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Chapter 551 Of course, Elliot would pick Avery. He did not want to give up on the child, but he had no other choice. Their child was almost four months old. If this accident did not happen, they could see what the child looks like in the next maternity check-up!

“Okay, Mr. Foster, please sign this risk disclosure form.” The doctor took a form and passed it to him. “Does the patient have to be anesthetized for bullet removal surgery? Anesthesia would affect the child. If you’re thinking of keeping the child, we can forgo the anesthesia for the patient.”

“Wouldn’t that hurt a lot!” Elliot obviously wanted to keep the child, but at the thought of the surgery without anesthesia, Avery would definitely be in a lot of pain!

“Yes, it would hurt, but it would pass soon,” The doctor³⁵ said.

“She’s already so weak right now, I don’t want her to suffer any further pain.” Elliot felt his heart torn into pieces. He was so heartbroken that even breathing hurt. “Please use anesthesia for her.”

“Okay.” The doctor accepted the signed risk disclosure form from him, turned, and headed into the emergency⁸ room.

Elliot quickly collected his thoughts. Although he might have to sacrifice the child, at least Avery would be fine.

If something were to happen to her, their child would not have survived as well, so the situation at that moment was already the best result possible for⁷⁹ him.

In⁸⁷ Aryadelle.

Wanda placed a copy of the newspaper in front of Zoe.

"David Grimes isza dead."

Zoe glanced at the newspaper. Her expressions turned cold. "I heard about it yesterday. What a pity! I thought he would be able to kill Avery!"

Wanda was a little disappointed. "Elliot sure is strong. Even David was defeated by him."

"That's not only thanks to Elliot alone," Zoe said distractedly, "But Elliot spent a fortune in saving Avery this time."

"Oh?" Wanda asked curiously, "Roughly how much did he spend?"

"At least one and a half billion." Zoe did not know the exact number, but she could probably

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guess. "He is really devoted to Avery! I have initially given up on him, but seeing how he sacrificed himself for another woman, I'm falling in love with him again."

"Wake up! No matter how great he is, he belongs to another person." Wanda's attention was on Avery. "Don't tell me that Avery escaped unscathed?"

"How could that be possible? According to my friend, Elliot has been at the hospital for a long time. If Avery only had a small injury, she did not need to stay in the hospital," Zoe said flatly, "I think she won't be able to keep the child."

"Even without this one, she still has the other two. She still could use them to elevate her status!" Wanda said in jealousy. "It would be great if we could get rid of her two children."

Zoe never thought that Wanda would be so cruel.

"Have you ever thought that if you were exposed for doing this, you would be dead!" Zoe warned her, "Let's just put our focus on money! Avery won't be able to get up so quickly."

Three days later, Avery came around. When she woke up, she looked at her strange surroundings, trying hard to think back about what had happened.

It was until her gaze fell onto the drip connected to her, that she instinctively reached out and tried to rip it off.

She remembered that she was still pregnant. She could not touch any medication at all.

“Avery, what are you doing?” Mrs. Scarlet saw that she was woken up. She immediately tried to stop Avery. “You are currently sick. You need to be on the drip. Avery, don’t move. I’ll go get the doctor!”

Mrs. Scarlet immediately went to look for the doctor. Soon, the doctor arrived.

“Miss Tate. You have been shot in the arm. You’ve done the surgery. Today is the fourth day in the hospital,” The doctor patiently explained.

Avery looked a little lost. “I’ve been in the hospital for four days? I even underwent surgery? What medication did you put me on? I’m pregnant, I can’t simply take any medication...”

The doctor replied, “Your husband agreed to the medication. Of course, I’m afraid that your child might need to be aborted.”

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Avery was taken aback!

If it were not for the injury on her arm, she would have jumped up from the bed.

“What husband? I’m not married! Nobody has the right to decide my child’s life or death!”

Because Avery was overly agitated, the doctor immediately apologized, "Miss Tate, I'm sorry. Mr. Forster indeed did not say that he was your husband, he said that he was the child's father."

"Even if he is the child's father, he doesn't have the right to do so!" Avery lost it. Tears fell.

