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“What a jokester you are, Jim.” Heather chuckled. “Of course Riley is me and Malcolm’s child; how can we possibly have messed up?”

With that, she quickly changed the subject. “How are you doing now, Father? Does your head still hurt?”

However, Jim refused to let her change the topic. “Heather, I don’t think you should be so sure of yourself. I’ve been watching the news, and there have been many cases where the hospitals messed up the child ren in Merchant City as of late.”

He narrowed his eyes and added, “I think it’ll be better if you, Malcolm, and Riley went to do a D NA test together. It’d be best if Riley were indeed your daughter, but if she isn’t, we can still get the real one back.”

With that, he turned to glance at Charles. “What do you say, Father? You wouldn’t want what happened to Heather and Luna to happen again, do you?”

Charles furrowed his brows.

Truth be told, he had agreed with Heather and felt it was not necessary to conduct the DNA test at all, but as soon as Jim brought up the misunderstanding that had swapped Luna out with Heather...

Charles let out a sigh and lifted his head to glance at Heather. “Your brother is right, Heather. It’d be best to have a DNA test so we can all ease our minds.”

Heather’s face turned pale upon hearing this. She bit her lip and let out a slight cough. “This... We’re in no rush.”

Jim raised his brows. “How can that be? The sooner we do the test, the faster the results will come out!”

With that, he stood up and grabbed hold of Heather's shoulder. "Since Father is fine now, I'll go with you to Quinn Mansion to get a strand of Riley's hair and then another of Malcolm's. The results will be out in a few hours."

Jim was determined to make Heather as uneasy as possible.

Malcolm and Heather had killed the servant right in front of their eyes and then caused Luna to have nightmares throughout the night...

He had to give them a taste of their own medicine!

As soon as Jim placed his hand on her, Heather finally started to get worried. She bit her lip and struggled against Jim's grasp. "Why are you so impatient, Jim? This kind of thing... I still have to talk this through with Malcolm first, haven't I?"

With that, she lifted her head to stare at Charles helplessly. "Father, keep an eye on Jim! He's going to bring strands of Riley and Malcolm's hair to do a DNA test. We know that he's doing this out of good intentions, but what will the Quinn family think of this?"

"Will they think that somehow the child isn't Malcolm's and think I had cheated on him?"

With that, she burst into tears. "There are only two more days until my and Malcolm's wedding; I don't want them to think of me this way..."

"Father, the three of us will go do a DNA test someday, but we have to at least wait until the wedding is over!"

Charles could not help frowning when he saw how tearful Heather looked. He fell silent for a moment, then lifted his head to glance at Jim. "Let go of her."

With that, he sighed and added, "In the end, whether Riley truly belongs to them or not is their business and has nothing to do with us at all."

Jim snickered and released Heather from his grip.

However, as soon as he did so, he whispered next to her ear, "I'm just giving you a little taste. If you dare to say anything bad about my son and daughter in the future...I'll bring the three of you to do a DNA test immediately."

With that, he let go of her and turned to leave.

Heather broke out in cold sweats as she watched him leave. She could not help feeling that...

Jim somehow had found out about Riley's true identity.

Otherwise, why would he know that she would be terrified of conducting a DNA test on the three of them?

"Heather."

All of a sudden, Charles' voice pulled her back to reality.

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Heather turned around and smiled at the man leaning against his headboard. "Yes, Father."

"Are you hurt?" Charles' gaze landed on Heather's shoulder.

Heather paused for a moment, then quickly shook her head as she wiped her tears away. "No, I'm fine. It doesn't hurt at all."

She sniffed and sat down in a chair next to Charles, then started reassuring him, sighing at the same time.

Charles, thinking that she was sighing because of her encounter with Jim, lifted her head to stroke Heather's hair. "Don't be too bothered about that rascal. He has always been so rude and rough around other people."

