

Arabella 2005

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“My parents absolutely adore Arabella. If they get wind of what you pulled today, I’d bet my bottom dollar they’d have a sit-down with your folks that’d be anything but pleasant. And let me tell you, my auntie is no pushover. If she hears about today's shenanigans, it won’t just be a couple of kicks to the rear you’ll be getting!”

With those words, Luna flicked her luxurious mane back and rose to her full height, indifferent to the gathering crowd, and coolly slid into her ride. The chauffeur promptly whisked her away.

Harriet’s chauffeur hurried over to help her up, “Ms. Monroe, are you alright?”

“Where the hell were you? Didn't you see me getting bullied?” Harriet snapped, landing a smack on him, and then barked at the onlookers, “What are you gawking at? Scram back to work, will ya?”

The crowd swiftly dispersed like scared rabbits.

Two days later.

The hashtag #DrBellBotchesUp was trending, and Arabella was caught in a storm of controversy, with a barrage of skepticism online.

[Did you hear? She visited a car crash victim, thinking she’s the bee's knees in medicine, and decided

to perform surgery. Ended up killing the guy!]

[How does a kid her age waltz into a hospital and play surgeon? Even if she's some sort of medical prodigy, that doesn't give her the right to bypass hospital rules and regs!]

[Is her medical prowess for real? I remember Phillip raving about how she cured him and his wife, but it sounded fishy.]

[Arabella's so-called gift? No way it's as miraculous as they say. This incident proves it. She can't even save a life, much less work miracles. All that fame? Bought and paid for by the Collins family!]

[And poor Serena, tossed aside by the Collins family now that they've found their long-lost daughter, left to deal with the fallout and badmouthing.]

[I think I may have been wrong to blame Serena.]

As the online vitriol against Arabella swelled, Louisa was fuming with indignation.

All Kenneth could do was offer consolation, "We can't expose Martha's kidnapping scheme right now.

First off, if people find out Bella's crew calls her 'boss,' they'll say she's running a gang, demanding an official probe into her activities."

Kenneth continued, "Secondly, if it comes out that Bella staged the whole kidnap to expose Martha and Serena, folks online will say she's too sly for her own good."

Louisa, biting her lip with worry, said, "So what do we do now? We can't just sit on our hands after all this time."

"Didn't Bella say she'd handle it? Let's not torture ourselves with the online hate. Trust Bella, she'll sort it out."