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He left the hospital. While sitting in the car, Jalen was still thinking about what Marie had asked him.

Why?

He couldn't answer.

He thought perhaps he was just curious about the woman's attitude and wanted to find out more.

His phone suddenly rang, dragging him back from his deep thoughts. He rubbed his eyebrows in frustration and picked up the phone. "Say it."

"Mr. Halton, I checked your schedule for the past five years. And I found there are *no* crossing places between you and Dr. Gainsford.

"But the strange thing is that Dr. Gainsford disappeared two years ago. No one knows where she went, so it is difficult to find the places she has ever been to in the past two years.

"Do we need to ask Mr. Krause to help investigate?"

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Quincy Krause was the king of the underworld. He might be able to find something that could not be found by common methods, so Graham suggested this.

After a long silence, just as Graham thought that Jalen would agree, he heard Jalen say, "No. She is just a doctor. There is no need to pay too much attention to her."

Graham was surprised that Jalen gave it up.

Before Graham could ask again, Jalen hung up. Graham felt upset, but he knew that he should not ask more.

A few days later, Marie was discharged from the hospital. Elaina personally handled the discharge

formalities for her.

“Although the lesion has been successfully removed, there is still a possibility of relapse. So remember to go to the hospital regularly for a check-up and keep a healthy lifestyle.” At the entrance of the hospital, Elaina reminded her again.

“Got it.” Marie nodded. “Thank you, Dr. Gainsford.”

“How are you going back? By taxi?” Elaina was surprised that no one came to pick her up.

She hadn’t seen Jalen for several days. She thought that he would come when Marie was discharged today.

Unexpectedly, he didn’t show up. For a moment, she really wondered if he cared about Marie or not.

As soon as she said that, Marie pointed to the car not far away and said, “Jalen is here to pick me up.

Hearing this, Elaina also looked over.

The car stopped beside them. Jalen got out of the car. They had not seen each other for a few days, but he kept a cold face without showing any emotion.

“Are you done?” He spoke and looked at Marie.

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“Well, thanks to Dr. Gainsford, she helped me do it,” Marie answered, looking at Jalen and Dr. Gainsford in

turn.

Marie remembered the question she asked Jalen a few days ago. He did not answer at that time, but Marie had that feeling.

However, now, she felt that Jalen seemed to have no interest in Elaina. Marie thought maybe she was wrong.

Jalen opened the car door and said to her, “Let’s go.”

“Okay.” Marie nodded. “Goodbye, Dr. Gainsford.”

“Bye, hope we don’t meet again.” Elaina smiled and waved her hand. After all, she was a doctor. It was not good news to see her again.

Unfortunately, Jalen did not understand that. He thought that Elaina was saying this to him, and his face immediately darkened.

Marie got in the car. Jalen walked to the driver’s seat without hesitation. From beginning to end, he did not say a word to Elaina. He did not even give her a look.

Elaina did not care. This was the attitude that Jalen should have towards her. He was Mr. Halton, an influential figure, who should not pay any attention to her, a nobody.

In the car that was away from the hospital, Marie looked at Jalen who was driving in the front several times. She found Jalen seemed to be in a bad mood, though she didn’t make sure about it.

“Jalen, don’t take what I said before to heart. I was just saying it casually,” She could not help but explain.

Jalen nodded and continued driving.

Not long after, Jalen sent Marie home. “Have a good rest. Call me if you feel uncomfortable.”

“Jalen, are you going to work?” She was very disappointed. She thought that he would stay with her.

“Yes, there are a lot of things to do in the company.” He nodded without saying one more word. He turned

around and got into the car. Then he disappeared from Marie’s sight.

Marie looked in the direction where the car left. She bit her lips, her eyes full of unwillingness.

But soon, she held back this emotion.

She had to take good care of her health. There would be plenty of opportunities in the future. She needed to

be patient.

At Kemp Apartment.

Elaina looked at Jenica who was taking a suitcase in front of her. Elaina was surprised. “You ran away from home again?”

“Ah. Bingo.” Jenica laughed and carried her luggage into the living room.

“What’s the reason this time?” Elaina closed the door and asked casually.

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“He didn’t buy me the newest purse and even asked me to go to work at the company. I can’t stand it.” As she spoke, she directly chose a room with her luggage.

The reason surprised Elaina. “Weren’t you traveling abroad? When did you come back?”

When she finished her words, Jenica leaned in front of her and said solemnly, “I heard that you were divorced, so I rushed back.”

“Let’s go eat. I was starving.” She pulled Elaina out of the apartment and was ready to go to a restaurant.

After Elaina briefly explained the matter, Jenica looked at her as if she was looking at a fool. “Aren’t you too nice to Jalen that bastard? You didn’t ask for anything!”

“Let me tell you, you should take great advantage of him. You can’t let him off too easily.

“I have long disliked him. If he were not Jalen, I would have beaten him up for you.”

When they were waiting for the elevator, Jenica said a bunch of things.

She was angry and her voice was very loud. She didn’t even notice that someone was walking behind them.

“Jalen, that jerk! Go hit him to vent your anger.” She felt sad for Elaina, especially when she thought that Elaina had divorced without taking anything.

“Is that so? Then come. Let me see your ability.”

They heard a cold voice from behind. Elaina and Jenica were shocked and turned their heads in disbelief.

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They were surprised. *Ja... Jalen, how could he be here?*

The surrounding fell into a dead silence. Elaina and Jalen who were stared at with scrutiny by him wished they could find a hole to hide in..

With a ding, the elevator arrived.

Elaina came up with an idea and pulled Jenica into the elevator. She wanted them *to* quickly disappear, but she did not expect Jalen to also step in with his long legs.