“But he’s always been gentle to Luna.” Heather sniffed and lifted her head to meet Charles’ gaze. “Father, don’t you think that Luna needs someone with her?”

Charles furrowed his brows. “What do you mean?”

Heather sighed and continued, “Actually, even though Luna had enraged you last night, it turned out that everything was just a misunderstanding.

“Luna hadn’t brought Joshua Lynch here at all, and instead, he had followed her here.

“As for Joshua’s trip to Luna’s house yesterday, he had gone there voluntarily, and Luna hadn’t invited him at all, so it had nothing to do with her.”

Heather lifted her head to stare intently at Charles. “It has almost been a month since Luna lost her child. I think that if we introduce a nice local man to Luna, she might be able to start her life anew, and Joshua Lynch wouldn’t pester her so much anymore.

“Everyone says that the best way to get over a past relationship is to start a new one, so if we let Luna start afresh, she can truly keep her distance from Joshua from now on.”

Charles could not help nodding in agreement upon hearing this. “Yes, it makes sense, but...”

He let out a sigh. “Is there anyone suitable for Luna here in Merchant City? Initially, Malcolm was the most eligible one.”

As soon as he said this, Charles suddenly realized that he should not be talking about this in front of Heather, so he quickly changed the topic. “Do you have anyone in mind?”

Heather narrowed her eyes, and a glimmer of resentment flashed through her eyes. Her entire heart was wrapped in a new layer of hatred toward Luna.

How could this old geezer agree that Malcolm and Luna were made for each other?

“Of course I have.” Heather chuckled, then lowered herself to whisper a few words in Charles’ ear.

Inside the house.

After an entire night of bad dreams, Luna finally fell asleep, clutching her blanket, after finishing the breakfast Gwen had prepared for her.

However, she had just fallen asleep for a short while when her phone rang.

It was a call from Charles.

Luna frowned and picked up her phone, her head throbbing. “Hello?”

“Luna.” Charles let out a slight cough. “I know I misunderstood you over what happened with Joshua last night, so I’m apologizing to you.”

Luna paused for a moment and suddenly felt the exhaustion disappear from her body. She let out an awkward chuckle and replied, “It’s okay.”

How can she possibly hold a grudge against an old man that had been admitted to the hospital for high blood pressure?

“Thank God you’re not angry at me.” Charles let out an exhale and continued, “However, I still think it’s about time you start a new relationship to draw the line with Joshua.

“I’ve arranged for a blind date for you tonight, at Lucky Den, 8 p.m. You have to go.”

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Luna never expected that Charles would arrange a blind date for her!

She gripped her phone tightly and furrowed her brows. " Father, I don't need this. I—"

Before she could even finish, Charles had already hung up the phone.

Luna frowned even harder as she listened to the dial tone.

After hanging up, she quickly dialed Charles' number once more, but she could not get through to him.

Luna could not help feeling a little exasperated.

How could she possibly go for a blind date knowing that what was happening with the child still had not been resolved yet?

However, Charles was the one who had set up this date, and if she did not attend, the other party would think lowly of him.

Luna decided not to be bothered by this anymore and went back to bed.

She fell asleep until evening.

Finally, she was awoken by Gwen knocking on her door. " Luna, the Landry family's butler has come to bring you to your blind date."

Luna opened her eyes sleepily and could not help sighing when she heard what Gwen had said.

It turned out Charles was determined that she attend the blind date.

Well, why not?

Luna crawled out of bed and left the house after quickly freshening up.

Since Charles had already set it up, she would go and get this over with.

After all, it was just a blind date, and even if they did not click, the other party would not be able to do anything against her.

Luna got into the butler's car.

After what happened at the hospital the night before, the butler behaved far more respectfully than usual and addressed her as Ms. Luna.

Luna took the opportunity to enquire about her blind date.

"The other party is the young master of the Crawford family, the richest man in the city next door," the butler replied, smiling, as he drove the car. "It's a great opportunity, Ms. Luna.

