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Chapter 471: Constantly Seeking Her Own Destruction

She called out to Jeanne fiercely.

Her face was filled with displeasure. "What are you still quibbling about? You caused the death of Jasmine's child, yet at this moment, you're still making up false rumors? How can you be so mean? Aren't you afraid karma would get back at you? For your hatred and jealousy towards Jasmine and implicating an innocent fetus, you'll never live a good life!"

Jeanne's expression turned grim at that moment.

She thought the family's performance should end here, so she took a deep breath and was about to speak when suddenly, footsteps came from outside the hall.

Everyone turned around and saw Alexander, Jenifer, and Joshua rushing over.

Jenifer's eyes were red.

As soon as she walked in, she could not help but burst into tears. "Jasmine, what happened to you? Weren't you fine yesterday? Why did you say that the child's gone today? It's only been a day. How could it be gone..."

Another heart-wrenching cry echoed in the main hall.

At that moment, Old Master Swan's eyes tensed, and his expression darkened.

When Jasmine saw Jenifer coming, she felt even more aggrieved and threw herself into Jenifer's arms. The two of them hugged each other and cried as if one of their husbands and the other their father was dead.

Just like that, everyone just watched the performance of a mother and daughter's bond and them grieving.

"Mom, calm down. Jasmine's still alive. She just had a miscarriage." Eden went up to comfort Jenifer.

Only then did Jenifer come back to her senses. She quickly wiped her tears and kept comforting Jasmine, "Jasmine, be good. Don't cry. You can still get pregnant with another child. There's still a chance. However... How could you be so careless? The first three months are the most important. You have never been a careless child. How could such an accident happen?"

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Jasmine was still bawling her eyes out. She looked at Jenifer and then turned to look at Jeanne. Her gaze could not be clearer.

"Was it Jeanne?" Jenifer asked.

Jasmine bit her lips, looking extremely aggrieved, and nodded.

“How dare you!” Jenifer cried out loudly.

After that, she let go of Jasmine and walked toward Jeanne, who simply looked at her.

Jenifer lost control of herself and said, “Jeanne, you know full well how I treated you since you were young. After your mother passed away, I have always treated you as my own daughter and have never owed you anything. At least, before you left home seven years ago, I gave you the best of everything and a good life as the eldest young lady of the family. Regarding the matter between Jasmine and Eden, didn’t I almost beat Jasmine to death for that? Even back then, when your father used to whip you because you were too willful, didn’t I always stop your father from beating you? Now that you’re back, haven’t I tolerated you at every turn? All I hoped for was for you to treat me as your family. However, why did you have to treat Jasmine like this? Even if you hate Jasmine for snatching Eden away, you can’t implicate an innocent baby...”

Jenifer looked as if she was about to cry her last breath in front of Jeanne.

However, Jeanne was used to it. She was used to Jenifer being a two-faced person.

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“Jeanne! What the hell is going on?” Alexander’s expression was also hideous.

The family naturally came to help Jasmine.

Moreover, from Alexander’s point of view, he definitely hoped that Jasmine would be able to give the Swans children. Only then would Jasmine stabilize her position in the Swans, and the Lawrences would also be able to play up to them. However, now that the child was suddenly gone again, no one in the Lawrences would be able to accept it!

“What’s going on? It’s just a performance by your precious daughter...” Jeanne sneered.

Alexander raised his palm. It was precisely because of Jeanne’s attitude that he wanted to slap her.

Edward’s reaction was quick. Before Jeanne could retaliate, he had grabbed Alexander’s arm fiercely.

Alexander’s eyes narrowed as he looked at Edward.

With a strong push, Edward pushed Alexander away. The force was so strong that Alexander took a few steps back.

“I’ll forget about the past.” Edward’s face was cold. “But in the future, whoever wants to touch her will have to go through me first!”

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Alexander’s expression was grim.

In the face of Fourth Master Swan, Alexander was still afraid of him, regardless of whether he was his son-in-law.

He looked at Edward and put down his hand angrily. He said, "Jeanne, you've always been competitive since you were young, so you can't stand to see Jasmine being better than you! Haven't the lessons from seven years ago taught you the truth? Yet, you could still set your sister up. You made me feel that raising a dog would've been better than raising you!"

Raising a dog would have been better than raising her, huh?

Jeanne looked at Alexander coldly. If she was worse than a dog, he was not even qualified to raise a dog!

Jeanne's eyes turned cold. "I can make Jasmine suffer any time. Would I have needed to use such despicable methods? The only person who would use such methods is Jasmine!"

"Sister, I've never treated you badly. Ever since we were young, I have always listened to you. Other than the matter with Eden, I have never done anything to you. Everyone around us knows I always followed behind you when we were kids. Whatever you wanted me to do, I would do it. What else do you want me to do? All I did was snatch Eden away! If you had said back then that you loved Eden very much and that you wanted to be together with him, I wouldn't have snatched him away from you even if I loved Eden terribly."

