, but now, she thought it looked like a dumpster.

She pressed her thumb against the fingerprint lock. After the door opened, she walked in without looking back.

Sophian knew that Allison was angry, so she had better not piss her off even further.

After all, she still needed Allison.

It would be very difficult to survive alone in A City.

Sophian quickly followed.

The maid was already waiting inside. When she saw Allison, she respectfully said, "Madam. Allison, welcome back."

"Go to Crawford Manor," Allison ordered her.

"Sure. What do you need me to do there?" The maid was a little surprised, but she had heard about what happened from the butler.

"Go and get my things," Allison said. She was worried that Susan would pick a fight if she walked in, so she did not take her face mask and skincare products. She needed those items for her treatment.

"Got it." The maid nodded.

Sophian said, "Uh, please bring my items as well. They're all needed for the treatment."

The maid nodded and agreed.

She looked at Allison and said, "Madam Allison, shall I make a move now?"

"Wait a minute." Allison stopped the maid.

"What can I help you with?" the maid asked.

"Make some breakfast before you go," Allison said. She was hungry as she left the manor without having breakfast.

She did not enjoy dinner last night as most of the nicer dishes were gone and the ones that Sophian served her were not to her taste. She just simply ate a few bites and did not finish everything, so she was very hungry now.

“Okay. I didn’t expect you to come back so soon, so there’s only pot pie in the refrigerator. Is that okay?” the maid asked cautiously. She had prepared those pot pies for herself.

No one would be coming over to take the shift, so she prepared pot pies as her New Year’s dinner.

She did not expect that Allison would be shooed back after spending a day at Crawford Manor.

“Pot pie?” Allison frowned. She was really hungry and did not have the patience to wait for the maid to go to the supermarket to buy groceries, so she said, “I’ll take the pot pies. Just hurry up.”

“Okay, Madam Allison.” The maid walked into the kitchen and prepared breakfast for Allison.

Allison sat on the sofa. Her expression was cold, and her wrinkled face was even uglier because she was unhappy.

Sophian said softly, “Ms. Allison, I’m sorry. Don’t be angry. It’s not good for your health.”

“Sophian, if you want me to be better, you shouldn’t be so dumb.” Allison was frantic. She felt uncomfortable when she thought of how Susan now had blackmail material on them.

She needed a plan to get back to Crawford Manor.

However, would Susan give her the chance to?

“I’m sorry, Ms. Allison. I know what I did was wrong. I’ll never do that kind of thing again.” Sophian crouched beside her and begged for her forgiveness.

She did not expect that Luke would reject her since he had other women outside.

Sophian was very confident in her body, so she thought that all would go well before she made a move.

She thought that Luke’s coldness was an act. After all, no men could say no to temptations that showed up at their doors.

Until now, Sophian still could not believe that she was rejected by Luke. He closed the door and did not bother to look nor speak to her.

He did not even look at her face and body...

Allison's expression was ugly, and her mood was gloomy. She was even more upset that Sophian was kneeling next to her. "Get up."

Sophian stood up obediently. She was standing up straight like a child who had done something wrong and was waiting for Allison's punishment.

"Do you know why I brought you back?" Allison asked.

Sophian nodded and replied, "Ms. Allison, you want me to be by your side so I can take care of you and do treatment for you anytime..."

She was not so stupid to think Allison brought her back to seduce Luke.

It was an accident that she fell for Luke.

"Yes, I brought you back for the new year as a borrowed staff member so you could take care of me anytime. After all, I don't trust anyone except you now," Allison said. She did not dare to employ local talent considering what had happened before.

She brought Sophian to A City because her beauty care skills were among the best.

Sophian replied with a hum. Everyone regarded her as a beautician, but only she knew that she did not want to be a beautician for the rest of her life.

Otherwise, she would not have done something like that with Allison's tacit approval.

That was the most convenient way.

If Luke had spent the night with her, she would not have to beg Allison to stay by her side.

"Your job is to take care of me. I didn't expect you to be like this..." Allison was annoyed at the fact that Sophian had not succeeded in seducing Luke. "Tell me honestly. Did Luke even look at you?"

"No..." Sophian said, frustrated. "Ms. Allison, I like Mr. Crawford. It doesn't matter if I can't be with him. I just wanted to try my luck. Ms. Allison, I know now that I made a mistake. Please forgive me and allow me to stay by your side."

She would not have the money to buy a plane ticket to Korea if Allison kicked her out.

"Okay, let me think about it." Allison's mind was everywhere. She was angry that Sophian tried to seduce Luke.

However, she was angrier that Sophian failed.

Although Sophian did plastic surgery from top to toe, she was truly beautiful. A woman as such had a high success rate in seducing men. However, those men did not seem to include Luke.

‘Could it be that Sophian isn’t Luke’s cup of tea?’

Twins In Her Womb: Sir President Please Be Gentle Chapter 2407-Sophian did not dare to speak when she saw that Allison was frowning.

10 minutes later, the maid brought the instant pot pie and put it on the coffee table. “Madam Allison, breakfast is ready.”

Allison looked at the ready-to-eat pot pie in front of her. She frowned and said, “Is this the pot pie you bought at the supermarket? I want to eat fresh ones made by you.”

The maid felt cornered and replied, “Madam Allison, we have no ingredients in the villa to make pot pies. If you want to eat fresh ones, I’d need to go to the supermarket to buy ingredients.”

“Why didn’t you prepare for anything?!” Allison scolded her. She was dissatisfied with the maid’s efficiency.

“Madam Allison, I thought that you would be spending the new year at Crawford Manor, so I didn’t prepare much. If you’re not satisfied with what we have, I’ll go to the supermarket to buy groceries now,” the maid said quickly. She was scared of Allison’s reprimand and her horrifying face.

Her face was terrifying. It had wrinkles all over, and it looked like she wanted to kill her. She was scared out of her mind.

“You’re only going to buy them now? Do you want to starve me to death?” Allison scolded her. She did not want to wait that long.

The maid felt helpless and looked at Sophian to ask for help.

Sophian pretended not to see her. After all, Allison was angry, and she had just offended her. Hence, she did not dare to help the maid.

Allison said, “Never mind! Go to Crawford Manor to help me get my stuff back, then go to the supermarket and get some groceries.”

She did not intend to mistreat herself.

When she was in Korea, she was aggrieved because she did not enjoy the food there.

Since she had returned to A City, she wanted to treat her stomach.

The maid nodded and quickly left.

She could not stand facing Allison for one more second. It felt like her heart would stop beating.

After the maid left, Allison looked at Sophian, who was still standing there. She snorted coldly. "What are you still standing here for?"

"Ms. Allison, I..."

"Sit down and eat. Aren't you hungry?" Allison picked up a fork and ate one of the pies.

After she heard that, Sophian sat down quickly. She knew that Allison would not yell at her anymore, so she started eating.

Allison ate a few pot pies. She felt a little more stuffed and felt slightly better.

She put down her fork, picked up her phone, and texted the maid at Crawford Manor.

After she found out that Old Master Crawford had gone to Luke's place for the new year, she realized that she did not even know where Luke stayed.

As a mother, she felt that it was messed up that she did not know where her son lived.

After a while, the maid gave her the address. Although it was not very detailed, she knew the area they were in.

Allison put the phone away and had a smug smile on her face.

She did not intend to disturb Luke yet. She could decide what she wanted to do when she sorted out everything.

Going to Luke's place was her last resort.

After all, she was Luke's mother. No matter how terrible their relationship was, he would never ignore her.

Allison thought of that and looked at Sophian.

"Ms. Allison, do you want to do the treatment? My kit is still at the manor." Sophian's eyes met Allison's. She was not sure what to do.

"Do you want to be Luke's woman?" Allison asked.

“Ms. Allison...” Sophian dared not admit it. After what happened, she dragged Allison through the mud. If she said yes to Allison, she might be scolded.

“Yes or no. Spit it out,” Allison asked as she pushed the rest of the pot pie aside.

She did not enjoy quick-frozen pot pie as such. If she had another choice, she would never touch it.

