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Ever since Ava and Damien made up, he treated her extremely well. So well, in fact, that he'd spared no detail! Not only did he send her to and from work every day, but he also knew that she would be unwilling to have lunch with him at work. Hence, he asked the cooks at home to make lunch and pretended to send it to her through a delivery service. Even the colleagues in the office were surprised. "Ava, which restaurant do you order from? It looks so delicious! Is it expensive?" Ava felt very embarrassed. Her colleagues all ate in the company's canteen. It was unbecoming for her to eat takeout alone.

After eating like this for two days, she decided to go back to the canteen.

At noon, she bought her lunch and sat down in the cafeteria. Before she started to eat, she heard a cry of surprise from the door. Luella was the kind of person who would easily get excited whenever something happened, so she quickly tiptoed to see what was happening. Then, she saw the CEO coming in! This was the staff canteen, and the CEO had never been here before! Even if there was an inspection, he wouldn't be in the canteen. Under everyone's surprised gaze, Damien walked to the counter and got himself some lunch. Then, he walked towards Ava with a plate in his hand. Ava's heart was pounding like crazy at this point. Although Damien had mentioned to her yesterday that he wanted to publicly reveal their relationship at work, she rejected him vehemently! She didn't want to lose her friends and colleagues at work after her relationship was revealed. He had promised her last night, so what was he doing now? The canteen was usually very crowded during lunch time. Was he here to announce their relationship? He was simply out of his mind! Ava panicked. She was so nervous that she wished she could turn invisible. Judging by the footsteps, he was already behind her... Ava took a deep breath and finally looked up, ready to talk to him. "Damien..."

However, Damien didn't even stop for a second. He went straight to sit a few tables away from her and started eating.

From the very start, he did not even look at anyone. Due to Damien's sudden arrival, the noisy canteen suddenly became silent. "Hey, Ava, what's going on?" Luella discreetly pulled at Ava's sleeve.

"How would I know?" Ava replied.

"Why are you..." Luella was about to say something, but then she held back.

There were four colleagues sitting opposite them, so they should definitely not talk about it here.

Ava had gone to Damien when Luella was dismissed and she told him about what had happened with Mr. Hemsworth and Damien was able to catch him in time. Because of this, Luella had been pestering Ava recently to explain to her what was going on between her and Damien. Fortunately, although Luella liked gossiping, she kept her mouth shut when it came to this issue. Despite knowing such a huge secret, she never said a word to anyone else. Ava took out her mobile phone and sent a message to Damien. "What are you doing?"

When he saw the phone vibrate, he took a look at it and immediately replied, "You'd rather eat the food in the cafeteria than the food prepared at home. I want to try how delicious it is."

Gosh, he must be bored out of his mind!

A minute later, Damien sent another message, "The taste is kind of meh." Ava secretly looked up at him and found that he was frowning at the plate as if the food was difficult for him to swallow.

Hence, she could not help laughing. "Why are you so happy? You've been beaming for the past two days." Her colleague asked.

Ava quickly waved her hand. "Uh... it's nothing." Her colleagues were curious, and they immediately asked, "Hey, Ava, are you in love?"

"What are you talking about? How could that be? Hahaha..." Ava shook her head and denied it in a hurry. Her colleague encouraged her and said, "It's not easy for a single mother like you to find a boyfriend. You have to be make sure you hold on to him!"

Because the cafeteria was kind of quiet, people seated at the neighboring tables all heard what Ava's colleague said. Plus, Damien seemed to have heard it as well. His body remained stiff and rigid like a statue. The next day when Ava and the others went to the canteen for lunch, they found that they could get more dishes for the same price. "I heard that the CEO has raised the budget for the employee meals. He stipulated that no less than

four dishes and one kind of soup were allowed in the future!"

Ava listened to her colleagues' muttering and she couldn't help but find it funny.

When she went home last night, she spoke to him about the food. Damien threatened that if she didn't eat with him, he would never let the canteen season the food ever again!

Nevertheless, she said that she would rather eat bread than eat with him. Still, he improved all of their lunches nonetheless.

Honestly, the food that day was really good.

After lunch, she walked from the canteen to the office building. At the entrance of the elevator, she ran into Selden. "Selden? What are you doing here?" She was very surprised.

