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Kevin had many connections in Newrest because he loved socializing, and this gave him access to a lot of information. Looking into someone's ancestry was a piece of cake as long as he put his mind to it, no matter the person's status.

"William Jones? Of course I know him!" Kevin said excitedly. "Give me ten minutes; I'll compile all his information for you." "Thanks so much. I'll be waiting." Renee ended the call and frowned.

Although she had approved of William earlier, there was a part of her that was still skeptical of the man. The man seemed flawless, which only made her even more suspicious of him. She needed to thoroughly look into him!

While waiting, she went to the children's section on the third floor, as she wished to get her little ones some new clothes. Ever since she gave birth to her beautiful babies, her biggest hobby was to buy them cute clothes, like little jackets or dresses.

"This, this... Oh, and this..." Renee quickly picked out six outfits and asked the sales employee to wrap them all up. The employee quickly set to work, having quite a bit to do.

Just as she was about to leave, Renee bumped into Stefan and Briar.

Renee's jaw dropped and she inwardly cursed. 'I really have the worst luck...'

Briar was leaning against Stefan feebly, tears in her eyes. However, the moment she saw Renee, her expression instantly changed. Her eyes wild, she lunged at Renee and wrapped her arms around her neck, screeching like a madwoman.

"God must favor me to have let us meet on my son's death anniversary! To think I'd bump into you here... I have to take revenge for my son and kill you! H

Renee was caught off guard, especially since her hands were full. She was at a complete disadvantage in this situation. "Briar, calm down and let go of her!" Stefan barked and immediately tried stopping her.

However, Briar was hysterical, using all her strength to choke Renee despite her body being frail and weak. For a while, it was rather difficult to separate the two.

"I'm going to kill you! I have to kill you!" Briar screamed like a banshee, determined to choke Renee to death.

Soon, many people started to gather around them, muttering to each other as they watched the scene.

"You're the one who killed my son and destroyed my chance at motherhood! I'm going to kill you! Die!" Briar hissed, her nails digging into Renee's skin. This made it very difficult for Renee to breathe, and her face turned red as she winced in pain.

Suddenly, the hands around Renee's neck disappeared, and she could breathe again. Gasping for air, she turned to look at Briar, who was unconscious in Stefan's arms.

"What just happened? She fainted on her own, alright, so don't even try to put the blame on me!" Renee gently rubbed her sore neck and took several steps back, observing the eerily still woman.

"Hey... Why isn't she moving? She's alive, right?"

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"You seem eager to have her dead." Stefan shot Renee a dirty glare, carrying Briar bridal-style and laying her down at a resting area nearby.

Renee had almost died because of Briar's sudden outburst, and a panicked Stefan had no choice but to hit Briar on the back of the neck to knock her out for a while. Renee might not have survived otherwise.

Briar would probably be better after resting, so Stefan didn't try to wake her up. Instead, he turned to Renee, who was still in the children's section, and pointed at the clothes on the ground. His eyes narrowed as he asked, "Why are you buying so many children's clothes?"

Renee and the employee were busy putting the outfits on the ground back into her bags. She scoffed dismissively, "Why do you care? Am I not allowed to buy cute things?"

Stefan squatted down and picked up one of the striped socks near him, observing it curiously. The sock was pink, soft, and no bigger than his hand. He couldn't deny it was cute, and it softened his heart for some reason.

"So you bought these socks... because they're cute?" Stefan asked dubiously as he handed them to Renee.

However, the woman didn't want to play buddy-buddy with him, and shot him a disgusted look. "I did think it was cute, yeah, but now you've dirtied it with your hands. I don't want it anymore."

"You!" Stefan was furious. "What the hell? Didn't she say she hoped we could still be friends?! She was acting so nonchalant before, but now she's acting like I'm some kind of curse! What's her problem?!"

"I just knocked Briar out just to save you, and this is how you thank me?!" Stefan wanted an explanation for her behavior, so he blocked her way to question her. He scowled as he asked her, "What have I done to piss you off this time?"

