

**Chapter 681 - Vending Machines!**

Tim posted down all the facts about money within the Pyno continent, and soon... his eyes quickly lit up.

Now, he had a rough idea of where Landon was going.

But he still decided to wait for Landon's response first.

"Alright... so, how does the machine know to send back the fakes and keep track of what people paid in?"

Well... since you roughly understand how the machine handles paper money, then let's focus on coins.

Firstly, this machine will be able to decipher coins with pinpoint accuracy.

Once a coin drops in, light sensors will measure its size.

And following that, electromagnets will detect the metal type... which will identify the coins in split seconds.

So if someone drops anything other than gold, copper or silver, the machine will reject it.

And if the size isn't within the specified range, the machine will also reject it as well and sort it out into columns.

With that, the fakes will get sent to the reject chute and returned to the customer immediately.

And when change is due, the machines will make calculations and conversions.

And from there, the column will release one coin at a time.

As for gold, even though it isn't a metal... It can be magnetized by applied some pressurized heat at a certain temperature.

But we have to do so in a way that is fast and doesn't affect the shape of the coin.

So the vending machine design takes care of that part too."

"Ahhh... I see your majesty.

In that case, I suggest that we don't permit any gold coins from getting into the machines.

Firstly, 10,000 copper coins would equate to 1 gold coin.

So if people kept putting gold coins in for a snack that costs just 1 or 2 copper coins, then I think that the machine may not even have enough change to give other customers by the end of the day.

At least, let's limit it to silver and copper coins, as 100 copper coins equals 1 silver coin.

No!

You know what, let's just leave it at copper coins!" Tim said helplessly.

When he thought about it again, he couldn't help but feel that the best solution for now was to limit it to copper coins only.

If someone used a single silver coin to buy something worth 2 copper coins... then wouldn't that mean that the machine would have to dispense 98 copper coins to the customer as change?

Then what of gold coins?

At that point, they might be refilling and recharging the vending machines every 2 hours then.

Because the copper coins in the system might undoubtedly run out.

Nope!

It was better to limit it to just copper coins.

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"Hmmm... I agree.

Indeed!

It would be best if everyone stuck to copper coins.

Luckily, within the cruise sh.i.p.s, Landports and seaports, there are places where one can exchange currencies or money.

So if they only had silver or gold coins with them, they could go there and exchange 1 or 2 silver coins for the copper coins.

As for paper money, it isn't a big deal.

So all Bays will be accepted into the machine."

When it came to Bays, there wasn't a huge exchange discrepancy like that of coins.

Baynard had a '1-Bay paper bill', a 5-Bay paper bill, a 10, a 20, a 50 and a 100-Bay paper bill.

So there were many paper bills that made money exchange easier when compared to that of coins.

Tim listened keenly to the other aspects within the vending machine and felt that this machine was a next-level thing.

One should know that at times, people didn't like lining up in stores just to get some snacks.

And at times, going to the stores during breaks might make one late... especially when there was traffic.

But if these machines were acted in schools, businesses and even on the streets, several people would at least lower their hunger or thirst for the time being.

Even he would be pleased with how convenient these machines were.

Additionally, the machine also added income to each establishment too.

With hungry soldiers, students, workers and tourists... these machines would be a stopping point to many and would undoubtedly yield thousands of Bays weekly.

Even those on cruise sh.i.p.s that missed dinner time, could still get a few snacks and drinks out if they didn't have enough money to order room service.

It was better than starving.

In short, there were so many benefits from it that Tim felt like it should've been one of the first things that got invented this year.

As for the snacks, drinks and delicacies that would be placed in them, Tim looked at the list and was thoroughly pleased.

Well, there were so many varieties of goods from snacks, drinks, doughnuts, and so on.

Well, now that he had everything in hand, he would have to first study the design in detail alongside his majesty.... before hiring and teaching others to begin manufacturing them.

Unlike Tim, Landon was more impressed with the vending machines design.

It was a whole better version of earth's vending machine thanks to the system.

And it could also do a whole lot more.

For example, it even found a way to separate good coins even though gold wasn't a magnetic.

But even though it was more advanced, its underlying principles were still the same.

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"Your majesty, how soonest do you want this project completed?"

"Around the same time that it takes to complete the Pac-Man project.

This one is fairly easy when compared to that, and you all already have all the skills needed in making these vending machines.

So it shouldn't take too long."

"Hmhm... I think so too your majesty.

We started Project Pac-Man within the last week of March.

So by the first week of October, we should've finished the 8-month long project.

And by then, we will also have the vending machines ready to go too.

Again, aquarium construction should be done by then too."

"Hmm... that's good.

When aquarium construction is done, those guys will focus on filling up the tanks with fish and other water creatures for the next 3 months.

But of course, that won't be your duty.

Anyway, the aquarium should be opened sometime in January." Landon said while stroking his chin.

In his mind, all he was thinking about, was the system's rewards.

There were 4 rewards he was looking forward to specifically.

Firstly, he would be rewarded knowledge on everything involving 90's computer systems and Wi-Fi connectivity.

Again, he would be able to create Wired Earphones and Music pods or small phone-like walkmans.

And he would also be able to create Game boys.

But that wasn't all.

Last but not least, he would get knowledge on how to properly create animated movies.

So how could he not look forward to these rewards?

Aiy!... Baymard's future was really bright!

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But while Landon was busily thinking about the future, several in-laws of his had finally arrived at Baymard.

"Dear, don't forget!

You all just do your best to seduce that boy from that b\*\*ch, Launchy."

"Mom!

How many times do I have to tell you?

Her name is Luby."

"Fine! Fine! Fine! Fine!

Just do your best!"

"Of course!

Which man can resist my charms?

I'd like to see how faithful this king is to that b\*\*ch!"

## **Chapter 682 - The In-Laws Have Arrived**

The Noble Gustav family had finally arrived!

Gustav calmly came out of his carriage before turning back and helping his wife Elvira, step out of the carriage too.

Of course following that, their son Marcus also held out his hands for their 2 daughters, Debbie and Praila.

Even though they had travelled with over 7 carriages, they decided to sit together in their biggest carriage during their journey.

After all, one didn't know if hoodlums would try to attack or separate them.

So it was best to stick together within these times.

And it was easier for their guards to surround their own carriage and focus on them too.

Anyway, even though they brought 7 carriages, they had also left with 400 guards on horseback.

One could never be too careful within these dark times.

Additionally, this was their first time coming to Baymard, so they really had no idea of what to expect.

Gustav and his family stepped out looking as grand as ever.

They lifted their eyes and even gave people the illusion that they were royalty.