“Mr. Crawford is wonderful, but he doesn’t seem to be interested in me...” Sophian said. She lowered her gaze, her expression disappointed.

“It’s hard to say if he’s interested, but you made the wrong move by doing it in Crawford Manor. There are many people around. Even if Luke is interested in you, he won’t spend the night with you at

Crawford Manor. The timing isn’t right.” Allison shared her analysis.

It was not that she wanted to rush it and make Luke more of a playboy.

It was because she could control him better with a woman by Luke’s side who reported to her.

That was what was in Allison’s mind. Her relationship with Luke was getting worse. It was time to do something to maintain it.

Otherwise, Luke might not take care of her when she got older.

“Ms. Allison, you mean...” Sophian’s eyes lit up as Allison’s words gave her hope.

Allison adjusted her posture and said proudly, “I’m just guessing. Since you were already rejected once, the worst that can happen if my guess is wrong is that you’ll be rejected a second time. It can also prove that you’re just not Luke’s type. I’ll give you a chance, but you have to make use of it. If you make a mistake, don’t involve me. Can you do it?”

Sophian’s head was spinning fast.

If Luke did not want her in the room because they were in Crawford Manor, she still had a chance.

However, this opportunity still had to be provided by Allison. After all, Luke and she were not in the same house. She had no reason to ask him out. novelbin

She was very tempted by Allison’s suggestion.

If Luke was not interested in her, there was no need for her to persist after this.

If she gave it a try, maybe she would have a chance to win him over!

Sophian nodded and said, "Ms. Allison, as long as you're willing to give me a chance, I'll give it a try. I won't involve you no matter what happens."

"Okay." Allison nodded and said, "I'll make arrangements for you in two days. Don't let me down."

"Ms. Allison, I won't let you down." Sophian was confident.

Allison's phone rang. She picked it up and saw that it was a text from the maid in Crawford Manor. She gave her the name of the woman Luke was with now.

Luca Craw...

Allison clicked on her browser and searched for the name to see if she could find anything.

There was no news about 'Luca Craw' online.

Allison did not give up. She wanted to know Luke's type.

After all, Sophian could still go for plastic surgery to adjust to his taste.

She asked the maid what Luca looked like and how she dressed.

The maid did not reply right away.

Allison put down the phone.

Sophian seized the opportunity and asked, "Ms. Allison, can I ask you what Mr. Crawford's ex-wife looks like?"

Since she could be Luke's wife, she must be his cup of tea. She had to learn about her enemy to win the war.

Allison was unhappy when Bianca was mentioned.

She said, "She looks innocent, but in fact, hmph, she's a scheming woman who has a lot of tricks up her sleeve."

Twins In Her Womb: Sir President Please Be Gentle Chapter 2408-Sophian was surprised when she heard how Allison described Bianca.

Sophian had always thought that successful men like Luke preferred sexy and alluring women. She did not expect he would like women who were pure and innocent.

She lowered her head and looked at her body figure. There was no way her curvy figure could look innocent. She could only change her makeup style to make her look that way.

"I got it," replied Sophian.

Allison raised her brows, looked at her, and asked, "Although Bianca looks innocent, her tricks aren't innocent at all. She found ways to get closer to Luke and gave birth to two children. Only then was she acknowledged as his wife. So, let me tell you, he might not like pure and innocent women. It's just that her tricks happened to work on him."

Sophian wanted to tell her that being good at wheedling was considered amazing too as long as she could attract Luke.

However, Sophian dared not to say such things in front of Allison when she had shown so much hatred and disdain for Bianca.

Then, Allison added, "I know there's another woman with Luke now. I know what the woman looks like. I assume that's the kind of woman Luke likes. Let's talk about it again when the time comes."

Sophian cheered up a little. It would be much easier with Allison's help.

"Thank you, Ms. Allison." Sophian gave Allison a sweet smile.

Allison pulled a long face and reminded her, "Keep in mind how I'm helping you now. Don't let Luke find out about this no matter whether you succeed or not."

"Okay, Ms. Allison." Sophian understood why she would remind her of this.

Allison said, "If you succeed, remember that I'm your mother-in-law. You'll have to think about me no matter what you do in the future. If you fail, remember that I'm your senior. I helped you to achieve your dream, so don't burn your bridges."

Sophian nodded vigorously.

She thought that it would be easier for her to succeed with Allison helping her.

Allison looked at Sophian's face. She could not help but let out a sigh. A face full of collagen sure looked pretty. When would her face be able to go back to how it looked before?

Allison touched her face wistfully.

Sophian noticed a hint of melancholy flashing across Allison's eyes. Allison often had this expression on her face when she was in Seoul. She walked toward her and said in a soft voice, "Ms. Allison, don't worry. The doctor is good at his job. Many celebrities have gone to look for him to get their faces done. He has a lot of clinical experience. I'll accompany you back to Seoul after the new year to get the surgery done. You'll be able to become beautiful again after the surgery."

"You sure know how to say nice things. Everything you say is what I want to hear, and your words are pleasing to the ears," replied Allison. She liked people who were honey-tongued.

Previously, Bianca would only say what she should be saying. She would behave submissively when she did not say anything. However, she would refuse to listen to what someone told her, which was annoying.

Sophian slightly pursed her lips. She concealed her feelings and secretly rejoiced.

After spending some time with Allison, she knew Allison was the kind of person who did not like making a fuss over petty things.

That was why Sophian did not reveal her joy.

In the villa.

After Luca knew Luke would be taking Old Master Crawford and the kids here this morning, she prepared some homemade snacks and dessert early in the morning.

She used sugar substitutes to make the desserts so that the old master could eat them, and it was also to ensure Old Master Crawford could enjoy himself without worrying.

Luca still remembered that Old Master Crawford liked the desserts she made when they went to the Rayne family's house. That was why she prepared these for him.

Luca let out a sigh of relief after she was done preparing everything. She picked up a croissant and took a bite of it. She enjoyed the buttery taste of it.

She had been busy all morning, so she had yet to have breakfast. She made the croissants last night, and it was her dinner. She could not finish them all, so she left some for today. Although the croissant was not freshly baked, it tasted fine. She took a few bites of it and poured herself a glass of milk.

Luca took a bite of croissant and took a sip of the milk. She had enough for her breakfast. Then, she placed the other croissants back into the fridge.

She sat on the sofa in the living room with the TV turned on. The channel was replaying the show last night.

She watched it yesterday.

Luca fell asleep on the sofa while she watched TV. When she woke up, the New Year Gala had just finished counting down. She received a message from Luke, and it was a New Year's greeting.

After she replied to Luke, she found out that he would be coming back tomorrow morning and did not ask too much about it. Then, she took a shower and went to bed.

Hence, she missed out on a lot of interesting performances.

Luca watched the New Year Gala and suddenly heaved a sigh. What she had missed out on was not only this year's New Year Gala. She had not had the chance to watch it for the past few years.

Then, she heard some noises coming from outside while she was lamenting.

Luca immediately picked up the remote control and turned down the volume. She put on her cotton slippers and walked to the door. She saw that Luke was helping Old Master Crawford wa over, and the three kids were following beside Luke.

Luke noticed that Luca was standing at the door waiting for them. It warmed his heart. It felt like home when Luca was here.

Luca stood at the door, welcoming them back. Luke could not wait to run toward her and give her a warm hug.

"Luke, I can walk by myself." Old Master Crawford teased him when he noticed the slight change in Luke's emotions.

"Grandpa, it's snowing heavily. Be careful." Luke put on a cold expression on his face. Even though he got teased, he kept himself calm.

Old Master Crawford shook his head and mumbled to himself, "Let's see how much longer he can hold on."

Tommy was the fastest. He ran swiftly toward Luca and said, "Ms. Luca, we're back. I missed you."

Then, he grabbed Luca's hand and constantly rubbed it, showing how much he had missed her.

Luca did not know if she should cry or laugh when she looked at what Tommy was doing. She stroked his head and said, "Hey, aren't you back now? Get in there. I made your favorite snacks."

