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Chapter 406

According to Nathaniel's source, Lily was recommended to Rebirth by someone from the La Beaute Group. That was why her entry into Rebirth went so smoothly, and she received better care and resources.

Nathaniel believed his source because he could not understand why anyone would want to guide a newcomer in Rebirth. He initially thought she was connected to a Rebirth executive. That was until he learned she was from the Lodge family and had probably used their ties to get in.

However, it seemed that was not the case either, as the information given to him stated the person's name...

Nathaniel gritted his teeth and decided to speak plainly, "Lily, is there someone else? Is that why you refuse to come back to me?"

Surprise flashed across Lily's eyes. She thought that Nathaniel had found out about her relationship with Alexander. She was startled he knew about their relationship, even though she had planned to tell him. When and how did Nathaniel learn about them?

Noticing Lily's surprised demeanor, Nathaniel knew that the information given to him was correct. She had already found someone else. This realization made him feel uncomfortable. After weighing his options, he still

refused to give up.

"I know it was all my fault, and I've made you the way you are. Understandably, you wanted someone you could lean on, but do you think he's worthy of you?" Nathaniel asked mockingly, not even considering the other man a worthy opponent.

Lily was dumbfounded and questioned him with an incredulous face, "If he's not worthy, then what about you?" Nathaniel was downright narcissistic. How could he even compare to Alexander? Nathaniel was shockingly self-confident!

"Of course!" He said proudly, "Even if my company is small and I'm not in the same position as him, you should reconsider your choice. He may seem like he has a good job, but he's only an assistant, and that's the furthest he'll go. He's nothing without Mr. Russell! I, on the other hand, am different. MN Inc. will be big someday. Just look at our success with our new products. Our profits would double by the end of this year, and we could list our company's shares on the market.

"Lily, we'd have a brighter future together. If you stayed with Edward Sullivan, he'd only be able to bring you short-term benefits. Do you think Rebirth or La Beaute Group would take his orders? It's all because he works for Mr. Russell. If he were to be fired one day, he wouldn't be worth anything! You should wake up and come back to me!" Nathaniel looked like he wanted to knock some

sense into her.

Lily spaced out while looking out the window with one hand under her chin. She was trying hard not to laugh at Nathaniel's nonsense.

It was a major misunderstanding! Nathaniel mistook Edward for her boyfriend, just like Olivia had in the past. Edward was never even a part of this, yet he continued getting dragged in. Lily was just as innocent, so why was she often the victim of these misunderstandings?

Nathaniel could only see Lily's side profile and thought she was crying since one of her hands was covering her face, and her shoulders were quivering.

He spoke gently, "Lily, just come back to me. I'll make sure to treat you right this time! I'll also change our company's name just for you. Instead of MN Inc., we • could call it Lilsy, just like your nickname! It would sound so elegant and sophisticated!"

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"Why don't you give Lily that small, pathetic company of yours? Then she can decide on any name she likes, correct?" A clear male voice sounded behind them.

He walked over to their table and sat next to Lily, saying, "I'm sorry I'm late. I had to take care of something."

Even though he had told her to call if she needed any help, she was still surprised that he would show up unannounced.

"Who are you? How dare you eavesdrop..." Nathaniel frowned as he wanted to kick this rude man out immediately.

Nonetheless, when he viewed Alexander's face closely, Nathaniel thought he looked familiar. In a sudden rush of realization, his expression changed, "Y-You're Mr.

Russell..."

After all, they worked in the same industry. Even though he had never met Alexander, Nathaniel knew who he was and had also glimpsed him at social parties. Still, he could not meet Alexander due to their vastly different social and professional statuses.

Nathaniel had considered using his connections to meet Alexander, but his influence and company were too modest. MN Inc. was simply too small to be of interest to

La Beaute Group.

Nathaniel never imagined meeting Alexander Russell in that restaurant. Alexander had moved to sit directly in front of him, with one hand resting on the back of Lily's chair, giving the impression that they were very close.

'T-This is...' Nathaniel's mind went blank as he was momentarily stunned.

"I heard you're trying to pursue my girlfriend?" Alexander turned to look at him and asked calmly.

"Y-You...I-I..." Nathaniel gulped.

There were no words that could describe the shock and surprise he felt. 'What did he say? His girlfriend? Lily? Was Lily his girlfriend? Wasn't Edward Sullivan Lily's boyfriend?'

Nathaniel's head was filled with questions. His body trembled uncontrollably, and he was still too stunned to speak.

"I overheard what you said, and it dawned on me, Mr. Hall, that you're quite confident with your career.

Additionally, I've heard nothing but praise for your company's recent releases. You're quite capable when it comes to your marketing performance, aren't you?" Alexander appeared to be carrying a light conversation.

Alexander appeared calm and unconcerned, making it difficult to decipher what he meant by his comment.

