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“Zoey, I’ve decided to bring you along while I get my mother. What are your thoughts on this?” asked Levi.

“But... “ Zoey blushed because this meant that she was going to meet her mother-in-law. Seeing as such, she was nervous about it. “Okay. I’ll accompany you.”

Levi nodded as he smiled. “Get ready then. We’ll be setting off tomorrow.”

Phoenix was able to deduce where Emma was currently being held; she was in Margo City, a small city located in the center of North Hampton, South City, and South Hampton.

Having never thought of such a place, Klaus and the Joneses were brought to shame, in view of the fact that the woman they had wanted to kill lived just less than an hour’s drive away from them.

Levi was equally as surprised to discover that his biological mother had been nearby all along.

As for the Garrison family’s background, Phoenix had informed Levi that the information was SSSSS-level classified.

This meant that it was only a level lower than the information on Levi himself.

Authority was required to gain access, so there were only two ways to get information.

Levi could either acquire the required authority from Oakland City or gain access to the information by force. Unfortunately, none of those options would work for Levi.

Due to some deep-seated issues, Levi would never contact Oakland City to make such a request.

On the other hand, if he were to access Haunted by force, he would surely be spotted. *That's going to cause a lot of problems. It's not that I can't solve them, rather, it's that I can't afford to be distracted by petty things like that right now.*

"Continue your investigation. I'm sure that you'll find a way." Levi's idea was merely to take things slowly for the moment. *The Garrison clan will definitely find out when I get my mother back! When it comes to such, they'll reveal themselves to me, so I'm in no hurry at all.*

At night, Zoey made all of the necessary arrangements as she put Iris in charge of her work, for she expected her business in Margo City to take her a few days.

At that moment, Levi received a call from Mia.

"I've heard that Osborn and The Three Musketeers are planning to deal with you. Nevertheless, we can't be certain as to how or when they're going to strike. You'd better be careful," warned Mia.

"Don't worry, Mia. They'll find that it's not that easy to get rid of me. By the way, I'll pick your aunt up in a few days, so you should come to see her and your sister-in-law too."

Levi smiled while Zoey blushed when she overheard the conversation.

Zoey was as nervous as she was excited to meet Levi's family. *I think that we'll be very happy together from now on.*

The next day, Levi and Zoey set off for Margo City early in the morning.

Sylas was their driver, and it took them about an hour before they reached the small city.

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Chapter 917 The Tomb of Levi Garrison

Upon stepping out of the car, Levi took a deep breath as he looked at the word "Oakland" that was engraved on a stone monument beside the road.

At that point, the furious man mumbled to himself, "So, this is where my mother has been imprisoned for nearly thirty years?" *What a cruel thing it is to have imprisoned someone here for the rest of their life. It's almost like binding a person by invisible shackles, forever reminding them that they're incarcerated and that they would rather die. How could the Garrisons have been this ruthless? How could my biological father have married another woman while his wife was suffering in such a place? Does the man not have a conscience? Heck, is he even a man at all?*

Conscious of the fact that Levi was rather tempted to smash the stone monument, Zoey soon uttered, "Don't overthink it. I know that it's unfortunate that Emma met a scumbag, but we can give her a better life from now on. We'll make it up to her."

"Okay, but he won't be getting away with this! I shall find him!" promised Levi angrily, causing Zoey to be frightened by his response.

"Why can't we just live a good life with Emma? Why do you insist on going against the man? As you've mentioned before, his family is so powerful and influential that even a royal family like the Joneses are forced to obey them. Making that man your enemy is practically suicide!"

Zoey had heard from Levi about how powerful the Garrisons were, so she was certain that Levi would be no match for them.

Hence, Zoey was worried that Levi would die trying to do the impossible while hoping to avenge his mother.

"I am aware that the Garrisons are powerful. So what? I'm not afraid of them," muttered Levi softly. "Let's go!"

Sylas then drove them to the courtyard that Phoenix had found.

Thinking that the place would be bigger, Levi was surprised when he discovered that it was merely a small place with tattered gates and cracked walls.

In the courtyard was a small house estimated to be around twenty to thirty square meters.

Left exposed, some of the bricks inside the cracked walls of the house had already fallen out.

If an earthquake of magnitude four or five were to happen, the house would surely collapse.

At only a few square meters large, the yard was surprisingly smaller than the house.

Other than some plants, in the middle of the yard stood a tombstone engraved with Levi's name.

The Garrisons threatened Emma that if she stepped out of Margo City, they would complete the engraving to "Tomb of Levi Garrison."

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It would have been hard for anyone to have missed the tombstone in such a small yard; hence, Emma was constantly reminded not to leave Margo City.

The tombstone was not just a reminder of the Garrisons' threat. To Emma, seeing the tombstone was like seeing Levi, so nothing made her happier than spending her time thinking about her son in front of it.

Hence, Levi felt infuriated as he gazed upon the tombstone along with his mother's prison.

Zoey and Sylas shivered when they sensed that Levi was about to explode with rage.

As a member of royalty in South Hampton, my mother was supposed to enjoy a luxurious life! Nonetheless, she was imprisoned here by that scumbag! Seeing as such, how could I not be furious about it?

"Let's have a look inside."

The door was unlocked so Levi got it open easily.

Although it was dilapidated, the yard was rather tidy as the flowers only served to make it cozier.

Holding back his anger for the eyesore of a tombstone, Levi approached a room and knocked on its door, only to find that there was no response.

He entered the small room and found it to be neat and clean.

There was nothing else in the room other than a table, a bed, and a cabinet.

