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Matthew was about to prick Sanchez with his needles, but he noticed black blood flowing from Sanchez's nose. His face fell and he quickly went up to Sanchez, but Sanchez's face was already black from the poisoning.

Sanchez broke into a hideous smile. "I don't have long now, not after my toad died. You'll never get me alive, much less interrogate me. You'll never know who's searching for her. What's more, I've already sent this message to Orleans. They'll be coming for you soon. You can't protect her forever..." Sanchez's face contorted with rage, but his voice trailed off.

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Matthew stared at him for a moment. "Give me the girl's details."

Wilson gave him a stack of files without hesitation, and Matthew skimmed through it. It was about a woman from Orleans. Since she gave birth to a girl littered with pus on her body, her whole clan shunned her. Left with no choice, she took her child and left for Eastcliff. Ten years ago, the woman died, and her child was sent to a shelter, but because of the girl's condition, everyone shunned her. In the end, the girl left the shelter and had been missing ever since.

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Matthew went to the window and answered softly, "That's how men should be. Eastcliff won't be the end of my journey. Eastshire is a big place, so think bigger, Mr. Lach."

Wilson trembled. He knew Matthew was trying to say that the Lachs could take the spot as one of the Ten Greatest Families of Eastshire. But the problem here was that none of the top families in Eastcliff would dare to dream of that prestige. Each of the top ten families in Eastshire has been going strong for centuries. Wait, is he trying to change the landscape in Eastshire? God, he's brazen. But instead of giving a rebuttal, Wilson took a step forward. "Are you sure you can do it, Mr. Larson?"

Matthew smiled. "You'll see. I suggest that we become allies first. You don't necessarily have to help me out, but at the very least, don't stab me in my back."

Wilson thought about it for a long while. Finally, he stopped smiling and nodded. "Very well then, the Lachs will be your ally starting from today, Mr. Larson."

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Matthew looked at him. "You're scum, but at least you're no hypocrite. Right, I'll leave the rest to you. I'll call you if I need anything. Oh, you know what to say about tonight, right?"

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James stared at him in disbelief. "R-Really? We're okay? But I thought the Lachs kidnapped us. They broke into our house, didn't they?"

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It was then Helen remembered that Minerva was the one who led the Lachs in, and she poisoned their salad. The realization of Minerva's betrayal drained all the strength out of her, and she plopped down, crying. "That silly girl. How could she do this?"

James shouted, "She's not silly! She's evil! We've been nothing but nice to her ever since she came back! We shared everything with her, and we helped her father out with his career, but what did they do? They kept creating trouble, and we have to clean their mess up! Now she almost got us all killed! Can't you see that she's evil? Are you that stupid, Helen?"

Sasha agreed with her father. "Don't stay in touch with them anymore, Mom. At this rate, they'll kill us all."

Helen sighed. Even after all that, she still refused to cut ties with Minerva.

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James snapped, "She's the biggest thug around. Besides, it's not like they can do anything to her. I mean, she slept with an old git like Wilson. What else can't she do? I'm warning you, Helen. Help her again and I'll toss you out too. You can forget about ever coming back."

Tears streamed down Helen's cheeks. "But she's my niece. H-Her mother helped us when we needed it most. We can't just put that behind us."

That made James snap. He turned around and slapped Helen again. "Bring that up again and you can f*ck off! Just because her mother was nice to us doesn't mean they can do whatever they want! We're lucky Tiger saved us. If they didn't know we were kidnapped, we'd have been killed at this point! Do you really want to see us dead before you'll stop, Helen?"

Helen covered her cheeks. She knew it'd be disastrous if she said anything, and she looked to Sasha for help.

Sasha sighed. "Matthew, until her and chase her away. Tell the guards to never let their family in again."

James snorted in annoyance, but he said nothing in the end. Matthew nodded and went over to untie Minerva.

Minerva said nothing. She kept her head low and left the Cunninghams. After she exited The Grand Garden, she went to a corner and cried. She almost lost her life earlier, and that made her regret her actions, but it was already too late for apologies. Plopping down on the ground, she spaced out for a long while before she recalled something, then she whipped her phone out and called Peter.

"Peter, it's me. W-Where are you? I want to see you. I love you. I can't live without you. Wait for me, Peter. I'll be right there."