"Haha, it's all right, I guess," Nathaniel laughed dryly while his mind spun, thinking of how he could salvage the situation. He pondered, 'What exactly was Alexander trying to do? Was he on Lily's side?'

Alexander continued slowly, "However, I heard that the two new products were created by Melanie Thayer, right?"

Nathaniel choked on his spit and immediately replied, "Yes, but it's..."

"Honestly, it doesn't matter who made it because consumers only care about the fragrance's quality, right?" Alexander paused before continuing, "Still if the perfumer was the mastermind behind a kidnapping and suspected of covering up for a drug addict, I don't think the public would still use her products. Either way, I doubt both of your products would qualify for the yearly perfume championship. Such a shame!"

Alexander did not sound sorry at all. Instead, he used a condescending tone to mock him.

Lily looked at Alexander in astonishment. Whatever Alexander had just said to Nathaniel contained so much information that even Lily did not know about.

'Melanie? The mastermind behind the kidnapping? Covering up for a drug addict?' Why was Lily unaware of all of these happening around her?'

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Besides Lily, Nathaniel was also in the dark about what happened. All he knew was that Melanie and Frank had left for Westwood and nothing else. Melanie had stopped talking to him ever since her affair with Frank was exposed, and Nathaniel did not attempt to find out anything further. Truth be told, he did not care to.

He did not care about Melanie's fate until MN Inc.'s new products were involved. Since Nathaniel and Melanie were still together at the time, the two fragrances were released under her name.

Besides, even if she cheated on him, it did not matter as long as the perfumes they made were qualified to join the perfume championship. Nathaniel had weighed his options and decided to keep her products, but this news from Alexander changed everything.

"What do you mean? How is Mel a mastermind behind a kidnapping? That's impossible!" Though he was no longer involved with Melanie, he was still confident that he knew her enough to know she would not do something like this.

It was true that Melanie was manipulative and materialistic. However, she would not dare commit serious crimes like kidnapping or covering up for a drug addict.

'Who was the drug addict anyway?' Nathaniel wondered.

"Instead of thinking about things that don't belong to you, pay more attention to the news, especially international ones, to get information about our industry," Alexander said mockingly, "It's up to you whether or not to listen. I'm just giving you some advice out of goodwill."

"Shall we leave?" Alexander asked Lily after he was done talking.

Alexander turned to her as his gaze landed on her gently.

His attention was solely on her, and he did not care to look around him. It was as if nothing else mattered but her.

There was no more reason for Lily to continue staying here. Alexander's presence proved to Nathaniel that she would not return to him better than any explanation or rejection. From Nathaniel's expression, Lily could tell he got a rude awakening.

"Okay," Lily nodded and stood up under his care.

Alexander placed his coat over her and left while ignoring Nathaniel, who was still stunned. After taking a few steps, Alexander suddenly remembered something and turned around.

"By the way, at least have the decency of footing the bill. After all, you're the one who invited Lily out, right?"

Lily was surprised when Alexander turned back because she thought he had something important to say to Nathaniel. Lily almost burst out laughing when she heard what Alexander said instead. She tried hard to hold in her laughter until they got downstairs.

Alexander glanced at her and said, "Just laugh if you want to."

Lily finally cracked up, laughing so hard that tears almost flowed down her cheeks.

"My appearance delighted you that much, huh?"

Alexander asked gently, "If I knew you'd be this happy, I would've appeared sooner, or maybe I should do that next time?"

Lily shook her head, "I thought you'd pay for the meal instead."

She knew that Alexander was a generous person and paying for that meal was nothing to him.

"He was the one who asked you out, so why should I pay? He should be grateful that I did not order anything else," Alexander smirked.

Alexander was right, and Lily chuckled as she thought of the look on Nathaniel's face when he had to pay the bill. Alexander knew exactly how to tick people off.

"What was that about Melanie's case? I thought you said you didn't have anything to do with it?" Lily asked,

looking at him with an 'I know you were involved' look.

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"I honestly had nothing to do with it." Faced with Lily's wary eyes, Alexander decided to confess, "Fine, I had something to do with it, but I only a tiny part." He emphasized while gesturing with his fingers, showing Lily how little he got involved.

Lily was not that gullible, "Are you sure? Just a small part?"

'He said he had nothing to do with this just a while ago, and now he says it's just a small part.'

"It's true. I only played a small part!" Alexander reassured Lily, both his hands on her shoulders as if this would make her trust in him grow.

"All I did was provide the Westwood police force with some information. I showed them some evidence that might suggest Melanie was one of the suspects in the kidnapping case. The rest was history.

"The police were responsible for the arrest, and they were also the ones that charged her with the crime. I did nothing much, seriously!" Alexander looked so sincere that Lily believed he had nothing to do with this incident.

"So, ultimately, Melanie was the real mastermind behind the kidnapping?" Lily asked, obviously feeling shocked at this news. She had never thought that

someone who looked so harmless and gentle would be this sinister.

