

Leaving The Country After Divorce Chapter 614-618

Chapter 614

After breakfast, Roxanne played with Archie and Benny for a while before heading to her study. While she was playing with her kids, Roxanne worried incessantly over another flower delivery the next day. She feared no amount of excuses would satisfy her children then.

Eventually, Roxanne decided she was left with no choice but to call Lucian.

Meanwhile, Lucian was working overtime at Farwell Group offices.

His office was swimming in bouquets after the past week. It clashed with his office's interior design.

With the addition of each new, rejected bouquet, the atmosphere in the office cooled further.

When Cayden came in apologetically with yet another bouquet, Lucian noticed that it had been removed from its original wrapping and arranged in a vase instead.

"Mr. Farwell, she sent the flowers back. Again." Cayden spoke softly, his entire body taut with tension as he sensed the dour atmosphere.

Lucian glanced coldly at Cayden, his gaze darkening at a frightening pace.

Cayden quietly placed the flowers in a corner and left the office. He moved as quietly as he could, fearing the wrath of his boss if he made even the slightest noise.

Soon enough, Lucian was left alone in the office.

Staring at the sea of flowers in his office, he slowly approached them.

Over the past week, he had followed Jonathan's advice to the book, sending bouquet after bouquet despite Roxanne's repeated rejection.

Alas, Roxanne had not been moved by his actions as Jonathan had promised.

What went wrong?

Sometime later, Lucian retracted his gaze frustratedly and strode toward his desk. He grabbed his phone, planning to interrogate Jonathan about the wisdom of his plan.

Suddenly, his phone screen lit up with an incoming call as his hands closed over the device.

As he stared at the caller ID, Lucian frowned, clearly confused.

Roxanne? Why is she calling me now?

Since the first day of his uninvited flower deliveries, she had not called him again to express her stance.

Wait... What if she suddenly changed her mind?

As that thought crossed his mind, Lucian grew nervous, and he answered the call with tightly knitted brows.

"Mr. Farwell," Roxanne greeted him coolly once the line connected.

Her cold demeanor was evident to Lucian, whose heart sank. "Good day, Ms. Jarvis. How can I help you?" he asked.

On the other end of the phone, Roxanne pursed her lips in annoyance at his innocent act.

She replied, "Well, Mr. Farwell, what's the meaning of your persistent flower deliveries? I've made my rejection very clear. Why waste your efforts, Mr. Farwell?"

Her question brought a severe frown to Lucian's face, but he quickly schooled his expression into a mask of calmness before responding, "Just as you are free to reject my deliveries, I am free to continue expressing my affections toward you, Ms. Jarvis."

In other words, he would not stop sending her flowers.

Roxanne clenched her fists in exasperation as she gritted out, "I may not have a say over it, but I implore you to consider the propriety of your timing. I don't believe you want the children to learn about this, do you, Mr. Farwell?"

At last, Lucian fell into silence.

He had been doing this behind Estella's back.

The girl had always thought that Roxanne had accepted them, and he did not wish to disappoint her.

If Archie and Benny knew that Roxanne had been rejecting Lucian's flowers, they would surely find a way to tell Estella about it.

Roxanne took his silence as agreement, and she added, "Mr. Farwell, please stop sending these things to my house!"

She then hung up without giving him a chance to reply.

Chapter 615

Lucian's gaze darkened as he stared at his phone. An indeterminate amount of time passed before he located the flower shop's number and called them. "Don't send any flowers tomorrow. Starting next week, please send them to VR Research Institute instead."

The flower shop staff agreed immediately. Meanwhile, though Roxanne had clearly expressed her rejection, she continued to worry that Lucian would ignore her pleas.

The next day, Roxanne awoke bright and early and waited in the living room.

Her children seemed to echo her thoughts as they came downstairs early to wait with her.

The three of them waited with bated breath, especially Roxanne, who was fraught with nerves.