“Really?” Tommy’s eyes lit up as he ran into the house happily.

After Lanie and Rainie greeted Luca, they headed to the living room too.

They were children, after all. No matter how mature they were, they would not be able to resist good food.

Old Master Crawford looked at the children. He secretly felt happy for them. Luca was the only one who could make the kids happy other than Bianca.

“Old Master Crawford, Happy New Year.” Luca carefully helped Old Master Crawford up by holding another side of his hand.

Old Master Crawford was delighted when the two of them were by his side, helping him. Then, he said in a cheerful tone, “Happy New Year, Luca.”

Luca glanced at Luke and blinked her eyes as a greeting to him. After Luke saw it, Luca shifted her gaze and helped Old Master Crawford to the living room.

The living room was comfortable with the heater on. Old Master Crawford sat on the sofa. Luca said, “Old Master Crawford, why don’t you take off your jacket? It’ll be too warm for you later.”

“Okay.” Old Master Crawford leaned his walking cane on the sofa and took off his jacket.

Luca took the jacket he handed to her. After she hung the jacket, Tommy, who could not find the snacks, came running toward her. Then, he lifted his head and asked, “Ms. Luca, where are the snacks? I can’t find them.”

Twins In Her Womb: Sir President Please Be Gentle Chapter 2409-“Sit down. Let me get it for you,” replied Luca. She did not put the snacks she made this morning at the usual spot where the children took their snacks.

Tommy nodded. He returned to the living room and sat on the sofa.

Rainie lifted her hand, tapped on Tommy’s nose with her fingers, and laughed at him, “Tommy, you’re a greedy little boy.”

“I’m not. Ms. Luca makes good and tasty snacks.” Tommy stuck out his tongue.

“That’s true. Ms. Luca makes the best snacks.” Rainie nodded and agreed with him. She could not blame Tommy for being greedy. Their mother was too good at making their snacks.

Tommy nodded and replied, "Great-grandpa loves them too."

"Tommy, I don't like to eat snacks." Old Master Crawford shook his head and explained.

"But Great-grandpa, I heard you telling Mr. Griffin that you like eating Ms. Luca's homemade food. That's why you came here to have a taste of Ms. Luca's homemade food." Tommy tilted his head. He had heard what the old master told Mr. Griffin when they were talking.

Besides, he heard it loud and clear.

"That's not true," denied Old Master Crawford with a stern expression on his face. He would be embarrassed if the kids knew that he was craving Luca's homemade food.

"I heard it. Mr. Griffin asked you why you were coming here when Grandma had already left, and you told him that Ms. Luca's homemade food tasted good. You wanted to have a few meals before going back home. After all, there wouldn't be so many ignorant people coming to visit you this year." Tommy shook his head and said everything he heard.

Old Master Crawford cleared his throat awkwardly. Although everyone there was his closest family member, he was the eldest in the family. He felt awkward about getting exposed by a junior.

However, that was indeed what the old master had said. Tommy said everything exactly as it was.

Old Master Crawford was ashamed to let his juniors know that he was craving Luca's homemade food.

"Luca's homemade food does taste good." One sentence from Luke broke the ice.

Lanie was smart. He gave Old Master Crawford an out too and said, "It's great to be able to have Ms. Luca's homemade food on the New Year."

Old Master Crawford was happy to hear that and gave him a thumbs-up gesture.

Luca carried the snacks out of the kitchen. They did not intentionally lower their volume, which was why Luca had heard everything they said.

An indescribable blissful feeling aroused in her chest.

Luca placed the snacks on the coffee table and said, "Try these first. Let me make some juice for everyone."

Luca knew the kids would be celebrating New Year here, hence she bought some fresh fruits through the new grocery delivery app she downloaded on her phone.

After all, the kids would need to take vitamins and supplements every day.

Luca returned to the kitchen. Rainie rose to her feet and said, "I'm going to help Ms. Luca."

Tommy looked at the snacks greedily and picked up a cookie. However, he did not eat it first. He handed the cookie to Old Master Crawford instead. Then, he said, "Great-grandpa, you first."

Old Master Crawford took the cookie from Tommy and said happily, "Tommy, you've grown up. Good. Very good."

"Of course. Daddy said I'm another year older after New Year. I have to be good and stop being naughty." Tommy kept what Luke had told him in mind.

Old Master Crawford agreed with what Tommy said. He felt glad that the kids had grown up well.

Even though their mother was not by their side, the children had grown up healthily. They became more considerate as they grew up. They showed respect to the elders.

They did not become rebellious and undisciplined because they only had a father by their side.

Old Master Crawford felt thankful for that. The best gift Zachary had left for him in this world was his two children, Luke and Louis.

He was in the latter years of his life. Although his son was no longer by his side and his daughters-in-law were a mess, he was fortunate to have two good grandsons.

Tommy took another piece of cookie, handed it to Luke, and said, "Daddy, although you don't like eating sweet food, you like Ms. Luca's homemade desserts. Here you go."

"Thank you." Luke took the cookie from him and took a bite.

It was exactly like what Tommy said. Luke did not have a sweet tooth, but he liked everything that Luca made.

Hence, even though it was something sweet, Luke would enjoy eating it.

"The juice is ready," said Luca. She carried a tray with a few glasses of juice on it and walked toward the sofa. Then, she placed a glass of vegetable juice in front of Old Master Crawford and explained to

him, "Old Master Crawford, this glass of juice is good for your blood lipids and blood pressure. Is it okay for you to have this?"

"Of course. It looks healthy." Old Master Crawford looked at the green-colored liquid in the glass. He knew Luca made the juice for him for the sake of his health.

After all, he was an elderly man. He could no longer eat sweets like young people.

Luca smiled. Then, she distributed the juice to Luke and the kids.

The last glass of juice was hers.

After that, Luca sat on the other sofa, picked up the glass of juice, and took a sip of it.

Tommy was eating the cookie. He was so sensitive that he could taste that the cookie tasted slightly different from the ones he had eaten before. Hence, he came to Luca's side, smiled, and asked, "Ms. Luca, why does the cookie taste different from the previous ones?"

"I used a sugar substitute. Old Master Crawford can't take too much sugar. It's healthier if I use a sugar substitute," replied Luca. She did not have enough time, so she did not separate the old master's and the kids' snacks. Therefore, she used the sugar substitute for all the snacks. "Why? Does it taste a lot different from the previous one?"

"No. It's just slightly different." Tommy shook his head. Then, he smiled and said, "It still tastes good."

"Luca, that's very thoughtful of you," said Old Master Crawford when he heard what Luca said.

Snacks made with sugar substitutes would not affect his health, and he could have more.

Luca smiled and replied, "The health of the elderly and kids are both weak. It's only right I pay more attention to it."

Old Master Crawford looked at her in admiration, then he glanced at Luke. Luke was holding a cookie in his hands.

How many cookies had Luke eaten?

When Luke was young, Old Master Crawford had never given Luke snacks for the sake of his health.

This included cookies and other snacks.

After all, those snacks came from a unified production process. There were too many additives in the snacks if they were not homemade. They were bad for a child's health, which was why he did not allow Luke to take too many snacks and sweets.

As time passed, Luke no longer liked eating snacks or sweets anymore.

Did Luke look like someone who hated sweet food now?

Old Master Crawford then began to eat Luca's homemade snacks.

"Sure enough, I made the right choice by coming here. There are good food and drinks here. It's peaceful too. Staying here is much better than in Crawford Manor," said Old Master Crawford. He picked up the glass of juice and took a sip of it. It tasted surprisingly good.

He thought vegetable juice would not taste as good as fruit juice.

However, it seemed like every food or drink that Luca made would taste good.

After all, she was good at this, and it was unlikely that the juice would taste awful.

Old Master Crawford took another two sips.

Luca smiled. She did not ask what the old master meant. She knew Allison must have gone to Crawford Manor and started a war.

Allison was always looking for trouble, especially when she encountered Susan.