"The only person I love is you. There's no way I would be together with Jeanne," Eden quickly added.

At that moment, he held Jasmine in his arms again, showing his deep affection for her.

Jeanne looked at them coldly. In her mind, she was only thinking about how stupid she was back then to treat Jasmine as her sister, and that was why Jasmine liked Eden.

How stupid was she back then?

At that moment, she regulated her emotions, wondering what she had to do to make the two of them suffer for what they did.

However, her silence at that moment made people assume she was powerless to refute.

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As such, Belle took the opportunity to say, "Jeanne, you don't have anything to say, do you? You have no reasons to justify yourself anymore! Jeanne, how can you be so mean to use a fetus to take revenge?"

"Sister-in-law, bad people can do all kinds of bad, let alone a fetus. If Jasmine gave birth to a boy, Jeanne might even strangle the child to death!" Elaine fanned the flames.

Jeanne still did not react because she was still thinking about some things — methods that could humiliate those people completely.

Seeing that Jeanne did not say anything, Elaine pushed her luck. "Actually, this matter is very simple. Jeanne has always been brooding over Eden and Jasmine. However, it's not because Jeanne still likes Eden. In fact, Jeanne might not like Eden anymore. After all, with Edward in the picture, she probably wouldn't be interested in Eden anymore. But even though she isn't interested in Eden, it doesn't mean she can forgive him for what happened back then. Think about it. Jeanne was quite pitiful back then because of Eden and Jasmine."

Elaine explained that matter as a bystander, which in a short time, allowed more people to believe her.

Elaine continued saying, "Back then, because Jeanne couldn't accept Eden and Jasmine being together and because she didn't know better, she caused the entire South Hampton City to be in an uproar. When it got out of hand, and the truth of the matter came to light, Jeanne's unreasonable behavior became known to all, ruining her reputation. Later on, because the Lawrences couldn't withstand the pressure, they sent Jeanne out of the country. At that time, Jeanne was only 18 years old. At 18 years old, she was living abroad alone, and I'm sure life for her wasn't easy. Apparently..."

Elaine paused for a moment as if she did not want to make Jeanne look bad.

She turned her head and looked at Jeanne. "Jeanne, I'm just analyzing this matter from a bystander's point of view. Please don't take it to heart."

"Please go on, sister. I'm listening." Jeanne was unmoved.

She was giving them time to perform.

Elaine was rather surprised by Jeanne's indifference. Hence, she did not think too much at that moment. Other than the Swans, she looked down on everyone else. She said, "Apparently, George was born to a man whom Jeanne randomly found to play up to. I also heard that later on, in order to live a better life, you found more men to help you. Otherwise, where would you have gotten your assets of more than 50 billion dollars? Thinking about it this way, Edward also gave you his shares, which are worth a few billion in the market, hence increasing your assets. However, I'm also a little curious. How did you make men willingly throw money at you? That's not the point, of course, and I don't want to take it in the wrong direction."

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Elaine sounded a little sarcastic.

She continued, "It doesn't matter how you are doing now, but I believe that after all these years of being disgraced, kicked out of the family, and the hard times you endured, deep down, you must hate Jasmine and Eden very much. That's why you're back now, shining even brighter. With your ability to avenge yourself, you can't possibly give up. You definitely won't let Jasmine and Eden have a good time. I was even thinking that, with how you're progressing in Lawrence Enterprise, are you deliberately taking revenge on the Lawrences and want to take everything that belongs to them for yourself? I'm sure you must hate your father for chasing you out of the family. At that thought, it's reasonable for Jasmine to ask Eden to help her target you. If she doesn't ask Eden to do so, you'll probably take over the Lawrences very soon!"

"Sister, are you done?" Jeanne was very calm.

After listening to Elaine's analysis, she still did not have much of a reaction.

"Not yet."

"In that case, please continue."

With that, Elaine added, "You have always held a grudge against Eden and Jasmine, so when you heard Jasmine say she was pregnant yesterday, you felt uneasy. To be honest, I was paying attention to you last night. Throughout dad's birthday dinner, you were absent-minded, and I don't think I was the only one who noticed. Grace."

Grace began to panic when she heard her name.

Although she sometimes felt that her position in the Swans was a little unfair as she was always bullied by her sisters-in-law, she could only endure it because Richard told her not to cause trouble at home. At that moment, it was obvious that Elaine called out to her to drag her into a dispute. Hence, she was a little scared.

She turned her head and glanced at Richard, who did not think it was a good idea to say anything under such circumstances.

"Why are you looking at my brother?" Elaine pulled a long face.

Right from the start, she had never really liked her sisters-in-law.