Elliot had been keeping watch over her for the entire night. That morning, Mrs. Scarlet took over so that he could go back to rest.

Mrs. Scarlet should not have called him to disturb him, but she had no choice but to do so, looking at Avery's state at that moment. After Mrs. Scarlet made a call to Elliot, Mike pushed the door and entered.

"Avery, you're finally up!" Mike walked over to her bed and sat down. He took a piece of tissue and wiped her tears. "Don't cry. Elliot's thoughts and mine are the same. Between you and the child, you are more important. If this child is gone, you can have another one, but if you're dead, there is nothing else left anymore."

Avery pushed Mike's hands away and wiped her tears herself.

"I know that not only you're feeling uncomfortable, but this must be a huge blow on you mentally too, but this time, Elliot is right. He rushed over to rescue you. In between, he barely slept. It was until he rescued you out and the doctors said that you were still alive only then he was relieved."

Due to this incident, Mike's impression of Elliot changed a lot, so he could not help but talk on Elliot's behalf.

After Mike's reminder, Avery recalled the incident that happened a few days ago.

"It's me..." Avery murmured but her words were swallowed in tears. It was because of her that Wesley was hurt. Elliot and Mike had to run around because of her. She was also sorry for the child in her tummy.

Things would turn out this way all because of her.

"Avery, don't blame yourself. This has nothing to do with you." Mike grabbed her petite, cold, hands. "What you need to do now is to rest well. Once you're discharged from the hospital, we'll return to Aryadelle."

Avery's gaze was empty and out of focus. Mike did not know if she heard him or not.

"Avery, I'll get the doctor to reattach the drips for you? You still have two bottles of medication to go," Mike coaxed.

Avery shook her head. She refused.

"Okay, then. When Elliot comes, you two talk it out." Mike sat by the side of the bed and quietly stayed with her.

After a while, Elliot arrived.

"Avery, he's here," Mike said to her before getting up and heading out.

Once the door was closed, Elliot walked to the side of the bed. Avery looked at the wearied yet familiar face, tears fell.

"Avery, don't cry." He gently wiped away her tears from the corner of her eyes with his fingers. He said hoarsely, "If you still want a child, we can have another one. We'll have as many as you want."

"I want this one in me!" Avery cried out and grabbed his hand. She squeezed it tightly. She wanted him to feel how heartbroken she felt.

"The child is almost four months old! In another two months, even if I give birth to it prematurely, I could let it survive in an incubator! Elliot, how could you be so cruel? Even without medication, I won't die. Why did you make this decision on the child's and my behalf?"

Elliot's eyes moved a little. He said, blaming himself, "I'm sorry. I didn't think it through. I was afraid that you would be in pain, so..."

"I can bear through it if I was in pain, but the child is innocent!" Avery bore through her tears and sniffled. "Mike said that you rescued me, how could I blame you?"

"I'm sorry. Maybe I'm not a competent father," Elliot said guiltily.

Perhaps because the child was not born yet, so he did not fully treat the child as a live human being

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Avery choked up, "I want to leave this hospital."

Elliot did not dare further agitate her. He turned and looked for the doctor.

"Miss Tate, if you insist, you can be discharged, but you need to go through a checkup. If all is fine, I'll immediately let you discharge."

Soon, after a series of checkups, the doctor gave her the approval for discharge. Once she returned home, Avery shut herself in her room. Before discharging, she did an ultrasound. The ultrasound showed that the child was two weeks smaller than it should³⁵ be.

Ever since she arrived at Bridgedale, her child stopped developing. This was a terrible sign. The doctor suggested she abort the child, but Avery could not accept this result.

"Why don't we find her a therapist!" Mike was discussing with Elliot in the living area. "The doctor said that her being so down is not completely because of the child. I think the doctor is right. Everything that happened to her with David Grimes was enough to destroy her: mentally."

Elliot looked in the direction of Avery's room and said, "Let's give her some time. I believe that she can come out of it."

"Okay, then! The child in79 her..."

"Since she wants to give birth to it, let her do it."

Mike furrowed his brows. "What if the child is unhealthy? What if it's an87 idiot?"

Elliot looked at Mike with reddened eyes, "So, what if it's an idiot?"