Renee felt her blood boil, and her eyes blazed in rage. "Do you really not know? Or are you just pretending to be oblivious,

Hunt? I couldn't tell before, but you and Desrosiers really are a family, aren't you? Now that she's joined your family, she's just so eager to choke people too. You weren't able to break my neck four years ago, so your girlfriend is doing it for you now. Why are you pretending to be a good person?"

Honestly, four years was enough for her to let go of her miserable past, and move on from the man in front of her. However,

when Briar was choking her, painful flashbacks of Stefan doing the same played in her head. His grip had been much stronger than Briar's, and Renee still remembered the feeling of that near-death experience like it happened yesterday. Those upsetting memories had never left, and remembering them had just made her pain resurface.

There was no way she could be entirely numb towards the situation.

Seeing how agitated the woman was, Stefan felt a little satisfied. 'She's finally not acting like an emotionless statue. Her mood was affected...

because of me.'

Although she was upset with him, it proved to him that he still mattered to her in some way. It made his dead, cold heart explode with passion once again.

"That's right, I'm not a good person! So hate me, yell at me, you can even hit me..." Stefan grabbed Renee's hand all of a sudden, placing it on his chest. "If you're so angry with me, if you hate me that much, then don't hold back! There's no need to pretend you're doing fine on your own."

He just wanted to tell her that she could hate him and take her anger out on him as she liked, but he couldn't bear it when she ignored him. He would rather them fight with each other than become complete strangers

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"Come on, hit me! Aren't you a great fighter? Beat me till I bleed, or you can always return the favor and choke me to death!" Stefan declared as he shifted her hand to his neck, his expression serious to show her he wasn't joking.

"Are... Are you insane?" Renee was utterly stunned by the man's actions, and her anger morphed into confusion. She tried to pull her hand away, scowling. "There are cameras here, so don't you dare try to get me in trouble!"

"Then I'll just let them see that I allowed you to hit me! If you kill or cripple me, I'll take full responsibility for it."

"You've definitely gone mad!" Renee was finally able to escape his grasp, and quickly stepped away from the man like he was a rabid animal.

'Ugh, as expected from the madman Stefan Hunt - he's actually willing to get beaten up! It's pretty creepy, honestly..."

"I wronged you four years ago, so now I'm giving you the chance to take revenge! You're the one who refused the opportunity, so let's not bring this up anymore. It'll only damage our relationship." Stefan looked at Renee coldly, his demeanor returning to his usual aloof pride.

Only then was Renee able to understand his motives.

"Hunt, who the hell said we still had a future with each other?! We don't have a relationship to begin with, so what is there to damage?" Renee said incredulously, trying to calm herself down.

'I swore that I'd never let this man affect my mood so easily!1

"We can always build a relationship even if we don't have one. Even if the end result is resentment, it's still worth it!" Stefan said with a smirk, his tone teasing but his expression serious.

Renee gulped nervously, then scoffed, "Looks like you've really lost your mind."

Just then, Briar regained consciousness. As if she had become a completely different person, she rushed towards Renee and dropped to her knees before her. "I'm so sorry, Miss Everheart! I won't try to take Stef from you ever again, so please let my child and I go! Please have mercy, I beg you..."

"What... What's going on?" Renee watched in shock as Briar begged and groveled, feeling like her entire worldview had just collapsed. Was this just her bad luck or was something really going on?

Stefan seemed cold as he helped Briar to her feet. "Briar, did you not take your meds before heading out today?"

"I... I..."

"Damn it." Stefan let out a long sigh, and fished out a jar of pills from his pocket. He took one out and ordered Briar, "Take it."

"Stef, I don't want to... The medicine is so bitter, and I can't take such things when I'm pregnant! It'll be bad for the baby! Please don't make me take the pill... I won't mess around or bother Miss Everheart anymore, just please... no pills!" Briar begged pitifully.

However, Stefan was stern. "Eat it!"

"Okay, okay... Please don't get mad and abandon me..." Briar took the pill and swallowed it with a face full of tears.

Renee, who had been watching everything, was speechless. She couldn't help but feel conflicted, and whispered to Stefan, "What happened to Desrosiers? Why is she acting like this?"

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After Stefan made sure Briar took her medication, he ordered her to stay in the resting area next to them.