"Let me ask you. Did you, too, notice that Jeanne was a little absent-minded at the dinner table yesterday?" Elaine said.

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Grace did not know how to answer that question either.

She was afraid that no matter what she said, she might get herself into trouble.

It was obvious that Henry and his family had joined hands with Elaine's family to tear Edward apart.

In fact, Edward's existence had always made Henry and Elaine jealous. Now that they got the goods on Edward, it would be strange for them not to make a big fuss out of it.

However, she also knew that she could not afford to offend Edward.

Richard often told her that even though it was not justified, it was still the right choice for the Swans to be handed over to Edward.

Just from those few words, Grace understood that Richard did not stand on either side and that he approved Old Master Swan's arrangements. In other words, he approved of Edward.

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Since her husband approved of Edward, wouldn't her helping Elaine create conflict between her and her husband?

Just as she was hesitating and did not know how to reply, Jeanne admitted openly, "Yes. I was indeed absent-minded last night."

That was because there were many things on her mind. It was inevitable that she would show it on her face and catch others' attention.

Grace heaved a sigh of relief at that moment and could not help but look at Jeanne, feeling inexplicably grateful.

She had been married into the family for 18 years, but she had always kept to herself. Although she looked mediocre, she had not caused any trouble for her husband.

She was unlike Belle, who relied on her status as the eldest daughter-in-law and would sometimes argue with Elaine. Of course, because Henry and Elaine were now on the same side, Belle would still be safe even if she made a fuss sometimes.

“You were absent-minded because Jasmine was pregnant!” Elaine confirmed this fact.

“No,” Jeanne denied.

“You don’t have to deny it because the truth is obvious. You were unhappy because you were jealous that Jasmine was pregnant, and that was why you were so absent-minded. Moreover, I have to say, Jeanne, you’re quite smart. With Jasmine pregnant, you should be able to figure out what benefits Jasmine could get from this family. Although, what you said just now is also true. The Swans have a number of grandchildren, so playing the grandson card in the family wouldn’t give Jasmine, the mother, much of an advantage. However, just like any other family, everyone looked forward to having another child in the family. Moreover, it would’ve been my father’s first great-grandson, which would still be different. If Jasmine gave birth to the Swans’ first great-grandson, there would definitely be some changes in the family. As for you and Edward...”

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Elaine paused again.

Jeanne did not expect that Henry’s family would allow Elaine to be the one to testify against her. That way, it would make people more convinced of their story because no matter what, Elaine was speaking as a third party. Compared to Henry’s family, it was definitely more convincing.

Elaine looked at Jeanne. “I heard Edward’s body is flawed.”

Jeanne’s eyes narrowed before she turned to look at Edward beside her. Did that mean the Swans did not know about Edward’s condition?

“At first, I thought Edward would never in his life get married, and I also didn’t know how you married Edward with a child. However, Edward has been alone for so many years, which is not something normal. Either he’s physically or mentally flawed. Anyway, I heard somewhere before — I think it was from that br*t, Nox — that there was something wrong with Edward’s body.”

Nox, who was still sleeping soundly on the bed, expressed his innocence.

When did he say that there was something wrong with Edward? Well, he might have said it before. After all, he had brought Edward women before, but the latter did not want any of them.

Moreover, he did have a big mouth sometimes.

At that moment, Elaine turned her gaze to Edward. "Edward, we might as well take this opportunity to bring it all up, and I won't beat around the bush. The Swans have a big family business. Since dad has handed the family over to you, you have no choice but to shoulder a heavy burden on the family and bring the family to greater heights. This is one of your duties. However, the continuation of the family line is also an indispensable part of it. Just tell us honestly. Do you have any physical defects? Are you incapable of having a child, or is it not even a possibility? If so, I really think you should give up your power to the next successor. In my opinion, Eden is the most capable person to become the next successor."

At that moment, the topic shifted to Edward instead.

Edward said, "Sister, you don't have to worry. I am completely fine."

"I don't think you'd admit to your problems at a time like that. After all, you have to protect Jeanne." Elaine was certain of that fact. "I don't know what Jeanne did to you to make you treat her like this, but Edward, I hope you'll wake up this time. Jeanne killed a Swan!"

Edward's face darkened.

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Just as he was about to speak, Old Master Swan spoke.

His voice was stern as if he had had enough. "After hearing so much and for so long, everything all of you said is just your one-sided statements. I've said it before. Without concrete evidence, I don't think Jeanne did this!"