Mike pursed his lips and stopped7a talking.

Suddenly, Avery's room door opened and she came out of her room. They looked at her.

"I want to go see Wesley." Avery lowered her gaze. Her tone was cold. She was still weak. Although she could walk on her own, it seemed like she would fall over at any moment.

"I'll take you," Elliot quickly walked over to her and held onto her arms, helping her.

Avery pushed Elliot away. She looked at him. "Elliot, if our child really is an idiot, I will not let him bring you down. I will bring the child up on my own."

Elliot was stunned. Did Avery overhear their conversation a moment ago? He did not call the child an idiot. He did not like words like that. Why did Avery have to use phrases such as bringing him down?

Mike saw how the atmosphere between the two of them tensed. He immediately walked over to Avery. "Avery, I'll bring you to go see Wesley!"

Mike grabbed her hand and led her away.

On the journey to the hospital, Mike secretly snuck glances at her. He wanted to say something, but he hesitated.

"I heard what you two said in the living area." Avery broke the silence.

"Oh, he didn't say that he doesn't want the child..."

"I know." Avery's eyes turned sore. She looked out of the window. "The first time I met Shea, she had no identity or friends. Elliot built her a fairytale kingdom. She was the only person in

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Mike seemed to have understood what Avery was talking about.

“Elliot has never publicly acknowledged his relationship with Shea. He also did not want the others to know about Shea. He seems to love Shea a lot, but I don’t see the basic human respect he has for Shea.” Avery’s tone was flat. “If our child has issues and I let him bring the child up, the child would be the next Shea.”

“Avery, don’t be so pessimistic. Your child will be fine! It might even be healthy!” Mike comforted her, “Don’t get upset for problems that have yet to come.”

“If his thought was the same as yours, he would not have let me abort the child.” Avery could never forget how cold he looked. Mike said in shock, “He got you to abort the child?”

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Chapter 554 “When the doctor asked me to abort the child, Elliot said nothing. If he said nothing, that meant he tacitly agreed that the child should be given up.”

Avery took a deep breath and continued bitterly, “He is the child’s father, how could he treat his own child so heartlessly?”

It took a great deal for Mike to finally utter, “Perhaps, he is used to listening to the doctors.”

“He never listens to the doctors. When he was sick, he would smoke and drink whenever he wanted. A person like him, unless it was his own volition, if not, no one could make him listen. “Avery’s eyelashes fluttered. Her voice was hoarse. “He clearly doesn’t want our unhealthy35 child!”

"Avery, don't think of him that badly. I can't say for other matters, but he truly has you in his heart." Mike wanted to avoid the topic of children.

"I know." Avery sniffled. Her voice was nasal. "If he did not love me, he would not have come to rescuee8 me."

Mike responded.

"Mike, I love him a lot too," Avery choked79 up.

"I know. If you don't love him, you wouldn't have given birth to his child." Mike furrowed his brows. "Avery, what do you plan to do? Don't tell me you're planning to break up with him?"

"I don't want to break up with him, but I don't want this unhealthy child to leave a stain on him either." Avery's eyes were hot. "I can't abort this formed child. I can't do it. I really can't do87 it..."

"Don't think about this now. No matter what you decide, I'll always stand by your side." Mike passed her the box of tissues.

A while later, the car was at the7a hospital.

Mike brought Avery outside Wesley's ward. Wesley's mother, Sandra, came out of Wesley's ward. She looked at Avery coldly. "Avery, I want to talk to you in private."

Avery followed Sandra to the corridors. They walked over to a place where there was no one and stopped there.

The sunlight outside the window was a little piercing, Sandra looked out for a while before retracting her gaze. "Avery. My son is like this now thanks to you."

"Aunt Sandra, I'm sorry."

"What use is there being sorry? I only have one son. Do you know how upset I am now that he is in this state?" Sandra said. Tears fell. "How much I liked you in the past is how much I hate you right now. How dare you appear in front of us?"

"I just want to apologize to you and Mr. Brook, as well as Wesley."

"We don't accept your apology!" Sandra pointed at the lift. "Leave this place at once. Don't let me see you again in the future! I feel unlucky just looking at you!"