"Didn't Damien tell you? I'm in charge of the project that Mr. Hemsworth used to handle now." Damien certainly did not tell her about this. "It seems that we will meet each other often in the future."

"Oh, what a coincidence."

At this time, Selden had already taken a step toward her. "You haven't finished your lunch break yet, have you? Would you like to have a cup of coffee with me?" Selden did not give her the chance to refuse at all. Then, he smiled slyly and said, "I've asked around. You're off until 1:30 in the afternoon. It's only 12:30 now, so it's still early." "... Okay." Ava had no choice but to agree. There were few people in the cafe downstairs, and they chose a table near the window to sit down. The sunlight warmly shone on her hair, and Selden stared at her in a daze. "You probably don't remember, but when I first saw you, you were sitting by the window in the classroom with your hair down while focused on reading a book." "When did we meet for the first time?" "It was a long... long time ago."

"Selden, I don't remember the past. Let's not talk about it." He let out a laugh and said, "You don't want to hear about our past, but what about you and Damien's past? Don't you want to know about it?" "Is the past that important? I don't have the memories of it anymore, so I have to look towards the future and just live my life." "The past that

means nothing to you means everything to me.” Ava remained silent. To her, the past was the past and it wasn’t important. She had already lost all her memories, so what could she possibly do about it? Thus, Ava avoided Selden’s gaze and drank her coffee. The coffee was bitter and hot. She took a small sip and slowly swallowed it. The bitter taste slid down her throat, but there was a surprisingly sweet after-taste.

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“I heard that the Radbury family was not very happy and took Jean away after we met up previously.” Selden said Her heart skipped a beat. “Who told you that?” “That’s not the point. Damien...” Ava’s face turned grim immediately. “Since you already know, you shouldn’t come and see me again.” “But I want to protect you. Even if you don’t want me anywhere near you, I still want to take care of you.”

He stretched out his hand to grab her fingers, but she pulled back without any hesitation.

“Selden, you’re not the one who should protect me. I don’t need your protection either.” She had already finished her cup of coffee, so she stood up and said, “It’s time for me to go back to work.”

After she walked a few steps away, Selden asked her from behind, “Why can’t it be me? Why does it always have to be him?”

Her steps froze for a mere second before she continued walking.

“It was I who met you first, and I got to know you first! So tell me why?” Selden’s voice was not loud but she could hear every word clearly. However, she pretended not to hear anything. After all, not everything had to be ‘first come, first serve’.

Furthermore, she didn’t even know what her heart wanted yet. Hence, she didn’t want anyone to meddle with this and decide for her.

Selden sat still in his seat with a bitter smile on his face. “I’m too late, and I’ll always be too late...” He raised his head and saw Kelly standing nearby. Clearly, Kelly had already seen him. However, she didn’t go up to him just now because she saw Ava sitting with him. Now that Ava had left, Kelly came over and sat on the seat that Ava occupied earlier. “Why are you here?” Selden asked her. “Don’t get me wrong. I’m not here because of you. My agent brought me here to discuss my advertisement project with the Radbury Group. It’s just a coincidence anyway.” It made sense that Hensley, who had put off much of his career over the past few years in pursuit of Selden, would want to resume her career and work with his former partner, the Radbury Group. Selden didn’t say anything upon hearing that. Then, Kelly ordered a cup of coffee and suddenly laughed out loud. “Selden, do you know? I never liked Americanos, but because you loved them, I tried to like them and now I’m surprised that I’ve gotten used to the taste.” Selden frowned slightly.

She continued, “I never understood until today. Perhaps you never really liked Americanos at all, and you took it only because it is Ava’s usual order.” “What are you trying to say?” Kelly rested her chin on her palm and smiled brightly, “When I was a child, I found a puppet. My family thought that I would become an animal scientist when I grew up, or a vet at worst. But nobody expected me to become your lap-dog.” Finally, Selden laughed.

The project between the Radbury Group and Selden had finally begun production. That day, Damien, Selden, and some other executives went to the production site to check on things. The factory was located in the suburbs and the roads along the way were not very well-maintained. To make matters worse, they encountered a minor accident as they trundled along a tiny slip road. "Sir, it rained a few days ago so the road ahead is a little muddy. Mr. Oakley's car is stuck in the mud, so I think we can't use this route." A staff member said to Damien.

