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A couple of weeks after the new intruder had moved in, Maria had began to grow suspicious and still fight more and more for her territory.

It was such a disgrace that she as the Luna T the pack was at odds with a mere slave.

It infuriated her.

She knew of course that she could not confront her husband because he wanted to hear absolutely nothing about it.

She grew frequently angry with the other servants and no one wanted to cross her path.

They all avoided her the best way possible .

On the other hand Red was friendly and all smiles with them.

They welcomed her, she worked and laughed with them and it burned Maria to see that all she had worked hard for had simply gone in the blink of an eye.

The woman was beautiful and everything she was not.

Since Red's arrival she had barely had the chance to sleep with her husband.

Even though he was now much more frequently at home.

He did not for raids and combat personally anymore.

He sent his gamma and stayed more at home .

At first Maria had been delighted that her husband was now spending more time at home and that meant that he would spend more time with her.

But to he greatest horror, he barely even had any time for her.

He was training and seeing to the pack and she highly suspected that he was even staying behind because he wanted to spend more time with Red.

The one time she had tried to confront him, he had outright denied it and pointed out what she had done on Red's first day in the house.

So she poured her anger in the people she could and slowly began to reveal her tyrant self.

One day she was marching past the halls to berate a kitchen staff for how she had handled Kitchen utensils when she passed by Red's door.

Something told her to stop and peek.

The door itself was slightly opened.

She hesitated for a moment and decided why not?

Then she very gently walked to the door and put her ears.

It was Red speaking with someone.

Her gossip arose and she decided to do more and so quietly opened it a bit.

She was shocked to find it was none other than her very own husband with Red.

She froze but decided to still watch and overhear their conversation.

"How do you feel?" He asked her.

Red sighed heavily as she was seated on a chair and Bale was seated right across her pouring himself a drink like it was something he was used to.

"Horrible." Red admitted weakly.

"Which part?" He asked. "Your health or the new surroundings."

Health? Maria wondered what did he mean by health.

Red laughed. "Both but the new surroundings

in particular. I am worried about your wife."

Maria stilled.

Bale drank his wine and cleared his throat.

"What about her?" He further asked.

Red shook her head. "Everything. Can you not see she is angry and she has every right to be. I just came up from nowhere and now I am everywhere with her husband. She hates me."

"She does not hate me." Bale said.

Red rolled her eyes. "Please Bale."

"She simply misunderstands you." He said.

Red scoffed. "It is quite funny how men are blind to these things If I were in her shoes I will understand where she is coming from. She hates me and nothing will change that. Worse if she finds out who I am then she will only hate me further. She is your wife, mate and Luna and I am just....."

Bale grasped her hands tenderly.

"You are everything to me." He finished for her.

Maria's heart broke into absolute pieces at his words. "I promised that I would protect and shield you. You will lack nothing and I stand by that."

Red shook her head. "This is dangerous Bale. This secrecy. I told you that you should put me to work like a servant or a slave. But no one really lets me work here. They are all extremely kind and turn down my advances when I offer to work."

"And that is because I have told you not to work." He said. "Your condition is fragile and I expect you to not be stressed."

What condition where they even both talking about?

She shook her head and rose up to her feet and began to pace the room.

"No Bale." She said. "It does not change anything. I came here because you were my last resort. If anyone finds out about us."

"No one ever will." He said rising up from his seat himself and grasping her hands together with his.

She was quiet for a while .

"How long will this go on?" She asked him her voice breaking. "I don't want to hide this. I want to be free."

"And you will be." He promised. "It is just a matter of time".

She said nothing more and then Maria saw him reach out to her and was wondering what he was about to do until his hand rested on her stomach.

"And so how is the little on?" He asked with a gleaming smile.

It was at that moment, at those spoken words that Maria felt her body shudder and her heart stop.

She gasped heavily like she was lost for breath.

It was as if something like ice had gone through her and pierced her entire soul.

Red smiled. "She is fine."

"She?" He asked.

She nodded. "We always wanted a girl. So it's going to be a girl."