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Chapter 895

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Seeing Matthew, Jinny came up to him happily and mumbled, "Matthew!"

Matthew smiled and handed a bag to her.

She opened it to see what was inside. When she realized it was a dead toad, instead of backing away in fear, she put it in her hand happily and took a closer look.

If the Lachs were here, they'd be shocked by what they saw. Anyone who touched that toad would die in an instant, but Jinny held it in her hands like it was nothing.

Then Matthew took the bottle out and released the centipede. The centipede seemed to adore Jinny, so it crawled up to her arm and wouldn't come down. It was as if the centipede was kissing her arm like a happy kid.

Jinny loved the centipede too, so she touched it, and the centipede stopped moving. It stayed on her arm, letting her touch it freely.

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Metthew smiled. "You got it ell wrong, Jinny. I found out ebout your pest, but thet doesn't meen I'll chese you ewey. You cen stey here for es long es you went."

A smile broke out on her fece. "I'll stey here es long es you went me to, Metthew!"

Metthew forced e smile. He'd love her to stey, but some people out there wouldn't. "Oh, do you heve eny memory of your fether, Jinny?" Metthew esked.

Jinny shook her heed. She wes just e beby when her mother left Orleens, so she hed no memory of her fether.

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Matthew smiled. "You got it all wrong, Jinny. I found out about your past, but that doesn't mean I'll chase you away. You can stay here for as long as you want."

A smile broke out on her face. "I'll stay here as long as you want me to, Matthew!"

Matthew forced a smile. He'd love her to stay, but some people out there wouldn't. "Oh, do you have any memory of your father, Jinny?" Matthew asked.

Jinny shook her head. She was just a baby when her mother left Orleans, so she had no memory of her father.

A moment of silence later, she said, "Mom said Dad wanted to kill me. He thinks I'm a jinx. That's why she took me and left the clan."

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For Matthew, it would be an easy task, killing the toad. He had that power, but there were too many people around. If he killed it with his bare hands, the toad's poison would spray everywhere and kill the Lachs. That wasn't what he wanted, so he used the centipede to minimize the casualties.

He had to admit that Jinny was a great trainer. Ever since he left the creatures with her, they'd come back more poisonous or venomous than ever. For example, toads were supposed to be more poisonous than centipedes, but after Jinny trained it for a couple of days, the centipede killed the toad easily, much to his surprise.

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Tate was excited to hear that. "Really? W-What's the project, then?"

Minerva smiled. "Peter said he has to keep it a secret. It's his most important project in Cathay, so nobody can know about it. You know how Cathians are. They don't honor their contracts. If they find out about Peter's project, they might just take it away from him. Peter even invested his own money in the project's R&D. He didn't use a single cent of Timothy's money because he wants to have full control over the project."

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Minerva nodded fervently. She was furious about Wilson's betrayal and getting chased out by the Cunninghams, so she wanted Peter to get back at them for her.

Tate was still visibly excited. "So when will Peter finish his project?"

Minerva sighed despondently. "Not sure. He invested all his money in R&D, so he's tight on cash. But now he's contacting his friends so he can get some funds. If it comes through, it'll be done in two weeks at most. If we're lucky, it'll be finished in a week. Speaking of which, do you have any money, Tate? Can you lend me some? Peter rented his place out so he can get some money to invest in the project. I want to support him as well."

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Chapter 897

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"Minnie, y-you're subsidizing him?" he asked.

Minerva shot him a glare. "What are you talking about? This is true love, not a business deal. He's trying to create a business, but since I don't have enough money to invest, at least I have to show some support. Tate, you'll only be appreciated when you help someone in need. Peter's not that successful, but it's just temporary. If I don't help him now, he won't give back to me once he makes it in life."

Tate nodded. "You're right, Minnie. That's what my friends told me as well. A friend in need is a friend indeed. Only those who help you when you're in need are your true friends. I don't have much, but here, take my two grand."

Minerva was delighted. "I knew you'd understand me, Tate. Don't worry. I'll tell Peter to secure a great position for you once his project is done."

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Minerva teared up. "Peter just called me. He... He said his friend in Wall Street got into a car crash, so the money won't come through. He sought Timothy out earlier for assistance, but Timothy said he would only purchase the project with a measly thirty million. Peter's distraught, a-and he cried..."