Damien exited the car and saw that Selden and others had also got out of the car. Meanwhile, Selden stood on the side of the road and was directing some men to get the wheels out of the mud.

"It's really unlucky for me to work with you. Sh*t happens all the time." Selden said in a sarcastic tone.

"If you have the time to enjoy the breeze here, you'd better get down there and help to prevent any further delays." Damien replied.

There were more than a dozen staff with them, so Selden would most definitely not do this kind of work!

He stood on the side of the road and refused to step into the mud to help out.

Fortunately, after nearly half an hour's delay, the car finally got out of the mud and they continued their trip.

Damien looked at the time. He had been delayed on the road for so long that he might not be able to reach home on time in the evening.

Therefore, he sent a message to Ava to tell her that she didn't have to wait for him to have dinner.

However, Ava did not reply him.

At this moment, Ava was in a troublesome situation.

Karen had come to the company earlier, and when she heard that Damien was not around, she asked the secretary to bring Ava to her! On the other hand, Ava thought that it was Damien who called for her. When she reached the office, she realized that it was Karen.

"Oh, what are you doing here?" She was very surprised. "Why? This is my family's company. Can't I be here?" "Of course you can. It's just...what can I do for you?"

Karen raised her chin and snorted coldly. Then, Ava's heart started beating rapidly as she had a bad feeling about this. Karen had come here out of a sudden looking for her!

At the time, she could only hope that Damien was coming back as soon as possible. But since he had the stuff to handle, he wouldn't be back so soon. "Why are you so nervous? I won't harm you." Karen rolled her eyes. She threw out a document and said, "Sign it." "What is this?" Ava's heart skipped a beat.

She knew that her mother-in-law never liked her. Could it be that she wanted her to sign a divorce agreement and get out of the family?

Recently, she had been so bored that she started watching TV dramas and what Karen was doing seemed to fit the cliché plots! Would Karen hand her a cheque later on?

"What are you waiting for? Hurry up and sign it before you leave. You're an eyesore to me." Karen's tone was obviously very impatient. However, Ava did not take the document on the table. Instead, she took a step back and said, "I won't sign it." "Ava Nagel, don't try to be smart with me!" Karen was furious when she heard this. She slammed her hands on the table and stood up. "I know you don't like me, but since I'm

Damien's wife and Jean's mother, you don't have the right to chase me away, nor can you separate me and my son!" Ava's attitude was equally tough as well. "Well, I haven't misjudged you! Ava, your amnesia is just for show, right? You really are gunning for our family's wealth!"

Karen threw the document on the ground and said, "I don't care if you sign it or not. Just know that the Radbury's wealth will never fall into your hands!" After that, Karen left angrily. She didn't mention anything about Jean. Ava then breathed a sigh of relief. She squatted down to pick up the document. When she saw the contents of the document, she was stunned. This document was not a divorce agreement but an equity division agreement.

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The document clearly stated everything about the Radbury Group. From the shares to the chain of inheritance... everything! In other words, even if one day she really parted ways with Damien, she would not be able to get any of the Radbury family's money. That was within expectations. The Radbury Group's assets had nothing to do with her ever since the beginning. Karen was just here to make her sign this document. She wanted to prevent Ava from scheming after her money. So, it seemed like Ava had misunderstood Karen. Ava picked up the gel pen on Damien's desk. Just as she was about to sign and give Karen an explanation, her cell phone suddenly rang. "Madam, this is Dempsey." Dempsey's voice sounded very anxious from the other side. She had always been a calm and composed person, so it was rare for her to be in such a state of panic. Hence, Ava's heart dropped when she got a call from Dempsey at this hour. Something bad must have happened!

As expected, Dempsey took a deep breath and continued, "We encountered a car accident on our way to the factory. Both the CEO and Mr. Oakley are injured..."

"What?"

Ava didn't waste anymore time and ran out of the office without hesitation.