Thankfully for her, no one came to ring her doorbell even after a long while.

Roxanne was immensely relieved as she watched the suspicions clearing from her sons' faces. She naively assumed that Lucian had finally given up.

The next day, after resting at home for almost half a month, Roxanne was dying to return to work.

Her wound had healed nicely, and she could walk quite comfortably.

Roxanne convinced Lysa and the boys to allow her to return to the research institute.

She arrived at about ten in the morning, having spent much time trying to persuade Lysa.

Roxanne did not know why, but she thought the workers at the research institute were all staring at her with strange expressions.

As she approached the doorway, Colby happened to exit her office.

"Dr. Jarvis," Colby greeted, a conflicted emotion flitting across his expression. More confused than ever, Roxanne asked, "Did anything happen this morning?"

CU.

Why is everyone staring at me like that? And why did Colby come out of my office?

Instead, Colby stared at her with a concerned expression and asked, "Why did you suddenly show up to work? Has your leg healed completely?"

Roxanne replied simply, "Almost."

After that, she questioned, "So what happened here? Why does it feel as though everyone's staring at me with such a strange expression?"

Forced into a corner, Colby pretended to be calm and smiled at Roxanne. "Someone sent a bouquet of roses over this morning for you. I thought you weren't coming today, so I put it in your office for you."

Colby had run into an employee from the flower shop when he arrived at the research institute that morning.

The employee immediately asked Colby if he knew Roxanne, and Colby froze for a good minute when he saw the bouquet of roses.

Eventually, he received the flowers on Roxanne's behalf.

His heart churned with an indescribable emotion as he walked into the research institute.

Naturally, gossip about the anonymous flower delivery spread like wildfire among the workers at the research institute.

The chatter only ceased when Roxanne herself showed up.

After the woman heard Colby's explanation, her expression froze, and she almost ran to her office, only to see a bouquet of red roses lying on her desk.

From behind her, Colby explained, "I didn't manage to ask who sent the flowers. Perhaps you already know who sent them."

Roxanne clenched her fists so hard that her nails dug into her palm. She forced herself to calm down before shooting Colby a strained smile. "I know, but could I trouble you for a favor? If anyone asks about this, just tell them it's a wrong delivery."

She did not want the delivery to affect her reputation at work.

Colby was surprised and perplexed by her request.

Is she accepting the bouquet sender's feelings or not?

Meanwhile, Roxanne nodded nonchalantly at him before taking a seat at her desk.

As Colby immediately sensed her unwillingness to discuss the issue, he suppressed his curiosity. Instead, he nodded and agreed to her request.

Chapter 616

When Colby wanted to continue updating her about the progress of projects at the research institute, Roxanne stopped him. "I have to take care of some matters now. You can leave first if there's nothing important."

Colby could not quite see the expression on her face as she was facing downward. Knitting his brows, he glanced at the roses beside her. It was obvious that the roses had affected Roxanne's emotions.

In the past, as someone who took her work seriously, Roxanne would have checked on the progress of the projects with him whenever she was away from the research institute, but she seemed a little different today.

Hence, Colby was overwhelmed by conflicting emotions.

Since he only had limited interaction with Roxanne, he did not know who gave her the flowers.

Most importantly, he had no idea how Roxanne felt about the person.

lifted her eyes, noticing Colby was still standing in her office. Giving him a puzzled look, she asked, "What's wrong? Is there anything else you want to tell me?"

Colby returned to his senses as he lowered his eyes and replied, "Nothing. I'm going out now. Feel free to call me if you need help."

Nodding, Roxanne watched him leave the office.

As the door gradually closed, Roxanne was left alone in the office.

She looked away and tried to suppress her anger, hoping to focus on her work.

Yet, the bouquet was so distracting that she could not stop herself from staring at it.

Feeling annoyed, Roxanne put aside her work and walked to the bouquet, but she did not know what to do with it.