When Mike entered the ward, he looked at the pretty bouquet of sunflowers on the table. He asked, "Did Shea send this?"

Wesley woke up a few days ago. He was in quite good spirits. Only his leg was broken so he could not get out of bed.

"Hmm. She would send me a bouquet every day. I'm really grateful for her."

"Wesley, you have such a good outlook. You're still grateful to others even after such a serious injury," Mike lamented.

Wesley's eyes were still bloodshot, but the light in his eyes brightened up quite a bit. "David Grimes is dead. Avery and I are still alive. We won."

"It's good that you think of it this way. Avery is doing much worse than you," Mike said while looking at the door. "I'll go have a look and see why she is not in yet."

Mike walked out of Wesley's ward, yet he only saw Sandra.

"Aunt Sandra, where is Avery?"

Sandra replied coldly, "I don't know. My son needs to rest. Don't bring her here again next time." She went into Wesley's ward and shut the door.

Mike suddenly realized that even if Wesley did not blame Avery, that did not mean that Wesley's family would not blame her.

Avery had just come around. Her emotions were still unstable. Adding on the agitation from Sandra, she must be in a lot of pain!

Mike immediately rushed to the lift. Avery did not have her phone or money with her. She was

still injured! Where could she have gone to?

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Coming out of the inpatient unit, Mike searched around but he did not see Avery anywhere.

He dialed Elliot in despair. "Elliot! Come to the hospital quickly! Avery got lost!"

Elliot immediately rushed out of the mansion. "What happened?"

"Wesley's mother talked to her in private. I am sure that Sandra must have said some harsh words to Avery!" Mike stood in the huge yard of the hospital and looked around. "It's my fault! I was talking to Wesley in his ward, so she must have left!"

Elliot furrowed his brows tightly. "She shouldn't have gone far. Keep watch at the entrance right now!"

Avery got out of the lift and aimlessly walked to the outpatient building. There were a lot of seats there. She was tired, so she found an empty seat and sat down.

All around her were patients or their families. A couple was there bringing their sick child to see the doctors.

"I already said I didn't want the child, yet you insisted! Look at it now. We have to come to the hospital every few days! Do you know I'm busy! This is the last time I'll come with you to the hospital!" The man sat in the chair and reproached his wife with the child in her hands.

"I don't want the child to be sick. What use is there blaming me? This is your child too. If you don't come with me the next time, I won't come either. Let her just die!"

“Okay, then let her just die! We don’t have to see the doctors today either!” The man said and stormed off!

The woman stood in the same spot and sobbed with the child in her hands. In the end, the woman gave up. She placed her child on the chair and left.

Avery looked at the abandoned female baby. Her nose was sore. She got up from her chair and wanted to pick up the wailing child.

“Don’t touch my baby!” The heartless mother returned.

Avery saw her take her child away and she was deeply moved.

“Avery!”

Nearby, someone called out her name out loud. She looked toward the source of the sound and saw Elliot running over to her anxiously.

When he was in front of her, he held her arms tightly. “Avery, Wesley’s injuries are not caused by you. Don’t listen to what others say.”

“Hmm.” Avery looked at Elliot’s sleep-deprived face. She lowered her gaze. “Let’s go.”

Elliot picked her up in his arms.

Avery looked at his familiar face up close in a daze. Up till that point, she was sure that she still loved this man deeply. She did not want to see him being tied down by life’s trivial matters. She hoped that he was always the beacon of light shining brightly!

Elliot carried her to the car and patiently buckled her seat belt.

“Elliot, when are you planning to return to Aryadelle?” Avery looked at Elliot’s handsome side profile and asked.

Elliot looked up and met her gaze. “Once you’ve recovered, we’ll return together.”

Avery shook her head. “Why don’t you go back right now! Elliot, my heart has seemed to have become handicapped. Looking at how well you treat me, I should love you even more,

but right now, I'm afraid. I really want to run away. I don't know what to do. I don't want to drag you down, so I beg of you, go back! Return to where you belong."