Tell me, how did she let me off so easily? What do you think she should ask me for?" He spoke, and his eyes focused on Jenica. Although his tone was calm, it gave people a kind of fear that came from nowhere.

Jenica swallowed her saliva with guilt, but she then realized Jalen was the one who had wronged Elaina int the matter of divorce. She just told the truth.

Just as she was about to speak, Elaina spoke first, "Well, Mr. Halton. after Jenica knew that I did the operation for Ms. Dunston, she felt that I should ask you for more rewards. So she said that."

"You mean what I gave is not enough?" Jalen turned to look at her and spoke threateningly.

"Of course, it's enough." Elaina shook her head and forced a smile. "It's my fault that I didn't make it clear to Jenica. She doesn't know how much you gave me."

"Oh? Really?" Jalen looked at Jenica again. He felt that this was not the truth.

Jenica met Elaina's gaze. Although she did not understand what was going on, she still nodded in agreement. "Yes."

"Just because of this, you want to beat me up?" Jalen frowned.

Jenica felt it was her fault and did not dare to look Jalen in the eye.

"She was just saying it casually. Don't take it seriously," Elaina explained. She also thought that they were unlucky. When speaking ill of Jalen, they happened to run into him!

Jalen ignored her and stared at Jenica for a long time before he said faintly, "You are the daughter of Aldo Gansburg?"

"Ah... Yes." Jenica nodded, surprised that Jalen recognized her.

"Very well. I will remember you." As he spoke, the elevator got to the first floor. He walked out.

Jenica's legs suddenly went weak. If Elaina hadn't supported her in time, she would have fallen down. "Crap. He won't take revenge on my dad's company, will he?"

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Looking at Jalen going away, Elaina shook her head. "I don't think so. Jalen is not so childish."

Jenica felt Elaina was right. After getting a little relieved, she asked, "What happened between you and him?"

Don't tell me he doesn't know you."

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Just now, Jalen and Elaina had almost no interaction in the elevator. Jalen could not understand the meaning of her words. Other than that he didn't know Elaina, she really could not think of any other reason.

"Well, I have never seen him since we got married."

Elaina nodded and continued, "You don't know how stunned I was when he asked me to perform the surgery on his lover the day after I divorced him."

"His lover?" Jenica was interested. "Tell me in detail."

Then, Elaina told her the ins and outs of the operation to Marie and sighed. "I don't want to see him again."

"Well, it can't come true." Jenica gloated. "Have you never thought about why he was here just now?"

Elaina said, "..."

She couldn't believe this. New York was a big city. How come she and Jalen lived in the same community, the

same building, or even the same floor?

She wondered, *is there anyone unluckier than me?*

Jenica patted her shoulder and said with a grin, "It seems that the story between you and Jalen has not been

over. Maybe you can remarry him.”

“I’m really curious about Jalen’s reaction when he finds out you are his ex-wife.” Jenica thought, *I really want*

*to tell Jalen right now.*

“Screw you!” Elaina rolled her eyes at her, feeling particularly bad.

The next day, Elaina went to work as usual. As soon as she arrived at the hospital, she began the operation.

She was busy all day.

When she finally finished the operation and took out her mobile phone, she found that there were more than

a dozen missed calls from Jenica.

She felt uneasy for no reason and quickly called Jenica.

“My goodness, you’re finally done with your work.” As soon as she got through, she heard Jenica’s panicked

voice.

She asked, “What happened?”

“That bastard Jalen!” Jenica scolded. After taking two deep breaths, she continued, “He suspended his

cooperation with my dad’s company.”

Elaina was surprised. “No way…”

“I just talked to my dad on the phone. He was worried about how he offended Jalen. He did not know that I

offended Jalen.” Jenica did not dare to tell her father the truth, because she thought her father would kill her.

Elaina realized the seriousness of the thing and said, “Don’t worry. I will come to you to work it out.”

“Don’t come home. Let’s meet at the entrance of the Halton Group,” she said.

“The Halton Group?”

“Of course! I have to apologize.” Jenica wanted to cry. She said, “The Halton Group is my dad’s biggest client. If he lost this client, my dad’s company may face bankruptcy.”

“Okay, I’ll come over now.” Elaina did not want to see Jalen, but she also knew that the whole thing was because of her and she couldn’t stand aside.

After hanging up, Elaina changed her clothes and took a taxi to the Halton Group. She met Jenica at the

gate.

They entered the building together, but they were quickly stopped by the reception. “Do you have an

appointment?”

“No.” Jenica shook her head and said, “I have something urgent to talk to Mr. Halton. Can you help me?”

“Sorry, I can’t let you go up without an appointment.” The receptionist refused with a smile.

They did not give up and decided to wait for him on the first floor. They believe that sooner or later Jalen

would come down.

In the CEO’s office, Graham received a phone call and then looked at Jalen who was busy. He hesitated and said, “Mr. Halton, the young lady from the Gansburg family and Dr. Gainsford are downstairs. They want to

see you...”

Jalen nodded and continued to look through the documents without raising his head.

Graham did not know what he meant and did not dare to say more. He just asked, “Mr. Halton, are you really going to *stop* cooperating with the Gansburg family?”

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The cooperation between the Gansburg Group and the Halton Group had always been smooth. Graham did not know why Jalen wanted to end it.



“Yes.” Jalen nodded and threw a document at Graham. “We will work with the Dunston Group in the future.”

*The Dunston Group?*

Graham was surprised. He picked up the document and read it. He immediately understood what was going

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turned out that Marie and her family had asked for cooperation. It seemed that the Gansburg family had become a sacrifice.

“They are still downstairs...”

Jalen said, “Let them go. I have no time to see them.”

“OK.”

The sky gradually darkened. All the employees of the Halton Group had left, but Jalen was nowhere to be

seen.