Well, at this point, since that b\*\*ch had married Landon, then didn't that make them royalty too?

Elvira covered her face with her fan and continuously looked around King's Landing with satisfaction.

It wasn't just her, but even Gustav and his children looked at the place like that too.

Yes!

All their daughters had to do was seduce its ruler, and the rest would be history.

Elvira looked at her daughters fondly.

Her eldest daughter, Debbie, was more endowed than her youngest one Praila.

Debbie had larger bosoms with an extremely thin waistline.

And even though she thin, her bosoms and body proportion made others think that she was slim-thick instead.

She a very tempting body, which made many boys fall for her daily.

It was just that when it came to facial looks, she wasn't as pretty as the youngest daughter Praila.

Praila had an ordinary looking body with a face that could kill.

Just looking at her daughters, she couldn't help but recall that b\*\*ch's appearance.

What was so great about her that Landon had to fall for her?

Her daughters were elegant and pretty.

Plus, they were real certified nobles that could give benefits to Baymard.

So what was so great about that b\*\*ch?

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Elvira had planned that once they conquered Landon, they would quickly tell Alec that they had him under their control.

And from there, wouldn't their status in both Arcadina and Baynard rise?

Alec had previously sent her husband a letter, talking asking about how strong the father-daughter bond was between Gustav and that whore.

Of course, Gustav wrote back and promised to somehow control Landon using his current daughters or that whore.

Either way, he had promised to use any of his daughters to control Landon and Baynard.

After all, they say the downfall of every man is a woman.

So women were destined to be either blessed or destroyers of a man.

Of course, Gustav and Elvira did not know that they were Alec's plan C.

Because by the time he had received their response, he had already set out for battle.

In fact, Gustav and Elvira still thought that Alec was in the Capital waiting for them.

But how could they have known that the Baymardian vehicles that they witnessed during their journey here were carrying the defeated Alec away?

They had no idea of the changes that had occurred within the Capital during this time.

In short, if Elvira knew that the young single William was now on the throne, then she would've definitely stayed behind a bit before visiting Baynard.

After all, since she had 2 daughters, one could be queen in Arcadina and the other queen in Baynard.

Like that, wouldn't she just be queen mother to both empires?

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The Gustav family marvelled at the sight before them and almost screamed in shock when they saw the magical sliding doors that opened on their own.

They wanted to scream and point out loud, but when they saw most people acting as if it was nothing, they coughed embarrassedly and calmly walked into the place as well.

They looked at the glass windows, white clear floor tiles and beautiful high-ceiling Landport designs in awe.

"Mother, why do we have to line up like these commoners?"

Everyone told me that this Baynard favoured commoners, but I thought that it was a joke.

Hmph!

It must be that Lubly girl who made his majesty Lanson do this kind of thing.

As expected, the girl had lived the life of a rat and a maid.

So it's clear that she has no queen-like qualities in her.

Because if she did, she would know how to properly distinguish nobility within this empire!

Ugh!

The thought of these commoners almost toughing my smooth skin is disgusting.

I must have a proper bath when we leave this place." Debbie whispered arrogantly while covering her mouth with her fan in an attempt to hide her disgust.

If she gave Lucy 'negative 50'points earlier, then how... she was giving her negative1000 points altogether.

Her impression of Lucy was even worse than it was before.

"Of course it's her!

Only she would be able to make such a rule in Baymard.

But this also means that this Landon fellow is somewhat gullible.

Think about it, if he can make such a rule for her, then what about when you become queen?

From the way I see it, he might even fall in love with you at first sight.

And Debbie... on the doc.u.ment, it says that her name Lucy, not Lubly.

So don't forget it again if you want to leave a good impression on his majesty.

As for our current situation, I've already spoken to your father about it and he has already gone over there with a large bag of cash in his hands.

Don't worry love, soon... we won't have to sit with these commoners again." Elvira said in disgust as well.

When any of her daughters took over this place, they would have to change so many rules immediately.

And while Elvira was lost in thought, the person next to her accidentally brushed their shoulders against her.

Elvira bit her lips and screamed in her heart.

'Ewwwww!

Filthy! Filthy! Filthy! Filthy!'

Dammit!

These peasants had to go!

**Chapter 683 - The In-Laws Have Arrived 2**

Elvira's thoughts were the same as most nobles who came to Baymard for the first time.

It typically took time for them to adjust.

But, change usually happened the more they spent in Baymard.

Firstly, when nobles chose to visit, they could come for 2 to 3 weeks.

And within this time, almost all of them visited the church, since it was one of the must-go areas within Baymard.

Attending these church services was believed to enrich one's soul and give it purpose.

So how could they not go?

The main priests had been blessed by the system to give 'enlightened scriptures' and when this happened, countless people usually cried and vowed to change their ways.

When the gospels or moral stories were being told in the church, many nobles couldn't help but wonder if they were going towards the bad path, like those in those stories.

Again, this changed many people's views about morality.

Additionally, Baymard arranged several aid services too.

So each month, unprivileged, improvised or sick children will be brought back to Baymard.

And during this time, several nobles and peasants had volunteered to help these children during their healing phase.

So the more they spent with these children or less fortunate, the more they felt pity, pain and several waves of emotions moved together.

After surgery, some nobles cried when they saw that the ones they took care of were fine.

It was a life-changing thing for them, and they quickly got used to having peasants around.

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More still, there were so many plays, shows, movies and books that depicted how humans were to treat others.

There were even plays about people with different skin tones, and how beautiful those skin tones were.

They were thought to love different people, and not look down on or bully these people.

And all this really made a lot of people change their stance.

Of course, one could say that only 70% of the nobles who had undergone everything within Baymard had changed.

As for the other 30%, their eyes were truly filled with greed and envy that these peasants could live better lives than they do.



For these sorts of people, no matter how one explained it to them, it was akin to throwing water on a duck's back.

These people were only looking at benefits and didn't care about human lives at all.

For them, peasants weren't even humans, and that was that.

Nothing anyone said would change their minds.

In Elvira's case, she and her daughters were illiterate, so they had never read any Baymardian books.

But they had heard some storytellers mention things like Cinderella and so on.

In Elvira's mind, Cinderella was a scheming whore who didn't know her place.

How could she go out of her way to seduce the prince knowing fully well that her 2 step-sisters intended to do the same?

And what was even worse was that she snuck out of the house to do so.

Hmph!

She was an unruly sick girl who talked to mice, disobeyed her stepmother and snuck out of the house late at night.

Heavens!

Who knew how many times she had snuck out to God-knows-where before?

