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"Brandon!" As the car sped away, Corinne stomped her feet in frustration. "That woman will be the death of you yet!"

Harrell hobbled to his feet, cradling his injured arm, he sighed. "We've known him for years, don't you understand the kind of person he is? He's a stubborn one."

Corinne spun around, ready to berate him but seeing his bleeding arm, she bit her tongue.

Instead, she turned her ire towards the dazed doctor. "What are you waiting for? Attend to his wounds! Can't you see he's hurt?"

Harrell gave a weak smile. "It's nothing."

His words sparked a flare of anger in Corinne. "Why did you dash in and pull me away? Are you seeking death? Do you even realize how dangerous that was?"

"If I hadn't, you'd be the one in danger," Harrell

replied helplessly, as he let the doctor attend to his injuries.

Corinne scoffed, "I don't believe he'd dare to hit me!"

Seeing Corinne's stubborn expression, Harrell sighed in resignation.

Once the doctor left, he glanced at the blood-stained bandage on his arm. After a moment's hesitation, he voiced out, "Brandon knows."

Corinne froze, pretending ignorance. "What?"

Harrell dropped his gaze and calmly stated, "Don't feign ignorance. We've known each other long enough, I know you're an expert shot. When you shot at Jeremy, you deliberately missed, enabling him to escape with Janet, didn't you?"

Corinne paled.

When she had aimed at Jeremy, she'd intentionally shifted her sight just a bit. Given the darkness, it wasn't unusual for her to miss. Corinne was sure no one would discover the truth.

How had Brandon found out?

Corinne swiftly looked up at Harrell, fear lending sharpness to her voice. "How could Brandon have found out? Did you tell him? Are you trying to sow

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discord between Brandon and me?"

Harrell gave a wistful smile and, after a long pause, responded, "Is that what you think of me?"

Seeing the sadness and disappointment in his eyes, Corinne fell silent and the rage in her eyes gradually subsided.

She had known Harrell for many years, and knew him to be gentle and kind. He would never betray her, let alone incite strife between her and Brandon.

Moreover, Brandon, with his keen mind, was well acquainted with her skills and habits in shooting. It wasn't far-fetched that he'd figured out the truth.

Harrell and Corinne stood in silence for a while. Finally, biting her lip, she queried, "So, that wound at the corner of your mouth, was it Brandon?"

Instinctively, Harrell reached up to touch the corner of his mouth, wincing at the pain. Not wanting her to feel guilty, he answered in a lighthearted manner, "You could say that, he's as heartless as he was years ago, shows no consideration for me at all."

Corinne was momentarily amused by his expression, but her amusement quickly faded.

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"Brandon must despise me now that he knows what I did. Did he really want to kill me just now?" she asked sullenly.

Harrell held his tongue. He didn't reveal that he'd previously saved Brandon's life and in return asked Brandon to spare Corinne.

He realized if he admitted this, it would only make her sadder. Furthermore, she might misconstrue it as him expecting some form of repayment.

Seeing Harrell's silence, Corinne shot him a glare, "Why are you quiet? You should be consoling me!"

Harrell gave a helpless smile. "You know I'm not good with words of comfort. Besides, Brandon is deeply devoted to his wife. You..."

He intended to persuade her to let go.

But he bit back his words upon seeing the tears welling up in her eyes.

Corinne swiped at the tears trickling down her cheeks, lowered her head and muttered more to herself than to him, "So what if he loves his wife that much? She might already be dead, tortured to death by Jeremy. As long as I treat Brandon well, he may eventually fall for me..." 4

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Harrell responded in a composed manner, "Don't you understand why he hasn't confronted you?"

Hearing this, Corinne dropped her gaze. After a moment, she retorted stubbornly, "Because he lacks evidence, right? I'm not afraid of his accusations!"

"He won't confront you." Seeing her deception, Harrell felt helpless. "Let go, Corinne. He won't even consider you a friend anymore."

"I don't believe it!" Corinne instantly flared up, covering her ears and yelling, "What's so special about that woman? She's only a burden to Brandon!"

Harrell sighed. He knew Corinne was in denial, refusing to accept that she and Brandon could never be together. Still, he had to make it clear. "Brandon will never be with you. And you must understand, he truly meant to hit you just now. If I hadn't intervened, you might have..."

"He can hit me! I'd gladly die by his hands," Corinne cut him off, her eyes ablaze. "Stop meddling in my affairs from now on. I'll bear the consequences of my actions. I don't need you butting in."

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Harrell stayed silent.

He knew she was lying. When Brandon's car had charged towards her earlier, she had trembled in sheer terror.

She made such declarations only to keep him from getting involved in her trouble again.