Even though Luke and Louis' father had passed away, they never got along with each other. It was normal for them to fight with each other.

Twins In Her Womb: Sir President Please Be Gentle Chapter 2410-Old Master Crawford put down the vegetable juice and turned to look at the TV. It was replaying the New Year Gala from last night, so he asked, "Isn't this last night's New Year Gala?"

Luca nodded. She smiled and explained, "I fell asleep when I was watching it last night. I didn't manage to finish the show. I turned on the TV and watched the replay when I was bored just now."

"The New Year Gala last night was interesting," Old Master Crawford said. Then, he picked up another snack. It was not a cookie this time but Luca's homemade nougat.

Although it was a nougat, Luca had used a sugar substitute and sugar-free marshmallows.

“Yes. It was awesome. Ms. Luca, how could you have fallen asleep?” Tommy grinned and looked at Luca, waiting for her reply.

Luca was rendered speechless. There was no way she could tell him that she fell asleep while watching the show because it was too quiet.

“It was probably because I did some exercise, so I was tired.” Luca found an excuse to brush him off.

Old Master Crawford looked at the TV and said, “Let’s watch it again. I don’t mind watching such an interesting New Year Gala again.”

“Great-grandpa, I’m not watching this. I’d like to go upstairs and play.” Tommy was not very interested in the show he had watched before.

“Off you go.” Old Master Crawford waved his hand.

Tommy looked at Lanie and Rainie, then he asked, “Lanie, Rainie, are you coming together?”

“Let’s go.” Lanie rose to his feet. After he was taken to Crawford Manor yesterday, he had yet to touch any books. He wanted to return to his bedroom to read some books.

The three kids left together.

Old Master Crawford stroked his beard and said, “Luke, I’ve asked Mr. Griffin to bring my chessboard here. Please take it for me. Let’s play chess and watch the show together.”

“Okay.” Luke shifted his gaze that was on Luca and took the chessboard out.

He placed the chessboard on the table and played chess with the old master.

“Luca, don’t sit that far. Come nearer. Sit beside Luke and watch how I defeat him,” said Old Master Crawford when he read his grandson’s mind.

Luca had no choice but to stand up after Old Master Crawford asked her to do so. She sat on the sofa beside Luke and pretended to watch TV to cool down the heat on her face.

Luke smiled, showing how happy he was.

It was just that Luca was pretending to watch TV, so she missed out on the joyful expression on his face.

“Come on. I’m going to teach you a lesson today.” Old Master Crawford rolled his sleeves as though he would be winning this game.

Luke replied calmly, “Grandpa, I know your strategies well.”

“So what? It’s been a while since you went back to Crawford Manor. I’ve already come up with many other tactics,” Old Master Crawford said confidently. He used to play chess with Luke, and Luke eventually had all his strategies figured out. That was why he always got defeated after that.

This time, the old master was confident.

“Lanie has been studying chess tactics too. Grandpa, you can bring him to Crawford Manor to play chess with you if you’re bored next time,” said Luke, while playing chess with him.

“You little brat, are you trying to trick me? You just want me to look after your children, huh? No way,” Old Master Crawford replied delightedly.

“Didn’t you tell me that you’d like to see your great-grandchildren often?” Luke took his time to defend himself from the old master’s attack move.

“I meant seeing them, not taking care of them. I’ve had enough of taking care of you and Louis back then. It’s time for me to enjoy myself. Come back more often and play chess with me if you care for me.” Old Master Crawford paused for a moment, and continued, “Or you can let me come over here more often.”

Luke replied, “I’ve never stopped you from coming here.”

Old Master Crawford nodded and said with a smile on his face, “You haven’t, but it’s inappropriate for me to come here often and disturb the two of you.”

Then, the old master shot a glance at Luca.

Luca was sitting together with Luke, and they were sitting very close to each other.

They both looked great sitting together, and it gave the others a feeling that they were close like a family.

Old Master Crawford was rest assured when he remembered how much the kids liked Luca.

After what happened to Bianca, Old Master Crawford was always worried that Luke would remain single and never choose to be with another woman for the rest of his life. Now, he knew there was nothing to worry about. After all, Luca was by Luke’s side.

“Old Master Crawford, Lanie and the others will be very happy if you can come here more often,” said Luca. When the children were young, Luke and her would take the kids back to Crawford Manor for dinner during the weekends even though they were not staying there.

The kids had grown up now. They would prefer to learn more and find out about their hobbies when they had spare time. That was why they seldom went back to Crawford Manor now.

Even if they went back, they only ate dinner together. They hardly had any time to accompany the old master.

Old Master Crawford shook his head and asked, “Are the kids the only ones who are happy? Luca, will you be happy if I come here?”

Luca was dumbfounded for a moment. Who was she to express her opinions on whether she liked him coming over or not?

The villa belonged to Luke.

Did Old Master Crawford intentionally ask her such a question? Luca could not figure out what the old master meant at that moment. She could only give him a faint smile and reply, “Old Master Crawford, this is your home too.”

Old Master Crawford was slightly disappointed. Luca did not straightforwardly answer his question. It seemed like she had not treated it as her home yet.

The old master zoned out for a second and made the wrong move.

Old Master Crawford Lowered his head and looked at the chessboard. He immediately blurted out, “Oh no, I made the wrong move.”

Then, he was about to move the pawn to another place.

Luca grabbed the old master’s hand, shook his head, and said, “Grandpa, no take-backs allowed.”

“It was an accident.” Old Master Crawford looked at him and objected. The two of them were neck and neck. Now that the old master had made a wrong move, it put him in a disadvantageous position.

Old Master Crawford was unwilling to. After all, he said that he would defeat Luke just now.

“It was your choice,” Luke insisted. Then, he made his move and his pawn was pointing straight at the old master’s king pawn.

Old Master Crawford got angry and looked at Luke who took the game too seriously.

Luke only knew how to bully him when he had yet to get himself a wife. How could he win the game so easily? What a brat.

“You little brat. I’m your Grandpa. What’s wrong with me undoing my moves?” Old Master Crawford was counting on his seniority in the family and requested to undo his move.

“Grandpa, there’s another game after this. You can try again if you lose this time. Besides, don’t bring up our family relationship. There’s only winning and losing when it comes to chess,” Luke insisted. Then, he shot a glance at Luca, who was beside him.

Luca had been a big help. She knocked it out of the park.

If it were not for her, Old Master Crawford would not have gotten distracted and made the wrong move.

“Kid, you have such a burning desire to win,” mumbled Old Master Crawford. He had no choice but to admit that he had been defeated.

“You’re the one who taught me this.” Luke gave him an innocent smile, and it pissed Old Master Crawford even more. He had indeed taught him to never lose out, but he had also taught Luke to respect his elders. How could Luke not get that?

“Let’s start another round. I’m going to be serious this time.” Old Master Crawford rearranged the chess set and thought he would look for the chance to lecture Luke for being unsophisticated.

Twins In Her Womb: Sir President Please Be Gentle Chapter 2411-Luca watched the two of them play chess for a while. She glanced at the time, and when it was almost time to prepare lunch, she stood up and said, “Old Master Crawford, Mr. Crawford, please excuse me. I’m going to prepare lunch now.”

“Do you need help?” Luke asked. Aunt Neile usually helped Luca out when she was busy preparing meals in the kitchen. Now, she had to prepare lunch for six of them. Luke was worried that she would not be able to handle it herself.

Luca shook her head, pursed her lips, and said in a gentle voice, “It’s okay. I can handle this. You can play chess with Old Master Crawford.”

After that, Luca walked to the kitchen.

Before she walked into the kitchen, she heard Old Master Crawford making fun of Luke, "Hah, I didn't know you'd step into the kitchen."

Luca smiled without turning around. She headed straight to the kitchen.

Luke did not look like someone who would enter the kitchen, but there were times when he would help her in the kitchen. Her heart pounded faster when she recalled him standing beside her and helping out in the kitchen.

No one had ever said that the kitchen was only meant for women. Luca was happy that Luke could understand that and was willing to help her.