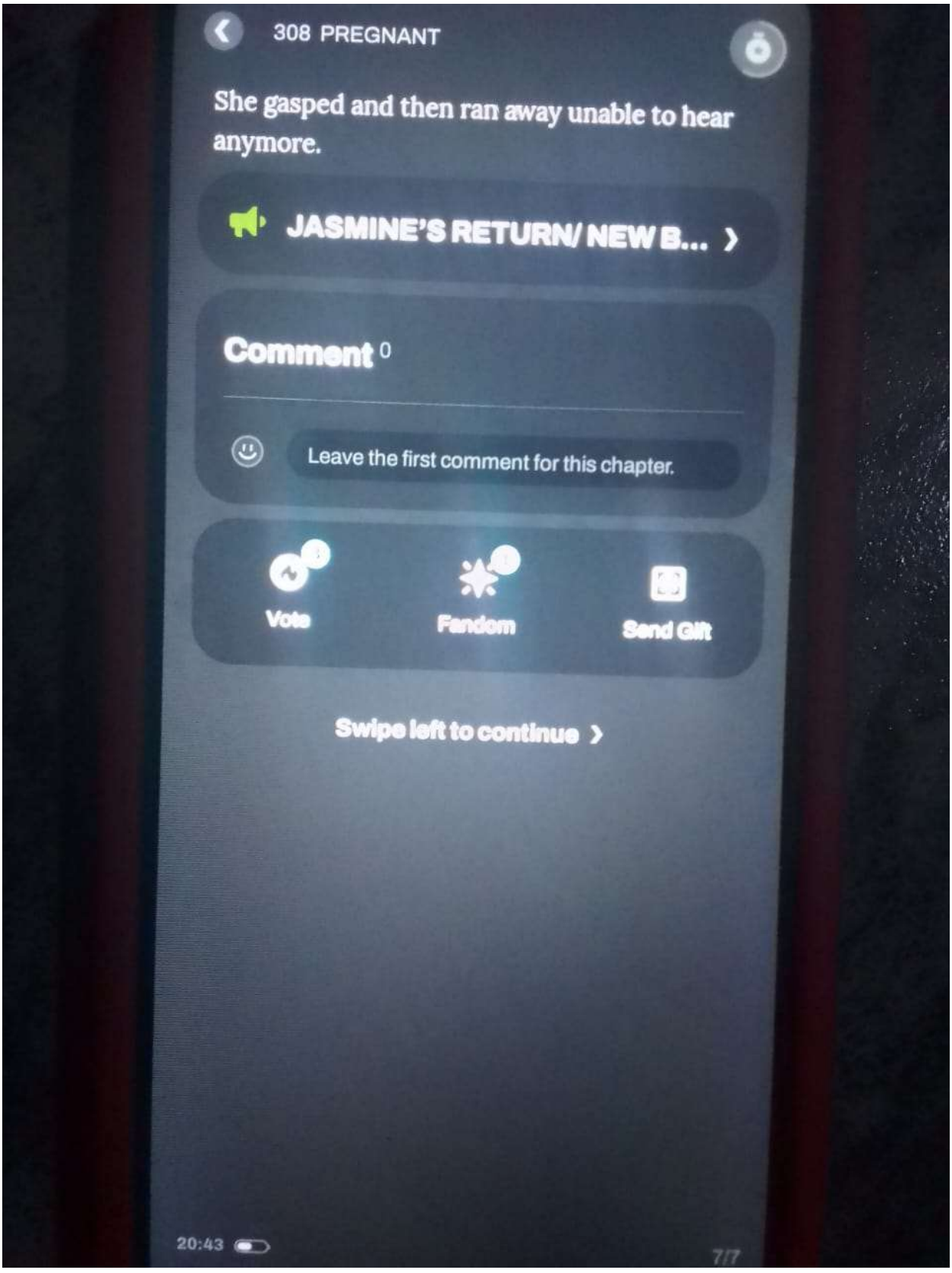
"We shall see." Bale said as he gently touched her stomach.

Red looked at him and then they both looked down on her stomach.

It all began to add up.

The sickness, him bringing her to his house.

Installing her as a woman of honor.


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She gasped and then ran away unable to hear anymore.
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