“Ella, do you think Jalen has made up his mind to bankrupt my father’s company?” Jenica looked worried.

“There will be a way.” Elaina was also worried, but she had to stay calm at this time.

As Elaina spoke, she suddenly saw Graham coming out of the elevator. She immediately rushed over.

“Graham,” Elaina called his name. Graham had been to the hospital once, so she recognized him and knew that he was Jalen’s assistant.

Hearing Elaina’s voice, Graham looked at her. Before Elaina spoke, he said apologetically, “Dr. Gainsford, you and Ms. Gansburg should go. Mr. Halton won’t see you.”

“Why?” Elaina didn’t understand. She said, “Even if Jenica has somehow offended him, he should give her a chance to apologize.”

“It’s not because of Ms. Gansburg,” Graham said.

“Then what is the reason?” Elaina asked. She felt that things were more complicated than she had imagined.

Graham was silent. As an assistant, he knew what to say and what not to say.

"I understood." Elaina knew that Graham would not tell her, so she changed the topic. "But you can tell me Jalen's following schedule. Right?"

Graham was still silent. Elaina was angry and said coldly, "Although Ms. Dunston has been discharged from the hospital, it is hard to guarantee that she will not relapse in the future. Don't you think Jalen will ask me for help one day?"

"Mr. Halton will leave the company in thirty minutes to meet clients. The meeting will probably end very late.

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You are not likely to see him today." Graham didn't know what else to do. He knew that what Elaina said was

true.

Elaina frowned and was extremely anxious. She could not help but ask, "Where is he going to meet his

clients?"

Elaina wanted to go there and waited for him. She believed she would see Jalen.

"Dr. Gainsford, just forget it," Graham felt sympathy for Elaina and whispered to her, "Even if you manage to meet with Mr. Halton, it won't change anything. He has made a decision."

Elaina was stunned.

Jalen...

*Does he really want the Gansburg family to go bankrupt?*

Jenica offended Jalen because of Elaina. Elaina was the cause of this matter, so she had to find a way to

solve it. But now, Elaina couldn't see Jalen. And according to Graham, even if Elaina met with Jalen, he would

not forgive the Gansburg family.

After thinking for a moment, Elaina made a decision.

She turned around and walked back to Jenica. Elaina said, "Let's go home. I've got an idea."

Jenica asked, "Really?"

"Yes."

Jenica and Elaina left the Halton Group. Elaina asked her to go home and wait for the news, while she called

Takvor, the butler of the Halton's old house.

Jalen would not let the Gansburg family go, so Elaina could only ask Nitzan for help. No matter what, she

had to help the Gansburg family.

"Ms. Gainsford?" Takvor was surprised. He did not expect that Elaina would call him.

"Takvor, is Nitzan well recently? I want to see him," Elaina said. She was very nervous. She had divorced

Jalen. Elaina did not know if Nitzan would still help her.

When Takvor heard this, he looked at Nitzan, who was sitting beside him. Takvor said in a low voice, "It's Ms.

Gainsford, She said she wanted to see you."

"OK. Let her come here." Nitzan was surprised, but he smiled and nodded.

Takvor replied to Elaina. After hanging up the phone, he asked with some doubt, "Mr. Nitzan, didn't you ask

Mr. Jalen to come here for dinner tonight? And you just invited Ms. Gainsford. They..."

"It's just a divorce. What's the big deal? They can still be friends," Nitzan said with a smile. In fact, it would be

the first time that Jalen and Elaina had dinner with him together.

Elaina did not know Nitzan's plan. After hanging up the phone, she took a taxi to the Halton's old house.

At the same time, Jalen finished his work.

“Have they left?” Jalen asked in an emotionless tone.

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“They have left,” Graham replied. He stole a glance at Jalen. *Why did he look* unhappy after hearing that they

*had left?*

Jalen did not speak again. Graham took the opportunity and asked, “Someone called from the old house and asked when you would go there. Are you going to see the clients or go to the old house first?”

“Let’s go to the old house.” After saying that, Jalen stood up and walked out of the office.

When Elaina arrived at the Halton’s old house, Takvor was already waiting for her at the door. “Ms. Gainsford, you are here.”

“Um. Where’s Nitzan?” Elaina asked with a smile.

“Mr. Halton is waiting for you in the house.” As Takvor spoke, he led Elaina inside.

In the living room, when Nitzan saw her, he instantly smiled. “Girl, you’re so heartless. It has been so long since you last came to see me.”

“I’m sorry, Nitzan. I’m too embarrassed to see you.” It was because Nitzan was too nice to Elaina that she dared not visit him after divorcing Jalen.

“What are you talking about? You’ve got divorced, but I’m still your family,” Nitzan added, “You should visit me more often from now on.”

“OK. I will come here frequently.” Elaina nodded, but she avoided Nitzan’s gaze. She didn’t know how to bring up the matter of the Gansburg family.

After hesitating for a while, Elaina finally gathered her courage. “Nitzan, actually, I came today because I have something that...”

Before Elaina could finish speaking, she heard a harsh braking sound from the door. Elaina looked up abruptly. Her eyes were filled with panic.

She thought, *I can’t be so unlucky, can I?*

"Is that kid here?" Nitzan asked Takvor. He was angry as he mentioned Jalen. *He had such a wife, but he didn't cherish her. Jalen is so stupid.*

"It should be Mr. Jalen. I will go and take a look," Takvor said as he walked out the door.

"I didn't tell you in advance that Jalen would come here too. You won't blame me, will you?" Nitzan looked at Elaina with a smile. He was looking forward to the scene of the three of them eating together. This was the first time in so many years.

Elaina gave a wry smile. She was extremely anxious in her heart. "No... Of course not."

