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Chapter 1551

At that moment, Lauren's throbbing heart began to tremble. Blood drained from her face. She was like

a terrified kitten stuck in a tree.

She pursed her lips. Out of reflex, she let go of Landon's hand.

Landon felt slightly short of breath. He grabbed her hand almost in an overbearing manner. He held her

hand so tightly that he nearly cut off the blood circulation in her hand.

"She was with me. So what? Is that any of your business?"

Landon shot a sharp look at Betty. He stared at her coldly while she tried to hide the glee on her face.

"There's something that I've never realized before. I didn't know you were such a conservative woman,

Ms. Betty. That's vastly different from your usual behavior."

Betty's heart missed a beat. She turned pale. "You... What are you blabbering about?"

"I wasn't blabbering. Just head out of Seaview Manor and ask anyone from the upper-class society in

Solana City. Just ask them about your reputation and how wild your conduct is. It will all become as

clear as day."

Landon curled the corner of his lip into a wide smirk.

"I have a number of friends who have messed around with you before. Have you forgotten about them?"

I can remind you if you need me to. Who knows if Mr. Javier also knows of them."

Javier inhaled sharply. His eyes were bloodshot. He glared at this useless daughter of his.

"Dad. That's not true. He's slandering me! He's being mean to me!"

Cold sweat formed on Betty's forehead. She almost lost her footing and fell down the stairs.

Her life had always revolved around sex and pleasures. She partied hard and had a lot of one-night

stands. She was famous for being a promiscuous woman in Solana City. Thanks to her own actions,

her reputation was already down in the ditches.

She had been pretending to be a well-behaved and pure daughter in front of Javier. This was an image

she worked hard to portray in front of him.

However, Landon was now exposing her on the spot. She panicked.

Javier decided to ignore Betty for now. He focused his gaze back on Lauren.

"Come over here, Lauren."

His command was short and sweet, yet intimidating at the same time.

"Dad. " Lauren spoke in a soft and weak voice She couldn't bring herself to step forward.

The look in Javier's eyes dimmed. He repeated sternly, "Get over here."

"Mr. Javier, I'm here today because I have something important to discuss with you," Landon explained

in a solemn tone. He had a fiery look in his eyes.

"We can talk about it right here."

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He had ceased his arrogance and instead adopted an attitude of contempt toward him.

Betty hid behind Javier and sniggered. She felt like Landon had just been served with his payback.

Men hated being humiliated.

"Mr. Javier, I'm here today to formally ask for Lauren's hand in marriage."

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Landon disregarded Javier's ridicule. He took a few deep breaths. He was still holding on to Lauren's

hand. His hands were trembling due to his nerves.

"I love Lauren. She is the only one whom I will marry. I will make her the happiest woman in this world."

Upon saying that, he turned to look Lauren in the eyes. His loving gaze was as deep as the sea. He

welled up with tears.

"Please give us your approval for Lauren to marry me."

Lauren's cheeks flushed pink. His words warmed her heart.

Betty gritted her teeth as she watched them being lovey-dovey in front of her. Her expression was

sinister and cruel. It was as if she was about to show her true colors at any second. She was about to

transform into a monster of envy.

Javier scoffed. He responded in a cold and sarcastic voice, "Mr. Landon, you have no right to stand in

before me. I am already doing you a favor by conversing with you right here. How dare you propose

marriage in front of me? How dare you think of marrying my daughter?

"Your standpoint was very clear during the party last time. You wanted to draw the line with the

Becketts. We have become sworn enemies.

"I see that you've been very attentive to Ms. Alyssa. You should be going to the Taylor family to

propose marriage to Mr. Taylor instead. You shouldn't be here to see me. Though, I'm not sure what

Jasper might think about that."

Landon's temples were throbbing. Javier's words pierced through his hopeful heart. His anger and

unwillingness were stirring him up. He was challenging his patience.

He was fine with Javier insulting him.

He couldn't believe that Javier got Jasper and Alyssa involved in this. He was basically launching a

personal attack on him. Landon was enraged.