In the living room.

Luke arranged the pawns on the chess and slowly replied, "I sometimes help her out in the kitchen."

"That's great. I didn't expect you to be the sort who helped out. That's something I just found out today," exclaimed Old Master Crawford. Luke had always thought that men should stay away from the kitchen.

Besides, it was indeed unsuitable if Luke smelled like food and oil.

"I'll let you have the opening move this time," said Luke.

Old Master Crawford could not be bothered about it and said, "How is this considered making concessions? Making a concession means letting me undo my move in front of Luca."

"I won't be able to impress Luca if I had let you do that," said Luke calmly. He immediately made his move after he watched Old Master Crawford make his first move.

"So, you care about Luca, but it seems like she doesn't think of this as her home yet," Old Master Crawford deliberately drawled and looked in the direction of the kitchen.

Luke did not show an unhappy expression on his face and continued to play chess.

Old Master Crawford got restless when Luke did not say anything about it. He immediately asked, "What are you thinking? Why are you taking your time?"

"She'll make herself at home sooner or later." Although Luke's voice was cold, he sounded affirmative.

"How can you be so sure about that? Hurry up. This woman is about to be taken by some other men," said Old Master Crawford with sincerity. It was not to trigger Luke, but it was to remind him.

Luke said in a firm voice, "What's mine will be mine. No one can take her away."

Old Master Crawford could not help but mock him when he saw how confident Luke was, "Oh, look at how confident you are. Take things slowly as you wish and you'll regret it in the future."

Luke looked up and saw the mocking expression on Old Master Crawford's face. He reminded him in a calm voice, "Grandpa, you're going to lose if you don't take this game seriously."

Old Master Crawford lowered his head and looked at the chessboard. Only then did he realize that Luke had taken a few of his pawns.

He could not help but complain, "You little brat. You always make me look bad!"

"You taught me well," replied Luke. Then, he shot a glance in the direction of the kitchen.

The woman he loved was preparing lunch for him.

Luke kept Old Master Crawford company for the rest of the day since Mr. Griffin was not here to accompany him.

Old Master Crawford enjoyed living a life like this.

It was not as noisy as it was in Crawford Manor. The atmosphere was relaxing and he was happy with it.

However, he could only enjoy such happiness for a short while. He had to return to Crawford Manor the next day.

The next morning, after Old Master Crawford had Luca's homemade breakfast. Then, he asked his chauffeur to send him back to Crawford Manor.

Luke initially thought of sending him back himself, but Old Master Crawford rejected his offer. He gave Luca a meaningful look before he left. He was truly fond of this woman.

It would be best if she could stay by Luke's side.

"Luke, opportunity waits for no one. You have to seize the chance." Old Master Crawford said something meaningful to Luke before leaving. Then, he got into the car and returned to Crawford Manor.

Luca frowned and asked, "Mr. Crawford, what does Old Master Crawford mean?"

“He’s telling me to jump at the chance,” replied Luke. Today was the second day after New Year’s Day. He had to get prepared to pay a visit and prepare some gifts for the Norman family and Rayne family on behalf of Bianca.

“Huh?” Luca was even more confused. She did not hear Luke mention that something was wrong lately. Why did he have to seize the chance?

Luke saw the confused look on Luca’s face and thought to himself that he was waiting for the chance too.

It was not that he did not seize the chance, but the chance had yet to come!

Crawford Manor...

Susan woke up early in the morning and instructed the maids to prepare tea, refreshments, and spring water bottles for the guests.

Old Master Crawford should be back soon.

Old Master Crawford’s arrival meant the guests would be coming soon too.

Louis did not know how to seize the chance. Susan had no choice but to worry about the preparations.

She was hoping that she could get more opportunities for Louis. That way, he would be able to live a more comfortable life this year.

At least she could help Louis to make a good impression on Old Master Crawford.

After everything was prepared by the maids, Susan asked, “Have you prepared the tea Old Master Crawford drinks every morning?”

Mr. Griffin nodded and replied, “Madam Crawford, they’re all ready. We can brew the tea once Old Master Crawford arrives.”

The tea leaves could not be brewed in advance. Otherwise, it would affect the taste of the tea.

Otherwise, Susan would have brewed the tea herself.

“Okay. Good.” Susan nodded. She dared not to be careless in preparing something for Old Master Crawford.

Louis yawned and made his way down the stairs slowly. He was surprised to see Susan sitting properly on the sofa. He asked, “Mom, why are you so early today?”

"Is it still early now?" Susan frowned. She noticed the tired look on Louis' face and asked, "Why are you so tired? Did you sleep late last night?"

"Yes." Louis nodded and yawned.

He felt tired from sleeping late and waking up early.

"What's wrong with you?" Susan looked at what a mess Louis was. Old Master Crawford might be unhappy to see Louis in such a state when he came back later.

"Mom, it's the New Year. I was gaming with my friends," replied Louis. He seldom played games these days. It was just that his friends had invited him to play together, so he agreed.

"You're already married and you have a child, yet you're still playing games. Look at you. You didn't just sleep late but you stayed up all night, right?" Susan frowned. She was extremely unhappy about it.

"It's only once in a while. It's fine." Louis stretched.

"Look at you. You're such a mess. The guests will be laughing at you when they come later. Your grandfather won't be happy to see you in such a state. Hurry up and go freshen yourself up," urged Susan. She could not help but secretly blame Yuri for being lenient toward her husband.

Twins In Her Womb: Sir President Please Be Gentle Chapter 2412-"I've already cleaned myself up. I'll feel better after eating breakfast," said Louis as he walked to the dining room.

Susan shook her head helplessly. How could Louis slack off during the New Year? It seemed like she had to talk to Yuri about it and asked her to keep an eye on Louis.

"This child..." She could not help but mutter.

After a while, Susan noticed that Louis had not finished his breakfast yet. She walked into the dining room and saw him eating breakfast while looking at his phone at the same time.

The burning rage in her exploded uncontrollably. She snatched Louis' phone and said, "Don't look at your phone when you're eating. Your grandpa will be mad at you if he sees you like this."

"Mom, Grandpa's not here." Louis felt helpless. Old Master Crawford did not allow them to look at their phones while having meals.

However, Louis could not be bothered since Old Master Crawford was not around.

“Does that mean you can relax when he’s not here? Your grandpa isn’t back yet. You didn’t even call him to ask if he’s fine there. All you’ve done was play games and watch videos. Let’s see how you’ll end up in the future!” Susan exited the video app on his phone.

Louis frowned. He put down the spoon and said, “It’s not that late now. Grandpa will be coming back soon.”

“Soon? I’ve already gotten everything prepared but he hasn’t come back yet. What if he doesn’t remember to come back later?” Susan was anxious. She was worried Old Master Crawford was enjoying his stay at Luke’s villa so much that he would forget to return.

“He won’t.” Louis knew what Susan was worried about. She even made a fuss about it last night. He knew what she was worried about.

“Do you dare to guarantee that? Call him now,” ordered Susan as she handed the phone to him.

She would have called him if she could.

Susan was worried that Old Master Crawford would be disgusted if she called him. That was why he asked Louis to make the call while pretending to care for the old master, using it as an excuse to call him. That way, the old master would not be mad at Louis.

Louis picked up his phone. Mr. Griffin happened to be walking in when he was about to make the call. He reported, “Madam Crawford, Young Master Louis, the old master is back.”

Louis kept his phone away, planning to finish the rest of his breakfast.

However, Susan turned around, grabbed Louis’ hand, and said, “Stop thinking about eating. Go and help your grandpa in.”

Louis was dragged along with her. He almost choked on the food that was stuck in his throat.

“Hang on.” Louis took a step back, picked up the glass of milk, and drank a mouthful. Then, he swallowed it.

Susan was even more pissed when she looked at what a mess Louis was. She urged him, “Are you done?”

Louis took a deep breath, nodded, and replied, “Yes.”

“Stop dilly-dallying or Old Master Crawford will be unhappy.” Susan let go of Louis and headed out together with him.