Elvira just didn't understand why everyone was praising that schemer.

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"Darling, is it done?" Elvira asked anxiously.

"No!

They didn't even bother to take the money at all.

They said that if we want to get into Baymard, then we have to wait our turn."

"But didn't you tell them that you were the king's in-law?"

"I did, but they told me to present a doc.u.ment that proved my case."

"How preposterous!

How dare they doubt your identity?"

"Calm down.

They said that his majesty typically gave out some sort of doc.u.ment to his friends and family.

You see, in that V.I.P section, only those who have some sort of friendship or political stance with Baymard can pass through using something called a V.I.P stamp that's placed in their passport.

Also, friends and family of his majesty can also use that as well.

No one knows that we are here.

Even that useless daughter of mine.

So we can only obediently wait our turn and get in.

But once we meet her, then everything will change!

All the perks and benefits will be ours.

And I'll make sure that all those who made us uncomfortable during this time will get fired as well."  
Gustav said coldly.

He had never been straight up rejected so many times.

They even threatened to call the security over if he didn't get back to his seat immediately.

Apart from the upper-class nobles and his majesty Alec Barn, who had ever treated him like that?

Gustav himself was at the highest pick within the middle-class noble ranks.

And just a bit more effort, and he would finally be able to climb up the ladder and enter the Upper noble class ranks.

So when he noticed these ordinary common folks threatening to send him out with security, how could he not get riled up?

He took several deep breaths and looked at the name tags of all those that made him mad.

Hmph!

When he finally got recognized as Landon's in-law, he swore that he would show them who's boss!

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Finally, after completing the procedures, the Gustav family quickly got on the bus and went straight towards one of the 4-star hotels within district D.

And along the way, everything they saw made them feel like Arcadina's Capital city was really trash.

Everything was so new to them, and their hearts were constantly filled with excitement.

They thought that they had seen it all, but when they finally got to their hotel rooms... they all stood there speechlessly.

From the telephones to the room fridges, to the lights, flowing water, shower, toilets, T.V, radio and so on.

Everything made them feel like they were dreaming.

Debbie and Praila both clenched their fists in determination.

No matter what, they had to seduce his royal majesty Landon.

This place was just too good for that b\*\*ch sister of theirs.

### **Chapter 684 - The Unconvinced Gustav Family**

The Gustav family decided to use this day to rest before they began their quest.

So they went to the bank, shopped and also stopped at several entertainment sites for fun.

And the more they saw, the more greed and anger filled their hearts.

Anyone with working eyes could see that Baymard was 10... no!... 100 times better than the so-called Capital that they used to feel arrogant about.

From the people's clean faces to the breathable air that wasn't fouled with the stench of waste or poop, to people even having clean hands on the street.

The place was very organized, clean, filled with awe-inspiring buildings and had things that many of them had never heard before.

One should know that while most of the Pyno continent had been trying to make changes, like organizing the streets, getting traffic patrol officers and even something as simple as taking out the trash within the empire... Arcadina didn't have many changes.

And that was because their ruler was too focused on getting more manpower to seize Baymard.

Alec at the time, decided to first get Baymard and all its secrets before making changes to Arcadina.

So the only change in Arcadina was the emergence of new Baymardian products.

And that was it!

Their government never really made any moves to help the people in terms of Sanitation and orderliness.

Hence, unlike other empires that were currently moving towards the direction of change... Arcadina's Capital still had the foul stench of poop floating in the air.

People still pooped on the streets and heaps and piles of dirt also gathered around the ghetto areas in the Capital.

Heck!

Even within the noble estates, the pits that stored poop were still open pits, making the smell reach the noblest of places.

Because unlike other empires that got a solution from Baymard, Arcadina's ruler didn't bother to ask his unfilial son about what steps to take next.

And so many people on Arcadina were used to contaminated air.

The Gustav family felt like the air quality in Baymard was the best that they had ever taken a whiff of.

No poop smells.

No garbage or rotten food smells along the sides of the road.

And no revolting smells of the dead that were left to rot on the streets and alleyways.

Ahhh..... This place was truly heaven.

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Again, they liked the fact that communication and Transportation here was easier.

The telephones, trains, buses, cars, TVs and even the fact that things were written down on touristic pamphlets, made their sight-seeing a whole lot easier.

And even though they didn't know how to read, the images and pictures aided the ladies a lot more.

Of course Gustav and his son who were literate, aided the ladies around too.

And funny enough, even though the ladies wrote illiterate, when it came to shopping, they seemed to be able to cram these brand names off heart.

In short, everything that the Gustav family had seen made them feel unconvinced.

Why the hell did that whore have to enjoy all of this?

The only disadvantage they had against the whore was that she knew how to read.

But that was it!

Of course, even though Lucy's mother came from a low noble class scholarly family.

So she had always taught Lucy how to read and write.

But on the other hand, Elvira who came from a middle-class nobility... didn't feel the need to teach her daughters how to read.

She was more focused on making sure that they knew how to play musical instruments, sew and so on.

In short, she focused more on teaching them about all tricks needed for hooking onto a bigger sponsor.

For her, all a woman needed to do was to seduce a man of higher standing and the rest was history.

After all, Lucy's mother was literate... but didn't she fall and finally die in the hands of an illiterate woman such as herself?

Hmph!

What mattered was the end results and not the process!

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It was now 11 P.M, and the Gustav family had finally returned to their hotel.

From the money they checked into the hotel at 10:43 A.M, they hadn't returned until now.

The hotel staff quickly dropped their shopping bags in their rooms and before leaving them all alone in the grand family sized-suite.

'Bam!'

"Quick!

Now that they're gone, let's look at all the magazines about that good-for-nothing girl." Elvira said hastily.

And very quickly, everyone hurriedly searched the shopping bags for the magazines that they had bought.

And on the front covers of these magazines, one could see Lucy's confident and kind smile.

There were even some that had her holding Landon's hand lovingly.

Of course, some of these magazines were Royal family issued ones that showed several pictures of Lucy's fashionable outfits.

One should know that Lucy had already become a style icon for many people within the Pyno continent.

As in their eyes, she could never do wrong.

For them, even if she wore a trash bag over her head, they would still say that she was reinventing fashion and that only she could pull it off.

"Listen to this!

It says that Queen Lucy has once again touched the hearts of the people.

It says that she went out to some villages around Baymard and aided in wooden house construction for them.

It said that she personally used her hands to aid in building these homes.

And she also spent time teaching the people there about hygiene and whatnot.

Additionally, it's said that she donated over 100,000 Bays worth of food from her personal income to people in these villages.