Briar didn't object to this, and merely headed back to the resting area with a blank stare. She sat down on one of the benches quietly, as if she was a mindless zombie.

The man then turned back to Renee with a cold glare. "How can you ask me that? Do you really not know why she's acting like this?"

Renee instantly became angry. "Can't you just be direct, Stefan Hunt? If you really think I'm such an evil person, then feel free to take revenge on me! Don't act like you're on some kind of moral high ground to punish me."

Stefan continued to look into her eyes, his gaze clouded with sadness as he asked softly, "Do you really feel no pity towards the child whose life you took, or the woman you destroyed? Do you really believe you don't have to be held accountable for all this?"

"I..." Renee was speechless, and thought miserably, 'How could I possibly not feel any regret or pity? I've been blaming myself for that incident every single day for the past four years. But I can't turn back time, so I shouldn't punish myself for life, right?'

"She was covered in blood when I brought her to the hospital, and the doctor said... They said they could've saved the child if we had just sent her over a little sooner! They wouldn't have had to remove her uterus... A little sooner, he said!" Stefan's eyes were slightly red, and it was obvious that his heart was truly aching for Briar and her child.

He questioned Renee in a lowered voice, "Why did you have to push her? I made sure she was legally dead and put her somewhere you couldn't even have known! Why couldn't you just let her go?"

"I..." Renee averted her gaze helplessly. She wanted to say that she didn't voluntarily look for Briar, that it was the other way around. Moreover, she didn't intend to push the woman at all. Briar had just provoked her ruthlessly, which had resulted in...

However, she knew that her explanation didn't matter, since she wasn't exactly innocent in this bloody tragedy. Thus, she decided that it was best to save her explanation.

"Just a little sooner! If we were a little sooner, this tragedy wouldn't have happened in the first place! How could you be so cruel as to stand back and watch? What were you so scared of?!" Stefan's eyes seemed to be tearing up. He didn't seem angry - it looked more like regret.

"I had already chosen you! If we were a few seconds sooner... everything wouldn't have turned out this way!"

At the time, he had just left the Baldwin family manor with Renee, and had realized his true feelings for the woman. He had been waiting for her answer as well, hoping that she'd agree to start over with him. Yet, no one expected something like this to happen...

'We wouldn't have ended up like this if we arrived a little sooner!'

"I'm so sorry..." Renee slowly lowered her head, speaking regretfully.

Stefan sighed softly. "After she lost her child, Briar lost her mind as well. The doctors said she had severe manic depression and anxiety, and she has to take medication for life to regulate her condition. However, although the medicine helped calm her down, there were severe side effects too. Her insanity worsened, and now, she needs me around constantly..."

Stefan looked at the silent Briar. 'When her head is clear, she remembers that she lost both her child and uterus, and will sob the entire day away. Otherwise, she'd think she was still pregnant, and drag me to check ups and shops for toys and children's clothing.'

"She probably didn't take her meds today, which was why she kept insisting that it was her child's death anniversary. She wanted to buy some clothes in memory of him, but was triggered as soon as she saw you. That's why she reacted that way." The man explained the entire situation to Renee.

"I'm not telling you all this to take revenge or punish you; I just want you to know that you're not the only one hurting in this world. You might be upset, but Briar is in misery too. How could I not feel sad?"

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Stefan looked pained. He had sealed those memories away already, and didn't want to bring them up anymore. He told himself that he would use the rest of his life to repent for his sins.

However, Renee had returned now, and he just couldn't pretend that she didn't exist in his heart.

"You said that I hated you, and I admit that I did for a while. But the truth is ... I hated myself the most, since I couldn't manage our relationship well. I idealized everything, and in the end, I was too late. I couldn't stop this from happening..." Stefan trailed off, unable to continue. He turned away, shaking, as if he was forcing himself to suppress his emotions.

Renee had rarely seen him be vulnerable like this. He was always cold and conceited, but now... he looked like a lost child. She had only ever seen him like this one other time - at his brother's funeral. Her heart was breaking for him, and she couldn't stop herself from wanting to hug him...

Suddenly, a voice inside her mind reminded her, "You'll be unlucky for the rest of your life if you sympathize with this man... Don't do it!"