"Even though the Crawfords aren't as powerful as the Landry or the Quinn family, they have plenty of influence in the neighboring Lincoln City.

"Mr. Landry is a smart man. He knew that you don't want to take part in Landry Group's affairs and did not want to get involved in the battle between the Landry, Quinn, and Lynch families, so he deliberately chose a man from a neighboring city for you.

"If you and Master Crawford start dating and you marry off to Lincoln City in the future...

"Not only would their family be able to help the Landry family financially, but you won't have to worry about the Landry family's affairs anymore in the future."

Luna could not help narrowing her eyes upon hearing this.

A split second later, she curled her lips into a smirk and gazed out the window. "Heather and Malcolm must have been the ones who suggested Father arrange a blind date for me, weren't they?"

The butler froze. After a moment, he nodded and replied, "When Ms. Landry decided to set up the blind date...Ms. Heather was indeed with him."

Luna narrowed her eyes and curled her lips into a sneer. This made much more sense.

She had been wondering why Charles would suddenly arrange a blind date for her. It turned out this was Heather and Malcolm's idea.

Last night, she had laid down her conditions that they had to hand over the Landry family's power to her if they wanted her to use the money under her name to save the family.

Just one day later, they had already arranged for her to have a blind date with a man from the neighboring city so that she would be married off and leave Merchant City.

As soon as she thought of this, Luna could not help curling her lips into a smirk.

Initially, Malcolm had been desperate to keep her here when she wanted to leave Merchant City, and even Charles had forced her to return to the Landry family.

However, with her being an obstacle in their path all of a sudden, they tried to think of ways to kick her out of this city.

In their dreams!

The car soon arrived at Lucky Den.

Luna followed the butler's instructions and quickly found Master Crawford. Master Crawford was a gentle, elegant man. As soon as he found out that Luna was just there on her elder's orders and did not intend to find a boyfriend, he chuckled and replied, "To be honest, I'm also here today just to fulfill my elder's wishes."

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With that, he handed Luna a card and said, "However, if you don't mind, I think we can work together so that we can both fulfill our family's wishes."

Luna furrowed her brows and took the card from him.

The card was folded in half, and as soon as she unfolded it, she caught sight of one single row of words.

[I'm gay.]

Luna widened her eyes in shock and lifted her head to stare at the man before her.

Master Crawford smiled at her and introduced himself, " Nice to meet you. My name is Caleb Crawford."

Luna fell silent for two seconds before smiling and shaking his hand. "Hello, nice to meet you."

She did not despise people like him at all. After all, there were all kinds of people in this world, and as long as they did not interfere with her life, she did not mind their sexual preferences at all.

However, as soon as she found out that Master Crawford was not interested in women, she grew even more open in conversing with him.

The two of them chatted happily in their booth.

Apart from his sexual preference, Caleb was a humorous and friendly person. Luna had so much fun talking to him that she was oblivious to the cold, steely gaze of a man in the corner of the third floor.

Joshua stood in the corner and watched Luna coldly.

He had not seen her laugh so wholeheartedly in a long time.

He had always thought she had not gotten over her grief of losing her child, but at this moment, he found out that...

It was not because Luna had not gotten over her grief, but instead, she had yet to meet someone that could make her laugh like this.

The person who could make her laugh used to be him, but at this point, it was the man sitting before her.

"Lucas," Joshua ordered in a low voice, his aura so domineering that it felt like the entire restaurant would freeze over. "Investigate that man."

Lucas nodded and disappeared from his side.

Meanwhile, in the booth behind Joshua, Mr. West, the man who was just about to conduct a business meeting with Joshua, inched over to Lucas' side and asked, "Assistant Lucas, did I...anger Mr. Lynch with the requests I made just now? He had already promised me that he'd think about it, so why is he so angry now?"

Lucas shrugged, clutching his laptop as he searched for information about Master Crawford. "He's not mad at you; he's mad at himself."