Elliot looked at Avery's pale face and said painfully, "You're not afraid, nor are you running away. It's just that in your heart, the child is far more important than me. You think that I will not treat our child well. You don't have confidence in me. You think a jerk like me should just end up alone!"

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Chapter 556 Avery saw Elliot's shimmery wet eyes. She wanted to say no. It was not how he put it.

However, Elliot suddenly stood up and left in front of her. He slammed the door next to her shut with a loud bam!

Elliot did not go to the driver's seat. He stood outside the car, took his phone, and made a call.

Avery silently looked at him. They were divided by a car door, yet it seemed like they were divided by an unbridgeable gap in between³⁵ them.

He said that in her heart, the child was more important than him. How could she compare them together? The child was a weak being, of course, she would protect the child even more.

He said that she did not have confidence in him. It was more like she did not have confidence in⁸ herself.

Not long after, Mike ran over. Avery saw the two of them talking outside the car. She did not know what they were talking about. Mike quickly accepted the car keys from Elliot and came to the driver's seat.

Elliot had his back facing here from beginning to end. Avery saw his back muscle tense up.

Once Mike got in the car, she retracted her gaze.

"He said that he's going back tomorrow. Did you ask him to go back?" Mike started the car and asked.

"Hmm." Avery could not help but look out the window once more.

"He said that he will be staying at the hotel tonight. Did you two argue?" Mike drove off.

Avery ignored Mike.

She leaned against the car window. She saw Elliot's figure getting further and further away from her. It was until when she could hardly see him then only, he turned around.

"Why do you two do this to yourselves?" Mike stopped in front of the red light and sighed. "Would you be even happier if you split up with him?"

"My head hurts." Avery inhaled and closed her eyes. As long as she thought about Elliot, her brain would hurt as if it was going to explode.

"Go back and rest well. Your body has not recovered. I shouldn't have brought you out," Mike said, "Also, I talked to Wesley. He never blamed you at all. No matter what his mother said, don't take it to heart."

During dinner, Shea lost her appetite. The first was because she had to return to Aryadelle with Elliot the next day. The second was because she knew Elliot and Avery fought again.

Mike took some food for her. "Shea, you can always come here whenever you want."

Shea asked, "Then, when are you guys going back?"

Mike thought for a while. "We'll have to see when Avery recovers. Once she recovers, we'll definitely return."

Shea took a small bite and asked softly, "Why did they fight?"

Layla and Hayden wanted to know the answer too. They looked at Mike.

"Uh...I can't explain it in a few simple sentences, but what I am sure of is that this time, Elliot did nothing wrong. Of course, Avery did nothing wrong as well." Mike changed the subject. "Shea, let's take you out later. You have been here for so many days, but you have not had the chance to look around!"

Once they left, the entire mansion was in silence.

Avery lay in bed. Her arm hurt badly, but her heart hurt even more.

This time, she was the one that pushed him away. She did not know whether this decision was right or not, but besides this decision, she had no other better choice.

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The next morning, Shea went to Avery's room and softly bade her goodbye, "Avery, I'm leaving. Get well soon. Once you're well, you must return to Aryadelle!"

She was afraid to disturb her, so she did not stay for long. She quickly left Avery's room.

Avery opened her eyes and looked at the empty room. She was disappointed.

At eight in the morning, a Gulfstream G650 private jet took off from Bridgedale Capital Airport. Its destination: Aryadelle Capital35 Airport.

After more than ten hours of journey, the jet slowly descended on Aryadelle Capital Airport.

The time in Aryadelle at that moment was six in the morning. Wesley came back together with8 them.

"Mr. Foster, thank you for taking us home," Sandra thanked Elliot.

Elliot replied, "You're79 welcome."

"We'll make a move!" Sandra said.

Elliot swallowed his saliva. After a short moment of hesitation, he said, "Mrs. Brook, don't blame Avery for Wesley's injuries. She didn't even tell me that she was Professor Hough's last pupil. Wesley got kidnapped because he was once Professor Hough's assistant, not because Avery got him in87 danger."

Sandra was stunned. Elliot said what he wanted to say and left.

"Mom, what did you say to Avery?" Wesley sat in the wheelchair. He had a serious expression. "Avery is also a victim, how could you blame7a her?"

