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Although what happened to Delilah's family was a shame, her actions of trying to disfigure and kill Emery were even crueler.

Even if Emery really did all that, all this wouldn't have started if Delilah hadn't stolen Hunter from her.

"It appears you have no idea how powerful the Moore family is given that you dared to hire someone to splash acid when only two of your family members have been laid off. I would have wiped out your family if anything had happened to Emery." Having been silent throughout, Zachary glared at Delilah. It was rare for someone as aloof as him to display such ferocity.

"Hah..." Delilah sneered. "I don't understand what you're saying. I only know that the illustrious Emery resorted to unscrupulous means to destroy my happiness despite having agreed to break up in peace. If word gets out that she is such a venomous person, I'm afraid the Moore family's reputation would be badly affected."

"Hunter, it seems that you really have good taste in women!" Unable to stand it anymore, I gritted my teeth and interrupted.

After hurting Emery to this extent, Delilah still dared to act with such defiance. She has definitely outdone Rebecca in making one feel indignant. Besides, isn't her so-called happiness stolen from Emery in the first place?

Realizing that he was also to blame, Hunter hung his head in shame without saying a word. All he did was shirk away from the situation.

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If only Emery had known him better then, she wouldn't have fallen for him in the beginning.

"Do you think that just by hiring someone desperate you can wash your hands clean of the matter?" Emery might be soft-hearted, but I wasn't. "Since we have captured him, I have my ways of making him talk. Assault alone would earn him three years of prison. With the Moore family's influence, it would easily be extended to ten years. As for being the mastermind, you should prepare yourself to spend your best years in prison."

Delilah's beauty was her trump card. By sending her to prison, she would always remember that there was a price to pay for harming someone indiscriminately.

When she saw how firm I was, she began to panic and averted her gaze from me.

"Let her go, please." Hunter suddenly pleaded, "She's pregnant, after all. Let's all just take a step back."

Pregnant?

No wonder Emery's divorce was completed with such haste. This explained everything.

"Hunter, how dare you!" Furrowing his eyebrows intensely, Zachary's expression was extremely grave. "I thought that you broke up with Emery because both of you were incompatible. But now, it's obvious that you're just a scumbag!"

Zachary had always been extremely devoted to Cameron. Fiercely loyal, he never thought of anything else other than spending the rest of his life together with her. Hence, he viewed Hunter's infidelity with contempt.

Pursing his lips, Hunter looked at Zachary and gritted his teeth in shame. Thereafter, he turned toward Emery and sighed. "Emery, I am the one that caused all this. You can blame me and hate me. But Delilah is right. Her family is innocent. The two of you have each made mistakes. Since we have broken up, can you let this matter slide on account of Xavier?"

"Xavier?" Emery smirked. "It seems you have forgotten that you abandoned him for another child."

Hunter didn't expect Emery to be so calm. Briefly stunned, he was suddenly at a loss for words.

Indeed, Emery was more composed than I had expected. As she shifted her eyes in Delilah's direction, she seemed to be looking at her listlessly. "With regards to your accusations, do you have any proof?"

Just as she spoke, everyone was stunned.

Given how sure Delilah sounded, everyone assumed that Emery did everything she had alleged. But after giving it some thought, it seemed that there might be another possibility.

"You accuse me of causing your father to be sacked and your brother to not be able to secure a job. You claim that I did all these behind the scenes as revenge for you stealing my man. Unfortunately, you don't know me at all. It's as my brother has said. If I wanted to harm you, I wouldn't have just caused your family to lose their jobs. In fact, I would have done it openly and you would not have any doubts as to who is exacting revenge."

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Pausing for a moment, Emery shifted her gaze toward Hunter. "It seems that I have overestimated the relationship we once shared given that you can tolerate Delilah's violent actions. I consider myself to have been blind in the past. From now onward, there is nothing left of our so-called relationship."

Furrowing his eyebrows, it was apparent that Hunter was shocked.

"Impossible!" Delilah reacted with greater defiance. "Other than you, our family doesn't have any other powerful enemies. You are just making excuses!"

"Delilah!" Overwhelmed with shame, Hunter stopped her.

"Did I say anything wrong? Hunter, you couldn't clean up your own mess because you didn't want to stain your reputation as a professor. So, I had to do it for you. But look at you now! In the midst of me being bullied by your ex, you choose to lecture me instead? I am now beginning to doubt whether your feelings for me are true." Outraged, Delilah switched the focus of her anger right in front of us.

It seemed that she wasn't very smart, she was oblivious to the fact that the Moore Residence wasn't the place for her own family squabbles.

"I don't care whether your feelings for each other are true. Delilah, take a good look at the lawyer representing me." Emery glance at me before adding plainly, "Be prepared to hear from my lawyer. Since you dare challenge me, I will gladly play your game to your heart's content."

Given Emery's stature, she could hire any top lawyer in the city she wanted. Handing the task to me was just her way of being polite.

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As for me, I just wanted to use the opportunity to scare Delilah.

After hesitating for a split second, I collected myself and smiled slightly, "That's right, Ms. Delilah Perkins. Let me introduce myself again. I, Scarlett Stovall, am a lawyer from Stovall Law Firm. From this moment on, I will represent Ms. Emery Moore in this assault-related case. You will be hearing from my firm soon. As this will be my first case as a lawyer, it will be a wonderful opportunity for me to demonstrate my prowess. So don't expect me to show you any mercy."

Hiding malice behind a smile was a necessary skill every lawyer practiced. Obviously, I am now one of them.

Realizing that there was no way she could escape a few years of prison, Delilah's face turned pale. Just as her knees buckled, she lost her balance and collapsed into Hunter's arms.

"Scarlett, you have been pregnant before and know that emotional shock is bad for pregnant mothers. Why do you need to frighten her?" Hunter was upset.

As all the goodwill I felt toward him had long since dissipated, I was further angered at the sight of Hunter defending Delilah.

"If a pregnant lady can't take the shock, should a burn victim take it then? Do you know that when the acid came into contact with Emery, she fainted immediately? After an operation that lasted hours, do you even know that she has been unable to sleep properly for the last few days?"

During such times, men could be so tactless to utter such ridiculous words.

I used to feel that Hunter was someone attentive. But now, it seemed that he will indiscriminately protect any woman by his side, regardless of who she was. The one person he truly loved was himself.

Triggered by my words, Emery, who was silent for a long while, let out a deep sigh. She then asked, "Hunter, you clearly know me very well. I would never deny something that I had done. Now, do you believe me when I tell you that I had nothing to do with what happened to Delilah's family?"

Hunter took a deep breath before replying solemnly, "I believe you."

When Delilah, who was leaning against him, heard his reply, she wanted to protest further. However, he held her back with all his strength.

"Good." Emery smirked as she shifted her gaze to her front as if she was talking to no one. "In that case, I'll take this as an admission on your part that I have never done anything to harm you. Hence, this matter solely revolves around Delilah plotting the assault. Based on that, I will seek justice for what she has done."

"How can you do this!" Delilah objected. Her dejected expression from just a moment ago had now turned into one of anger. She scowled, "This is just a misunderstanding. And yet, you insist on destroying us!"