Levi could avow just how miserable his mother was for the past few decades, seeing the old clothes that were hanging on the drying rack. The clothes were so old that the colors had faded from them.

While Levi was seething, tears rolled down Zoey's face when she caught sight of such a scene.

The next moment, the three noticed a photo frame on the bedside. They were shocked by the photo that was kept inside it.

It displayed the image of a good-looking couple who were holding a child together; the pair looked like a match that was made in heaven.

Levi had heard from Michael that Emma was the most beautiful woman in South Hampton when she was younger.

Levi's eyes blazed with hatred as his eyes fell on the man in the photo. *This is the irresponsible man who should be held accountable for my mother's imprisonment. He is the reason that I grew up an orphan!*

Levi was surprised to find that his mother had kept the photo because it meant that she still missed the man. *She has no idea that he has married someone else, having children with another woman.*

"I'll make him pay!"

The photo evoked nothing but hatred in Levi; nonetheless, he wasn't aware that Emma had begged and kowtowed to have had the photo taken.

Emma wanted a memento of the man, so he agreed and requested that she should never share the photo with anyone else. Otherwise, his identity would be exposed.

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Chapter 919 Meeting His Biological Mother

Wishing for her son to gain control over the Garrison family, Emma hoped that her son would make something out of himself. Hence, she gave Levi his first name. Unfortunately, the Garrisons forbade him from carrying their family name because they saw him as a bastard who did not deserve it.

Levi was supposed to be a Jones, but Emma begged once more for her son to be able to keep his biological family's last name, and at long last, the biological father agreed.

This was the only request from Emma that the man had ever agreed to.

A sharp glint flashed across Levi's eyes; he swore to avenge his mother, uninformed of the fact that he had almost lost the right to become a Garrison.

"It seems that Emma was sick," stated Zoey. She had found some medication in the cabinet.

Levi momentarily remembered that his mother had knelt at the Garrisons' for three consecutive days when she had borne him.

It was raining back then, which only served to deteriorate Emma's health.

Levi's eyes turned red as he imagined his mother being in pain and agony. *I should have discovered this sooner! My mother would not have had to suffer for this long if it were otherwise!*

"Where else could my mother be, if not at home?" asked Levi.

“She’s probably working to support herself, seeing that she lives alone. Though, the money that she earned must have gone to these medications.”

Levi could not imagine how his mother had survived on her own upon hearing the heartbreaking truth that Zoey had pointed out.

“Let’s search for her!”

Levi asked Phoenix to look up his mother’s occupation and workplace while searching around the courtyard with Zoey and Syllas.

They searched through an entire block but it was to no avail.

A garbage truck was rumbling nearby as a group of workers was actively trying to unclog the sewer. Unfortunately, no matter how far in they inserted the tube, they found that they could not remove the clog.

Seeing as such, the job would now have to be done manually, but unfortunately, there were no volunteers.

“Anyone willing to do it will get fifty as their reward,” offered the team leader.

All of the workers shook their heads in refusal; the sewer was far too smelly and dirty.

“I’ll do it.”

At that moment, a woman in sanitation raised her hand to volunteer.

“Good! Deal with the clog and you’ll get your fifty, Emma,” promised the team leader to the woman.

“Emma?”

Levi and Zoey widened their eyes at their mind-blowing discovery.

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Chapter 920 Tears Of Men

That's Emma? The two turned to gaze at the woman in shock. Soon, Levi received a message from Phoenix: *Emma Jones has been working as a sanitation worker.*

The hacker even sent him a photo, to which Levi compared to the woman across from him. *It's the same person. That is my mother, Emma Jones!*

Emma was only in her fifties, but her hair had already turned gray. Her face was as wrinkled as a seventy-year-old woman.

She was so skinny that it looked as though a gust of wind could blow her away.

Time and illness had not been kind to Levi's mother.

Looking at Emma's miserable state, Zoey could not help but cry.

Levi was not faring any better either, for tears had started to flow down his face.

As a man, it was only natural for him to have cried over someone whom he held so dear to him.

When Emma heard that she would be rewarded with fifty, joy flashed across her face. *With that money, I can finally get myself some quality pain medications.*

Emma put her gloves on, readying herself to go down into the sewer to unclog it.

"Mom!"

The sudden shout shocked the workers, who all turned around to glance at the source of the voice.

Bewildered, Emma did the same, wanting to find out who shouted.

“Mom!” shouted Levi once again before he rushed over to his mother.

Emma was stunned when she realized that the man was calling out to her. *Did he mistake me for someone else?*

However, like a bolt from the blue, Emma suddenly recognized the familiar face when Levi approached her.

It looked at least half as similar to the face of the man whom she had loved so much. *There’s no mistaking this face. This is my son!*

When Levi reached his mother, he wrapped his arms around her tightly.

“I’m so sorry, Mom!” shouted Levi.

Dumbfounded, Emma looked at Levi in disbelief before she asked in a shaky voice, “Are you... Are you really Levi?”

“Yes, it’s me!”

Thud!

Levi knelt before his mother and kowtowed to her. “I’m sorry, Mom! I should have found you sooner.”

Emma could no longer contain herself as she burst out into tears. “You’re really Levi! My son! My sweet boy!”

The mother also knelt to embrace her son as the two sobbed in each other’s arms.

Minutes passed before Levi helped his mother up. “Let’s go home, Mom.”

“Not yet, Levi. I’m still at work.”

"You don't have to work anymore. I'll take care of you," promised the son.

"No."

Emma approached the team leader and bowed to him. "My son is here, so I'd like to take a leave. Thank you, Sir."

Witnessing how lowly his mother had seemed, Levi could feel the tears rolling down his face once more.