Why would an accident happen out of nowhere? She got the address of the hospital from Dempsey and immediately hailed a taxi. Along the way, her heart was beating so rapidly as if it was going to pop out of her body anytime! "Damien Radbury, you have to be okay..." Ava thought to herself. She then checked her phone and saw that Damien had texted her! He said he would come back late today. But at the time, she must have been too busy handling Karen that she didn't even notice. If something bad really happened to him... Ava did not dare to even think about the consequences! When she got out of the car, she was in such a rush that she almost stumbled her way into the emergency room. Dempsey told her that they were in the emergency department, but she didn't specify which room. Hence, Ava could only ask the nurse, "Is there a man who has just been admitted due to a car accident?"

The nurse answered impatiently, "There are dozens of people who are admitted everyday due to car accidents! How am I supposed to know who you are looking for?"

"He's tall, handsome, and he's...very rich!"

As soon as she mentioned handsome, the nurse immediately remembered something and pointed upstairs. "Are you talking about the one who was just sent to the VIP area?"

He's in the innermost ward on the right side of the third floor."

Ava then rushed upstairs. She did not even want to wait for the lift and took the stairs instead. Soon, the sound of a man groaning in pain could be heard from the ward. She quickly ran in and said, "Damien!" However, it was Selden on the bed, not Damien! Selden's head and his shoulder were injured and the doctor was bandaging his wounds. He lay on the bed shirtless at this point. "Be gentle! Don't use too much strength if you haven't applied the anesthetic!" Selden said to the doctor as he tried to endure the pain. Ava stood at the door in a daze. Seeing that he was seriously injured, she hurriedly asked, "Are you all right? How did you get into such a mess?"

As soon as Selden saw her, he took a deep breath and forced a smile, "I'm okay. It's just...it's just flesh wounds. It's all external shh..."

Seeing him like this, Ava could only imagine how painful it was, but he was still smiling! "How did the accident happen? Is Damien..."

Just as Ava was about to ask about Damien, Selden suddenly grabbed her hand and smiled. "You're sweating so much! Don't tell me you're that worried about me?" "Stop talking nonsense!"

She looked at Selden's wound. To be frank, she didn't know how deep the wound on his head was, but there was a large wound on his shoulder and back. Even the shirt he wore seemed to be soaked in blood. So, it was obviously more than just external injuries!

Ava suddenly noticed a scar under the wound on his back near the lower side. It was clear that he had been seriously injured before. Looking at the scar, she felt a slight pain in her head, as if the wound was familiar to her. "Your scar..." Selden said in a casual manner, "You don't remember, do you? I blocked a knife for you."

"A knife?"

"Yes, I almost died back then. Ava, I saved your life."

Her saviour...

Her head started to hurt even more.

It seemed like Selden had saved her many times before! Seeing her pale face, Selden comforted her and said, "I'm fine, really. I used to be a doctor. I know how minor these injuries are." "Are you really okay?" "Yes, I'm fine...hiss...Doctor, please be gentler!" "What about Damien?" Ava hurriedly asked him again. As soon as her question was out of her mouth, a cold voice sounded from behind. "Seems like you actually still remember me." Then, Ava turned around and saw Damien standing at the door of the ward. His face was as dark as

the gloomy night. She quickly walked over and took a good look at Damien's entire body. "Are you hurt? Is it serious? You..." Next, Damien reached out his hand. It was wrapped in bandages, but apart from that, he was fine. Dempsey had said on the phone that he had a serious car accident, but he only injured the back of his hand!

At this time, Selden was already done with his bandages and was laying on the bed limply. Then, he sneered at Damien and said, "Ava, don't worry. He's fine. If you came a little later, his wound would've already been healed."

At that, Damien's face darkened even more. Selden was having his wound treated while he was shirtless. However, Ava just stood there and chatted with him like it was no big deal. Then, he pulled Ava to his side and covered her eyes with his uninjured hand.

“What are you doing? Apart from your hand, are you hurt anywhere else? Why was there suddenly a car accident?” Ava continued to ask him. He stared coldly at Selden then dragged Ava out of the ward. Finally, he removed his hand from her eyes. In the walkway outside the ward, Kelly stood there with an awkward look. “Miss Hensley? Why aren’t you going in?” Ava was surprised. “I saw that you guys were chatting and I didn’t want to disturb you two.” Kelly was still dressed in a traditional costume. It was obvious that she was wearing it for her movie shoot! So, it seemed like she’d heard that Selden was involved in a car accident and rushed over from the shoot. Plus, she didn’t even have time to change her clothes! “Selden is fine, and his injuries aren’t particularly serious. You’d better go in and see him.” Ava said to her.