She thought Lucian would have listened to her after the call she made last weekend.

I didn't expect him to deliver the flowers here! Given his character, he'll still do it in the future. His action will cause further misunderstanding among my staff if they see this!

Roxanne's heart started to hurt when she thought of the consequences.

After a short hesitation, she fished out her phone and decided to give Lucian a call.

Meanwhile, Lucian was listening to updates from his subordinates in Farwell Group's conference room with a deadpan expression.

Deep in his heart, he was a little frustrated with himself. I wonder how she reacted to the bouquet since I ordered someone to send it to the research institute without her permission.

All the subordinates put their guard up during their presentation as they could sense a chilling aura from Lucian.

All of a sudden, a phone on the table started vibrating, interrupting the meeting.

"Let's take a break." Before anyone could react, Lucian picked up his phone and left the conference room.

Everyone in the room exchanged glances upon seeing the CEO's reaction.

It was the second time Lucian answered a call during the meeting throughout this period.

They wondered if the call was from which influential figure.

At once, all of them started discussing among themselves.

Lucian had no idea what they did behind his back as he went straight back to his office to answer Roxanne's call.

"What are you trying to do, Mr. Farwell? Did I not make myself clear? Why did you send a bouquet to my workplace?" Roxanne's voice emerged from the other end of the phone.

Lucian frowned when he heard what she said.

Roxanne sounded frustrated; she was not touched by what he did at all.

Before Lucian could respond to her, Roxanne continued, "Do you know how grave of a misunderstanding your action can cause, especially among my staff?"

A deep line formed between Lucian's brows. "Isn't that your wish? I only sent the bouquet to the research institute because you didn't want the children to know about it."

Chapter 617

Before Roxanne could say anything, the man continued, "Besides, you did send the flowers back to my office, didn't you? Do you want to know how my staff talked behind my back?" Lucian said it matter-of-factly.

His reply rendered Roxanne speechless for a moment. After a short pause, she gritted her teeth and retorted, "That's because your action has caused inconvenience to me, Mr. Farwell!"

Lucian let out a baffling laugh. "Your action has caused me inconvenience too, Ms. Jarvis."

"Lucian Farwell!" Roxanne called out his name with a raised voice. "You knew what I meant!"

Lucian's expression turned grim as he responded in a solemn voice, "You knew my intention as well. Why wouldn't you give me a chance?"

Their conversation kept hitting a deadlock.

Roxanne pressed her lips, remaining silent for a while. After regaining her composure, she said calmly, "Let's meet and talk it out."

She had to think of a way to end this quickly as she did not want to play this with him anymore.

game

Upon hearing that, Lucian arched his brows, surprised that she would want to meet up with him. But it seems she just wants to turn me down in front of me.

The man pursed his lips as he agreed, "Sure. You decide the time and place, then."

Roxanne acknowledged at once.

After ending the call, Lucian returned to the conference room. However, this time, he looked less intimidating.

Those who talked behind his back immediately zipped their mouth, looking all businesslike once again.

"Let's continue," Lucian ordered.

With that, someone stood up and continued with the meeting.

During the meeting, Lucian's phone started blinking again.

Arching his brows, he glanced at the screen, noticing the text from Roxanne. She told him to meet her at a café near the research institute during lunch break.

The people in the meeting noticed the tension on Lucian's face had eased after he looked at the phone screen.

In fact, he seemed to be in a good mood by the time the meeting ended.

It was already noon when he left the conference room and returned to his office.

Glancing at the time on his watch, Lucian felt concerned about the meeting with Roxanne, as he had not thought of what to say later.

Their meetings in the past had ended on a sour note, and Lucian knew things would not get better this time because Roxanne was determined to reject him.

Of course, Lucian would not let things go her way.

Feeling vexed at the thought of the intense exchange that might happen later, he decided to give Jonathan a call.

It did not take long for Jonathan to answer his call. "Yes, Lucian. How can I help you?"