Elaina felt dizzy. *Didn't Jalen say that he was going to see his clients? Why would he come to the old house?*

It was so sudden. Elaina was not prepared at all!

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Elaina looked in the direction of the door. Her palms were sweating. She took several deep breaths, but she still could not calm herself down.

*Are we... going to meet with each other?*

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*He's getting closer! He's here!*

Elaina already heard footsteps coming from the door. From far to near, each step seemed to be on her heart. She wanted to hide in a hole.

Elaina tried her best to calm down. When she looked up again, she was ready to face Jalen.

However, there was only Takvor in front of her.

Elaina wondered, *where is Jalen?*

*Why isn't he here? Is he behind Takvor?*

Elaina stretched her neck and looked behind Takvor. There was still no one.

"Where is that kid?" Nitzan had a cold expression on his face. Seeing that only Takvor care in, Nitzan was

angry.

"Jalen said that he has something urgent to attend to. He will come to see you later." Takvor was nervous. *Mr. Jalen suddenly left. I couldn't stop him.*

"Something urgent?" Nitzan frowned and looked at Takvor with a cold face.

Takvor had no choice but to tell the truth. "It seems that something has happened to Ms. Dunston. Mr. Jalen

left after answering a call."

*So, it was because of Marie.*

Elaina sneered in her heart. *Sure enough. For Jalen, Marie is always the most important person. Even Nitzan has to give way.*

*He likes Marie so much. Then why did he agree to marry me back then? Couldn't he resist Nitzan?*

"Brat!" Nitzan knocked on the ground with the cane in his hand. Obviously, he was furious.

"I wonder how that woman bewitched him!" Nitzan was angry and wanted to say something more. But he

suddenly remembered that Elaina was still here, so he stopped.

Nitzan looked at Elaina, his face full of shame. "Jalen was blinded by that woman for the time being. When

he becomes lucid, he will realize that you are the best person for him."

"It doesn't matter, Nitzan. He and I have already got a divorce." Elaina smiled. She was not angry.

But Nitzan insisted. He said to Elaina, "No. You are the most suitable person for Jalen. I will make him change his mind."

Elaina frowned and was a little confused. "Nitzan, why do you... think I am the most suitable for him?"

Elaina did not understand. She had never seen Jalen. From the moment she met with Nitzan, he had always been on her side. Nitzan would help Elaina even if he had to quarrel with Jalen.

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Elaina did not think that she had such great charm. She felt that Nitzan was partial to her without reason.

Nitzan was surprised, but he quickly replied, "When I first saw you, I felt that you and Jalen were a good match. This is intuition."

*Intuition?*

Elaina stared at Nitzan for a moment. He seemed to be sincere, and she could not see anything unusual.

However, Elaina also had an intuition that things were not that simple.

However, she was here to ask for Nitzan's help today, so it was not good for her to dig into it. Elaina smiled and changed the topic, "Nitzan, actually, I came here today to ask for your help."

When Jalen arrived at the Dunston's home, Marie's parents were taking care of her in the room. When they saw him, they quickly got out and left Jalen and Marie alone.

"Your mother called me. She said that you are not feeling well? What's the problem? Why don't you go to the hospital?" Jalen asked.

"It's nothing. My mother was making a fuss."

Marie was a little embarrassed and continued, "You didn't need to make this trip. I'm sorry."

"I promised your brother to take good care of you, so you don't have to feel sorry." Jalen stared at Marie. "Are you sure there's no problem? Or do you want to go to the hospital?"

"I'm really fine. I know my condition." Marie shook her head, feeling a little guilty.

"If there's nothing else, I'll go home first. My grandfather is still waiting for me to have dinner." After saying

that, Jalen turned around to leave.

"Jalen!"

Marie suddenly called out his name. Her eyes were red. She said, "If it was *not* for my brother's instructions, would you be concerned about me?"

Jalen looked at Marie in silence. After a while, he said, "Take good care of yourself. Don't think about anything else."

"Jalen, I..."

"Alright. I'm going home. Have a good rest." After saying that, Jalen got out of the room.

Downstairs, Marie's parents felt uneasy when they saw Jalen come out so soon. "Jalen, why don't *you* stay with her for a little longer? She has been talking about you all this time."

Jalen glanced at them coldly. His gaze went straight to their hearts. Jalen saw through their thoughts easily.

"Take good care of Marie. If anything happens to her, the Dunston family will no longer exist. Do you

understand?" Jalen said coldly.

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"Yes. Yes. Marie is our daughter. Of course, we will take good care of her." Kadin Dunston nodded repeatedly. He didn't dare to act rashly in front of Jalen.

"Your daughter? Is she your daughter? Do you really think you have hidden your secret well?" Jalen sneered

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"Jalen, you..." Kadin wanted to say something, but Jalen interrupted him.

"Aren't Kian and Marie the cash cows you brought home from the orphanage? You forced them to drop out of school to make money at a young age. When Kian became my bodyguard, he was only 18 years old. Right? When Marie waited tables in the restaurant, she was only 16 years old. Right?" Jalen put on a long face and said bluntly.

"Do you think they don't know their background? Do you know why Kian only asked me to take care of Marie before he died and didn't mention you two at all?"

If not for the fact that they two had been pushing their luck recently, Jalen would not have said such unpleasant words.

*They are too shameless. Do they really regard themselves as Marie's parents?*



Kadin and his wife turned pale, and their eyes were full of disbelief.

“They... They know about their backgrounds?” Kadin asked. He couldn’t believe it.

Jalen glanced at him and then looked in the direction of Marie’s room upstairs. “Marie doesn’t know. Kian

didn’t want her to be hurt, so he didn’t tell Marie.”

Kadin breathed a sigh of relief. As long as Marie didn’t know, it was fine. Anyway, she was his biggest cash

cow now.

