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Thank you sister. I can trust you with my own life." Rose said with pride . 1

Cherry gave a very fake smile but harbored wicked thoughts about her sister.

When the servants finally returned with a fur coat for her she wore it in rage and disgust and she snarled at them.

She didn't even attempt to do anything she made them wear it through her hands and over her.

She was jealous about the fact that Roland hand gotten Rose a coat for her to wear in the cold weather.

She was in rage.

It was her that Roland was fucking back to back , she felt a sense of entitlement over her sister.

And all she wanted to do was lash at her sister and tell her all about what was going on between them.

Nothing would make her happier to see her sister sad.

In fact she wished that she could tell her sister all the awful things she had done and how much she hated her.

How she had killed her daughter who had still somehow managed to escape.

She had sown seeds of discord and disunity in her family.

She wanted to boast about it all.

But chrrry knew better than to reveal it all out in the open. 1

She had to do it at the right time so for now she had to pretend that she cared for her sister.

When Cherry had finished wearing her fur coat or rather had her fur coat worn by the servants she turned to her sister.

"Now see sister." Rose said looking down at her people. "I have not been able to see them

Since. The people wish to have the royals walk amongst them the same way they walk

Around freely.

"You should not do that." Cherry said. "It is unsafe and dangerous. We do not know when a rebellion my rise."

"The people are hungry." Rose said. "The snow has come and despite how much of a beauty she is, she has brought blight and suffering. A famine is about to ensue."

And it was true.

Because the people did not expect snow until perhaps another five years they had taken no precautions to store grain.

She turned to her sister.

"How much grain do we have in the royal storage?" Rose asked.

Cherry snorted in annoyance but answered. "I am not quite aware of these matters but the King should have better knowledge."

Rose looked down as she saw little children playing in the snow and dancing around.

"Look at them. So happy without a single fate to the world around them." Rose said with such deep sympathy. "If we do not do something fast and urgent they will begin to understand the ways of the word and tang laughter will turn to tears." 2

She sighed and turned away.

Then she looked back up at her sister.

"I desire something from you." She said.

Cherry rose a brow interested in what her sister had to say.

"What is it?" She asked.

Rose sighed in heavily. "I have a special appointment that I wish to bestow on you. And I trust no one to do it any better."

Cherry remained calmed waiting to here what her sister would say. 1

"I wish to make you master of coin." She said. "You will also be given the well privilege to administer food storage and trade our gold for food. The people need it. We need to bring down the prices so that the people will 6

Be able to fend for themselves."

Cherry looked on in surprise.

Being the master of coin was a very huge appointment that was not to be played with and could as easily be tossed away as given.

If placed in the good hands one could excel and a double the profits of the kingdom.

If given to the wrong hands, all the money the kingdom had could be squandered and they could be well put into debt.

It was a game of gaining or losing.

And unfortunately for Rose she had placed it in the wrong hands. 3

Cherry stuttered falsely and feigned surprise and appreciation. "But sister this is a very big decision to make. And there is already another master of coin."

"He was sacked." Rose said. "He was caught stealing the food and money tjat he was supposed to use to the feed tne poor masses and refilling his wine goblet. He is no man worthy. But you my sister are." 5

"This is a big decision. I have nothing to say." Cherry said now being honest.

She was very surprised that her sister still had her hands in the Matters of the kingdom.

"You do not need to say anything." Rose said. "Do please accept it."

"What about Roland?" Cherry asked faking being thoughtful.

"Roland is only king consort. I am the Queen he would take the decision that i made without question." Rose replied straight up.

Cherry gave a weak smile. "Sister you did not

tell him? You should have. I do not wish to cause any bridge of distrust and confusion between the two of you." 2

Rose waved her hand away in a dismissive tone. 1

"You forget tnat I am then Queen and what I 2

Say will be willed." Rose said as she went to a small table.

Hot tea was poured for her and she drank from it.

"I trust you with my life." Rose said. "And I trust the life of my people with you. I desire for the children to be well fed. The snow has not even reached its harshest and yet see how things are." 2

"Things can not be quite easy at first." Cherry said.

"Yes, but I trust you to do a good job about it."

Rose sighed heavily and looked at the disappearing sun in the horizon.

"I gave birth to Scarelt and Corlal in the snowing weather. Can you remember?" Rose asked.

She sipped her tea and set it down on her plate.

"Of course I do."

Cherry said sitting down beside her sister.

Rose smiled. "When I gave birth to Scarlet she was different. There was something about her. She was hot. It was unusual. All through the pregnancy I did understand that one side of me was warmer than the other. She was extra ordinary and then her sister followed. And there were sometimes that I would swear that I saw her hair on fire. Or perhaps it was all a dream now. But I remember that when I held scarlet up to my bosom in the snow, she would warm me up. It was unusual. Not even corral did that with me."

"You should not dwell on such thing sister." Cherry said gently touching her sister's hand to soothe her.

Rose smiled and said. "You are right. And I am sure that she would not have wanted me

Moping around all this years later. I can imagine her saying "mother you musn't be sad!"

And then rose laughed.

Cherry was forced to join in the laughter even though she did not find it amusing.

Then Rose sighed heavily "Do not worry about Roland I am most certain that he would

welcome the idea of you being master of tne coin." 5

Cherry sipped some of the tea and told herself that she did not think so.

"Sister there is something that I wish to discuss with you." Cherry said. "Are you certain that it is wise of us to have Jasmine investigated? Or even freed out. For all we know she might be worse than she seems."

Rose sighed. "Why are you so against her? Is it because she is a pauper? A slave with no one to turn to for love."

"Do not quote me wrong sister." Cherry said defensively. "But we both know why you are searching into her. You are hoping that she might be some missing link between her and scarlet."

Rose went red and she bit her bottom lip unready to accept the fact that this was true. 2

"I only hoped to hear something. I only hoped for.... I do not know but I know I hoped."

Cherry gently held her sister's hand in hers and said. "I am going to tell you this because you are my sister and because I do not wish to see you while away your life. And also because I

love you. But you need to let Scarlet go. Bury her forever. She is dead and she will never come back."

Rose withdrew her hand Sharpnh as if being burned. 1

She gently rose up from her seat and said. "Do excuse me sister. There are some Matter of urgency I desire to discuss."

"Of course." Rose replied letting hee sister go. 1

Cherry rose up from the seat and walked away.

As she hurried off, she wanted to have one of her owl's find out information about where Jasmine was.

She needed to kill her off. 2

Especially since her sister had personal instructed that an investigation be held on her life.

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