He was on the verge of losing his temper. He clenched his fists so tightly that they were as hard as

rocks.

At the same time, Lauren's body had stiffened up. She felt chills throughout her body.

"Mr. Javier, I understand if you are mad at me. You can scold me all you want. I will not talk back to

you."

Landon's eyes started to turn red. "But please do not drag my best buddy and his partner into this. I will

be responsible for my own matters. This has nothing to do with them! You shouldn't be so disrespectful

toward Jasper and Alyssa!"

The atmosphere in the spacious hall turned cold in an instant.

Rory looked at Lauren. It looked to him like Landon and Javier were about to have a falling out. He

could almost feel his heart in his mouth.

Landon was a good man who valued his relationships with others. However, he may get too emotional

at times. That could really cost him when it came to important matters.

Javier was the kind of individual who wouldn't yield when backed into a corner. He preferred to be

persuaded.

Landon might have had a chance to change the situation if he acknowledged his mistakes and

humbled himself before Javier.

However, Landon was also the son of a prestigious family. He grew up in a pampered environment.

This day was probably the most terrible and hopeless in his entire life.

Naturally, he couldn't contain himself, as it was a challenge difficult for any man of vigor to endure.

"You've made yourself very clear, Mr. Landon. So, I don't think I have to be tactful with you either."

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"You would become my son-in-law if you really married Lauren. Then, I'll be having a son-in-law whose

loyalty lies with outsiders.

"That means that you would side with others at crucial moments. You might even stab your own

father in-law in the back. How could I allow someone like this to be a part of the Beckett Group?"

"I know that you grew up together with Jasper. That's why I haven't kicked you out. I didn't expect that

to give you a ridiculous boost of confidence."

"Lauren will stay here. I want you to leave Seaview Manor immediately. I would prefer it if you never

show yourself here again!"

Chapter 1553

Landon struggled to catch his breath, feeling overwhelmed.

During the party previously, he wanted to protect his best friends. Thus, he chose to go against Javier.

He did so with his friendship with Jasper and Alyssa in mind.

However, this was an expensive price to pay. He might never be able to marry the woman he loved.

He was able to go against the entire Harper Group. He was even able to put everything at stake. But

how would Lauren be able to do that? She was a meek woman. She was so timid.

Even if Lauren was willing, Landon couldn't bear to have her do so. She would be carrying a

magnanimous burden on her shoulders. How could he bear to see her betray her family?

"Come home, Lauren. You are my most obedient daughter. Listen to me. Come home."

Javier's gaze softened when he looked at Lauren. He opened his arms.

"You are young and clueless about love. Plus, you're terrible at gauging people's intentions. You can't

even tell if you've been deceived.

"But that's okay. I don't blame you. You are still my daughter as long as you decide to come home.

You're the daughter I love the most."

Lauren felt as though all her blood had been drained from her body. She stood rigidly at the same spot.

She had already lost her mother. She really didn't want to lose her father, too. But, more than that, she

didn't want to lose Landon.

"Lauren, Dad has been treating you so well. Do you want to make Dad angry?"

Betty was still standing by the side. She chimed in, "You used to be cooped up at home every day. You

don't know how evil people can be, especially men. You shouldn't trust a single word that they say."

She was already enraged by Landon earlier on. She took this opportunity to snap back at him, "You

were lecturing me earlier on, Landon. But I think that you're just a pot calling the kettle black!

"Lauren, Landon may be coaxing you with flowery words each day. However, did you know that he is

the number one playboy in Solana City? The list of his ex-lovers is probably thicker than the dictionary!

He only chose you because he wants to add someone like you to his collection.

"It would be too late by the time you hit a dead end. By then, Dad wouldn't want to take you in any

longer, even if you wanted to come home!"

Lauren shivered uncontrollably. She became even more teary-eyed.

Landon wrapped his arms around her immediately. He caressed her back with his hand to comfort her.