“I said those things because I want you to know that I can tell Marie the truth at any time. And I can let her

cut off her relationship with you. Do you understand?” Jalen put it bluntly. He warned Kadin and his wife not

to be insatiable.

They nodded like chickens pecking food, not daring to refute it at all.

Seeing this, Jalen was satisfied. “Alright, take good care of her.”

With that, he turned around to leave.

“What about the cooperation?” Kadin gritted his teeth and asked. He hadn’t given up.

As Jalen walked out, he said, “Someone will deliver the contract tomorrow.”

“Alright. Alright. Alright. We won’t let you down.” Kadin smiled happily, and so did his wife.

Marie had come out of the room. She looked at her parents with a cold face and complained, “Why do you

ask to cooperate with Jalen again? Didn’t he give you enough?”

“You don’t understand. One project is not enough. Continuous cooperation will bring more benefits. We will make as much money as we want as long as we cooperate with the Halton Group.” Kadin didn’t change his

attitude toward her. He didn’t want Marie to notice anything wrong.

Marie was so angry that she was about to cry. "How am I supposed to face Jalen when I owe him so much? Have you ever thought about that?"

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"You will get rich. Why will he look down upon you?" Kadin asked.

But then his tone softened. Kadin said to her, "Marie, we know that you like Jalen, but it's useless to just say it. You should do something."

"What can I do?" Marie's eyes were red. She was sad exactly because she couldn't do anything.

"A man can never refuse a woman who comes to him," Kadin said to her. His meaning was very obvious.

Marie suddenly blushed and glared at Kadin. "I am not that kind of a woman!"

With that, Marie turned around angrily and slammed the door.

When Jalen got back to the Halton's old house, Elaina had left. He looked at the empty living room and frowned.

"Where is my grandfather?" Jalen looked at Takvor and asked.

"Mr. Nitzan is in the study," Takvor replied.

As soon as Takvor finished, Jalen prepared to go to the study. Just as he raised his foot, he thought of something and asked, "My grandfather had a guest earlier? I heard someone talking at the door."

Moreover, Jalen felt that the voice was very familiar, as if he had heard it somewhere before. If not for Marie's mother suddenly calling to interrupt his thoughts, he would have recalled who the person was.

"Yes. It's Ms. Gainsford," Takvor replied.

"Ms. Gansburg? Why did she come here?" Jalen's face darkened. He did not expect a member of the Gansburg family to come to see his grandfather.

Takvor didn't hear it clearly. He shook his head and said, "I don't know." He did not know that Jalen was referring to Jenica instead of Elaina.

Jalen did not ask any more questions. He went upstairs and entered the study.

Takvor did not know what Jalen said to Nitzan, but he could hear the sound of an argument coming from the

study. Takvor felt worried.

Jalen soon came out of the study. His sullen look showed that he was in a bad mood.

“Mr. Jalen,” Takvor asked hurriedly. “Are you leaving?”

“Yes.” Jalen nodded. He looked back at the study and said, “Go upstairs and take care of my grandfather.”

“OK.” Takvor nodded and headed to the study.

“From now on, don’t let some random people see my grandfather, especially those with the surname

Gansburg,” Jalen said to Takvor.

Jalen did not expect that Nitzan would speak up for the Gansburg family. He also did not know how Jenica

talked Nitzan into helping her family.

Takvor was surprised. *Was Mr. Jalen talking about Ms. Gainsford?*

*He doesn’t want Ms. Gainsford to see Mr. Nitzan?*

*It seems that Mr. Jalen really hates Ms. Gainsford. When they were still married, he acted like she did not exist. Now they have got a divorce, but he doesn’t allow her to see Mr. Nitzan.*

Jalen left the Halton’s old house. On the way back, he called Graham and said harshly, “Inform the Gansburg Group that we will end the cooperation tomorrow, and we will never cooperate with them again.”

Jalen was irritated because the Gansburg family went to see Nitzan.

Originally, Jalen just wanted to suspend the cooperation. And he would cooperate with the Gansburg Group if there was a chance in the future, but now...

At this moment, Elaina hadn’t realized that her visiting Nitzan brought nothing to the Gansburg family but more trouble.

When Elaina returned home, she saw Jenica sleeping on the sofa. Just as Elaina covered her with the blanket, Jenica woke up.

"Ella, you are back." Jenica rubbed her eyes and asked in a daze, "Have you had dinner? I saved some food for you."

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"I've had my meal. Go to your room to sleep," Elaina said.

"OK." Jenica got up and walked towards the room.

"Right. Jalen..." She seemed to have thought of something and asked.

Elaina walked over. She patted Jenica's shoulder and said, "Nitzan has promised to help. There should be

news soon."

"Really? That's great." Jenica smiled. In her opinion, there wouldn't be any problems if Jalen's grandfather had agreed to help.

However, Elaina did not think so.

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After all, Nitzan was a member of the Halton family. Without a doubt, he was on Jalen's side. Not to mention that she had already divorced Jalen, and even if she had not, Nitzan might not try his best to help her.

Elaina knew this clearly in her heart.

To make Jenica have a sound sleep, Elaina didn't tell her about this.

Jenica went back to her room to sleep, but Elaina could not fall asleep. It was not her style to wait without doing anything. She had to prepare for the worst.

For the whole night, Elaina was thinking about a solution. Thus, she got a pair of extremely obvious dark circles under her eyes when she woke up the next day.

"What did you do last night?" Jenica could not help but exclaim when she saw Elaina like this.

Elaina looked in the mirror and covered the dark circles under her eyes with concealer while saying, "Nothing, I just didn't sleep well."

“Ella.” Jenica suddenly called her. “I’m sorry. It’s me who got you involved in the Gansburg family’s matter.”