"I'm not sure," Alexander just shrugged, unbothered.

Lily looked at him in disbelief, "You're not sure yet you provided the police with information about her?"

Alexander added thoughtfully, "However, I'm pretty sure Melanie has always wanted to hurt you. I've already let her off the hook twice when we were here. I can't let her go again, can I?"

Lily agreed that what Alexander did was for her sake, even if he were the one who gave the police a tip about Melanie. If she were innocent, the police would not be able to pin the crime on her. Since Melanie got arrested, maybe she did something to hurt Lily that Lily was unaware of.

Lily could only roll her eyes and say, "Amazing! You were outright amazing!" If this happened in a television drama, Lily was sure the director would give Alexander some heroic background music to make him look cooler.

"Then, doesn't this mean I should receive a reward?" Alexander concluded while inching his face closer to Lily's.

Lily rolled her eyes again and gently kissed his cheek, "Happy now?"

"Why are you so stingy with your rewards?" Alexander

showed his dissatisfaction and took things into his own hands, "You should do it like this."

After paying the bill, Nathaniel exited the restaurant dejectedly when he stumbled across Alexander and Lily kissing. He turned green with jealousy. The woman who was once loyal and unwavering to him was now smiling and leaning into another man's embrace.

Nathaniel knew he no longer stood a chance with Lily. He had lost not only a girlfriend but also massive support from her influential family. Nathaniel felt utter regret as he imagined losing the chance to obtain immeasurable power and wealth. He could do nothing but stand there with his fingernails digging into his palms.

"L-Lily," Nathaniel muttered her name quietly as his head filled with rage and loath.

It was deep into the night but were still places full of people and chatter, such as a pub street. With neon green and red lights scattered around the area, people looked for ways to lose themselves in ecstasy or drown themselves in pure intoxication.

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Nathaniel had been drinking for quite a while since feeling down. He had never felt like this before, and it was like everything was over.

“Hey, handsome, it’s such a bore to be drinking alone. Why don’t you join me?” An attractive woman approached Nathaniel and started to hit on him.

Nathaniel raised his head to look at the woman but could not make out who she was as he was already quite wasted, “Sure, why not.”

Suddenly, someone came over and shoved the lady aside, ignoring her yells of protest. Nathaniel roared intoxicatedly, “Who are you?! How dare you...” Before he could finish his sentence, someone dragged him to the bar entrance by his collar.

“W-Who are you? W-What are you trying to do?” He was slightly sober now as he stood outside the bar shivering from the cold wind that blew. Although the commotion attracted some attention, it was normal at a bar, so everyone continued having fun after a while.

Bang!

The person shoved Nathaniel into the backseat of a car, and the door slammed beside him. Since he was drunk, he was half-kneeling in his seat, trying hard not to throw

up.

“How dare you?” Nathaniel started again before someone splashed him with a cold glass of water. It was already winter, so he shivered and opened his eyes.

“Are you sober now?” He finally realized who had splashed him with water when he heard the familiar voice. When the lights inside the car turned on, he saw his mother’s arrogant yet beautiful face.

“Mother, waa....” Nathaniel cried, unleashing all his pent-up frustration and unfairness he felt. He lay his head on Eloise’s lap and sobbed uncontrollably. Nathaniel was just like a child who got bullied at school, finally able to release his anger and frustration to someone he trusted.

This time, Eloise did not try to correct Nathaniel when he had failed to call her Ms. Neville. Instead, she sighed and gently patted Nathaniel’s head, allowing him to cry freely.

After crying for a while, Nathaniel felt tired, so he sat up and cleaned his face with his sleeves. Eloise frowned and passed him a face towel, “Clean yourself up properly!”

“S-Sorry...” After cleaning himself up and regaining his composure, Nathaniel said, “I didn’t mean to lose control.”

Eloise frowned in disapproval and stated, “Now, you’re sorry? Look at yourself! ”

“It’s the end for me this time, Mother. My company will get destroyed too, but what can I do to salvage it? I’ve failed you!” Nathaniel wanted to tear up again, so he tilted his head upward, not wanting to lose control again. It was embarrassing enough that he had done it once already.

“What nonsense are you spewing? How could your life be over just because of something like this? I’ll only be disappointed in you if you choose to give up!”

“B-But I...” Nathaniel started.

Eloise ignored what he had to say and continued, “Remember what that sc*m father of yours wanted to do at the casino? He wanted to trade us like some commodity to continue gambling. I could overcome all our early hardships alone, and do you think it was all • rainbows and sunshine that I got to remarry into the Knight family?”

“Do you know how many challenges I had to overcome? Do you know how many dirty schemes I had to avoid?”

Now, you’re crying over such a small matter!”

“I...” What Eloise said made Nathaniel feel ashamed, so he stayed silent for a while.