He was already at his tipping point. Even so, he remained infinitely patient with Lauren.

"Landon... I'm sorry... I..."

"My granddaughter is a wonderful woman. Who is that heartless idiot who doesn't want to take

must see him for myself!"

They heard a powerful voice coming from outside. The facial expressions on Javier's and Betty's faces

changed.

Following that, Jasper entered the room. He was pushing Newton in his wheelchair. Walking right next

to Jasper was a striking and stunning woman. It was Alyssa!

There were only three of them. But, they walked in with an air of mightiness and power. Javier's chest

tightened. Betty was so stunned that her face looked like it was about to crack.

"Jasper, Lyse." Landon was on the brink of tears.

Jasper looked at him. He pressed his lips together slightly and nodded.

They had been best buddies for 20 years. That small gesture was enough. No words were needed.

They always understood each other's difficulties at crucial moments like these.

"How's Lauren, Landon?" Alyssa noticed that Lauren was looking pale. She didn't have time to bother

about anything else. She was only concerned for Lauren.

"I'm here. She's fine," Landon answered in a raspy voice.

Newton glanced around with his eagle eyes. In the end, he fixed his eyes on Landon and Lauren. His

gaze became gentle.

"Dad, what. what brings you here?" Javier walked down the stairs, looking extremely awkward.

Javier's neck flushed red. "Dad! How could you say that? Lauren is my daughter. I'm doing all these for

her sake!"

Landon was choking on his tears. He looked at Newton through bloodshot eyes.

"Just listen to yourself. I really need to clean my ears after hearing the things you said. You made me

feel so disgusted!"

"You married that evil bitch, Sophia. Did you think that you've got sound emotional intelligence? Lauren

is a million times better than you! Don't you dare drag her down like that!"

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The brutality of Newton's words certainly shouldn't be underestimated. He dealt Javier a mighty blow.

As Javier's father, Newton was the only one who could give him a dressing-down.

Betty hid behind Javier. She was as timid as a mouse. She didn't even dare to show her face.

Alyssa hurried over to Lauren. She was still in Landon's arms. She said to her softly, "Don't be afraid,

Lauren. I'm here. Jasper and Grandpa are here too."

Lauren looked up. Her eyes were already swollen from all the crying. Landon's shirt was also drenched

in her tears.

"Alyssa..."

Alyssa teared up at the way Lauren called her name. Her heart ached for her.

Lauren choked back on her tears. She clung to Landon's shirt tightly. "I do not want to be separated

from Landon."

At that moment, Landon's heart wrenched. He enveloped her tightly, as if he intended to engulf her with

his embrace.

"We're not going to be separated, Lauren. I will not leave you no matter what happens."

Alyssa didn't know what to say at that moment. It broke her heart to see them like that.

Lauren reminded Alyssa of herself. She recalled when Winston grounded her within the confines of

their home and how she had leaped out of the window that stormy night, running out like a mad woman

to look for Jasper back then.

At that time, Jasper also had her in his arms. She had also uttered the same words over and over. She,

too, had said she didn't want to be separated from him.

The only difference was that she was luckier than Lauren.

When Winston spoke harshly, his words often lacked true intent. At the end of the day, he would give in

and compromise. He did so because of his love for his daughter, Alyssa.

On the contrary, Javier was a different man. He was selfish. He acted in his own self-interest. Would he

really be considerate toward Lauren?

Nothing was more important to him than his pride and the benefits of the Beckett Group. Even family

wasn't as important as these.

"I don't want to waste my time talking to you. You've never obeyed me! I'm here today to give Landon

and Lauren my support!"

Newton stared at Javier with a frigid gaze. "Didn't you say that you would never agree to their marriage,

even if you were to go to hell? You can surely go to hell, then!"

"Dad! What... What are you saying?"

Javier was fuming. His eyes became bloodshot. He blurted an absurd reply, "I am alive and well. What

am I going to hell for?"

"You're right. A man like you is alive and well. Why would you go to hell? Moreover, you are the

valuable chairman of the Beckett Group. You put in so much effort to force me into my retirement.