Hearing this, Elaina turned to look at her and said seriously, “It’s me who should say sorry to you. If it weren’t for me, you wouldn’t have offended Jalen.”

“I didn’t expect him to be so mean. He didn’t even give me a chance to apologize,” Jenica complained.

“Let’s have breakfast first. We’ll find a solution.” She grinned at Jenica and walked out of the kitchen with breakfast.

After breakfast, Jenica dragged her luggage back home because she was worried about her father. At this point, her running away from home only lasted two or three days before it ended.

Elaina tidied up the kitchen, changed her clothes, and prepared to go to the hospital to work.

When she opened the door and walked out, she saw her neighbor open the door at the same time. Then,

Elaina was shocked.

Compared to her shock, Jalen was much calmer. “What a coincidence, Dr. Gainsford.”

Elaina was lost for the words.

Jalen lived opposite her! It truly was a small world!

“It is quite a coincidence.” Elaina came back to her senses and suppressed the shock in her heart.

As they spoke, they had already walked to the elevator. Elaina didn’t know if Nitzan had told Jalen about the

Gansburg family. She also didn’t know if Jalen would listen to Nitzan.

After hesitating for a while, she still decided to take the initiative. “Mr. Halton, can we talk?”

Jalen turned his head to look at her with an indifferent expression. “What do you want to talk about?”

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Elaina said as she looked up at him. “It was Jenica’s fault before. She shouldn’t have spoken ill of you. I apologize to you on her behalf. I hope that it won’t affect the cooperation between the Halton Group and the Gansburg Group.”

Ding! The elevator arrived. Jalen walked in and did not give any answer.

Elaina hurriedly followed. Unwilling to give up, Elaina continued, “Mr. Halton, you’re a generous person. I believe you won’t end the cooperation because of a few words, right?”

Jalen, who had been silent all this time, laughed at this moment as he stared straight at Elaina. “Who told you that I am a generous person?”

“Mr. Halton...”

“Dr. Gainsford, you’re good. You clearly hated me before, but now you’re willing to lower your head and beg me for your good friend. I gotta hand it to you,” he sneered.

Elaina scolded Jalen in her heart, but she still maintained a smile on her face. “I don’t hate you.”

*I just don’t want to have anything to do with you anymore,* thought Elaina.

“Really?” he asked. However, he didn’t believe it at all.

He was not a fool. Judging from Elaina’s hostile attitude, he knew that she hated him so much.

“Dr. Gainsford, why are you worried about the Gansburg family? Your friend is quite capable. She can even contact my grandfather directly. Is there a need for you to worry about her?” he said.

Did Jenica go to see Jalen’s grandfather?

Elaina was dumbfounded after hearing this.

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Jalen continued, "It's a pity that her plan is going to fail. How could she think that I would listen to my grandfather?"

Elaina recovered from the shock. So Jalen thought that it was Jenica who went to see Nitzan yesterday?

She finally realized that Jalen had heard Takvor wrong.

It seemed that Jalen had misunderstood.

Jalen didn't know the one who went to visit Nitzan was Elaina, not Jenica.

She wanted to laugh in her heart, but she couldn't after hearing that. What Jalen meant was that he did not intend to let the Gansburg family go.

"Is there really no room for negotiation? Mr. Halton, don't you think that ending the cooperation with the Gansburg family is a bit too casual?" Elaina didn't understand why Jalen was such a man who didn't distinguish between public and private affairs.

"I always do things as I please. Dr. Gainsford, do you have any objections to this?" he sneered without taking Elaina's words seriously.

Seeing him like this, Elaina understood that there was no room for negotiation. Then she darkened her face.

Seeing that she was silent, Jalen smiled, "What? Dr. Gainsford, aren't you going to say anything for your friend?"

"Mr. Halton, since you've already made your decision, it is useless for me to say anything." She glanced at Jalen and regained her indifference.

Seeing her indifference, Jalen felt uncomfortable. Then he looked at her and asked, "You think that I will not let *the* Gansburg family go, so you don't continue to act?"

"Mr. Halton, do you know that Ms. Dunston's disease can relapse at any time?" She looked up at Jalen.

Then she raised the corner of her lips as she walked out of the elevator after a while.

At that moment, Jalen's face had already darkened.

This woman was threatening him!

When he quickly caught up with her, Elaina had already left by taxi. Through the window, Elaina saw Jalen's dark face. Her depressed mood finally got better.

The phone rang. Seeing that it was a call from Jenica, Elaina already had a guess.

“Ella, the Halton Group has completely cut off their cooperation with the Gansburg Group,” Jenica said in a broken and weak voice on the other side of the line.

As expected, Elaina was not surprised. After knowing Jalen’s attitude, she guessed that this would be the

result.

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“Ella, the Gansburg family is going to go bankrupt,” Jenica said, “I told my dad what happened that day. Not only did he not blame me, but he also said it was not my fault.

“Ella, what’s wrong with my dad? Does he become silly? He didn’t blame me.”

Jenica thought that her father would beat her up, but he didn’t. He didn’t even scold her, which, in fact, made her feel worse.

After thinking for a while, Elaina slowly said, “Don’t worry. Even without the Halton Group’s cooperation, the Gansburg family may not necessarily go bankrupt.

“New York is so big and there are so many companies like the Halton Group.”

Jenica did not have much hope. “If the cooperation ends normally, it will be nothing more than losing a client for the Gansburg family. Although the impact will be great, our family will not go bankrupt. But...

“But because the cooperation between the Gansburg Group and the Halton Group has been very smooth in the past, my father has been preparing the goods that the Halton family needs for a long time. Now, we have poured so much cash into this batch of goods.”