Apparently, she has 3 official jobs which give her a hefty yearly income... And that's excluding the fact that she is a royal and gets a monthly allowance from that too.

She also has some endors.e.m.e.nt deals, which give her even more income.

And she used a great part of this income to do these sort of useless tasks like pay for the medical expenses of some of these malnourished children.

Mom, the whole thing just praises and talks about what she has done within these past 2 months."

"Hmph!

she's nothing but a money waster.

as expected of someone who lived on the streets."

"Arhhh!

That b\*\*ch!

Just look at the outfit that she's wearing?

Why does she deserve to wear such fancy clothes?"

"How dare this tramp seduce my husband?" Praila added when she saw a picture of Lucy leaning on Landon.

"Your husband?

Sister, I advise you to back off!

He's mine!" Debbie roared.

"Girls! Girls! Girls!

Please!

Where are your manners?

He will belong to whoever catches his eyes.

Now, let's focus on how we will meet that good-for-nothing." Elvira said.

"Hmhm... your mother is right!

Tomorrow, I'll send in a request for a meeting with her.

There's no other way about it.

If we want to see her, then we must send in a request first.

So all we have to do now is arrange a meeting with her, and the rest will be history.

Soon, we will be recognized as royals!"

### **Chapter 685 - Lucy's Past**

The next day, Gustav woke up very early in the morning, wrote a brief but detailed letter and header towards the office that took charge of accepting requests to meet any of the royal members.

Of course he followed the procedures, and also gave the workers there a massive portrait too.

The portrait showcased himself, Lucy's mother, as well as Lucy at the age of 1.

This was the only portrait that he had of the 3 of them.

And at the time, he had only taken the portrait due to formalities.

After all, it was almost a must that nobles took portraits with their families.

He had only taken the portrait because it was a request from Lucy's mother on her birthday.

He gave this portrait to the workers in hopes that it would reach Lucy's hands.

The workers looked at the portrait and froze for a bit.

The more they looked at it, the more they realized that the woman in the picture was indeed a spitting image of their queen.

One could say that Lucy looked 90% like her mother, with some fatherly resemblances here and there.

Her mother's genes were really strong!

No one had ever arrived here claiming to be Lucy's family.

So the workers paid much attention to the matter.

And coupled with the portrait, they decided to inform princess Lucy immediately.

So the workers informed Lucy's secretaries, who later took the file and portrait and brought it back to Lucy.

And the moment the matter was revealed, Lucy's body shuddered from fright before she finally calmed down and accepted to meet this so-called father of hers.

Of course, her secretaries also noticed her reaction and immediately had a bad impression of Gustav.

For sure, the moment the matter was confirmed, Landon was also made aware of it too.

After all, their king needed to be aware that he had an in-law coming in.

And the way Lucy responded worried then, so they had to tell Landon about the matter.

"Your majesty, that is all."

"Alright!

Thank you, Whitney.

Thank you for looking out for her.

I'm glad that she has someone like you on her side."

"No need to thank me, your majesty.

It's what I ought to be doing as one of her primary secretaries." Whitney answered happily.

Landon spoke to Whitney a bit more before finally dismissing her.

His eyes became cold as he recalled what Whitney had said about Lucy's reaction.

Sure enough, she was still traumatized.

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The Noble Gustav Family

Gustav was really a pig.

Even though he already had his first wife and Elvira his second wife, he still managed to get Lucy's mother drunk and have his way with her.

So Lucy then became an illegitimate child.

And according to the system, after Lucy was born, Gustav took both mother and daughter in because he didn't want people to point fingers at him politically.

This alone could make his enemies shoot him in the foot.

So he took Lucy and her mother in.

And in that same year, Elvira had already succeeded in killing his first wife.

Elvira had made the first wife barren for these last years, so the woman died childless.

But before she could celebrate, Gustav brought in another whore.

So how could she not be mad?

And from that moment on, Elvira started targeting Lucy and her mother like crazy.

She made sure that even the maids treated the daughter-mother duo as if they were slaves.

They had to beg for food in their own homes and even lived in one desolate courtyard at the extreme end of the estate.

Elvira's children flogged and whipped Lucy up several times just for fun, and even spread several rumours about her saying that she was the one who typically bullied them.

They played the white lotus card well and had everyone received.

Because since Lucy wasn't allowed to step out of the estate, everyone just assumed that she was an ugly girl who bullied her siblings and got punished often.

And when Lucy's mother finally died, she was thrown out of the house under some false allegations.

From then on, she became a beggar on the streets.

But how could Elvira and her children be satisfied with that?

They still made sure to pass by her on the streets, stump on her feet and splash muddy water on her.

It was truly a miracle that the poor girl had survived till then even after all her starvation.

As for Lucy's maternal family, they didn't want her as well... Since she would only tarnish their low noble reputation even further.

So the poor Lucy continued begging in the streets pitifully.

Until one day, Mother Kim passed by and pitied the poor child who had been beaten up blue-black.

She took the poor child to the palace.



And from then on, Lucy decided to repay her kindness by being a maid.

She refused to be Mother Kim's adopted daughter.

Her mother had always told her that kindness must always be repaid.

And that was why she forced herself to be a maid.

But what surprised her was that neither mother Kim or Landon treated her like that.

In their eyes, she was their kind.

Scared, alone, left to fend for themselves in this cruel world.

So shouldn't they stick together?

And so even though Lucy had made herself strong all these years, the thought of her previous family still brought out fear from within.

And trauma wasn't something that could be changed just like that.

She would have to overcome it by herself, just like how mother Kim faced her own trauma when confronting Alec.

Well, since Lucy had agreed to meet Gustav 2 days from now.

Then he too should clear his schedule during that appointed time, no?

No matter what, no one could bully his queen.

Especially not within his own empire!

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Time moved by fast and soon... it was dinner time.

Everyone could see that Luch looked seemingly distracted and out of it today.

She hadn't even touched her food yet, and no matter what jokes were made... she would give out a very fake smile, which everyone could tell.

Lucy wasn't good at hiding her mood.

If she was happy, you would know.

If she was sad, you would know.

In fact, if she ever played poker, her opponents would win all the time because of her expressions.

After dinner, Grace sent little Momo and little Linda away... while Mother Kim, Mother Winnie, Landon and Lucy stayed behind.

'Bam!'

"How dare he come here after all he has put her through?" Mother Kim yelled angrily.

Of course she was mad!

To her, she practically raised Lucy.

So Lucy was like a daughter to her.

As for Lucy, she was shocked.

How did Landon know in detail what she went through in that estate?