Could you bear to see yourself go to hell?"

Javier scoffed. "I see that you're not willing to die. Then, don't you bet your life to threaten the young

ones!

Javier's world started to spin. He grabbed onto the handrail. The veins on the back of his palm were

popping. He clenched his teeth tightly.

Nonetheless, there were so many people around this time. His own children, Alyssa, and Landon were

all present. Newton didn't just embarrass him. He had pretty much humiliated him.

All of a sudden, a thought occurred to Betty—how could Newton have known about their conversation

with Landon earlier? Didn't he just get here?

As a matter of fact, Newton's car had pulled outside Seaview Manor half an hour ago.

"It's done, Grandpa." Alyssa presented the laptop to Newton.

"You've got it?" Newton looked at her in surprise.

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Alyssa remarked, "Yup."

"Wow! How are you so talented, Alyssa? You're so unlike Jasper. Earning money is the only thing he

knows how to do!" Newton said as he gave Alyssa a playful pinch on the nose.

Jasper turned green with envy. He was fine with Newton dissing him. But why was he being touchy with

Alyssa?

The trio crowded around the laptop. They focused on watching all that was happening through the

screen.

Alyssa saw that Landon and Lauren were being bullied. She became enraged. She rolled her fingers

into balls of fury.

"Grandpa, shall we go over now?" Jasper asked. His breathing was heavy.

Newton's face was glum. "Hold on a little while more," he urged.

Jasper and Alyssa were stunned.

"Landon is the one who wants to marry my granddaughter. Since this is so, this will be a challenging

test for him. There is no doubt about that."

Newton loved Lauren. Nonetheless, he was still able to maintain his rationality.

"This is just the first

step that they are taking. Yet, they're already facing such a huge hurdle. I'm sure that more challenges

await them in the future.

"This time, I want to verify how much Landon loves Lauren. I need to see if he has the capability to

protect her.

"As far as I know, the Harpers aren't any more powerful than the Schmidts. They are also a bunch of

scoundrels. I need to ensure that Landon has enough capability to defend Lauren.

"I need to make sure that he can keep her safe and secure if she is going to be with him. Only then will

I be able to entrust him with Lauren."

Alyssa and Jasper looked at one another. They were moved. They realized this was how an elder

cared for the younger generation sincerely.

As for Landon, he obtained Newton's absolute approval through his actions.

"As her father, you are unable to give your blessings. That's alright. They have my blessings!"

Newton disregarded Javier completely. A warm, wide smile came across his face. He waved at Lauren

and Landon and said, "Come over here, Lauren and Landon."

Landon steadied his breathing. He put his arm around Lauren's shoulders. They walked to the front of

Newton together.

"Grandpa..." Lauren's eyes were swollen from all the tears. Yet, she was still well-behaved. It was a

heartbreaking sight.

Newton acknowledged her greeting. He felt a lump rise in his throat. He scooped up Lauren's hand and

held her hand tightly in his.

"Lauren, my dear. You are my favorite granddaughter. You. You've been through a lot."

Lauren shook her head. She had tears in her eyes. "I'm okay, Grandpa."

Betty heard Newton saying that Lauren was his favorite granddaughter. Her heart dropped. Her face

became twisted from all her anger.

She lost to Lauren, both in romantic and family relationships. She was a complete failure.

Newton looked straight into Landon's eyes. His gaze was serious.

"Grandpa Newton. I can."

Landon lifted three fingers into a three-finger salute. Just as he was about to speak, his eyes welled up

with tears.

Before he could finish his oath, Lauren tiptoed and covered his mouth with her hand. She stopped him

from cursing himself.

"I know how you feel, Landon. You don't have to say anything else. I get you."

Silently, Alyssa wiped the tears from her eyes. Jasper took this chance to pull her in by the waist. He

whispered in her ear.

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"Finally," Jasper whispered.

Alyssa smiled. "Yes, finally."