Louis felt helpless. Old Master Crawford was not that kind of person. These efforts were little more than window dressing to the old master, and he did not like it either.

Old Master Crawford’s chauffeur helped him out of the car. He raised his eyebrows when he saw Susan and Louis come out to welcome him.

“Grandpa, Happy New Year.” Louis took the initiative to greet him first.

“Happy New Year. Why are you standing outside? Let’s get into the house,” said Old Master Crawford. He was just coming back home as usual, and he thought there was no need to make such a grand entrance.

“Father, let Louis help you.” Susan smiled and winked at Louis to remind him.

“It’s alright. Leave it to Mr. Griffin.” Old Master Crawford smiled. He was obviously in a good mood.

The moment he said that Mr. Griffin had already come forward to help him up.

Although it was a simple rejection, it did not mean anything in Old Master Crawford’s heart.

However, it was different for Susan. A warning alarm rang in Susan’s head.

Old Master Crawford had only spent one night at Luke’s villa, and now he did not even want Louis to go near him.

Her expression was gloomy as she followed behind the old master.

A strong sense of dissatisfaction was churning in Susan’s heart while she looked at his old figure from behind.

Mr. Griffin helped Old Master Crawford to the living room and had him sit on the sofa. Then, he asked in a low voice, “Old Master Crawford, have you had breakfast?”

“I had breakfast at Luke’s place,” replied Old Master Crawford happily. He recalled how delicious Luca’s homemade breakfast was.

Luca knew the old master liked having Western breakfast, so she made it for him.

He enjoyed his breakfast.

“That’s great. Let me get you a cup of tea,” said Mr. Griffin.

“Yes. I’d like to have some tea. It helps with digestion.” Old Master Crawford nodded. He had a little too much for breakfast. It would be good to have some tea.

Louis did not think about it further. He teased Old Master Crawford instead, “Grandpa, it seems like Brother fed you well.”

“Yes. If it weren’t for the guests coming to visit today, I would’ve liked to spend a few nights there.” Luca’s cooking had earned recognition from Old Master Crawford.

Louis was amused by what the old master said. He could not help but reply, “Grandpa, I’ll be moving there after New Year. Let’s go to Brother’s house and scrounge free meals from him. I’ve heard that Dr. Craw is good at cooking. Even you’ve tried it, and I’d like to have a taste too.”

“Sure. I can assure you Luca’s cooking is good.” Old Master Crawford made a thumbs-up gesture and praised Luca.

Susan could not help but say, “Dad, Luke is unsociable. Tell me if you’d like to have good food. Let me take you to those Michelin-starred restaurants. The food served by the chefs there is truly amazing. After all, they’re world-class restaurants.”

The smile on Old Master Crawford’s face slowly faded. Michelin-starred restaurants?

He had worked hard his whole life, and he became wealthy long before he got old. Was there any good food he had never tried before?

“The food served at those Michelin-starred restaurants doesn’t suit my taste. I still prefer Luca’s homemade food. I was thinking of sending our cook there to learn some skills from Luca.” What Old Master Crawford said was an acknowledgment of Luca’s cooking skills.

His words made Susan even more upset, and she said, “Old Master Crawford, you’re saying that just because you’ve gotten used to eating freshly made food. Does Luca’s homemade food really taste that good? Our cook has been serving us for more than 30 years. She was a chef in some big, famous hotels before this. What kind of cuisine does she not know how to make?”

“Susan, if you refuse to believe me, you can try her homemade food when you move there together with Louis. Luke’s house is right beside yours. It’s convenient for you to go there.” Old Master Crawford could not be bothered to explain it to her.

He had already figured out what kind of person his daughter-in-law was over the years.

That was why there was no need to explain it to her.

Susan was rendered speechless.

She did not want to move out, but Old Master Crawford had been mentioning it until now. She had to move out of the Crawford Manor with Louis.

Susan had this feeling that many things would not be under her control after she moved out of Crawford Manor.

She would lose her status in the Crawford family.

Susan was reluctant to move out, but she was not that silly to mention it now.

After all, Old Master Crawford would be mad if she told him now.

There would be guests coming to visit later, so it would be better if she did not ruin the old master's mood.

Twins In Her Womb: Sir President Please Be Gentle Chapter 2413-After a while, Mr. Griffin brought the brewed tea over and said, "Old Master Crawford, the tea is ready." "Okay." Old Master Crawford took a sip of the tea. He could not help but exclaim, "The tea smells good." "I should've brought some tea leaves to Luke's place." Then, he took another sip of tea.

"Grandpa, why are you craving for tea? Didn't you have any tea yesterday?" Louis asked with curiosity and poured a cup for himself too.

"Luke doesn't like drinking tea. How could I expect him to have good tea leaves there?" said Old Master Crawford. After all, Luke did not entertain guests there, so he would not have prepared tea leaves.

Some tea leaves were meant to be gifts for the guests. Old Master Crawford knew about that, so that was why he did not say that he wanted to have some tea.

"You always drink a pot of tea in the morning. Won't you get upset if there's no tea?" Louis knew the old master's habits well. Old Master Crawford loved drinking tea.

"It's still fine. The vegetable juice Luca made for me was good. It's good to have something else to replace tea every once in a while. But I've thought about it. Drinking tea helps to lift my mood." Old Master Crawford toyed with the vintage cup. The vintage cup and saucer were given by Luke.

As the old master loved drinking tea, there were many vintage tea sets in the house. However, his favorite was the one he was holding now.

"Grandpa, the more you talk about it, the more I wanted to try Dr. Craw's homemade food," said Louis as he refilled the old master's cup.

Susan was on pins and needles while she listened to their conversation. She could not help but feel depressed.

It seemed like Louis was trying to please Old Master Crawford, but they kept talking about Luke and Luca.

There was no way Louis had no idea that the two of them were his biggest enemies in taking over the family business!

Her eyes slightly darkened, but she dared not to cause trouble.

Mr. Griffin walked toward them, smiled, and said, "Old Master Crawford, the Wright family has come to visit."

"The Wright family? Which one?" Old Master Crawford was confused. He knew many people who had the same family name, so which Wright family was outside the door?

Susan answered, "They're my relatives."

"Your relatives..." Old Master Crawford nodded. Although they were Susan's relatives, they did not stay in A City.

Besides, they were her distant relatives.

However, they had been bringing gifts to them every year since they started their business. This had gone on for over a decade.

They could not be considered the Crawford family's friends. They claimed to be related to the Crawford family, but they were only their distant relatives. However, Old Master Crawford did not feel weird as they had been doing this for the past 10 years.

After all, no friendship could last forever in the business world. There were only benefits and interests.

The reason they did this was that they wanted to tell others that they were related to the Crawford family. It would bring advantages for them when they cooperated with others in the business world.

"Yes, Old Master Crawford. They come every year," said Susan. Her relatives on her mother's side would always bring some people to visit them during New Year as she was one of the Crawford family members.

More and more people started claiming to be her relatives when T Corporation grew bigger over the past 20 years.

Susan was glad that they came. It made her look good, after all.

“Ask them to come in. Prepare some refreshments for them,” Old Master Crawford said to Mr. Griffin. He did not expect Susan’s distant relatives to come so early. After all, it was only the second day of the New Year. Most of the relatives who were closer to them would pay a visit first. However, distant relatives like them were already showing up on the second day. Were they in such a hurry?

Susan did not notice Old Master Crawford’s dissatisfaction and immediately said, “I’ve gotten everything prepared. The maid will serve them. Mr. Griffin, please bring them in.”

“Yes, Madam Crawford.” Mr. Griffin nodded and walked out to bring the guests in.

Old Master Crawford looked at Louis and asked, “Where’s Yuri and Thea?”

“Grandpa, Yuri should be putting on her makeup now. Thea refused to sleep last night, so I’m letting her sleep for a while more,” answered Louis.

“Parents are children’s role models. Look at the dark circles under your eyes. You stayed up all night, huh?” Old Master Crawford was attentive and observative.