Sandra's eyes instantly reddened. "I'm sorry, son. I'm just very upset. You initially have a bright future, but it's all gone now. If you didn't get to know Avery, this would not have happened."

Wesley sternly rebuked, "Mom! Has Elliot not made himself clear just now? This has nothing to do with Avery!"

Sandra said, "How does this not have anything to do with her? If Professor Hough did not take her as his last pupil, nothing would have happened."

Wesley said, "Since when becoming excellent is a mistake? If you think that way, then I'll just be a loser for the rest of my life!"

News of Elliot returning to the country soon spread.

“Elliot came back alone. Avery is still in Bridgedale.” Wanda shared the news she got firsthand with Zoe. “Also, when Elliot returned, he immediately went to work. I suspect that something has happened to their relationship.”

“That shouldn’t be! Elliot has spent one and a half billion on Avery!” Zoe found it hard to believe. “Could it be that Elliot has dumped Avery?”

“No matter who dumped who, Elliot’s one and a half billion has gone to waste!” Wanda said, delighted in Elliot’s misfortune. “Avery could never pay him back so much money.”

Zoe said sourly, “Elliot is an extreme male chauvinist. Even if they split up, he would not get Avery to pay him back.”

Wanda said, “One and half billion is not a small number even to Elliot. It’s not that Elliot might not want to get it back from her, perhaps he just finds it hard to tell her?”

Zoe raised her eyebrows. “What are you planning to do?”

Wanda smiled mysteriously and whispered her plans in Zoe’s ears.

In Sterling Group

Once Elliot arrived at the office, he completed all the piled-up work for the past few days. He did not even drink a sip of water before rushing off to meet a client.

Chad followed behind him and texted Ben, (It’s most likely that they broke up.)

Ben texted, (I went to see him this morning. I could see it from his expressions. Don’t let him drink later.)

Chad replied, [Got it. Ben, how much did Mr. Foster spend this time in Bridgedale?]

Ben replied, [...why do you want to know?]

Chad texted, (He has been working hard. I’m suspecting that his wealth has been emptied.)

Ben replied, (Not really. I think he's just numbing himself with work.)

Chad kept his phone and quickly walked over to Elliot's side.

"Mr. Foster, after the meeting, I'll send you back to rest," Chad said, "It's closer to where you stay here."

Elliot said, "I'm not tired."

Chad explained awkwardly, "In the afternoon, the company organized a two-day team building session for the staff. You can rest well at home during this time. If you don't want to

rest, you can come with us for team building." Elliot's gaze dimmed. "Is there another choice?"

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Elliot did not want to go home, nor did he want to go for team building.

Chad saw how in pain Elliot seemed, he suggested, "Why don't you go on a holiday? Where do you want to go? I'll book a hotel for you."

Elliot pondered for a moment before saying, "I want to drink."

Chad was speechless. Was this the reason why Elliot chose to attend this 35 meeting?

An hour later, Elliot was drunk, as he wished.

After Chad sent him home, he let out a sigh of relief. Although drinking was bad for the body, if Elliot did not drink himself drunk, he would not be able to sleep.

Coming out from Elliot's mansion, Chad dialed Mike. "Doesn't Avery have a guilty conscience? Mr. Foster sacrificed his effort and money but what else does she know how to do other than hurt him?"

It was night in Bridgedale at that moment.

Mike rubbed the middle of his brows and yawned. "What nonsense are you talking about again? Hmm?"

"Didn't Avery break up with him? How cruel and heartless is she!" Chad spat.

"Chad, do you treat Elliot as your bloody father or do you treat him as your son?" Mike said angrily, "How is their affair any of your business? Stop caring!"

"Are you yelling at me?"

"I am yelling at you!" Mike got more spirited the more he yelled. He got down from the bed and took a cup of water to hydrate himself. "The child in Avery is most likely unhealthy. The doctor said that she must abort. She is currently extremely upset. Do you think your boss is the only sad one?!"

Chad touched his nose. "Oh...so that's why! Did they break up because of this?"

"You can say so! Elliot felt that Avery should listen to the doctor to abort the child, but Avery can't do it. Avery did not want to drag him down. She wants to bring the child up on her own, so she broke it off with him. Is Avery wrong?"