The moment Landon narrated it to Mother Winnie and the rest, tears uncontrollably fell from Lucy's eyes.

She cried like a baby while leaving on mother Kim's chest.

Everyone could guess why this Gustav guy had come, and they also had a bad impression of him too.

But they knew that the right to forgive or accept this man solely belonged to Lucy.

So all they could do was wait for her decision and fully support her no matter what.

Of course while the atmosphere here was gloomy, the atmosphere in Gustav's hotel room was gleeful instead.

"Hahahhahahahah!"

I was so shocked by the phone call in the afternoon.

They had previously told me that it could take several days before I get a response.

But who would've known that it would be this quick?"

"Hehhehehe!"

The dumb girl must've known it was you from the portrait and got scared."

"Hmph!"

So what if She's scared?

Whether she likes it or not, I am her father.

So she must obey me!"

"That's the spirit darling.

Soon, we will get recognized as royals."

"Hahahahahaha"

I can see it now!

Baron Gustav, father-in-law to his majesty Landon Barn.

No!

The first father-in-law in the history of Baymard.

Bahahaha!"

Gustav was so happy that he couldn't even sleep a wink.

Ah!

Royalty was just a few more days away.

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And so, the days moved swiftly with the Gustav family continuing their sight-seeing and shopping adventures.

Until finally, it was time for them to head to the palace.

Elvira looked at her daughters who had dressed to kill and smiled in satisfaction.

Now, it was time for them to get to work!

### **Chapter 686 - Another Family Reunion**

The noble Gustav family stepped out of their hotel all dressed up to kill.

They had spent the past few days buying the most expensive outfits that had been encrusted in Pearls and other precious gemstones.

They stepped into the Limousine ride that they had requested from the hotel, and hastily made their way towards the palace merrily.

Even though the limousine experience was something that they had never experienced... just stepping in made them feel even more like royalty than before.

They crossed their legs and enjoyed the luxurious ride, all the while going over their plans in their head.

And the moment they saw the palace's view from a distance, they couldn't help but focus all their attention on it.

The palace looked even more grand and mythical than that of Arcadina's.

They checked in and had their inspection done before getting into the palace.

And all that time, they had been thinking about how they were going to begin living in the palace.

Of course, Debbie and Praila who also had their own imaginations running wild, still hated Lucy for even more.

How could that rat live in such a place while they, on the other hand, lived in a place that looked like the ghetto when compared to this?

Both sisters secretly took each other as enemies, as they wouldn't let anyone get in their way... Not even their own blood.

Both ladies perked up their bosoms and adjusted their walks to seem nobler.

In their mind, maybe his majesty Landon could pop out at any time.

So it was best to always be alert, just in case.

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The family of 5 that were currently being ushered into the waiting room, whispered amongst themselves while taking their seats.

"Remember ladies, you might meet your future husband.

So don't forget what I taught you all last night.

If that horse can do it, then I expect even better results from you all."

"Don't worry mother, we know." Both women said in unison.

"Hmhm... you all should listen to your mother.

Soon, it won't be long before they call us in.

So don't embarrass or ruin my only chance of getting royally recognized.

Because if you both mess it up, then I won't forgive you at all!!"

"Yes, father." Both girls responded with a little bit of fear lingering within them.

When their father was extremely angered, it always felt like he could take up an entire army all by himself.

He would kill the closest servants around at will in a fit of rage, as if taking his anger out on them.

Of course, he couldn't very well kill them since that would look bad politically.

So he would terrify them and threaten them by doing everything he wanted to them onto the servants.

Both ladies knew that for today's matter, they couldn't mess it up!

Or else when they went back to the Capital, they would really see hell... as well as have their expenses cut and getting grounded.

Sometimes psychological torture was more dreadful than physical.

So both ladies couldn't help shuddering in fear when they heard Gustav's warning.

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On the other hand... while the Gustav family waited anxiously, Landon, Lucy and mother Kim had already been told of their arrival.

Mother Kim cupped Lucy's face and kissed her forehead.

"My poor baby.

If you don't feel like meeting them now, then we can always push it to a later date."

"Lucy thanks mother for her care.

But pushing it will only delay the matter and won't change the fact that I still have to face them one day.

So it's best that we do it now." Lucy said confidently.

Mother Kim and Landon nodded back when they saw her firm expression.

"Alright.

Since you're ready, then let's send for them.

Remember, you are not alone.

You have us and the people now.

So as the future queen of Baynard, you should never let yourself get bullied."

"Yes!" Lucy said, before squeezing Landon's hands confidently.

That's right!

She wasn't alone anymore, so what was there to be afraid of?

She had been terrified every time she witnessed her father kill innocent slaves and servants in various brutal ways.

And even her step-siblings and stepmother whipped and got her beaten daily.

But now, she lived in Baynard... far away from that monstrous family.

So what was there to worry about?

With that, one of the secretaries went out of the room and headed straight towards the Gustav family.

"The noble Gustav family?"

"Yes, that's us!"

"Hmhm..."

His royal Majesty Landon Barn, accompanied by Queen mother Kimberly and Princess Lucy... will see you all now.

Please follow me in an orderly fashion."

With that, they were led towards the Audience room.

The secretary quickly stopped at the door and passed some words to the guards there, who then announced the arrival of the Gustav family.

Gustav and his family felt their hearts leap out of their chests when they heard the announcement.

The day that they had been waiting for, had finally arrived.

Today, they would be Royals!

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Gustav and his family walked into the room confidently and tried their best to control their emotions.

Just the audience room alone made their jaws almost drop to the ground.

But how could they allow themselves to show such unbecoming expressions?

They looked at Landon, Lucy and mother Kim and showed their warmest expressions ever.

"We greet his majesty Landon Barn, Queen-Mother Kimberly and Princess Lucy." They should in unison while giving a polite bow.

And the moment they raised their heads, they all looked at Lucy affectionately.

Their gazes were so affectionate that even Lucy and mother Kim found themselves confused for a moment.

As for Landon, if not for the fact that he had watched them go over their plans last night, he too would have been confused as well.

These people truly deserve an Oscar.

Damn!

Were all nobles in this era born to be bonified actors?

Landon was truly tempted to get up and clap for them when he saw their loving and affectionate gazes.

What an outstanding performance!

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"Welcome to Baynard!

Welcome!

I trust your stay has been good?"

"It has, your majesty," Gustav answered merrily, while Debbie and Praila gave out shy expressions instead in hopes of catching Landon's eyes.

But to their disappointment, Landon had only been focused on Gustav and no one else.

They felt dispirited for a bit, before their eyes secretly lit up once more.