"Dad, stop being so biased toward Edward and Jeanne!" Elaine had said so much, only for her father to insist he did not think Jeanne did it. Her expression stiffened. "The truth is obvious. Jeanne was just jealous that Jasmine was pregnant with the child of the Swans, and since Edward can't get her pregnant, she was afraid that from then on, Jasmine would be more favored than her in this family! Dad, Jeanne has taken it so far, yet why are you still treating her like this? How do you think big brother's family will be alright with that? According to tradition, big brother should be the one taking over the family. The fact that you've given it to Edward has already upset big brother and his family, yet you're still defending Jeanne. Let's not talk about what big brother thinks, but I feel sorry for big brother."

"Elaine!" Old Master Swan's expression became even uglier.

However, Elaine did not seem to care anymore. She said directly at Old Master Swan, "Dad, even if you think we're accusing Jeanne because we might be biased, Jeanne's father has already said those things about Jeanne. Do you still think you should protect Jeanne? I'm sure Jeanne's father should know best what type of person Jeanne is, not you."

Since Elaine mentioned Alexander, he hurriedly went forward with a look of certainty. "Jeanne must have pushed Jasmine and caused Jasmine to fall. Jasmine has always been a very careful girl, and she definitely would be more careful after finding out she was pregnant. She definitely wouldn't have fallen. Furthermore, when she fell, Jeanne and Jasmine were together. I understand Jeanne's personality very well. She has always been very competitive and can't stand to see others being better than her, so she

likely attacked Jasmine out of jealousy! What's more, only Jeanne and no one else were there when Jasmine fell. I refuse to believe that such coincidence can happen."

When Jeanne heard Alexander saying it with such confidence, she snickered.

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In Universe Garden, Alexander accused Jeanne and said with certainty that Jasmine's miscarriage had something to do with Jeanne.

Jeanne looked at Alexander with a cold smile.

Sometimes, she wondered why the person whom she had lived with for so many years and raised her could be so disgusting that right now, she really wanted to kill them.

The smile on her lips became colder and colder as she looked at Alexander, who showed no mercy to her.

"Dad, did you hear that? Jeanne's father said the same thing about Jeanne. This proves that this is not the first time Jeanne has done something like that! She has been bossy and domineering since she was young. She just can't stand seeing others being better than her, so she uses such unscrupulous ways to deal with things. What evidence do you need?" Elaine said righteously.

Old Master Swan was still unmoved. He looked at the person in front of him coldly and said, "As to what kind of person Jeanne is and whether she would do all these things, I have my reservations. However, you have no concrete evidence to prove that Jeanne did all these. I can be sure to tell everyone that I will not pursue this matter!"

"Dad! How can you protect Jeanne like that?" Belle broke down.

She looked at Old Master Swan and did not care if she made a big fuss.

She said, "You have always protected Edward, and now you're also protecting Edward's wife? What do you want us to think? Let's not talk about before, when you like Edward and think he has the ability to bring the family to greater heights. We can all tolerate that! But with this matter, I absolutely cannot tolerate it! I refuse to let it go, no matter what. Dad, even if you want to kick me out of the family, I won't let it go so easily!"

Old Master Swan's expression was visibly grimmer!

At that moment, Henry also burst out in rage. He said, "Dad, Eden made a mistake because of some objective and subjective reasons that have caused the company to lose 200 to 300 million dollars. In fact, I don't think that amount caused too much of an impact on Swan Enterprise! However, Edward and Jeanne fired Eden as the president of Swanhaven Bank in front of the senior management by threatening him with a small piece of evidence, which humiliated and crushed him! Yet, now that Jeanne has made such a huge mistake, you want to settle this matter peacefully? Dad, do you think only Edward matters in the family? What about Elaine, Richard, and I?"

"Henry!" Old Master Swan's face darkened and was filled with rage.

Today, Henry had thrown all caution to the wind.

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After all his years in the Swans, he had had enough.

He had always thought that the family would eventually fall into his hands. Ever since he was born, he had been well educated by the Swans. However, unexpectedly, when he was in his twenties, his father had another son. What he could not understand even more was that ever since Edward was born, his status plummeted. All his father's attention shifted to Edward, and in the end, he really did hand the family over to Edward to manage!

He had been suppressing his emotions, thinking that one day, his father would come to his senses and hand the Swans back to him. Even if his father did not, he could give it to Eden. Yet now, it seemed like he was dreaming. No matter what, his father would always think of Edward, and in the future, the entire family would be Edward's to manage!

He shouted at Old Master Swan, "Father, I have always respected you. I really thought of you as the most admirable person in my life. I have seen you guide the political world and the business world. I've also seen the brilliant and righteous side of you. I even regarded you as my role model since I was young, hoping I could become someone like you! But now, your actions have really disappointed me. As the head of the family, you only show favoritism to your youngest son. What do you take the rest of us for? We've become dispensable to you, huh?"

Old Master Swan's expression was extremely ugly.

He probably did not expect his son to go against him like that one day.

"If only mom were here. At least mom has never sided with Edward, and you have really taken it too far!"