"Landon, Jasper told me you've already informed Mr. Cornelius of your intention to marry Lauren. Is

that right?" Newton questioned with a serious look on his face.

Landon answered immediately, "I didn't just inform my grandfather. I've announced it to my entire

family. Grandpa has agreed. My mother didn't oppose either."

Alyssa and Jasper shot a look at each other. They understood what they were each thinking about.

They knew that Landon was sharing only the good news. The process of convincing Cornelius must

have been a difficult one.

At the same time, he wouldn't have cared about whether Penelope approved of them. She wasn't the

one who had the final say in their family.

"Ah... That's good, then."

Newton nodded. He was pleased. He chuckled in relief, "Please arrange a time for me to meet with Mr.

Cornelius soon. We should meet since both families have now approved of this marriage.

"If it's okay with you, I will consult a fortune teller to decide on an auspicious date. We can first have an

engagement ceremony. Then, both our families shall be forging a marriage alliance formally."

Landon was overjoyed to hear the word "engagement". Lauren leaned on him. She was blushing shyly.

Tears of happiness filled her eyes.

As they were happily discussing, they completely ignored Javier, who was the head of the Beckett

family. All of a sudden, he had a flashback of a memory from 30 years ago.

Back then, Newton and Chester were as thick as thieves. They shared endless conversation topics

between them.

Javier, on the other hand, was unable to fit in with them. He was like an outsider. He simply sat by the

side on his own. It was as if he was invisible.

Newton really doted on Chester. Unfortunately, Chester died at a young age. Had he not, the Beckett

Group wouldn't have ended up under Javier.

Newton's appearance here was timely. Without wasting any time, he had Landon and Lauren's

marriage almost all planned out.

Now, Lauren was rightfully known as his fiancée. Landon was so glad that he was jumping with joy like

a playful child.

Javier had stormed back upstairs. Even so, he didn't forget to maintain good etiquette. He asked Betty

to see Newton off.

Betty didn't dare to go against Javier's instruction. So, she bit the bullet and followed them outdoors.

Everyone else was walking ahead of her. She tagged along behind like a servant. She didn't have the

guts to join them either.

However, she continued glaring viciously at Lauren. She was like a scorpion that was ready to strike

with its stinger.

"Betty." Suddenly, Newton stopped in his tracks.

"Yes, Grandpa! I'm here!"

Betty hurried over to Newton. She placed her hands in front of her in an obedient posture.

"Betty, Sophia used to have you by her side while she groomed you. You didn't know how to identify

your foes previously. I also know how much bullshit you've done.

"Sophia is now dead. Plus, I understand if you went astray because you were young. So, I shall let

bygones be bygones," Newton uttered coldly without looking at her.

"It's not like that, Grandpa. I..."

Deep down, Betty felt indignant. She couldn't hold herself back any longer. She tried to defend herself.

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Jasper and Alyssa stared at her coldly as they watched her put up a performance.

"Do you know what the ugliest thoughts one could have in this world?" Newton asked in a deep voice.

Betty was taken aback by the sudden question.

"It is when one can't bear to see others living a better life than theirs, even if that other person might be

their own sister," Newton explained.

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"Grandpa, what did you mean by that? I am Lauren's sister. Why would I cause harm to my own

sister?" Betty was frantic as she tried to explain herself.

Cold sweat began to form on her back.

Landon was a straightforward person. He gave Lauren a gentle squeeze and clicked his tongue.

Newton pulled a face. "I have not gone senile. It is clear to me whether things are as you claim them to

be. You should be well aware, too.

"Lauren is going to be wed into the Harper family soon. You shouldn't waste your efforts. Instead, you

should stop being so arrogant. Let your father find someone decent for you to marry. He can then have

a son-in-law whom he is satisfied with, too."

Betty was enraged. Wasn't Newton hinting at and mocking her for not being able to get married?

In the end, she couldn't restrain herself any longer. She responded with defiance, "I don't need you to

trouble yourself with my matters. I don't mind if I never marry. I am still my father's daughter. I am still

part of the Beckett family.