Although Louis had freshened himself, the old master could still see that he had not gotten enough rest.

“Grandpa, it’s the New Year.” Louis scratched his head embarrassingly.

“You’ll be going to Thea’s maternal grandfather’s house in the afternoon, right?” Old Master Crawford asked. Based on the traditional customs, Louis would take Yuri back to her home on the second day of the New Year.

“Yes.” Louis nodded and looked at Susan. “But I’m going to my maternal grandfather’s home first. I’ll visit Thea’s maternal grandfather after that. Then, we might be having dinner at the Dunn family’s house.”

“Okay. The schedule is well-arranged. If it’s too late for you to come home after dinner, you can spend the night there. I heard the weather forecast broadcasted that there’ll be heavy snow tonight. It’s dangerous to drive in heavy snow at night,” said Old Master Crawford as he was worried about their safety.

“Okay, Grandpa. Don’t worry. I’ll know what to do,” replied Louis. His schedule would be slightly packed today as he had to visit his maternal grandfather.

Susan initially thought of saying that they could visit the Armstrong family first and come back to have dinner with the old master.

However, she dispelled the thought of it when she remembered that Old Master Crawford was concerned about these etiquettes. They had to return to their maternal family’s home on the second day of the New Year.

However, how many guests would they miss out on if they were not here for the rest of the day?

Guests would come to visit the Crawford family to show respect to Old Master Crawford. This did not just include the Wright family. Judging from past years, some families who owned businesses would pay a visit on the second day of the New Year to show their respect to the Crawford family too.

Susan was a little anxious. If they were not here in the afternoon and nighttime, Louis would miss out on many opportunities.

The maid served the refreshments on the table for the guests, while Mr. Griffin brought the Wright family in.

After some pleasantries, a few of them sat down. The Wright family was constantly looking for topics of conversation to butter up Old Master Crawford.

Susan sat beside them. She was not in the mood to talk to the others.

After all, the Wright family's business had nothing much to do with the Crawford family and Louis. That was why she could not be bothered to talk to them.

Furthermore, they were merely distant relatives. They had never paid a visit before their family started their business back then.

In the end, they came to visit just for the sake of their interests. Susan was not planning to talk to them. After all, there was nothing she could gain from them.

On the other hand.

Luke walked into the storage room after Old Master Crawford left.

Luca knew he was going to visit the Norman and Rayne families.

It did not matter if it was the Norman family or the Rayne family, Luke treated them fairly. He would stay there for a meal and keep her family company.

Luca walked into the storage room too.

"Mr. Crawford, are you looking for the gifts?" Luca asked.

"Yes. Please help me look for them. You were the one who put them here, so you know where they are.

The gifts are for the Norman family and Rayne family." Luke left the task to her.

Luca walked toward the storage rack and found the gifts for both families. She had carefully selected the gifts for them and ensured they were suitable for them.

"These are for the Norman family, and these are for the Rayne family," Luca said to Luke.

Luke raised his brows and replied, "You don't have to say all this. You're coming along with us."

Twins In Her Womb: Sir President Please Be Gentle Chapter 2414-Luca gently shook her head and said, "Mr. Crawford, it's inappropriate for me to go along with you. They're your wife's family."

Luke stared at her with his deep eyes.

Wife?

Was she not his wife?

She clearly wanted to see her family at this time, but she was unable to visit them due to her identity and the forces behind her...

Luke did not expose her and said, "If you'd like to visit them but you're worried that they'll overthink, you can go after us. Liam is on duty today."

Luca looked down and pondered for a moment. She still thought it was inappropriate to do so and said, "Mr. Crawford, I heard Nina say that locals here always visit the wife's family on the second day of New Year. I shouldn't do this."

She was actually the most suitable person to visit them, but she had no choice but to tell Luke that it was inappropriate for her to do so in a soft voice.

Luke knew what she was thinking about. He did not force her. He carried the two bags and headed outside. Then, he asked, "Are there fruits in the fridge?"

"Yes. I've prepared two fruit baskets." Luca followed him out of the storage room too. She had everything well-prepared.

Although the Rayne family did not know about her true identity, Jack knew about it. He probably wanted to celebrate the New Year with Luca.

However, Luca had rejected his invitation and he was helpless.

“Okay. Then I’ll take the kids along with me first. We won’t be back for lunch and dinner,” replied Luke. He noticed a hint of sadness flashing across Luca’s eyes.

Even though her parents, grandfather, and aunt were here, she had no choice but to stay in the villa and wait for them to come home during festive seasons like the New Year.

Luke felt sorry for her. He felt helpless.

If Luke could find out where the base of the Island of Despair was, he could confidently question Luca about who was manipulating her.

That was the only way to solve Luca’s problem at its root.

Even though there was no way her appearance could change back to how it was before, she was still the woman he loved.

Luke hoped that she could be truly happy soon.

“Okay. I got it.” Luca nodded. She felt terrible for not being able to bring gifts back to her home on this special day.

After Luca watched Luke and the kids leave, an air of gloom fell over her as she returned to the house.

She had nothing to do. Hence, she made her way up the stairs, headed to the study, and began to work on her experiments.

If she was fortunate enough to succeed, there would be a slim chance of surviving. Otherwise, she could only spend the rest of her life on the Island of Despair....

In the car.

Luke was driving, and the three kids were sitting in the backseat of the car.

Tommy pouted and asked, “Daddy, why isn’t Ms. Luca coming along with us? Does she not like Grandpa and Grandma or Great-grandpa Norman anymore?”

“She loves them,” replied Luke. Luca respected and cared for them more than anyone else.

She knew it was inconvenient for her to disturb them during the New Year. That was why she just sent some gifts to the Norman family.

Although she did not send the gifts to the Rayne family, the gifts Luke was sending over were much heavier than the gifts for the Norman family.

Luca still loved them, and she did not show favoritism toward any of them.

It was just that she could not find a good reason or excuse to send the gifts to them herself.

“Then why,”

“Ms. Luca is in no position to do that now,” Lanie interrupted Tommy.

Tommy did not understand, but everyone else understood why. Lanie knew what these New Year traditions meant.

Tommy nodded stiffly and asked, “Daddy, when will Ms. Luca acknowledge us and when will we be able to call her Mommy? She’s alone at home during New Year. She must be lonely.”

Luke felt upset listening to what Tommy said.

He wanted to keep Luca company too. However, there were some things he needed to do or others would have things to use against him.

Luke could choose not to visit Allison, but he had to visit the Norman family and Rayne family.

They were Luca’s family. She was in no position to visit them now, and that was why he had to do this on behalf of her.

“Just wait for a little while more. It’ll be soon,” replied Luke.

Tommy realized he might have said the wrong thing. Everyone wanted Luca to acknowledge them too, including Luke.

Hence, Luke had been working hard to make it happen.

His brother told him that the organization behind their mother that was manipulating her was strong.

Their father had to look further into it, and it was a little difficult to investigate them.

Their father was already trying his best.

There was dead silence in the car. Luke was just like the kids. He wanted to help Luca get rid of that organization as soon as possible too.

However, being anxious could not help them with anything.

Jack and his wife would have to visit Jack's father in the afternoon. Therefore, Luke came to visit the Norman family first.

After they arrived at Norman Residence, Luke took the gifts out and let the kids carry the gifts into the house.

Queenie and Jack were already waiting for them in the living room. Queenie immediately came forward when she saw her grandchildren, and said, "Oh my, why are you carrying so many things?"

"Grandpa, Grandma, these are for you. We'd like to wish you a happy new year. May the new year bless you with health, wealth, and happiness," Lanie took the lead and said.

Then, Rainie and Tommy sent them their wishes too.

"Oh, good boy, good girl. Where's your father?" Queenie asked in confusion when she did not see Luke.

"Daddy's behind us," answered Tommy. Luke carried a fruit basket and walked into the house. Then, he said, "Dad, Mom, Happy New Year."

"Happy New Year," replied Queenie. She slightly furrowed her eyebrows and said, "Luke, why did you bring so many gifts here? They're too many of them. Please take them back."

