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"I see," Janet said, letting out a sigh of relief.

As she remembered the scene she had witnessed in the small garden, her curiosity about Mandy and Locke's relationship grew.

She leaned in close to Brandon, her voice low with curiosity. "So, what's the secret story behind Mandy and Locke?"

Brandon paused, picturing Locke's stern face in his mind. Locke always seemed like a cunning man with a complex mind.

After a moment of thought, Brandon reassured himself that Locke wasn't much of a threat. He whispered back to Janet, "Everyone who knew Locke and Mandy back in the day thought they'd end up married when they grew up."

Janet's eyes lit up with excitement. "Really? What happened next?"

"In their social circle, no smart man or woman would dare get too close to them. Of course, there were a few who didn't think things through, but Locke always found ways to

discourage them," Brandon answered, a knowing smile on his face.

In this instant, Janet seemed to have a clear understanding.

She looked around cautiously, making sure they weren't being overheard, and then asked eagerly, "What kind of ways? What did he do?"

Brandon's expression turned serious, and it was clear he didn't want to delve further into the topic.

Brandon hadn't replied for quite a while. Janet, feeling impatient, huffed and turned away, deciding to ignore him.

That was when she spotted Mandy entering the banquet hall, now out of her black dress and into something new.

Mandy looked stunning in a simple white strapless dress, her long hair elegantly tied up with a couple of wavy strands framing her face, adding to her pure beauty.

Janet couldn't help but roll her eyes at Brandon, her voice tinged with frustration. "Fine, if you won't talk, I'll just ask Mandy."

She stood up, ready to approach Mandy.

But the moment she got up, Brandon grabbed

her wrist tightly.

Janet couldn't hide a smile as she turned to face him, waiting for him to finally speak up.

Brandon let out a resigned sigh. "Okay, you win," he admitted.

With Brandon ready to talk, Janet sat back down, eager to listen.

"It's the usual stuff, threats, bribes and others. You know Locke's got the money and the connections. He's always quick to step in and scare off anyone getting close to Mandy," Brandon explained.

Janet nodded, piecing everything together in her mind, her earlier suspicions now making sense.


"So, that's why Mandy's never been in a relationship. Locke's been scaring all her admirers away," Janet murmured, her brow furrowing.

But the more she learned, the more Janet worried about Mandy.

She knew Mandy's heart belonged to Draco, not Locke. And Mandy didn't take well to being pressured.

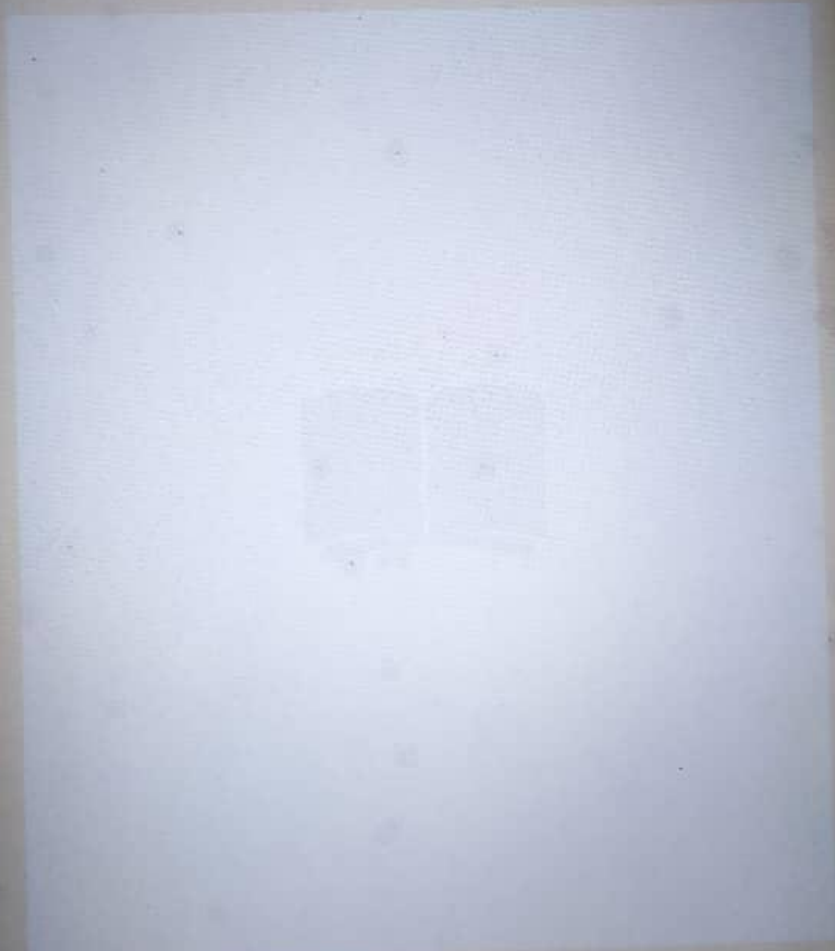
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Janet feared what Mandy might do if pushed too far.

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