"Mom has now passed away. Laurie is also getting married soon. In the future, I have to help Dad run

Seaview Manor."

"We have a butler at Seaview Manor. You don't have to trouble yourself with that."

Newton narrowed his eyes. What he said next shut Betty up completely.

"Moreover, Seaview Manor is my personal asset. I will be gifting it to Jasper and Alyssa as their

wedding gift if Alyssa marries into our family in the future."

Alyssa's heart skipped a beat. She widened her eyes.

Seaview Manor as a wedding gift? Newton was going overboard!

Jasper, on the other hand, gave Alyssa a gentle tug by the waist. He maintained a calm expression on

his face.

That was because this wasn't his first time hearing this. Newton had mentioned this to him countless

times in private. Newton had even said that he intended for Seaview Manor to be their matrimonial

home after they married. He would also have Javier move out and live elsewhere.

After all, this was Newton's property. Of course, he had the final say.

"When that time comes, my granddaughter-in-law will be the one who owns Seaview Manor. She will

be managing the people and matters here. She will be the one who has the final say."

Newton fixed his eyes on Alyssa as he said all this. He was smiling from ear to ear. The more he

looked at her, the more pleased he felt. "That said, that's not for others to worry about."

Sophia flaunted her influence in his territory for too long. He decided to do so as his way of rising

against Javier. At the same time, he wanted to intimidate Betty.

However, there was something that Newton was unaware of.

Newton and the rest of their visitors departed from Seaview Manor.

The more she thought about it, the angrier she got. In the end, she took her phone out and made a call

to Zoe, who was overseas.

"What's up with you? You're interrupting my spa session," Zoe answered the phone in an irritated voice.

"When in the world are you coming back? If you continue to be away... Lauren, that bitch, will be taking

over your family!"

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Betty covered the receiver with her hand. Even though she was furious, she still tried to act sneakily.

"Just a little while ago, Landon came to my house to propose marriage. Initially, my father wasn't in

agreement. Then, Alyssa and Jasper showed up with Grandpa!

"With a few words, Grandpa gave my father an earful. He even sealed the deal on Lauren's marriage

with Landon! They are going to be engaged soon! Surely Landon will knock that idiot up right after.

"What use would there be for you to come back after that? Are you going to celebrate becoming an

aunt?"

There was silence on the other end of the call.

"Hey! Say something..."

"Don't you worry. I'm not the only one among the Harpers who does not wish to see Lauren marrying

Landon. A marriage alliance between wealthy families may seem like a strong alliance, but in reality, it

is full of weaknesses. A small misstep is enough to make everything fall through.

"Jasper and Alyssa are hopeless romantics. How many more individuals of this sort are there in the

world? Landon? Hah, that would be a joke," Zoe sniggered without hesitation.

That said, there was one thing that she couldn't deny—Jasper and Alyssa's love was steadfast. The

love they shared was unseen and unheard of in Solana City.

Before Betty could respond, Zoe continued, "One more thing. You didn't even get to have a funeral for

your mother. You must be bored to death. Freddy came to Yoarkley to see me recently.

"How about you come over and spend some time with me? I can pay for your expenses if you're short

on cash. You have a private plane, right? If not, I can pay for your flight, too."

Betty was enraged with embarrassment.

Earlier, she had been ridiculed for failing to find a husband. On the very same day, she got mocked for being poor. She wished that she could destroy the entire world.

"That Freddy is your lapdog. Others might not know it, but I do. Why would I fly over to where you are?

I'll just end up watching you both being lovey-dovey with one another."

"That's up to you then."

Betty took a moment to calm herself down. She instructed one of the helpers to brew some chamomile

tea. Then, she brought it over to Javier in person.

Now, they were the only two members of the Beckett family who were in Seaview Manor. Earlier,

Landon was so brutally honest in exposing her dark secret. Naturally, she had to seize all possible

opportunities to cajole Javier.

She took a deep breath before knocking on the door to the study.