At the same time, in another corner of the restaurant, Heather watched Luna and Caleb chattering happily and clenched her fists next to her.

Resentment and hatred flashed through her eyes.

Rumors had it that Master Crawford was the pickiest man in Lincoln City and had never expressed interest in any woman at all.

However, this man was now happily chatting away with Luna!

Heather gritted her teeth in fury.

What gave Luna the right?

What made Luna so popular with men?

Joshua Lynch, Malcolm Quinn, and even Caleb Crawford!

Heather gritted her teeth, picked up her phone, and ordered, "Don't you have a vengeance with the Crawford family? Now's the perfect opportunity. The Crawfords won't be able to keep an eye on you in Merchant City, so you can do anything you want to Caleb Crawford, but on one condition..."

"You have to kill the woman that Caleb went on a date with tonight!

"Humiliate her one by one, then torture her to death. I don't want her to die so easily!"

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Luna and Caleb talked about everything, from jewelry design to Theo's drawings.

Caleb mentioned that he was very fond of Theo and hoped that Luna would be able to introduce them someday.

"Don't worry; I know that he's straight. I just admire his work very much and would like to buy some of his drawings someday."

Knowing how well-off Caleb was, Luna naturally could not miss out on the opportunity to help her friend close a business deal.

Therefore, as she continued chatting with Caleb, she contacted Theo and finally managed to help them finalize a deal.

When the two of them left Lucky Den after their meal, the sky had begun to pour with heavy rain.

Caleb offered to send Luna home, and after rejecting his offer multiple times, Luna still got into his car in the end.

Standing at the third-floor window, Joshua narrowed his eyes as he watched Luna get into Caleb's car.

He could not imagine that this same woman who had called him the night before because she had a bad dream was getting into the car of her blind date that she seemed to have hit it off with!

"Sir, shall we send someone to follow Ma'am and make sure she gets home safe? It's raining heavily tonight, and Ma'am is alone with that strange man. I'm worried that..."

“What are you worried about? She doesn’t seem to be afraid of anything!”
Joshua scoffed and gripped his wine

glass tightly. “Let her be.”

This woman knew fully well that Charles and Heather’s intentions for setting up a blind date with a man from Lincoln City for her was to get her to leave Merchant City, yet she still accepted their invitation.

Joshua knew that Luna did not want to participate in the Landry, Quinn, and Lynch families’ power struggle, but...

They had yet to get to the bottom of their child’s whereabouts, so how could she be so impatient to leave this place?

Joshua let out an exhale and closed his eyes.

“Master Crawford, someone is tailing us.”

Caleb’s car had been driving for a while now when suddenly, the driver glanced into the rearview mirror and said timidly, “And according to the license plates on the cars...they’re from Lincoln City... Could it possibly be...”

Caleb, who was sitting in the passenger seat, frowned. Just as he was about to glance into the rearview mirror, the black car following behind them suddenly slammed into the back of their car!

The car was knocked against the barrier with a loud slam!

The driver gripped the steering wheel tightly, but he could not seem to realign the car on the road.

Slam! With another thud, the car’s engine gave out.

Luna, who was sitting in the backseat, slammed her forehead against the headrest of the seat before her due to the impact. At this moment, her forehead began to bleed, and there were multiple wounds on her body.

She bit her lip and lifted her head to glance at Caleb. “

Master Crawford, what's going on?"

"It might be my nemesis from Lincoln City." Caleb narrowed his eyes. "I never expected that they'd be able to track me down and follow me all the way here."

With that, he turned to glance at Luna. "Don't worry: Their target is me, and this has nothing to do with you, so they won't hurt you."

Luna pursed her lips and glanced at the men dressed in black who had gotten out of the car and were storming toward them. "Are you sure...they won't hurt me?"

As she said this, she took out her phone, cautiously extended her arm out of the broken window, and took a photo of her surroundings. Then, she sent the photo to Jim.