"Grandma, it's the thought that counts. Please take them," said Rainie. She knew Luca had prepared these for them.

Since Luca was unable to give them herself, they would give them to them on behalf of her. Hence, Rainie convinced Queenie to accept the gifts.

"Thank you. You must be tired of carrying these. Put them down first." Queenie immediately took the gifts from the kids and placed them on the coffee table.

Luke placed the fruit basket on the coffee table too.

Jack was hesitant to speak when he realized that Luca did not come along with Luke.

Luke met his gaze and shook his head.

Jack knew Luca's true identity. He must want her to visit them during New Year, but she thought she was in no position to do so. That was why she would not come.

Queenie saw Luke shaking his head at Jack and asked in confusion, "Luke, what's the matter?"

“Nothing,” replied Luke.

“Come on. Stop standing there. Take a seat. Will you be staying for lunch?” Queenie was delighted to see her grandchildren.

Although Bianca did not come back to celebrate New Year with them, it felt wonderful to have three kids to accompany her.

Besides, Leia’s health was getting better every day. Queenie’s mood had brightened up too.

“Yes. We’ll be staying for lunch,” replied Luke.

“Okay. Sit down. Let me go get the kids’ gifts,” said Queenie. She had to give the kids gifts based on their customs.

“Grandma, it’s okay. We’ve grown up,” said Lanie.

“What nonsense are you talking about? All of you are still little children. You have to take the gifts. They bring good luck,” said Queenie. She headed upstairs to get the gifts that she had prepared earlier and distributed them to the kids.

Each child received two gifts. One was from Queenie, and another one was from Jack.

Then, she handed the rest of the four gifts to Luke and said, “Luke, these are for you and Bianca. She’s not coming back this year, so you should keep them for her.”

Twins In Her Womb: Sir President Please Be Gentle Chapter 2415-“Thank you, Mom.” Luke did not reject her. This was the elderly’s blessing. He accepted the gifts on behalf of Bianca.

“Mom, there’s a box of vitamins in the bag. It’s for Old Master Norman. Please give it to him when you head there,” said Luke. He did wish to visit Old Master Norman, but he had to prepare something for him. That was why he reminded Luca to get something for them.

That way, Queenie could bring the gifts along with her when she visited him.

Luke did not have to socialize that much either.

Queenie nodded. She smiled and said, “Thank you for being thoughtful.”

“It was Bianca who reminded me,” said Luke. Luca was reminded of her grandparents who were related to her. That was why she mentioned it to Luke.

Luke was allowed to use being busy as an excuse to escape from socializing, but one had to prepare gifts and send regards to them.

“Bianca reminded you?” Queenie was surprised. She said excitedly, “Is Bianca starting to remember things now?”

Queenie had been texting with Bianca lately. Bianca was still as busy as usual. She would have to wait until the next day to receive a reply from Bianca if she sent a message today.

It was already considered fast. Sometimes, she would have to wait until the third day.

“No. She mentioned it when I told her about preparing New Year gifts.” Luke lied to her. He knew Queenie would get excited when she heard Bianca’s name. Hence, before he mentioned it to her, he had already found an excuse.

Queenie was slightly disappointed and muttered, “She hasn’t gotten her memories back...”

“After everything that she’s gone through, I guess it’s better for her not to remember those things,” said Luke.

He did not have many feelings when he said that as Bianca was just right beside him, and she did not lose her memory.

She still loved him and the kids. That was why there was not much emotion on his face.

Queenie nodded, agreeing with what Luke said. It was almost time for lunch. She did not continue to ask Luke about Bianca. Instead, she stood up and said, “Okay. Wait here. I’m going to prepare lunch.”

Tommy looked at Jack and asked, “Grandpa, can we play with toys?”

“Of course. Your grandma bought some new toys for you. Off you go,” Jack replied happily. His grandchildren were different from the other children.

The other children at their age could not be bothered to play with toys. Most of them played mobile games.

However, Luke’s kids preferred reading and playing puzzle games.

He did not have to worry about them.

“Grandpa and Grandma are the best!” Tommy clapped his hands excitedly. He grabbed Lanie’s and Rainie’s hands and headed upstairs.

They came to visit their grandparents, but they were not interested in the conversation between the adults. That was why Tommy suggested going upstairs to play games. Luke did not stop them either.

Luke shifted his gaze after watching the kids head upstairs and disappear from his sight.

“Luke, I have something to discuss with you. Let’s go to my study,” Jack stood up and said.

“Sure.” Luke rose to his feet and headed to Jack’s study upstairs.

After Jack closed the door behind him, he sat on the sofa. He knew Luke would be taking the kids here to visit them. Thus, he placed a pot of tea on the coffee table in front of the sofa earlier.

“Would you like to have some tea?” Jack asked.

“Okay. Let me do it.” Luke waited for Jack to start talking while he poured two cups of tea.

Luke handed one of the cups to Jack and said, “Dad, here’s your tea.”

“Thank you.” Jack admired Luke’s sophistication. Then, he said, “I asked you to come up here to discuss a few things with you.”

“Go ahead.” Luke waited for him to go straight to the point.

“Why didn’t Luca come along with you?” Luca’s situation was what Jack was most concerned about.

Jack had two daughters. He had already given up on Leia and no longer cared about her. He only had Luca left.

Even though Luca had been kidnapped and went missing for three years, she still cared for them. That was the reason Jack cared so much about Luca.

Luca cared about her parents. As a father, Jack would also be concerned about his daughter.

“She thinks that she’s in no position to come, and she was worried that she’d cause misunderstandings if she came,” said Luke.

“How could she...” Jack wanted to blame her, but he realized that he could not continue with the rest of the sentence.

There was a reason that Luca was worried.

Queenie had no idea about Luca's true identity by far. It was to protect her. If Luca came here together with Luke, Queenie would have suspected them.

Luca chose not to come together with him as it could avoid many troubles indeed.

"She rejected our invitation when we asked her to come here to countdown to the new year together." Jack sounded a little depressed.

Even though he was a senior official, that did not change anything.

Jack could only protect the citizens, but he failed to protect his daughter.

Regarding this matter, he had no choice but to wait for Luke to investigate the matter because of his status and identity.

"Luca doesn't want to cause any trouble now," Luke explained on behalf of Luca.

He knew why she would make such a decision too.

The more memories she created with them, the harder it was for her to leave them.

If Luca had something holding her back, she would have more weaknesses that could be used against her.

Luke understood it well.

If it were not for him who offended the Island of Despair back then, the woman he loved would not have suffered for so many years.

Hence, it all boiled down to one thing. He was the one who caused Luca to end up like this today.

Even so, he would not let go of her easily.

He had to be the one who protected the woman he loved the most.

"I hope that your men can find out something as soon as possible and help her to escape from those sufferings." Jack heaved a sigh.

Luke nodded. There were many things he had yet to tell Jack, like how others could not help him on this matter.

"One more thing. The decision to develop the suburban areas was made before the holidays started. The government had decided to develop the land. They didn't appoint

any companies to do their project. The companies will have to join the tender and win the bid. And they'll probably release the notice after the new year. Plus, the conference should be held around the end of March or April," said Jack.

Luke was not surprised to hear that. He had already found out about the development of the suburban areas.

He just did not expect the decision to be made so quickly.

Previously, the Environmental Protection Agency had been opposing it, claiming that the development would ruin the ecosystem.

It was on the news, so he did not expect the government to convince them so quickly.

"There must be some special conditions for the development this time," said Luke.

Jack picked up his cup of tea and took a sip. Then, he looked at Luke in admiration and said, "Yes. There are special conditions, indeed. They proposed high requirements for a green environment to convince those environmentalists to accept the land development in that area. You have to be prepared for it. Given the conditions, you're not allowed to ruin the ecosystem there. You also have to make sure the greening rate there is higher than before."

"As expected..." Luke took a sip of the tea.

"Why? Do you think it's difficult?" Jack asked. He thought such a small issue would not be difficult for Luke to handle.