Rory opened the door. He looked at her coldly. "Ms. Betty, what brings you here? Mr. Javier isn't feeling

too well. He needs to get some rest."

"Uh... I noticed that he didn't look too good. So, I went to the kitchen and made him some chamomile

tea," Betty answered with an innocent look.

"Thanks. Just leave it there," Javier replied frigidly. He didn't even look up at her.

"Simmer down, Dad. I am always on your side no matter what anyone else says or does."

She placed the tray down. She walked to Javier's side cautiously.

Javier knitted his brows into a tight frown. His face was extremely frosty.

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"On top of that, you've been working hard every day. You toiled and moiled for the sake of the

corporation. But Grandpa didn't even thank you for your contributions.

"How could he embarrass you in front of all those outsiders? That was brutal of him!" Betty wasn't

satisfied with maligning Lauren. She stabbed Newton in the back, too.

Sophia was already dead. Now, Javier was the only one in the Beckett family she could rely on.

After all, Newton no longer sided with her. Since this was the case, she figured that she should

continue sowing discord. She wanted to drive a wedge further in between Newton and Javier.

As she expected, the expression on Javier's face turned even darker after hearing what she said.

Deep down, she was gleeful. She suddenly recalled when Sophia told her about a rift between Javier

and Chester. So, she decided to leverage this to sow more seeds of discord.

"Dad, what do you think Grandpa meant? He can't be thinking that Uncle Chester could come back to

life, right?"

Rory looked at Betty. He was astonished.

Javier pulled his hand away from the table abruptly. He looked up slowly. He directed his chilling gaze

toward Betty.

She shuddered. "What did you say?"

"Dad, listen to me... Since you were young, Grandpa favored Uncle Chester. He showed little care

toward you. He didn't care much about you even though you are his eldest son. The eldest son should

be the one who takes over the family business. You weren't even like Justin, who's always sickly.

"Based on Grandpa's behavior, he seems dissatisfied with you being in charge. However, what can he

do? Could he bring Uncle Chester back from the dead?"

Suddenly, Javier hit the ceiling. He raised his hand and slapped Betty in the face.

Betty screamed.

His slap was forceful. Betty felt a splitting headache, and she started seeing stars.

Javier's eyes were bulging with anger. He pointed at her swollen face and chided, "Your grandfather

and Uncle Chester are both your elders! Who says that you can spew rubbish right here? Get out!"

Betty's mind ran blank. She cupped her face in her hands and scurried out of the study.

Javier was panting. All of a sudden, he felt weak at the knees. He slumped back into the chair. He was

as white as a sheet. Sweat trickled down his forehead.

Rory reacted quickly by bringing the cup of chamomile tea over to Javier. "Have a sip of this, Mr. Javier.

Don't get too worked up. You need to watch your health."

Javier wanted to pick up the cup of tea. But his hands were shaking so much that he wasn't able to do

so even after multiple tries.

"Rory, do you think that Dad... Has he always had his suspicions about that incident?" Rory's pupils

constricted.

He knew that Javier was referring to that incident from 30 years ago. It was the incident when Newton's

beloved second son, Chester, passed away from a heart attack in prison.

"I don't think so, Mr. Javier. I don't think he suspects you."

Rory came over to his side. They were the only two people in the study.

Javier's hand was still trembling. He put his hand to his forehead. His gaze was dark.

"I haven't gained control over the business. Yet, he wants to place it all in Jasper's hands. Isn't this

sufficient proof that he has always been wary of me?

"I don't think he has ever intended for me to be his successor. He merely chose me because Chester

died. And now, Jasper is already a grown man.

"You're overthinking it. It is true that Mr. Jasper is very capable. That's why Mr. Newton entrusted him

with the important tasks."

"Even so, because of what happened with Anne, Jasper has never been on my side! He's now getting

closer to Dad. Not only that, he's joined hands with Alyssa.

"If he gains control of the Beckett Group, his power will only increase. Eventually, I'll be compelled to

retire, leaving me under his control as well!"