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"Henry!" Old Master Swan's voice was loud, and his angry expression made everyone present tremble in fear.

Old Master Swan still looked very authoritative after these years. No one knew whether it was because of his age or not, but he rarely lost his temper.

Now, he said coldly to Henry, "Since you question my management of this family and think that my actions are unacceptable to you, you can leave the Swans!"

"Dad!" Henry looked at Old Master Swan in disbelief. "You want to kick me out just because of Edward and his little wife? Don't you think you're too selfish? Do you really want all of us to leave you one day? Aren't you afraid you'll regret your decision?"

"I, Zachary Swan, have lived for so long and have never done anything I regret, including whatever I've done to you! You can choose to leave if you don't understand, and I won't stop you!"

“Dad! Why do you have to treat us like this? Why can’t you be a fair and just father? Why do you have to protect Edward so much? Aren’t the rest of us your children as well? We’re your biological children too. Why do you have to side with Edward?” Henry questioned him. At that moment, he vented all the grievances he had felt for all those years!

“I’m not on anyone’s side! I treat all of you fairly and justly. I have a clear conscience!” Old Master Swan said firmly.

“Fair and justly? You gave everything to Edward. Do you call that fair and justly? You’re lying through your teeth! How can you even say it in such a dignified manner?”

“Have you ever thought about what Edward had to go through for everything he received today? What was he doing when you were enjoying yourselves?” Old Master Swan said coldly, “Who was the one who shouldered all the burden of Swan Enterprise? Was it you? Why do you think you could live a luxurious life with a high salary? Who gave you an easy life? You’ve been enjoying all of this so naturally, and now, you’re telling me you don’t think it’s fair?”

“I’m mediocre because you valued Edward too highly, allowing him to take charge of everything and making me useless! If it weren’t for Edward, I could have supported the entire Edward and become the pillar of the family!”

“Have you forgotten that one of your decisions almost caused the Swans to go bankrupt?” Old Master Swan looked at Henry with a grim expression. “Need I list all the ridiculous things you did in the company?”

“I was still young back then. I might have made some mistakes, but you can’t use that to deny me everything!”

“You were still young? You were already 30 when I gave you the power to manage the family. Meanwhile, Edward isn’t even 30 yet and has been managing the Swans for almost ten years. Who gave you the confidence to compare yourself with Edward?” Old Master Swan mocked Henry in front of everyone.

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Henry was embarrassed by Master Yan’s words.

He admitted that he was not as capable as Edward, but he still could not accept it.

They were all Zachary’s sons. Why would he protect Edward more just because Edward was more capable?

In Zachary’s heart, the others were nothing at all.

Looking at Henry’s expression, Old Master Swan did not think of giving him a way out. He said coldly, “Today’s matter ends here. From now on, I don’t want to hear anyone else say I’m biased towards Edward! I can let it go this time, but it doesn’t mean I can tolerate it next time!”

Old Master Swan’s words were intimidating, and no one dared to go against him.

No matter what Elaine said or how much she acted like a spoiled child fawning over Old Master Swan, she did not dare to anger Old Master Swan.

She looked at her big brother, who was also shaken by Old Master Swan's hostility and did not dare to say another word.

Everyone knew very well that if they angered Old Master Swan at that moment, they would be kicked out of the family.

No matter what, they were, indeed, living a luxurious life with no worries about food or having shelter over their head. They had so much money that they could not even use it all. If they were really kicked out of the family, they would have no ability to survive in the outside world and would be penniless sooner or later. No one dared to take it that far.

Suddenly, a suffocating silence filled the air.

Old Master Swan intended to get up and leave.

Just like that, the matter would end under Old Master Swan's authority.

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No one could say anything more. Even if Henry's family had suffered a great "grievance", they could only do so!

If Old Master Swan wanted to protect someone, no one could go against him.

Yet, under such circumstances, Belle decided to resist.

She roared at Old Master Swan, "I'm a woman, and I really don't know anything about career. I also don't care who is in power in the family. Is Edward so outstanding that the Swans can't survive without him? All I know is that now that my grandson is gone, so Edward and Jeanne must take responsibility. Otherwise, even if I die in the Swans, I will get justice!"

Old Master Swan's face darkened.

Belle continued saying, "Why? I don't have a grandson anymore. Why should they be protected like this because they did something wrong? Why?"

"Because you have no evidence!" Old Master Swan scolded her, "If you have evidence, you can do anything!"

"You're protecting Edward and Jeanne because I have no evidence? Dad, I don't care anymore. At most, you can ask Henry to divorce me, but today, I will not let this matter go! If you don't deal with Edward and Jeanne today, I will immediately go out and gather the reporters. I'll have all the media in Harken expose this scandal of ours. I don't care what happens to the Swans in the end, but I only seek justice!"