His Majesty was probably trying to leave a good impression on his father-in-law.

Yes!

That must be why he was pretending not to notice them.

After all, how could he see beautiful goddesses like themselves and still choose to like that pile of poop beside him?

Hmhm... that must be it!

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### **Chapter 687 - What A Wonderful Family**

As Debbie and Praila continuously hypnotized themselves into believing all the many excuses that they came up with, Landon and Gustav continued their discussions cordially.

"Hmhm... that's good to hear.

Well, I understand the need for you all to catch up with my princess here.

So I and my mother will leave you all to it.

You all can have a meal in the garden and reminisce about old times.

I still have work waiting for me, so I will only be opportuned to join you all later on."

"Yes, I think that's a wonderful idea son!

That way, they can eat, enjoy their stay and bond with princess Lucy again.

I'll ask the guards and maids to give you all absolute privacy.

After all, there might be some cheeky things that you all would like to ask princess Lucy.

I remember that when I too got married recently, my friend Winnie... also bothered me in private to know my feelings and whatnot.

So maybe you all have things like that wish you wish to talk about." Mother Kim added with a broad smile on her face.

And the moment the Gustav family heard them, they couldn't help but smile as well.

That was exactly what they wanted.

Privacy!

They wanted some alone time with this whore, so that she would agree to their terms first.

If they were truly going to control Landon, then they needed to have good control over Lucy too.

They needed to remind her of their terror, and get her to act the way they wanted her to.

Gustav smiled and bowed his head in gratitude

"This humble one thanks his majesty and the queen mother for their kind gestures."

"Hmm...

It's okay.

It's nothing to thank us for.

This is what we ought to do for our Princess." Landon said with a mysterious smile on his face.

With that, Lucy exited the scene with her family and some guards.

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As Lucy walked alongside Gustav and his family, they continuously asked her about how her health was, as well as how she was treated here too.

And for a moment, Lucy was touched by their warm gestures.

At first, she thought it was a trick.

But looking at their eyes, their loving actions and also listening to how they suffered in the Capital, Lucy felt somewhat sad for them instead.

She wasn't a heartless person who would still hold a grudge against someone who was actively making an effort to change.

After all, the church spoke about forgiveness not for the enemy... but for one's self.

Maybe they had really learned their lessons and changed for the better.

Debbie and Praila held her hands lovingly and continually asked about her relationship with Landon.

"Little sister, so he really treats you that well?"

"Yes, he's very nice to me."

"Ahh... I'm so happy and jealous of you at the same time.

Such a man is definitely hard to find and one in a million."

"Yes little sister, you are indeed lucky."

"Don't worry sisters, you too will find a man like my Landon too."

"Yes little sister, I believe we will."

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The more Debbie and Praila listened, the more fury aroused in their hearts... especially when they heard about Landon's numerous romantic gestures towards her.

He even bought her a new car and several priceless jewels on Valentine's day.

Dammit!

Those were supposed to belong to them.

The angrier they were, the gentler their smiles seemed to be.

And the clueless Lucy had no idea about their inner thoughts at all.

They walked and rode in small golf carts for quite a bit, as the palace was extremely huge.

It was like going to Disneyland, without the roller coasters and all that.



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The palace was the only thing within District A.

And over the years, it had been expanding into an even grander one.

The palace was supposed to be historical, and Landon had no intention of denying the future historians any chance to marvel at it several years from now.

Just as Egypt's massive palaces, Pyramids and structures were praised back on earth... so too will Baymard's in the future as well.

Plus, the palace's expansion also catered to the tourists who decided to visit the palace daily.

After all, according to many Baymardian magazines, the number one place that all tourists have to see is the palace.

There were many touristic buildings in the palace that were kept there just for tourists.

It was similar to the excitement one had when they visited the great Egyptian pyramids or the Roman buildings too.

Tourists came from all over the Pyno continent and just to see the grand Baymardian Palace.

And so with the palace expansion, several gardens had been established within the place.

More still, the garden they were heading to was created specifically for Lucy. . and of course, it was also named after her.

The garden was grand and had several rabbits and other cute creatures running within it too.

Additionally, there were many statues of Lucy, as well as many 'secret garden' fun adventures for guests.

Treasure chest locations and several secret messages were left all around the place.

Of course very often, Lucy would put something in many of the treasure chests for the lucky winners.

But it wasn't all the time that one would get something.

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One should know that only 4 or 5 people were lucky enough to find something yearly.

So the difficulty in getting these treasures was high.

In fact just a while back... Lucy had placed a necklace within the place, as well as a short story about the necklace within one of the chests.

But over 6 months now, no one had been able to uncover it yet.

Who knows, maybe only the future historians would be able to find it.

And that necklace that was made of pure gold, might be one of the secrets linking the future people to the present day Lucy.

Who knows, maybe she might even be regarded as one of the most famous queens of all time.

As for Lucy, she just loved keeping things in her garden, for anyone to find.

Even within a secret door underneath one of the statues, she had left something there for over a year now... and no one had found it yet.

But that didn't stop people from trying.

Her garden was one of the most popular places for tourists, as it was always wrapped with puzzles and mysteries.

She also liked the garden of the Mad Hatter in Alice in Wonderland.

So her garden also had several places for tea time and meals.

Her garden was huge, very fun, exciting and rewarding to all those who took time out to find their treasures or just admire nature's beauty at its best.

Anyway, today... her garden was closed for the day just because she wanted to entertain her family within it.

Today, it was dedicated to the noble Gustav family.

### **Chapter 688 - Demands & Decisions**

The Gustav family looked at the many statues of Lucy, as well as marvelled at the beauty of the garden and couldn't help but wonder if they had entered some sort of magical garden.

The birds chirped, the butterflies fluttered and the many tiny creatures revealed themselves around the place one by one.

Just seeing the statues of Lucy and remembering the garden's name, Elvira and the girls continuously burned in jealousy as they looked around greedily.

Of course, Debbie and Praila also decided that once they moved into the palace... they too would get their own gardens that were way better than Lucy's.

And once they kicked Lucy out or killed her, then they would definitely destroy this damn place permanently.

'How hateful!', they thought while glancing at one of Lucy's statues.

As for Gustav, he was thinking of what poses he should strike for his own statues.

In his mind, Landon would surely create a garden for himself too since he was the father-in-law.

Hahahhahahaha!

Even his old friends back in the Capital would die of jealousy when he finally told them about what this son-in-law could do for him.

The Gustav family finally settled down in the garden and enjoyed the scenic view.

"My darling daughter, how have you been getting by all these years?" Gustav said lovingly, while the maids placed food on their table.