Hearing this, Elaina understood the key and said to Jenica, “Send me the detailed information about the goods. I’ll ask someone if there are any other companies that are willing to buy this batch of goods.”

“Will there be other companies to buy the goods?” Jenica was not confident.

Whether there is or not, we have to try. As long as there is a chance, don’t give up easily,” she said to Jenica in a warm tone.



Perhaps influenced by Elaina, Jenica also put away her depression and instantly cheered up. "You are right."

After hanging up the phone with Jenica, Elaina immediately made another call. "Theodore, I want to ask you for a favor."

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In a hospital in New York.

As soon as Elaina got off work, she received a call from Theodore. Knowing that he was at the entrance of the hospital, Elaina immediately changed her clothes and rushed to meet him.

"Theodore." Seeing Theodore leaning against the car not far away, Elaina smiled and waved at him.

She went to Theodore and said, "Why did you suddenly come over?"

"Didn't you ask me to help? I got the news." Theodore smiled at her, his eyes filled with affection.

Hearing this, Elaina was surprised. "You got the news so soon?"

"Yes."

After that, Theodore handed a paper he had prepared long ago to Elaina and said, "This company is interested in buying the Gansburg family's batch of goods. Let the Gansburg family contact them."

"Wow..." Elaina held the document in disbelief.

She was surprised that things went so smoothly.

"Theodore, you're so amazing. You got this already!" She could not help but exclaim in surprise.

Theodore reached out to stroke her head and said, "I take everything about you to my heart."

In fact, from the moment he received Elaina's call, Theodore had not rested for a moment and kept looking for the information just to help Elaina solve the problem as soon as possible.

After all, this was the first time she had asked him for help in so many years.

“Well, you treat me the best. Let’s go. I’ll treat you to a meal,” she acted like a spoiled child and said.

“Great. I’m gonna rip you off.” Theodore nodded, and they sat left, talking and laughing.

In the restaurant, Elaina sent the documents to Jenica and told her to contact the other company as soon as possible. Elaina finally felt relieved.

“You said that Jalen stopped working with the Gansburg family because Jenica spoke ill of Jalen?” Theodore

asked as he picked up some food for her.

Elaina nodded and complained, “The Gansburg Group’s business cooperation was suspended the next day

after Jenica spoke ill of Jalen. I didn’t expect he would be so petty.”

Theodore shook his head when he heard that. He said to Elaina, “Based on my understanding of Jalen, he

won’t be that willful. There should be another reason for stopping working with the Gansburg Group.”

Jalen was the one who made the Halton Group prosper. He would definitely not make such a willful decision.

In fact, Elaina thought the same, but it happened so coincidentally that she could not help but think of this.

“So why do you think he did it?” she asked. She did not know much about business.

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Theodore was silent for a moment and then said, “If he stopped cooperating with the Gansburg family, he would have to find a new supplier, right? We will see who’s behind this when the beneficiary appears.”

Elaina saw light suddenly and said, “I will ask Andrew to help me check it.”

“Okay.” Theodore nodded and did not object.

As they chatted and ate, an unpleasant voice sounded in their ears, causing Elaina to frown.

“Dr. Gainsford? I didn’t expect to meet you here,” Marie smiled and looked very happy.

Compared to Marie, Jalen, who was standing beside her, was not so happy. He always kept a cold face as if

he was offended.

Elaina suppressed her displeasure and turned to look at Marie, saying, “Yes, what a coincidence.”

“How about we share the table? We can chat a lot!” Marie suggested.

“No. I don’t want Mr. Halton to degrade himself to share tables with others,” Elaina said with a frown.

*That’s Jalen. Shouldn’t he have his own private room? He will feel embarrassed to sit in the hall with us,*

Elaina thought.

“Jalen, what do you think?” Marie seemed not to hear Elaina’s reluctance and turned to ask Jalen

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The three of them looked at Jalen. Elaina prayed that he would refuse. After all, she really did not want to eat with Jalen.

It would spoil her mood.

“You can decide,” Jalen said, but this was not what Elaina wanted to hear.

Elaina was speechless.

“Dr. Gainsford, Jalen has no objections. What do you think?” She looked at Elaina with a smile and anticipation.

Elaina was extremely unwilling to eat with them. She looked at Theodore and asked, “What do you think?”

She kept winking at Theodore, but Theodore said, “I have no objections.”

Elaina thought in surprise, *no objections?*

*Theodore, what do you want to do?*

Marie and Elaina sat together. Jalen and Theodore sat side by side, and Jalen happened to sit across from Elaina. When she raised her head, she could see Jalen, which made Elaina feel uncomfortable.

“Dr. Gainsford, is he your boyfriend? He looks so outstanding. No wonder you didn’t let me introduce a date to you.” Marie looked at Theodore, who was dressed so nobly and felt a little jealous of Elaina.

Jalen chuckled and said, “Mr. Murphy is an upstart of New York. Of course, he is outstanding.”

“You flatter me, Mr. Halton. Compared to you, I still need to work harder,” Theodore smiled and did not take Jalen’s compliment seriously.

Jalen’s face darkened, and he thought, *did he see me as a goal?*

Jalen sneered in his heart, *you want to surpass the Halton Group? You can’t do that even if I give you another hundred years.*

“He is so outstanding that he is indeed worthy of Dr. Gainsford,” Marie said, but she could not help but feel jealous.

Elaina despised Marie in her heart and said coldly, “I don’t need to tell you what my relationship with Theodore is, right? I don’t think we know each other very well.”

Elaina was once Marie’s attending doctor, but Elaina didn’t think that they were familiar enough to discuss

private matters.

What was more, she did not have a good impression of Marie.

And Elaina disliked Jalen all the more and found him annoying.