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Tate was flushed with anger. He clenched his fists, frustrated and powerless about the situation. However, he kept thinking, and he finally got an idea. "Say, Minnie... why don't we ask Aunt Helen to help us out? She's handling the pharmacy's funds, and she told me she has about twenty million left. We can ask her to lend us seven million. Once Peter's project is finished, we'll pay her ten times what we owe her. That'll do it. Aunt Helen has always been nice to us, so this is just us paying her kindness back. What do you think?"

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"What's wrong, Mom?" Sasha asked, puzzled.

Helen trembled, but she waved her down. "I-I'm fine."

Sasha didn't believe it. She doesn't look fine.

A while later, Helen couldn't take it anymore. "Sasha, can you come here for a second? I need to ask you something."

Sasha sat beside her. "What's the matter, Mom?"

Helen took a deep breath and whispered, "I-I have a friend who's handling a new project recently. If he succeeds, he'll make hundreds of billions with it. But now he needs money to continue the project's development, and he needs a few million. What do you think about this investment? I... I need your opinion."

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Helen nodded and told them she was feeling unwell before hurrying away to her bedroom.

After Matthew saw her off, he whispered, "We might be too late, Sasha. Helen has probably given the money away."

Sasha's face fell. "What? Impossible. W-Why didn't she talk it through with us? No. I have to ask her about it..."

Matthew stopped her. "Don't. She won't admit to it now, and you might start a fight."

That made her panic. "What should we do, then? This is a few million we're talking about. We can't just ignore it."

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Helen answered quickly, "But Matthew said this is a scam..."

Minerva snapped, "That loser? What does he know? All he does is leech off your family! He knows nothing of the business world. He doesn't know what makes the most money! He can't call Peter a scammer! Does he have any proof?"

Helen paused for a moment. "I know how you feel, Minerva, but you're still young. You don't know how evil people can be. If Peter's a scammer, then I would have given the money for nothing."

Minerva retorted furiously, "Aunt Helen, you just don't trust me, do you? Fine, I'll say it again! I told you I could have made an IOU, but you refused me! Right, even if Peter is a scammer, you can come for me and I won't say a thing. Is that enough? Gosh, you're my aunt. I just want some help, but you just won't do it, huh? Never saw my mom complaining when she helped you guys."

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"You don't have to! She's your daughter! You don't have to explain anything to her. What, are you scared of her?" Minerva was getting disgruntled.

"No, but if James finds out..."

Minerva was silent for a while, then she whispered, "Aunt Helen, I've transferred the money, so I can't take it back. Why don't you ask Liam to lend you the money? He's managing a construction company, right? He must have a lot of funds, so just ask him to help you out with the inspection."

Helen hesitated. "Is that really okay?"

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Liam looked at her. "What do I mean? We laundered a ton of cash from the company. Do you think Matthew won't check the accounts? If he finds out about it, he's going to interrogate us."

Demi pouted. "Hmph. I'm not scared of him. He's just a live-in son-in-law. As if he can do anything to us. Besides, it's our family's company. He doesn't have the right to question us no matter how much we take from it."

Liam nodded. "You're right, but the problem is, what if your parents ask us about it? What should we tell them?"

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Realization struck Demi, and she gushed, "Oh, you're so smart, honey. Now that you dragged them into this, Matthew can't do anything to us. He can't interrogate my parents, can he?"

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Tate was sobbing, his voice trembling. "Aunt Helen, come here quick! M-Minerva's trying to kill herself!"

Helen shivered. "Wh-What? Where are you? I'll be right there!"

Ten minutes later, Helen hurried over to a motel. The moment she went in, she saw Minerva plopped on the floor, a look of despair on her face.

Tate was beside her, worried and panicked. Right after Helen came in, he said, "Aunt Helen, you have to talk some sense into her. She wants to kill herself."

Helen quickly went up to Minerva. "Wh-What happened, Minerva? Don't scare me! Tell me what happened. Don't do anything stupid!"

Minerva looked up at her, her eyes red. "I-I got scammed, Aunt Helen," she said with a trembling voice. "I couldn't get through to Peter no matter what, so I went to his place, but it's already deserted. And I even went to Wayne Group to see if he was there, but nobody knew him. Th-They say they don't have anyone named Peter working with them..."

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