Javier widened his eyes. He looked overcast. "Book a flight to Mosgravia for me. I miss Justin. It's time

for me to visit him."

Chapter 1560

Alyssa and Jasper had dinner at Newton's place. Landon and Lauren were with them, too. They

chatted happily and enjoyed each other's company.

The helpers cleared the dining table after they were done with dinner.

Then, Landon asked Angelina to retrieve a thick stack of documents from a briefcase. He laid out the

documents before Newton with the others as his witnesses.

He filled the round table with his written proof of his ascendancy. It was as if he was trying to decorate

the entire table. Yet, these were only the tip of the iceberg.

Alyssa was someone used to extravagant spectacles. His title deeds alone were thick enough to make

her gasp in wonder.

"There's nothing to be envious about." Jasper smiled. He interlocked his fingers with hers under the

table. In a soft and low voice, he said, "I have whatever he has, too. I own no less than him."

"Well, even with the both of you combined, what you own is still less than ten percent of Winston's.

There's nothing for me to be envious about."

Through her words, Alyssa expressed that she was unbothered. However, her soft gaze showed that

she was thrilled. "It's just my first time seeing someone displaying everything like that. It's as if he's

setting up a stall right here."

Jasper fixed his eyes on Alyssa. He frowned and chuckled awkwardly.

He felt like kicking himself. He just tried to act rich in front of the daughter of Belbanks's wealthiest

man. He was being too dense.

"Landon, these are..." Newton blinked. He already knew what the documents were, but he asked

anyway.

Landon held Lauren's hand in his. He was beaming. "Grandpa Newton, this is my proposal gift for

Lauren. However, these are only the properties within this country.

"I also have some assets in Mosgravia and Yoarkley. I didn't have time to organize the documents for

those. I will have them ready as soon as possible and present them to you after."

Lauren's face flushed as red as a tomato. Her hand became clammy because of the sweat on Landon's

palms. Her eyes twinkled with happiness.

Newton wasn't a black-hearted plutocrat who would sell out his own children for money. He had already

prepared a generous amount of dowry for Lauren. To him, all that Landon presented wasn't necessary.

Newton acknowledged how much effort Landon put in to prepare all these. He couldn't stop himself

from smiling.

"You are someone who has the heart to cherish Lauren. That's more important than anything else."

"Grandpa Newton, it's not enough to just have the heart to do so."

Landon looked toward Lauren. His gaze was so deep that it could penetrate the deepest parts of her

soul.

He continued, "The amount you're willing to spend on a woman shows how much you love her. Haven't

you heard of this saying?"

Alyssa and Jasper exclaimed, "How corny!"

Newton, on the other hand, couldn't agree more. He nodded. It was as if he had found someone who

understood him.

In fact, that was also how Newton used to dote on Doris while she was still alive.

"I would love to give everything I have to Lauren. I want to have a grand wedding celebration. I want

the whole world to witness this happy moment of ours."

Landon was very eager. He wished that he could register his marriage with Lauren at this very moment.

"No, you don't need to splurge like that! A simple wedding will do. A wedding where our families and

friends are present would be enough."

Lauren didn't want Landon to squander his money away like that. She became anxious. She felt like

she was being put in a tight spot.

Landon smiled and consoled her. "Lauren, the Harpers are terrible snobs. I need to have an

extravagant wedding for us. If not, they will be gossiping about you behind your back. They will look

down on you."

Jasper took a sip of tea. "I see that you're quite familiar with your family's condition."

Landon raised a brow. He goaded, "I've always been more self-aware than you."

Jasper choked. He almost dropped the cup in his hand.

Landon's marriage with Lauren was now a done deal. So, did Landon now think that he no longer had

to please him?

How mean!

Newton and Alyssa laughed.

Landon was a prideful man. At that moment, a look of humility flashed across his face.

"Lauren was the one who motivated me. She reignited my ambition for power. Therefore, I want to wait

until I am officially the president of the Harper Group.