In the end, Renee just consoled him with a few dismissive words, "It's already happened, so what can you do? Just cheer up!" She couldn't think of anything else to get rid of such deeply rooted pain.

"So... do you need me to do anything for you?" Renee asked Stefan carefully.

The man took a deep breath and finally collected himself, and his expression became indifferent again. Despite this, his glistening eyes gave away his true feelings. "If you really do feel guilty, have some compassion towards Briar. She may not be a good person, but she's not evil either. Her life was tough, to say the least..."

He thought to himself, 'My brother loved her so deeply. If he was still alive now. I'm sure their family would've been able to live a blissful life. I suppose fate is cruel, and as the person my brother left his will to, I can only ease my guilt by treating Briar right.'

"Understood." Renee nodded.

'Turns out Stefan really does love Briar now - he's actually willing to stay by her side despite her current state. Ah, what a touching love story! No wonder he was so adamant on divorcing me back then!' She mused.

"We're going to visit the child's grave now. If you're not busy, you can come with us," Stefan stated in a cold voice. He figured that Renee had to be the one to resolve this, or else none of them would be able to move on, and they'd be trapped in this hell for eternity.

However, he wasn't quite sure if Renee was willing to do it, considering her pride.

"Of course, if you don't want to, I won't force you to," the man continued, looking at Renee expectantly.

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"I'll come with you. No matter what, the child was innocent." With that, Renee chose to head to the cemetery with Stefan and Briar. It was located on the west side of Beach City, and was surrounded by a large forest. With the tombs built within such a secluded area, it seemed rather eerie from the outside.

Renee was sitting in the backseat at the time, watching as the car drove by the woods, her expression rather gloomy. She knew that the child had been the victim here, and whatever was going on between her and Briar had to be put aside for now.

She couldn't deny that she had harmed an innocent life.

The atmosphere in the vehicle was extremely tense, with the only sound in the car being Briar's sobbing. Although Renee hated Briar, she understood how painful it was for a mother to experience such a thing.

"Here." She handed Briar a piece of tissue.

Briar turned to look at her with teary eyes, and shook her head. "Miss Everheart, I'm not trying to put up a pitiful act in front of you. I really am in pain, and I'm afraid..."

"I beg of you, please stop appearing before me and Stefan. Every time I see you, I will only be reminded of how you pushed me to the ground, and how it felt when I was losing my child. I-"

"That's enough, there's no need to bring all this up if it upsets you." Stefan's dismissive glare interrupted Briar's pleas. It was obvious that he didn't want Renee to avoid him for Briar's sake.novelxo.com fast update

However, Renee quickly replied, "Don't worry, you don't have to tell me twice. I truly wish you both the best."

Since they were on the topic anyway, she decided to give them some suggestions. "Since you two are going to spend the rest of your lives together, you must still want children, right? When I was studying abroad, I made friends with this professor from the University of Calley. They were researching a procedure to create an artificial uterus. I can help you both ask if it's possible in your situation, and how to safely deliver a child of your own..."

Renee figured that Stefan wouldn't fight for custody once they had their own children, not even if he found out about Adie and Abby's existence. Moreover, she would also be able to make up for her mistakes.

She genuinely thought it was the perfect plan.

"Really? Can we really do that?" Briar's eyes lit up, a sudden liveliness returning to her soulless expression.

"If a procedure like that does exist, please let me know! I just want to help continue the Hunt family's bloodline, and have no more regrets... You'll support me, right, Stef?" Briar said eagerly.

Stefan was silent, frowning slightly as he focused on the road. However, anyone could tell that he was upset with the conversation, as his expression spoke volumes.

Renee was worried that Stefan would disagree, so she told him sincerely, ' Mr. Hunt, you're not getting any younger. You'll be thirty soon, so you should have a child before then. Not only can you birth an heir, but the child might improve your relationship with Miss Desrosiers..."

"Don't worry about the procedure, there have already been a few successful precedents. It's just due to legalities that it hasn't been officially released to the public yet. I have some connections, so as long as you're willing, I can help you apply for it. You-"

"Enough!" Stefan's expression was icy as he slammed his hand on the steering wheel. The loud honk made both Renee and Briar jump in shock.