"If you dare, go ahead and do it!" Old Master Swan was not threatened at all.

Belle said fiercely, "I will definitely do it!"

Nevertheless, Old Master Swan remained indifferent. Then, he stood up and was about to leave.

Belle looked at Old Master Swan's reaction and broke down. She roared angrily, "Dad, Edward can't have a child. If you do this, your way of doing things will only make the Swans lose their descendants. Even if you die, no one will be at your funeral!"

Old Master Swan's expression was grim as he looked at Belle's vicious expression.

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His gaze tensed.

This time, she had really angered Old Master Swan.

Everyone was shocked by his reaction.

In fact, after Belle said it, she was also shocked by herself at that moment. However, on second thought, she could not let that matter go so easily. In any case, she had to get justice for herself, so she did not care.

She refused to believe that Old Master Swan could kill her, no matter how powerful he was!

She did not understand why everyone in the Swans was so afraid of Old Master Swan. Was it not just for the Swans' assets?

Was it not obvious that the assets of the Swans would belong to Edward in the future?

Since that was the case, why did they have to be worried?

She stared fiercely at Old Master Swan. Then, she saw Wade, who was beside Old Master Swan, walking directly toward her.

With a bam, Wade slapped Belle to the ground.

Belle was slapped so hard that her vision went black. For a second, she felt like she was going to die from the pain.

When she fell to the ground, she touched her face and could not react in time.

At that moment, everyone else in the hall was stunned by the scene in front of them.

For so many years, no one had dared to provoke Old Master Swan for him to make such a move!

Even more so, no one dared to speak.

Even if Belle was beaten up, Henry and Eden, who were her husband and son, as well as Jasmine, who she wanted to seek justice for, did not dare to move. They suddenly acted like deaf-mutes, pretending to be dumb!

Wade's face was cold. "How dare you offend Old Master Swan!"

More than half of Belle's face was red and swollen as she glared fiercely at Wade. Probably because she was so angry, she lost control and roared at Wade, "Who do you think you are? Aren't you just a dog by Old Master Swan's side? What right do you have to hit me? You dog..."

Wade's expression did not look pleasant.

Just as Wade was about to make a move again, Henry hurriedly went over and shouted at Belle, "Enough! Are you crazy? How dare you say that about my father?!"

Henry had finally seen through the situation.

He knew that no matter how much they pestered Old Master Swan, the latter would still protect Edward.

Other than enduring that anger, what else could he do?

"I'm not crazy. You're the ones who are crazy! It's you cowardly Swans. You parasites! You don't even have the guts to resist him for treating you like this. Why don't you resist?" Belle shouted crazily, "Edward can't have children. If all of you leave, the Swans will have no future, and Zachary Swan will regret it!"

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"You will definitely regret it. You will definitely regret it!" Belle screamed.

She had reached the point of madness and could not suppress it anymore.

Perhaps in her heart, she was sure that Jasmine's child was Jeanne's doing and felt that the Swans were being unfair.

Although she had married into the family for many years, those who could marry the Swans were from large families that were either rich or noble. Most of them had never suffered such a grievance before. If they were to burst out in rage, they could not care less about the consequences!

"Eden, drag your mother away! This is simply embarrassing!" Henry hurriedly called out to Eden.

Only then did Eden seem to come to his senses.

He quickly went forward to pull Belle up and bring her away.

Everyone understood that Old Master Swan was hell-bent on protecting Jeanne today, so no matter how hard they tried, they would not be able to turn the situation around. On the contrary, they might really be kicked out of the family!

As to being kicked out of the family, no one dared to try.

Initially, they had thought of using such methods to force Old Master Swan to divorce Edward from Jeanne. Yet now, it seemed like they had really failed to turn the tables.

Eden's expression was hideous.

Not only did he lose his baby, but he also did not get any benefits!

He suppressed his anger and dragged his mother away harshly.

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In the main hall, Belle's heart-wrenching echoed. "Zachary Swan, karma will get back at you one day. It's because of your unfair treatment that Jeanne can act so unbridledly in this family. In the end, it's you who killed your own great-grandson. You're the murdered— Ah..."

Eden gritted his teeth and used all his strength to drag her mother away!

"Can I say a few words?"

At this moment, in the main hall, Jeanne suddenly opened her mouth amidst Belle's crazy cries.

Everyone looked at her as she said, "We can't let this matter go just like that."

"How do you still have the cheek to say that?" Elaine could not stand it anymore, and seeing that Jeanne had spoken, she vented her anger on Jeanne.

"Although dad is certain I didn't do such a thing, no one will truly think I'm innocent. In fact, you'll only think that dad is intentionally biased toward me. In return, it'll only create a misunderstanding toward dad, and it's also a form of injury to me." Jeanne enunciated each word as she said, "I don't want dad's trust in me to be the reason everyone thinks dad is unfair to this family!"