She nodded and hurried into the ward. Damien then pulled Ava out.

“What’s wrong with you? Why are you upset?” She looked at Damien who was putting up a harsh face all the while.

He looked at her with a strange expression and said, “When will you care about me like how Kelly cares about Selden?”

“Am I not worried about you now? I heard that you got into a car accident and rushed here immediately. Even...” “Even what?”

“Nothing.” Ava did not tell him that Karen had come to see her as she didn’t want him to be any more upset than he already was.

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Because of the car accident, Damien’s driver was also injured. Hence, Dempsey was the one who sent Ava and Damien back home. On the way home, Dempsey told Ava about the details of the car accident. It turned out that after Selden’s car got out of the mud, the braking system was slightly damaged. When they wanted to stop the car, it swerved out of control and hit Damien’s car. “There were six cars in total, but your car just had to be in front of his. How unlucky of you.” Ava could not help teasing him. “I think he probably did it on purpose.” Damien scoffed coldly. “You’re saying that Selden deliberate hurt himself just to make sure your hand was scratched? | don’t think so!”

“Do you need to always defend him like this?”. “I am not defending him! I am just teasing you.” Ava pouted helplessly. Damien’s face was cold as he turned his head away without saying a word. The fight was over such a small issue that Ava felt speechless. Damien was jealous, wasn’t he? She took a glance at him and found that he was still ignoring her. Her heart was filled with covert joy when she thought about how a CEO like him was jealous of such a small issue. How amusing!

In truth, Damien’s injury was not serious, but it bled rather badly. According to the doctor, he needed to tend to his wounds frequently and they couldn’t be in contact with water.

This just gave him a good excuse to have Ava do everything he asked for!

“Help me get some water.” “Bring me the magazine.” “Adjust the air-con temperature, please.”.

Ava was very cooperative at first, but she became impatient after several times. “Hey, you hurt your hand, not your legs! Is it that difficult to stand up? I don’t have to keep

serving you like a king, do 1?" He silently lifted his trousers and there was a large bruise on his knee. Fine! She would do it only because he had a car accident! Next, she walked over obediently and helped him adjust the temperature. However, Damien suddenly stood up and left the sofa. Ava couldn't help rolling her eyes. "What's wrong?" "I need to go to the bathroom." "Alright." She was completely speechless.

When night fell, he suddenly wanted to take a shower and summoned her into the bathroom with him.

"Hey, you're just injured, not disabled! Can't you take a shower yourself?" "The doctor said that my wounds can't get wet!"

Then, Damien raised his left hand in a righteousness.

Ava wanted to punch him, but she had no choice but to help him draw a bath. After the tub was filled, she thought she could leave. However, she didn't expect Damien to grab her and say, "I haven't even started bathing, so where do you think you are going?"

"You... You can take a bath yourself! Why do you need me here?" Ava was so nervous and she started to stutter.

"Have you ever seen anyone who takes a bath fully clothed?" Damien then lightly tapped her forehead. He had the strength to grab her, but he couldn't take his own clothes off? She muttered curses under her breath. Alas, Ava had no choice but to unwillingly take off his shirt and coat. Then, she proceeded to his trousers. By then, Ava could not help feeling a headache coming her way.

A fit body with chiseled abs and muscles was exposed in front of her. It was enough to make her blush furiously. If he were to stand there completely naked in front of her, she was pretty sure her nose wouldn't stop bleeding!

"This isn't even the first time you've seen me naked. Stop pretending to be shy."

Damien chuckled. He rested his chin on top of her head. His stubble prickled her scalp and sent a jolt of electricity all the way down to her heart. Then, she raised her head and hit his chin before she said, "Do what you want! I won't serve you anymore!"

She wanted to get rid of his hands and leave the bathroom quickly, but he pulled her back with his strong arms.

"Do whatever I want? Well, you said it yourself!" He chuckled lightly. They were so close that she could even feel his breath on her face!

Seeing that he was about to kiss her, Ava quickly pushed him away. Then, he accidentally bumped his injured hand against the wall. He groaned softly and let go of her waist. "Are you going to take a bath or not?" She asked in annoyance. "Of course, but you're not allowed to leave me." Damien then proceeded to lie in the bathtub.