"Such a huge thing has happened. Why didn't you tell me?" Chad calmed down.

"I didn't even have the time to sleep for the past few days, how could I tell you?"

"Okay then, go to sleep!" Chad felt a little disappointed. "Right, when are you guys coming back?"

"I don't know. I haven't discussed this with her."

"Oh, since the doctor said that the child has problems, she should listen to the doctor and abort the child. If she gives birth to an unhealthy child. It will also be torture for the child," Chad expressed his opinions before hanging up.

Mike lay in bed. "Have you forgotten that she is a doctor? What if she could cure the child? Furthermore, the child is almost four months old. She has a bond with it. It's only normal that she doesn't want to abort it."

"Hmm. This is such a terrible thing! It was supposed to be a happy thing, yet it turned into a tragedy." Chad thought about how they had already reconciled before heading to Bridgedale.

Life was truly unpredictable.

"Now that they are apart, it'll be good for them to calm down too. Perhaps a few days later, Avery has thought it through and decides to have an abortion," Mike said, "She utterly refuses to have the abortion right now perhaps because Elliot's attitude toward the child agitated her."

"Try to talk to her! Whether she wants the child or not, don't be too upset. I'll wait for you guys to come back, and we'll meet soon."

"Okay."

On Sunday, a piece of news was making the rounds in Aryadelle.

The news was published on Fortune Tech, an online news platform.

The headline was shocking.

(President of Sterling Group, Elliot Foster Cheated of 1.5 Billion? The Truth Behind This Would Make One Cry!)

The subtitle read, (Don't let so-called love, empty you of your pockets!) The article talked about the shooting in Bridgedale.

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However, the writer of the article said that this was a scheme set up by Avery. It was done to con Elliot's money!

Because Avery started in Bridgedale, Bridgedale was like her second home. She was kidnapped in her own home country. Did she not have connections and her own money to resolve the crisis? Why did Elliot have to fly a private jet to rescue her?

In the end, Elliot dumped one and a half billion dollars only to return to Aryadelle alone and sad.

Therefore, the writer concluded that Elliot has been conned by Avery. Not only did she con him relationship-wise, but more importantly she conned him of one and a half billion³⁵ dollars!

The article ended sarcastically, saying that a smart person like Elliot would one day be also conned by a woman. If one wanted to keep their wealth, they had to stay far away from women! Especially strong and beautiful women like Avery because she relied on other men to gather her wealth.

This article had been published by other media too. It soon made the rounds on the internet.

Such a breaking piece of news. If it was real, it would be exciting!

[I think this article is real. A few days ago, Elliot did indeed fly his private jet to Bridgedale. My friend works at the Capital Airport. He told me about⁷⁹ it.]

[It looks like Elliot is stupidly in love? 1.5 billion! My God! Avery has good tricks up her sleeves!

[I don't think Avery would return to Aryadelle anymore, right? How long does she have to work to earn 1.587 billion!)

[In such situations, can Elliot report to the police? Will he get back this huge amount of money?]

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After the news spread like wildfire, the comments and jabs on the internet got more and more intense.

Many commented under Tate Industries' Tweeter account. Some even went to Eric's Tweeter page and warned him.

[Eric, your goddess is a cheater! She has conned Elliot off 1.5 billion dollars! Watch out for your wallet! Don't be cheated by her!]

(Eric is too kind, which is why he didn't know about Avery's true colors! Thank god the person that got cheated was Elliot and not our Eric!]

[Big hugs to my sisters who bought Tate Industries' drones because of Eric. I feel disgusted looking at the drone at home!]

After getting drunk on Friday afternoon, Elliot had been sleeping in his room for two days. His phone was turned off, so he did not know what was happening on the internet.

Chad could not get to him, so he could only contact Ben. "Ben, this magazine has crossed the line! How could they say that Mr. Foster has been conned? They put it as if he is an idiot! It's infuriating!"

Ben said, "I saw this too. Not only did they turn Elliot into an idiot, but they also made Avery a cheater."