"Don't try to pretend to be nice," Elaine mocked.

Jeanne ignored Elaine and turned her head toward Belle, who was shackled by Eden. She said, "Didn't you say that I was the one who killed your grandchild? You may not have any evidence to prove I did it, but I have evidence to prove I didn't do it!"

"What evidence do you have?" Belle glared at Jeanne.

At that moment, half of her face was still swollen.

Jeanne glanced at Belle before facing everyone and saying, "Elaine and Belle are very sure that the root cause of Jasmine's miscarriage was that I was jealous of Jasmine..."

"Isn't that so?" Elaine continued.

Jeanne's eyes narrowed as she looked at Elaine coldly.

At that moment, Elaine was actually a little scared by Jeanne's gaze, for she suddenly felt a chill on her back, making her hairs stand.

However, the next second, she straightened her back again and still did not take Jeanne seriously.

"Sister, have you got more to say?" Jeanne raised her eyebrows.

Elaine was stunned.

"If you do, you can continue. I'll continue when you're done."

Elaine gritted her teeth. What else could she say now?

Her father was completely on Jeanne's side. What else could she say that would not offend her father? Seeing how Belle was treated, she did not want to end up the same.

Hence, she glared at Jeanne.

However, Jeanne's cold voice revealed that she did not care if she humiliated Elaine. "Interrupting others is very rude. Sister, you grew up in the Swans, so there's no way you weren't taught this. At least when you were talking just now, I didn't interrupt."

"You!" Elaine was somewhat embarrassed by Jeanne's lecture.

Jeanne glanced at Elaine, looking at her twisted face, and asked bluntly, "Second sister, do you still have anything else to say?"

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Elaine's expression looked ferocious when she said fiercely, "Go on. I'll let you speak. Let's see what you have to say!"

"Thank you, sister." Jeanne appeared very polite.

However, that made Elaine feel even more embarrassed, so she snorted and chose to shut up.

Jeanne said again, "With regards to my jealousy toward Jasmine, I'd like to ask, what I am jealous of her? Is she better looking? Does she have a better career? Did she marry better than me? Do I have to lower myself to be jealous of someone who's the child of a mistress?"

"Jeanne, how can you say that?" Alexander scolded her.

Jeanne said, "Isn't Jenifer a mistress?"

"Your mother died many years ago! Do you want me to be alone for the rest of my life?" Alexander was indignant.

"Yes, my mother has been dead for many years, but Jasmine is only two months younger than me! Did my mother die when she was pregnant with me?" Jeanne asked coldly.

At that, Alexander's expression turned ashen.

"From a young age, everyone knows who's jealous of whom." Jeanne sneered as if the people in front of her were all a joke. Then, she turned her attention to the pale Jasmine. "Jasmine, do you think I'm jealous of you?"

Jasmine suddenly looked into Jeanne's eyes and began to panic. She had a feeling that Jeanne had a plan in mind.

She gritted her teeth and said in a somewhat meek manner, "You're not jealous of me, but you've always been very angry about what happened between Eden and me back then—"

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"I am. I'm just angry about why I was so blind back then to take a liking to scum like Eden!"

"Jeanne!" Eden was furious. At that moment, he had also let go of Belle and shouted at Jeanne, "What happened between Jasmine and I was consensual. I don't like you anymore. Do you want me to suffer and force myself to be with you? You think too highly of yourself!"

“It’s fine if you want to be with me. Even then, I won’t even call you a sc*m! What makes you a sc*mbag is that you do such cruel and infuriating things for the sake of your own reputation. You’re so cruel that you even let your wife hurt her body and lose her child to frame someone else. What you’ve done is disgusting, and even that word flatters you!”

“Enough! Are you trying to insult me to rid yourself of the fact that you caused Jasmine to have a miscarriage? No matter what your feelings toward me are, perhaps just as my aunt said, you might not like me anymore. Yes, I admit I’m not as good as my fourth uncle in any aspect. I admit that you like my fourth uncle now. However, I was the one who hurt you a lot after I got together with Jasmine. Now, you’re holding a grudge toward me, and that’s why you’ve never wanted me to get along with Jasmine. Everyone can tell that!”

“Do you think I’m that stupid? Would I use such a method to take revenge on you? Even in a place like the Swans’ home? If I really didn’t want Jasmine to have this child, I could have hired someone else to do it for me, and no one would know! Why would I do it myself and have all of you catch me in the act?”

“Aren’t you relying on my grandfather’s favoritism toward you? Anyway, if you did it, you’ll still be safe in the end. Can’t you do whatever you want in the family now?” Eden sneered. Although he did not dare to go against his grandfather, he was still sarcastic about it. “Forget it. I don’t want to argue about this. Let’s just take this as Jasmine being careless. Next time, we’ll be more careful and move out to take care of the baby.”