Stefan shot both of them a dirty glare, then stared at Renee through the rear view mirror and huffed coldly, "If you're really that passionate about helping us, why don't you do something practical instead?"

"How can I help? I can do anything as long as you're willing to have children!" Renee said excitedly.

"No matter how great this artificial uterus is, it's bound to pose some kind of risk. Rather than helping us apply for the procedure, why don't you just offer yourself up instead?"

Renee nearly choked on her own saliva after hearing the man's words. "Are you insane, Hunt?! How is that the same?"

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"So, you do know the difference! How about you let me decide whether I want to have children, and who I want to have children with? There's no need for you to get involved!" Stefan said angrily and stopped the car.

Renee figured that she was being too overbearing as well. Stefan Hunt had always been a prideful man, and was used to having everything under his control. If she were to take charge of something as important as having children, he would surely get upset.

"Ah, I'm sorry, I was too impatient... I don't have bad intentions, I just wanted to recommend this procedure to you both, since you and Miss Desrosiers-"

"Get out," Stefan snarled suddenly, his expression dark.

"Huh? Are we here already?" Renee scanned her surroundings, but it was obvious they hadn't reached yet.

"Get... out!" Stefan ordered once again, not explaining himself in the slightest. He was at his wit's end, otherwise, he would have never done something so discourteous.

"Fine then!" Renee snapped, and got out without hesitation. The car was filled with such a depressing atmosphere that she figured it'd be better to walk to the cemetery on her own.

As soon as she got out, the car drove away speedily.

"Talk about petty!" Renee watched as the car zoomed away, frowning. "I was just trying to be nice and help them resolve the whole kids issue. A thank you would've been nice, but he ended up throwing a temper tantrum instead... That ungrateful jerk!"

The temperature was oddly low in the dense forest despite it being

summer at the time. Just then, a notification popped up in her phone - it

was a message from Kevin.

[I'm done, I sent all his details to your email.]

Renee eagerly opened her mailbox and found a PDF consisting often or so pages. It had everything about William written down, including his birth place, his educational background, and even details on his friends.novelxo.com fast update

According to the information provided, William really wasn't lying about his family and educational background. He was indeed from a family of knowledgeable scholars, and he himself was one as well. Besides that, all of his friends seemed like good people, and he was known to be quite a reputable person within his social circle.

The only thing that seemed off was his past relationships. It seemed that Leia was his second girlfriend, while his first... was Briar Desrosiers.

Briar was William's first love when he was twenty years old. However, the relationship had only lasted about three months before the man was dumped. William was quite persistent as well. After getting dumped by Briar, he tried everything to make her stay, even going as far as to threaten suicide...

After that, he locked his heart away and focused on his studies entirely, becoming quite the elite. It is said that he would take over his father's family business in the future too.

It was completely normal for someone to have past relationships, but William's past included Briar... which made Renee rather doubtful.

Unfortunately, as Renee was too focused on reading, she didn't realize that she had walked into a dangerous zone..

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The cemetery was rather remote. Not only were there large thickets around the area, the paths were quite rocky as well.

The thick smog enveloping the area could easily affect one's sense of direction as well. If headed in the wrong direction, the forest would seem like a confusing maze, which would make the journey even more dangerous than it was.

Renee was completely immersed in her phone, wondering if she should tell Leia about William's complicated past with Briar. Then, suddenly, she felt her entire body falling forward...

Renee screamed as she tumbled down a cliff. She hit her head on a large rock going down, and instantly faded into unconsciousness.

Meanwhile, Stefan and Briar had already arrived at the child's tomb. A small gravestone stood there forlornly, with the baby's name and death date engraved on it.

"Hi, baby! Mommy and Uncle Stefan are here to see you again. How are you feeling today? The weather's getting kind of cold, so I prepared lots of

warm clothes for you. Do you like them?" Briar mumbled as she knelt in front of the grave, placing some bags of clothes onto the ground.

Stefan was no longer feeling guilty, and instead looked slightly annoyed. However, knowing that Briar was mentally ill, he remained silent, allowing the woman to live in her delusions for now.