As soon as the message was sent, she and Caleb were

dragged out of the car before she could even say a word. Her phone was left behind in the car.

Outside the car, the rain was pouring heavily.

The men dragged Luna and Caleb into a van and headed straight to an abandoned warehouse on the outskirts of Merchant City.

When both of them were tossed out of the van, both Luna and Caleb had already been tied up.

The abandoned warehouse was filled with the smell of damp mold and rusted metal. There was only a dim light in the middle of the warehouse, and every time lightning struck, the entire room would be lit up in blinding white light.

The two of them were tossed onto the mossy ground.

"Master Crawford, I have gotten my hands on you in the end."

A bald, buff man dressed in a leather jacket sat on a nearby sofa, sipping on his wine as he glanced coldly at Luna and Caleb. "No wonder you were so

willing to leave Lincoln City and come all the way here; it was all for this beautiful woman.”

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The bald man sneered, stood up, and circled Luna a few times before finally squatting in front of her and grabbing hold of her chin. “Why would a gorgeous woman like you be on a blind date with a man like Master Crawford? Don't you think I'm so much manlier than him? Hmm?”

A glimmer of lustful greed flashed through his eyes. “Have some fun with me tonight, won't you?”

“Harris! I'm the one you should be looking for, so don't make things difficult for this woman,” yelled Caleb, frowning. “She's from Merchant City, and her family is very powerful and wealthy here, so don't you dare touch her!”

The man named Harris chuckled and reached out to grab hold of Luna's neck with one hand while the other pinched her cheek. “What's wrong? Are you worried about this woman, Master Crawford?”

“You had simply gone on one dinner date with this woman, but why are you already so concerned about her? I never knew you were such a hopeless romantic!”

Harris' sweat and wine-stained fingers brushed across Luna's face, the sticky texture of his skin making Luna feel nauseous. She instinctively dodged away from him and said, “You know that he and I have just met, so why do you have to capture me as well when kidnapping him?”

“You two seem like long-lost friends and hit it off almost immediately,” Harris replied, smirking, as he continued to pinch her face adoringly. “Besides, you've already witnessed us kidnapping him, so what would happen if you called the cops on us?”

With that, he curled his lips into a sneer and continued, “Do you know that every person who witnesses our

wrongdoings in Lincoln City... has to be..."

He reached out and slid his finger across Luna's neck. "Snap."

The glimmer of malice in his eyes, as well as his tone, made Luna's blood run cold.

These men were just as cruel and heartless as Luke's.

Luna knew that just like Caleb, it was unlikely she would be able to make it out alive tonight.

"Harris." Caleb let out an exhale and said, "Let go of her; you and I should settle our vengeance on our own."

"What right do you have to talk terms with me?" Harris snickered, took out a knife, and slit it across Caleb's forearm.

Caleb let out a painful grunt, and a deep knife wound spread across his right arm, so deep that one could see the bone underneath.

Luna bit her lip and did not even dare to breathe when she saw how painful Caleb looked.

"Don't worry, my precious, I won't do this to you." Harris chuckled, took a small pill from one of his men, and shoved it into Luna's mouth.

Luna knew that this pill was bad news, so she struggled against his grasp, refusing to swallow.

Smack!

After trying to shove it into Luna's mouth to no avail, Harris smacked her right across her face.

The slap landed on Luna's face so hard that she went dizzy for a moment and spat out a mouthful of blood.

Harris quickly pushed the pill into Luna's mouth and forced her to swallow it.

After doing all this, he tossed Luna onto the ground.

“What did you give me?” Luna asked weakly, her body slumped on the ground.

“It’s a pill that would make you capable of having all of us inside you,” Harris replied, snickering, as he returned to his seat. “Someone was willing to pay us two million dollars to rape you and three million more for you to be killed.” With that, he glanced at Caleb and added, “You’re worth even more than he is.”