"Yes dear, we have all missed you quite a bit.

I'm just glad that everyone here is taking proper care of you." Elvira added while secretly glancing at the maids and butlers around.

Everyone said one or two touching things to Lucy until the maids and butlers all vacated the garden.

And the moment the garden door was shut tight, the family's expression changed drastically.

Their masks had all come off!

"Lucy, you cheap s.l.u.t!

Why didn't you die after all these years?!!" Debbie said with a sinister look in her eyes.

Lucy was utterly taken aback.

Was everything that they had shown before just a lie?

Did they just say all those things so that the guards and maids would have a good impression on them?

Lucy looked at their expressions fearfully.

Yes!

This was the family she knew.

Praila who was sitting beside Lucy grabbed her arms tightly and dug her fingernails into Lucy's skin.

"You whore!

How dare you seduce my husband?"

Husband?

When did she do that?

Amidst the pain, Lucy seriously questioned if she had ever seen or seduced any man who had been interested in these step-sisters of hers.

Why was everything that they said so confusing?

"Now, now, girls... settle down and let your father talk first," Elvira said arrogantly while looking towards Lucy.

She looked at Lucy's pretty face and couldn't help but want to scratch it and tear it up with her nails.

And soon, a thought came to mind... what if she found people to disfigure Lucy's face?

Isn't that the face that she used to hook up with Landon?

Without that face, she doubted that a mighty king like his majesty Landon Barn would even look at Lucy twice.

After all, such a man would be as proud as Alec Barn no?

Having a disfigured wife would be a disgrace, and Lucy would definitely get thrown out of the palace.

Elvira smiled coldly as she thought more about it.

Without her pretty face, what more did this floozie have?

Nothing!

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Baron Gustav's eyes gleamed with a frosty light, as he looked at Lucy coldly.

And for a moment, Lucy found herself shivering in fear.

She felt suffocated, and everywhere she turned, every one of them continuously looked at her coldly.

She was then reminded of her past with them.

And all the maltreatment that she had undergone seemed to come back to her all at once.

All the courage that she had built up earlier on with Landon, seemed to have blown away like a deflated balloon.

"Come here!" Gustav commanded.

And out of reflex, Lucy did as she was told and knelt before Gustav while shuddering.

Gustav looked at her and felt pleased that he could still control her.

Just like her mother, she too was a weak and stupid girl.

"You unfilial child!

Ever since you became princess, it seems like you have indeed forgotten who's child you belong to.

Or else, why didn't you send us a letter inviting us in?"

"But father.... you disowned me when I..."

"Silence!

Are you trying to make up excuses for your actions?

Whether I disowned you or not, you will always be bound to me by blood.

So you can never run away from me.

How dare you think of denying me the opportunity of being a royal?

Girl, listen to me and listen well.

From this moment onwards, you will follow my instructions and abide by my words.

Or heaven so help me, I will make you wish that you weren't born at all!!

Is that understood?" Gustav said coldly while squeezing Lucy's cheeks painfully.

Lucy's eyes became moist with tears, as she looked into Gustav's eyes.

She was really frightened and terrified by her so-called father.

Gustav looked at her and smirked victoriously.

He took her silence for acceptance.

"Now then, first things first.

You are unworthy of being Baymard's queen.

You have no noble skills and have lived half of your life as a maid.

So you will only be seen as a disgrace if you should wear such a heavy crown on your head.

That's why you should be thankful to your sisters.

Because one of them will help you wear that crown and save your face from disgrace."

Lucy's eyes widened in shock as she heard what they said.

What did they mean?

Debbie and Praila looked at Lucy proudly.

"My dear little sister, you see... what father means is that one of us will be marrying his majesty, Landon Barn."

"That's right sister.

You have to break off the engagement and strategically aid one of us in securing the crown.

That said, do you see why I said that you had seduced my husband?"

Lucy's eyes widened even more when she heard what they said.

Time seemed to freeze within the garden, as everyone looked coldly at Lucy.

A mere harlot such as herself would never measure up to them.

What other choice did she have?

It was time for her to prove herself useful and do what they said.

Now, it was time for the noble Gustav family to rise to fame!

### **Chapter 689 - Lucy's Thoughts**

"That's right sister.

You have to break off the engagement and strategically aid one of us in securing the crown"

Listening to her family's words, Lucy showed a struggling expression on her face.

Over the years, Baymard had influenced her greatly... as more than 80% of people had married just 1 partner.

Even those who were now wealthy, had just 1 partner.

But again, some people chose to marry two wives instead.

Lucy knew of several couples who were truly in peace in their marriages even after marrying 2 or 3 wives.

The women all worked hard to benefit their households in one way or another.

And at times, if one wife experienced any issues, all of them would join hands to help her out.

And these women all fell hopelessly in love with their husbands

Additionally, one has to know that there were many types of men and women in this world.

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Some men were born to be polygamous.

And if one tried to force them to be in a monogamous family, then they would just continue cheating outside.

In Baymard, many men were open with their wives about their true natures.

And surprisingly enough, over 80% of men were monogamists because they had monogamist parents, grandparents and whatnot.

Of course the same could be said for the other percentage of people too.

In this era, polygamy was and would never be seen as wrong.

There were many people who just didn't know how to be in any other relationship apart from a polygamous one.

And Landon had no thought of changing that, as everyone had the right to decide on their own future paths.

After all, even back on earth... almost no polygamous family ended up in divorce.

But divorce was more rampant in the so-called monogamous way instead.

And this was mainly because people weren't honest about what sort of relationship they should be cultivating.

In the Middle East, Africa and several other regions... other men there would tell the women up straight about how many wives they had or intended to have.

And their relationships and financial situations lasted way longer than those who lied or forced themselves to be something they were not.

One should know that in life, there were men and women for every situation.

Heck!

Even in this era, there were several ladies who grew up in polygamous families and didn't know how to keep a man all to themselves.

Several women preferred to have someone else in their marriage... because for them, it eased out the marital pressure too.

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In a place like Baymard where women earned their keep, more women contribute significantly to the wealth of the household.

Even when co-wifing, the women still relied on each other to do strenuous household duties and whatnot.

Of course, the men could pitch in whenever they were available.

But women found that when most men do household duties, the job is barely passable which irks many of them even more.

Why would you wash the front of the plate and forget to wash the back?

Why do you do a half-ass job when cleaning the fridge?

Tsk!

Over the years, most women had decided to tell the men to mow the lawn or do something else that didn't involve cleaning... because they realized that no matter how much they explained it, the men just didn't see what they were seeing.