Under normal circumstances, a fetus wouldn't be considered a person, and in their culture, those who set up a tomb for the unborn would be besieged by bad luck. However, this child was considered a special case, as it was the late Tristan and Briar's only child.

Stefan had only agreed to bury the fetus after the woman's constant begging. They had placed it in an expensive coffin, and found a powerful shaman to safely bury the child in this secluded area.

Stefan was starting to space out as Briar continued muttering in front of the grave. He would occasionally glance at the cemetery entrance, his brow furrowed.

'Hmph, why isn't that woman here yet? I left her only a mile away from this place, and the path is a straight one too. It shouldn't take her more than twenty minutes to arrive, but it's been over an hour! Where is she?'

Once Briar was finally finished, she looked up and asked, "Stef, where is Miss Everheart? I'm done talking to my baby now. Should we keep waiting for her?"

Stefan checked his wristwatch and replied tonelessly, "Let's wait a little longer." They

waited for another thirty minutes, but Renee was still nowhere to be found.

Briar wiped her tears, her voice quivering with sadness. "Let's just go, Stef, I don't think she'll be coming anytime soon. I can tell that Miss Everheart doesn't regret hurting me back then, nor does she think she is responsible for my child's death."

"Maybe she still sees me as the horrible mistress who destroyed her marriage. Maybe she thinks I deserve to lose my baby and end up this way! She's probably gone home by now. I mean, she's no saint, so why would she visit the grave of my child? Let's not force her to if she doesn't want to..."novelxo.com fast update

Stefan fell silent, his expression growing colder.

Briar continued, "And she kept talking about that artificial uterus procedure back in the car, urging us to have more children too! She was just mocking us, wasn't she? It was like she was trying to add insult to injury! If she's not genuine in visiting my baby's grave, I don't need her here, and my baby doesn't need her here either! Let's just go."

The man clenched his fists tightly, as he had thought the same. He had no idea what Renee was thinking by urging him to have more children when they were on their way to visit a dead baby's grave.

'She definitely had bad intentions!'

"You're right, I was too naive. She's always been a cold-hearted and selfish person; if she really was feeling guilty about her actions, she would've come to visit the child's grave a long time ago. She wouldn't have just disappeared for four whole years."

Stefan took a deep breath, telling himself to keep a clear mind and to stop hoping the woman would change. Thus, as dusk approached, he drove out of the forest with Briar in his passenger seat.

Under the dim moonlight, Renee had finally regained consciousness. Her head was spinning, her left leg was fractured, and she was unable to move.

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Looking around, Renee finally found her phone nearby, only to realize that it was broken. She couldn't turn it on at all.

"Agh, that useless Stefan Hunt! I knew he was bad luck!" Renee cursed as she scanned her surroundings. It was pitch black, with no one remotely near.

Renee immediately felt scared. "Is there anyone out there?! Somebody, please help!" She screamed, her voice echoing alongside the caws of crows.

The pain in her head and leg was overwhelming, and she was finding it difficult to even scream

for help at this point. "I won't die here, right?! That'd be too unfair..."

In the old Hunt manor, the family had gathered around the dining table to have a nice dinner together, but the atmosphere felt rather odd for some reason.

Francine was trying to ask Stefan over and over again if he had contacted Renee. She had just found out that Renee, who'd disappeared for four whole years, had returned to Beach City all of a sudden.novelxo.com fast update

The woman felt conflicted when it came to Renee. She couldn't help but hate Renee's guts for murdering Briar's child, and had even hired some people to find the woman so that she could pay for her crimes. However, in those four years of her absence, she watched as her poor son lived in misery... It had been a very long time since he smiled.

She knew that Stefan still loved Renee very much, and that Renee was the only person who could return Stefan's smile. Hence, as time passed, her resentment faded, as she only wished for her son to follow his heart and find true happiness.

"Stef, there's no pressure, alright? As your family, we will support all of your decisions no matter what. We should let bygones be bygones... The most important thing now is to live life to the fullest!" Francine said enthusiastically.

"I have my plans." Stefan continued eating, clearly hoping for this conversation to end.