Jeanne looked at Eden. “As expected, I was blind.”

“Me, too,” Eden said fiercely.

As the two of them glared at each other, a big hand suddenly stopped in front of Jeanne.

Jeanne’s eyes moved slightly, and she turned around to see Edward beside her.

Edward said, “It turns out I do get jealous.”

Jeanne pursed her lips, feeling speechless.

Then, she averted her gaze and took a deep breath.

Not wanting to waste any more time with that group of people, she said, “Whether Jasmine fell on her own accord or on purpose, the reason is simple. It’s because this child isn’t Eden’s at all.”

After that, there was a moment or two of silence.

However, on the third second, Jasmine’s face fell. She lost control of herself and said to Jeanne, “Sister, how can you slander me like this? Eden and I only have eyes for each other. We were both each other’s first time, and we’ll also be each other’s last. You can insult our relationship, but you can’t insult my innocence like that! You’ve gone too far. You really... Even if you want to take revenge on me and cause me to miscarry, I can still accept it. But how can you slander me like this? How can you...”

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She was crying so hard that she felt like she was about to lose her breath. It was as if she had suffered a great injustice.

Jenifer hurriedly hugged Jasmine and turned her head to Jeanne. "Jeanne, I have never been angry at you since you were young, but I really can't hold it in any longer! I thought I had given you a lot, but I can't believe you ended up so ill-mannered! With this behavior of yours, don't you think your late mother would be ashamed of you?"

Alexander also rebuked angrily, "I regret letting you come back now. You're simply a disgrace to our family!"

"Why did I come back? I come back to bring you benefits, didn't I? If I couldn't do that, would you have allowed me to come back?" Jeanne sneered. "Seeing you speak so pompously now, I'm afraid you've forgotten why you called me back then! You can keep your words to yourself. The people here are all elites in the business world and are very smart. If you say too much, you'll only embarrass yourself."

Alexander was rendered speechless by Jeanne's words. He was exasperated but could not find the words to retort her for a long time.

"Sister, what made you like this? How did you become like this?" Jasmine asked while choking. She was very weak, but she still struggled to speak, to let others see how upset she was. "How can you slander me just because you can't give birth to a child of the Swans? I didn't carry Eden's child in my belly because I wanted something from the Swans, nor did I do it to strengthen my position in the family. I really only wanted to give birth to the child because I love Eden. All I want is to live a simple life with Eden. I don't know what goes on in the business world, but ever since I was young, my mother has always taught me how to be a good wife and mother. I've never wanted to steal what's others. All I have ever wanted was to take good care of my husband and children. This is a woman's greatest ability, and I've always thought of it that way..." Jasmine sounded a little anxious as she spoke.

At that moment, she was so weak that she could barely breathe, so Jenifer gently comforted her by the side.

"Since I was young, other than basic studies, I've never come into contact with business-related stuff. It's because I'm not interested in those things, and I just wanted to be a housewife. I really don't have that many ambitions other than being a quiet little woman. If you want to shine in your career, I can only give you my blessings as I've never thought of getting involved. But now, sister, for you to insult me and my life? I just want to live a life of my own. Why is it so difficult? What have I done to offend you for you to slander me like this? Unless... Could it be that since you can't give birth to a child of the Swans, I can't either?"

At that, tears streamed down her face again.

That aggrieved look of her really made people feel sorry for her.

At that moment, Eden walked over and hugged Jasmine in her arms, putting on a show of deep affection.

"Jasmine, don't listen to her. I refuse to believe you'd betray me! Some people want to deliberately drive a wedge between us, and I will never believe her. I know it too well. Even if I don't want you

anymore, you will never do anything that will let me down, unlike some people who say she loves me but turn around and give birth to another person's child! She thinks you're just like her." Eden expressed his trust in Jasmine while mocking Edward at the same time.

"Eden, I'm really tired. I don't want to say anything to her or feel so bad anymore. Let's go back and forget about this matter. From now on, I will avoid her." Jasmine said weakly, "The next time I'm pregnant, I'll move out from here, and I don't want anything from the Swans either. I just want to live with you. I really don't have any thoughts of relying on my children. I just want our little family."

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"Okay," Eden agreed immediately.

As he agreed, he was about to pick Jasmine up and leave when Jeanne called out to them. "Stop!"

Eden looked at Jeanne coldly.

Jasmine also looked at her, looking very pitiful. "Sister, what do I have to do for you to let me go? How far do you want to push me? You don't even like Eden anymore. Why do you still want to make things difficult for us? You're so in love with Fourth Uncle. Why do you want to stop me from my happiness? Can't I give birth to children of the Swans? Don't tell me that I can't if you can't!"