Anyway, having another woman to aid in household duties wasn't such a bad thing.

Be it finance, children's affairs, getting ill, or even satisfying their husbands... they just felt like it would be good if there was help around.

Hey!

Some people had very low sex drives and didn't feel like accompanying their husbands all week long.

Not everyone wanted a sticky husband.

Some people also enjoyed having another companion in their marriages... especially during bed play.

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Additionally, the older they became... the more the friendship between wives grew immensely, and many of them were no longer afraid of being alone when they had grey hair.

From several Baymardian books and even their life experiences, men died way early compared to women in this era.

So there were many widows around who had to raise their children all alone.

With that said, many found it comforting to have their co-wife by their side living with them in one space while ageing.

Both women could comfort each other and grow stronger after the hurdle as real sisters.

The fear of being alone and being a burden on one's family would always weigh on several people's minds.

But if they had long time Companions who they could trust by them, it was still a plus.

Again, because of Baymard's structure, upbringing, and the fact that almost all of them had come from poor homes, as slaves or peasants... they didn't have the scheming or power-hungry attitude that other nobles within the Pyno continent had.

One should know that before they had money, all they cared about was finding food to eat daily.

And now that they had gotten money in a place that moulded their morals, it was pretty hard for them to do many things that other nobles did.

Of course, there were always some who still turned bad, as no society was perfect.

But there were laws that protected every wife, which gave fatal judgment to those who were caught trying to stir up trouble in many marital false accusations.

Bottom line, it was actually recommended by law that partners state what sort of relationship they were willing to get into before they did.

So if one believed in marrying into a polygamous or monogamous family... then had to state their opinions before cultivating their feelings.

In this way, many people wouldn't be deceived or forced into something that they weren't too sure of.

And sure enough, this seemed to do the trick in Baymard, as so far... no one had come for a divorce yet.

Many people seemed to be happy with their choices.

But the real problem here was whether she was willing to share her man with these sc.u.m women or not.

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Lucy looked at everyone coldly as they mentioned the matter of marriage over and over again.

And as she silently listened, no one knew about the can of worms that they had just opened.

## **Chapter 690 - Lucy's Bottom Line**

Marriage!



The more Lucy thought about it, the more she felt like Baymard truly catered for all.

People were only allowed to enter polygamous marriages if they were truly in love.

For sure, they could state their intentions and date.

But if they weren't ready to take the oath of love during their marital vows, then they weren't allowed to get married.

One should know that the people in this era were scared of breaking oaths and bonds, as it was believed that if they lied... then they could be severely punished by the heavens or cursed for all eternity.

So people who took their marital vows in Baymard took them very seriously and were very scared of ever defying them.

This also aided in them being treating their marriages as a holy union.

More still, what shocked some people over the years, a few actually practiced Polyandry in Baymard.

There were a few cases of men who decided to marry a single woman.

Well, there were just 2 cases here in Baymard.

And both cases were very similar

Both women in these cases were a year or two older than the men and had been taking care of the men from an early age when they were slaves.

Of course, the men in these cases fell hopelessly in love with these women and agreed to be with them forever.

It was like the Female lead had found a way for the Male lead and the Supporting male lead to end up with her in peace without any of them destroying the other.

Well, all Landon had to say was kudos to them.

Their destiny was in their own hands.

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As for Lucy, she was actually used to a polygamous environment.

So she didn't have any qualms about Landon taking in another wife.

But to her surprise, whenever she spoke about matters like this to Landon, he always stated that he was monogamous through and through.

And even though she felt touched, she still maintained her polygamous stance just in case Landon changed his mind.

For her, if the woman truly loved Landon and stood for everything he was building here in Baymard, then she would willingly accept her.

But if she was just a jealous, scheming woman who would end up destroying Landon just for power... forget it!

She would rather die than let someone manipulate and control her future husband.

And so when her step-sisters mentioned the fact that they wanted Landon, how could she willingly agree?

There was no way in hell that she would ever let them come into the palace and destroy all that she and Landon had laboured for.

Girl!

Please try the next dude alright?

"So my dear sister, just do what father says and hand over your husband to us."

"I refuse!"

"What did you say?"

"I said, I...Re...Fuse!!!"

The Gustav's looked at Lucy's fierce expressions in shock.

One minute she looked like an angel, and the next, she was glaring at them coldly.

What was going on here?

What the hell made her change so fast?

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"I said, I...Re...Fuse!!!"

Lucy gave up from her kneeling position and looked sternly at her shocked audience.

She was so angry that she seemed to have forgotten that just a moment ago, she was trembling at the feet of these people.

"You insolent wench!

How dare you!

Who the hell do you think you are to turn down my command?" Gustav said, while slowly getting up from his seat too.

He immediately towered over her, in hopes of intimidating her again.

But this time, it didn't work.

Lucy just looked at him coldly instead.

Right from the moment she had been accepted into mother Kim's family, one of her bottom lines was Landon.

She who had been beaten up on the streets before, seemed to possess immense strength whenever she saw Landon get beaten up.

And she found herself championing over several boys who had once beaten Landon up before.

Landon was her most sacred bottom line.

And no one had the right, to manipulate, or even dream about hurting her man.

How preposterous!

She looked at Gustav in the eye and felt no fear for the first time.

She couldn't help but wonder what she had been afraid of in the first place.

He even dared to threaten the future queen of Baymard in her own territory

(\*Of course she was talking about her garden)

Lucy looked at the statues of herself all around and felt like she had been acting like a cowardly princess instead.

Kindness didn't mean that one had to be weak.

Just because she showed kindness to her family, didn't mean that they should ever bully her or force her into anything.

And as Landon had told her earlier on, she didn't need to worry about being unfilial.

Because whether the Gustav family likes it or not, they had disowned her years ago and removed her and her mother's name from their family registry.

So, she was just a stranger to them.

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"Have you gone mad?

How dare you talk to your father in that tone?

After all the years of feeding you and clothing you, is this the thanks that your father gets?" Elvira said while adding flames to the conversation.

She so much wanted Gustav to snack the little sh\*\*head into pieces.

Her eyes sparkled with expectation, as she continuously spoke up for Gustav.

"You unfilial child.

Kneel and apologize to your father, so that he won't punish you later on."

"Hahahhahahah

Father?

Does he deserve to be called that?" Lucy said coldly.

And for a moment, the air seemed to be as tense as a battlefield.

Everyone sucked in their breath in shock, as they really couldn't believe that such words came from the timid and stupid Lucy.

They looked at Lucy again just to make sure that it was truly her.

Same face, same stupid girl.

But how would they have known that they had just unleashed a beast?