Everyone noticed how annoyed he was, and decided to keep their mouths shut, focusing on their meals as well.

Suddenly, Francine remembered something and said, "Stef, have you been visiting that cemetery a lot

recently? I already told you how off-putting that place is - you should go less often. A few days ago, I saw on the news that a few influencers went adventuring there, and all of them died because they fell off a cliff! You-

"Fell off a cliff?" Stefan's expression shifted instantly.

"Yes. The area is very confusing, and it's always surrounded by fog! It'd be dangerous if you ever got lost in there. Ugh, this is all because of that shaman... Why did he have to choose that secluded cemetery of all places? ■

Timothy chimed in as well. "It was an untimely death, so he had to choose a secluded place to bury it. Stef just needs to go there less often."

"Stef doesn't even want to go, it's all because of Desrosiers..."

Just as the conversation was getting heated, Stefan stood up abruptly and said, "I need to head out for a bit."

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The man then got into his car and sped towards the forest as fast as he could. Francine's casual chit-chat during dinner had reminded him that the cemetery indeed had complex terrains, with smog all around it. He was worried that something might've happened to Renee.

Although the possibility was extremely low, he still had to personally investigate the area to ease his anxiety.

The car continued racing through the night, with its headlights being the only light source.

Stefan was gripping the steering wheel tightly, scanning the area with his sharp gaze, all while loudly calling out to the woman.

'Renee!'

Night time in the forest was exceedingly quiet. Any sudden sounds would echo through it loudly, startling the birds nearby.

Soon, he had reached the area where he had kicked Renee out, and he got out of the car right away.

"Where are you, Renee Everheart?! Answer me!" Stefan yelled louder than before, his voice turning hoarse.

However, all he received in response was either crows cawing or endless silence.

As he continued to shout, Stefan found the whole thing rather foolish. He thought to himself, 'Everheart is probably at home, sleeping soundly in bed right now. However, I'm here acting like an idiot, just because of that small possibility that she might be stranded here. Look at me, yelling over and over again in this eerie place... If someone saw me right now, they'd think I'm possessed!'

Stefan balled his fists up slowly, telling himself that he had to stop this silly behavior if no one answered after three more attempts.

"Everheart, if you don't respond, I'm leaving!" Stefan shouted dejectedly.

Renee, who was still at the bottom of the cliff, was semi-conscious at that point. Fatigued and in pain, she was almost out of energy. More importantly, she was starving, to the point she felt like she was going to faint.

Suddenly, she could somewhat hear someone shouting her name, and realized that the voice belonged to Stefan.

At first, she was rather excited, thinking that she was finally going to be saved. However, she realized that it'd be embarrassing to be saved by that man, and she would be owing him a favor if he did.

Hence, she purposefully refused to answer. It was only until she heard Stefan saying that he'd be leaving, that she felt alarmed enough to let out a soft cough.

She coughed so softly that it was barely any louder than the rustling of leaves, and she didn't expect the man to hear her at all. However, Stefan seemed to have extraordinary hearing, and was able to catch her coughing immediately.

'Is that you, Everheart? Where are you?'

In the pitch black darkness, along with the complicated pathways and dense forest, he wasn't able to pinpoint the woman's location at all.

Renee let out another two coughs, still refusing to respond properly. However, this time, she made sure to cough much louder than before.

Stefan was quick to catch on, his body tensed up and his face filled with worry. "Stay where you are! Don't be scared, I'm coming to save you!"

He then rushed over in the direction of the sound without any hesitation. Renee was alarmed and immediately tried to stop him. 'Hey, don't come over just yet! Be careful-"novelxo.com fast update

Before she could finish her sentence, a loud thud echoed through the forest as Stefan slipped and fell down the cliff.

If Renee hadn't moved aside, enduring the pain in her leg, she would've likely been crushed under the weight of this 'fallen object'.

"Phew, that was close!" Renee patted her chest, calming her rapidly beating heart, her expression terrified.

She sarcastically thought to herself, 'Many thanks, dear savior!'

After that, she turned to where Stefan had fallen, unable to assess his current situation. 'Hunt, how are you? Have you fainted?'

"...I'm not that weak.