“Sorry, Dr. Gainsford. I should not have asked too much.” Marie’s eyes instantly turned red. She bit her lips

and felt extremely wronged. “I thought we were already friends.”

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Elaina sneered in her heart and thought, I'm not your *friend*.

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"Dr. Gainsford, you've gone too far. Marie is just asking. She means no harm," Jalen said and looked straight at Elaina, as if he wanted to see through her.

Elaina was a bit angry. Just as she was about to retort, Theodore asked, "I heard that Mr. Halton is divorced?"

"I don't know that you are so gossipy." Jalen frowned instantly.

"Mr. Halton, don't be angry. I was just asking. I mean no harm," Theodore replied with what Jalen had just

said to Elaina.

In an instant, the atmosphere was awkward.

Elaina held back her laughter and was in a good mood.

She put down her knife and fork and wiped her mouth, saying, "Theodore, let's go. Let Mr. Halton and Ms.

Dunston enjoy their time."

Theodore nodded. "Okay."

As they spoke, they stood up and prepared to leave. Jalen did not speak, but he looked at them coldly.

*Theodore?*

*Judging from her tone, they didn't look like a couple,* Jalen thought.

"Dr. Gainsford..." Marie wanted to stop her.

However, Elaina only waved at her and left the restaurant with Theodore.

After Elaina and Theodore left, the atmosphere did not improve. Marie looked at Jalen opposite her. Seeing

that he was silent, Marie did not know what he was thinking and could not help but worry.

"Jalen, what are you thinking about?" she asked.

Jalen came to his senses and looked out of the window. Elaina was preparing to get in the car with a smile

on her face.

He suddenly remembered the voice he heard at the Halton's house that day. He had always felt that it was

familiar but could not remember whose voice it was. But when he heard Elaina's voice just now...

Jalen thought, *it was very similar!*

*But how was that possible?*

He could not figure it out. Jalen always felt that there was something he had neglected.

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In Theodore's car, Elaina received a call from Andrew. "The Halton Group is cooperating with the Dunston Group."

"The Dunston Group?" Elaina was slightly stunned and wondered if it was the same Dunston Group she was thinking of.

"Yes, the Dunston Group seems to have a deep relationship with Jalen. Almost everyone in New York knows that the Dunston family is backed by Jalen, so the group is doing well these years."

After that, Andrew asked doubtfully, "Why did you ask me to investigate this? Did Jalen make you unhappy again?"

"No. I was just curious about why he suddenly canceled the cooperation with the Gansburg Group," Elaina

said.

"Alright. If he provoked you again, remember to tell me. I will beat him up." Elaina had wasted two years on

Jalen. Andrew couldn't stand that.

Hearing this, Elaina smiled. "Thanks, Andrew."

After hanging up the phone, Elaina looked out of the car window. Sometimes, she thought that she was really

lucky.

Although she was an orphan, Elaina was raised by her grandfather with great care, and she had two brothers

who loved her very much. So she was very satisfied with her current life.

“The woman who was with Jalen just now is from the Dunston family, right?” Theodore suddenly asked and

looked at Elaina who was sitting in the passenger seat.

“Probably.” Elaina nodded.

Other than Marie’s family, Elaina could not think of any other Dunston family.

“It seems that Jalen has already planned to replace the Gansburg family. It was just a coincidence that

Jenica had just spoken ill of Jalen and then lost cooperation with the Halton family.” Even if Jenica did not

speak ill of Jalen behind his back, the Gansburg family would still be replaced.

Elaina nodded with her face darkened. “That’s right. I thought that the Halton Group would continue working

with *the* Gansburg family if I was willing to apologize to Jalen.”

Now Elaina thought that it was really ridiculous.

Seeing that she was not happy, Theodore did not mention Jalen anymore and changed the topic. “There is a

charity banquet tomorrow night. Are you free?”

“You want me to go with you?” Elaina asked.

“Yes, I need a female companion,” he said.

Elaina covered her mouth and laughed, “Sure, but Theodore, you should find a girlfriend. I can’t be with your

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every time.”

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“Yes, I will,” Theodore said perfunctorily, but he couldn’t help but look at Elaina from the corner of his eyes.

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After Jalen sent Marie home, he returned to the company to work.

However, when he looked at the documents in front of him, he could not help but think of Elaina.

Her voice echoed in his mind. The more he thought about it, the more Jalen felt that her voice was very similar to the one he had heard at the door of the Halton’s house that day.

Just then, Graham knocked on the door and came in.

“What’s up?” he asked, temporarily suppressing the doubts.

“You asked me to find your ex-wife and give her a house in the west of the city. But...” Graham hesitated, not daring to continue.

“But what? She’s not satisfied with it?” Jalen looked up at Graham with displeasure in his eyes.

“No. I didn’t find your ex-wife.” Graham lowered his head, not daring to look into Jalen’s eyes.

“You didn’t find her? Graham, I’m very dissatisfied with your recent performance,” Jalen said with a frown.

It was fine if Graham couldn’t find Dr. Gainsford, but now he couldn’t even find a woman from the countryside. Jalen didn’t know why he let Graham stay with him.

Graham bowed apologetically. His back was covered in a cold sweat as he admitted, “It’s my fault. I’ll take all the blame.”

A cold light flashed in Jalen’s eyes as he said, “Continue to check it. I don’t believe that a country woman like her will disappear.”

Jalen was already dissatisfied when Graham could not find any detailed information about Dr. Gainsford, but that made sense because Dr. Gainsford was famous. However, Graham didn’t even find Jalen’s ex-wife, which Jalen found unacceptable.



“Alright, I will definitely find her.” Graham hurriedly nodded.

Graham breathed a sigh of relief and said, “There will be a charity banquet tomorrow night. Do you want to attend?”