Lucian replied in a deep voice, "I'll be meeting her later."

Hearing that, Jonathan froze for a moment, but he soon realized who Lucian was talking about.

"So... I suppose you've made good progress?" Jonathan asked in surprise.

Lucian said frankly, "She's planning to reject me."

His reply left Jonathan speechless. Did Lucian do anything wrong? Why does Dr. Jarvis keep on rejecting him?

Had the person involved in this been someone else, Jonathan would have advised him to give up.

However, since the center of the drama revolved around Lucian and Estella's biological mother, Jonathan had no choice but to come up with ideas to help Lucian

out.

Yet, Jonathan had run out of ideas since Lucian said Roxanne was determined to turn him down.

Chapter 618

It was almost noon, but Jonathan had not been able to come up with a solution. He could only advise Lucian, "Whatever you say or do, remember to tone down your attitude. Don't confront her head-on."

Lucian frowned but acknowledged at once. After ending the call, Lucian went downstairs and drove to Roxanne's research institute.

In the meantime, Roxanne got up, ready to depart to the café when most of her staff had left the building.

Before stepping out of the research institute, she stopped in her track as something popped up in her mind. She then returned to her office to retrieve the roses. I might as well give him back the flowers since I'm meeting him.

She was relieved that no one saw her walking with a bouquet of roses.

When Roxanne was about to walk to the car park after leaving the research institute, she saw a Bentley at the entrance of the building.

Noticing her from a distance, the man immediately got out of the car and walked toward her.

Roxanne's expression stiffened when she saw the man coming in her direction. Didn't I tell him to meet me at the café? What on earth is he doing here? It's as if he's still unhappy with the damage done when he sent the bouquet over this morning!

"It's noon now, so I feel we should have a proper meal instead. That's why I came here to fetch you," Lucian explained as if he knew what she was thinking.

Upon hearing that, Roxanne snapped back to reality. With a frown, she responded, "No thanks. Let's just grab a quick coffee."

She wanted to avoid having lunch with Lucian because she did not want to spend more time with him.

However, Lucian acted as if her words fell on deaf ears as he continued, "What would you like to eat? I'll reserve a table now."

Roxanne gave him a puzzled look.

She was unsure if her mind was playing tricks on her, but somehow, she felt Lucian looked slightly different from how he used to carry himself.

“That won’t be necessary. I don’t feel like eating. I’m asking you out so we can clear things up once and for all.” Roxanne reiterated her motive icily before giving him back the bouquet. “Your flowers. Please take it back.”

Lucian, who was busy scrolling through his phone, froze instantly. He lifted his eyes and looked over. A hard glint flashed across his eyes.

When he noticed her carrying the bouquet from a distance earlier, he had already expected her to return the flowers to him.

However, he intentionally diverted her attention so that she would forget about the flowers.

Should that happen, he would be in a foul mood.

Yet, the woman was not going to give up easily. Inching closer, she placed the bouquet in front of him. “Here.”

After a stand-off, Lucian finally reached out his hand to retrieve the flowers with a deadpan expression. “I’m sad that you refused to accept the bouquet. To make it up to me, please have lunch with me.”

Roxanne studied his expression but did not see a hint of sadness on his face.

“I’m sorry,

I—”

When she was about to reject his offer, Lucian interrupted, “I didn’t have breakfast this morning. My stomach is growling now.”

He started frowning while playing the sympathy card. “You want me to drink coffee with you on an empty stomach, Ms. Jarvis?”

As his words fell, Lucian gazed into the woman’s eyes.

He came out with the idea on the spot.

According to Jonathan, resorting to tactics that could tug at her heartstrings might work.

In the past, Lucian would have looked down on such a dirty trick, but the woman’s attitude left him with no choice other than to resort to this tactic.

Upon hearing that, Roxanne hesitated for a moment. Swallowing her words, she sized the man up while knitting her brows.