Although his muscles were relaxed, they still looked so chiseled and they looked even more tempting because of the water droplets. It was enough to make anyone nervous.

Ava then took the shampoo and put it on his head. After all, his hand was injured, so he couldn't wash his hair by himself. Next, she gently rubbed the shampoo into his scalp.

Damien seemed to be very comfortable being massaged by her. His eyes were closed, and he had a smile on his lips. Meanwhile, she couldn't help swearing in her heart.

Even Jean never had the honor to enjoy such extravagant service from her! Damien was acting like he was a king, wasn't he? "You're really lucky, you know? Dempsey sent me a picture of the accident. Selden's car was literally wrecked, and yet, you only scratched the back of your hand." However, Damien replied to her seriously, "Although

the wound is small, it still hurts.” “How embarrassing! Selden’s shoulder is seriously hurt, and he didn’t even complain!” “Since you feel sorry for him, then you can take care of him. Don’t come to me.”

Seeing that he was about to get angry again, she quickly raised her hand and said.

“Okay, okay fine! Forget anything I said.”

After washing his hair for him, Ava threw the body scrub at Damien and said, “You can do that yourself, right? If I’m not mistaken, you have two hands!” He chuckled and finally let her go. After Ava left the bathroom, he adjusted the temperature of the water to the coldest setting.

She had only washed his hair for him, and yet he nearly lost control!

Hence, Damien thought to himself that Ava might have given him a love potion. Ava waited for a long time in the room before Damien finally left the bathroom. Because he was in the bathroom alone for so long, Ava almost thought something happened to him. She couldn’t help but feel a little guilty. Could it be that he found it difficult to bathe because she refused to help him?

At the thought of this, she took the initiative to approach him and asked, “Shall I dry your hair for you?”

She pulled him into a chair and sat him down. Then, she quickly took out a hairdryer and enthusiastically fiddled with his hair while blow-drying it.

She seemed very skillful and it was very comfortable.

Next, Damien asked her, “Did you train as a hairstylist or something?” She smiled and said, “Practice makes perfect, right? I always help Jean with his hair and…” In the middle of her words, she suddenly stopped.

“And?”

Ava did not answer. That was because she suddenly remembered that back when she had just lost her memory, she thought Selden was her husband and she’d helped him dry his hair before. That particular time in her life was quite carefree indeed.

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Ava would definitely not let Damien know about that, or else he would really be furious. So, she casually replied, “I have also dried my mother’s hair.” Damien nodded and said, “You haven’t been home for a long time, right? It’s the weekend tomorrow, so I will go back with you.”

Ava was surprised and happy at the same time. “Sure!”

Ava’s mother had told her before that Damien and she didn’t really get along. Hence, Ava had always thought that Damien disliked her mother too and that he wouldn’t want to interact with her.

So, she didn’t expect him to offer to go back to her mother’s house with her!

Early the next morning, she got up and went out to buy a bunch of supplements and gifts for her mother. Damien looked at the shopping bags in her hands and frowned, “We have a lot of these bird’s nest supplement at home, so why did you buy even more of them?” “The ones at home are yours! These are for my mother, so they can’t be the same.” “Why can’t they be the same?” Damien said unhappily. Ava talked as if the Radbury Family and she were separate entities. Thus, it was clear that she didn’t

consider herself part of the family.

When he thought about it, it seemed like she had never asked him for anything. Ava had even paid for all of Jean's toys out of her own pocket.

To be honest, he didn't like it when she acted like she was an outsider.

"Ava, you and I are officially family!"

"Of course not! There's still Jean!" Ava held Jean's hand as she spoke.

When the three of them arrived at Jessica's house, Jessica was surprised and nervous at the same time. "What brings you guys here today?" "We came to see you! Jean hasn't seen his grandma for so long and he misses you!" Ava smiled and replied.

"Grandma, do you miss me?" Jean extended his arms sweetly towards his grandma.

However, Jessica's expression was stiff and awkward as she replied, "Of course I do!

But ..."

When she saw that Damien was also here, her expression turned even uglier. Alas, Ava did not realize that and was about to enter the door with the gift bags. "Let's head in, shall we? Mom, I'm going to put these things inside first."