Chad replied, "I contacted the staff of the magazine just now. They were arrogant. Not only did they refuse to delete the article, but they also said that Mr. Foster is a public figure. They did not infringe on any of his rights."

Ben said, "Fortune Tech's investor is Elliot's long-time rival. Of course, they would be arrogant."

Chad replied, "No wonder. If Mr. Foster sees this article. He is going to be mad."

Ben thought for a while before saying, "Let's wait until he sees it! Actually, this could be a good reminder too. Elliot is indeed a little stupidly in love. He has spent more than one and a half billion for Avery. This is a warning for Avery too."

"But, Avery is in Bridgedale. She won't be able to see this."

Ben chuckled a little.

This matter was spreading like wildfire. How could it not spread to her ears? He wondered what her reaction would be like after seeing this article.

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Chapter 560 In Bridgedale.

Mike has seen the article. It was not that he deliberately searched for news in Aryadelle. It was sent to him by one of the higher-ups of Tate Industries.

That was because the media made phone calls to Tate Industries asking if this incident was true.

How could the higher-ups know anything about their boss's private life? They only knew that Avery went to Bridgedale. They did not know what she went there for. They also did not know that she was 35 kidnapped.

When Mike saw the news, he was furious. After drinking a cup of coffee, he still has not decided if he wanted to tell Avery about this.

Avery has been resting at home for the past few days. Other than coming out during mealtimes, she spent the rest of her time resting in heree room.

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When she came out to have her meals, her emotional state was much better than before Elliot left.

Mike thought that she was doing well in such a state, so he did not want to affect her emotional health with theof news.

If this thing was not resolved, her reputation in Aryadelle would be completely ruined.

During lunch, Mike said to her, "Avery, how are your68 injuries??"

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Avery was drinking soup. She calmly replied, "Much better."

| "Oh. It could heal even without medication. How amazing," Mike said with apa sigh.

After waking up the last time, Avery has not used any medication anymore.

"The human body has its own abilities to heal. Medicine only helps lessen the pain and quicken the process." After drinking the soup, Avery placed her spoon down.

"Avery, this is your phone." Mike saw her finished eating, so he passed her phone to her.

The last time when she came to Bridgedale , before she was taken away by the men in black, she handed over all her personal belongings to Mike.

She picked up her phone and pressed the power button. There was no reaction. Her phone has been placed for so many days. It had long ran out of battery. "There's no battery. The charger is in your bag," Mike said, "Hayden's teacher has been

texting me, asking when will Hayden return to school.”

Avery looked at her son and told him her plan. “Mike, take Hayden and Layla back to Aryadelle first! I’ll return soon.”

“How can I relax with you being alone here?” Mike refused her suggestion. “Either we go back together or we stay here together.”

Hayden and Layla immediately nodded in agreement.

However, the three of them could not beat Avery’s insistence.

“The nanny will take care of me. The bodyguard will protect me. What is there to worry about? My body right now can’t take long-distance travel,” Avery enunciated, “The children’s education cannot be delayed. Also, the company back in Aryadelle, it’s time you head back to manage it!”

Mike said, “They’re still so young. There is nothing wrong with delaying...”

Avery said, “You’ll be affecting my rest by staying here. I’ll be able to recover quicker if I stay here in peace.”

Mike was speechless.

Avery continued, “Pack up after your lunch! I’ll return in half a month.”

Mike wanted to bargain with her. “It’s too rushed today. We’ll leave tomorrow.”

Avery said nothing. She returned to her room and charged her phone. After plugging in her charger and connecting it to a plug, she pressed the power button. A few seconds later, her phone turned on.

As expected, countless missed calls and messages popped up on her phone.

Avery tapped Tammy’s message and replied, (I’m fine now. We’ll talk more when we meet.)

It was midnight in Aryadelle at that moment, Tammy did not see Avery’s message immediately

After Avery replied to Tammy, she placed her phone down. She had to make a trip that day. For the past few days resting at home, a question kept popping into her mind. Who leaked her information to David Grimes?

The public did not know that she was James Hough's last pupil. Wesley did not tell David about her, but David still targeted her.

Avery roughly had an answer in her heart, but she had to confirm this suspicion of her at that moment.