This was her house. So of course, she made herself at home and entered as she pleased. But the moment she stepped in, her body froze.

The bags of supplements and gifts in her hands all fell onto the ground. "What's wrong?" Damien rushed in and gripped her shoulder. Then, his expression changed as well.

This was because Keenan Nagel was sitting casually on the sofa in Jessica's house! Ava's father who was indifferent and had abandoned them was there. However, Ava did not recognize him. At that instant, she felt a sharp pain in her head. It was as if some kind of memory was about to emerge from her mind, but it quickly vanished before it came back to her. D "Are you okay?" Damien asked in a soft voice.

She shook her head. Although her head hurt badly, it was just for a split second.

"Mom, this is..." Ava did not recognize who Keenan was as she only thought that he was her mother's friend. On the other hand, Jessica looked very awkward. Keenan stood up and wanted to get closer to Ava but in the end, he didn't. "Mr. Radbury, long time no see!" Instead, he greeted Damien. Then, Damien softly said to Ava, "This is Keenan Nagel, chairman of Nagel Group. He is also your father."

Father...

The word seemed very strange for her. The last time she heard it was a long... long time ago.

Was this person really her father?

She looked at Keenan confusedly and saw him staring at her. He looked weirded out as if he wanted to say something but he refrained in the end. So, it seemed like he was really her father!

Ava's heart started beating rapidly.

Recently, she had more or less heard about her own past from Jessica and the people around her. So, she knew about what happened, but she didn't expect to see him now.

"Ava, I heard that you were alive. I have been looking forward to meeting you, but I didn't expect to do so today." Keenan's tone was gentle.

Meanwhile, Damien faintly felt that something was wrong. In his impression, Keenan never had such a gentle attitude.

However, Ava didn't sense anything off. It made sense as she couldn't remember how cold and distant her father was in the past.

“Ava, I’m your father. Don’t you remember me?” Keenan asked again. “... Then, Damien held onto her and said to Keenan, “Ava has lost her memory. She doesn’t remember many things about the past. Please forgive her.” “Well, of course! She’s my daughter... I wouldn’t take it to heart.” Keenan said with a smile. Looking at his expression, nobody knew if Keenan was convinced upon hearing that. Roughly four years ago, Keenan’s second daughter, Beth Nagel, had kidnapped Damien and Ava. Unfortunately, she failed to do so and passed away in the process. After that, the Radbury and Nagel families had completely fallen out with each other. For many years, they had no business relations with one another.

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Therefore, the relationship between Keenan and Damien had already collapsed beyond repair. So, seeing him in Jessica’s house today was strange indeed. “I think you can leave now. I’ll call you later.” Jessica hurriedly pushed Keenan, signaling him to leave. To his credit, Keenan didn’t say much. He only said to Damien, “Alright then. We should meet up and have a chat next time.” Under Jessica’s urging, Keenan finally left the house. At this point, Damien was even more weirded out. Something was not right. From what Damien knew of Keenan’s temper, it was impossible for him to even come and visit Jessica. Moreover, he had spoken so politely to Damien! When they were finally left alone in the house, Jessica let out an awkward laugh. “Mom, what the hell is going on?” Ava asked. “Humph...Your father and I used to have feelings for each other. What’s wrong with him visiting me?” Nevertheless, Damien said, “If that was the case, then why were you in such a rush to get rid of him?” “That’s because...” Jessica was at a loss for words. It happened so suddenly that she hadn’t come up with a suitable excuse yet! Ava took Jean’s hand and sat down on the sofa. To be honest, this was her mother’s private affairs and it wasn’t necessary for Ava to pry too much. However, it was simply too unusual! “Mom, can’t you tell me the truth?” “What’s there to tell you? Ever since you married into the Radbury Family, you hardly ever come to visit me anymore. Is it so wrong to have a cup of tea with your father?” Jessica said unhappily. “I never said it was wrong! But didn’t you say that my father was a cold and heartless man? I thought you cut contact with him!” “That was the past. Can I not keep in touch with him now? Ava, you don’t remember the past anymore, so don’t meddle with my business!”

Ava was speechless at this point. It was true that she didn’t remember the past, and she’d suffered greatly because of that. However, this was her mother, and she was the only family member that Ava had left apart from Jean! She couldn’t just ignore it and let it slide!