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Sheldon finally understood why Tobias acquired the real-estate company near the villa district some time back. Did he pull off that Herculean task to make Skylar's life more comfortable?

He was definitely spending way too much just to mess around with women. As for Winnie, Sheldon's hands were tied. He assumed that she was about eighty percent insane. Seeing how well Skylar was drove Winnie to such jealousy that she even tried to expose their relationship.

Sheldon had yet to enter his residence when he was drawn to the sound of Winnie's lamentations at the park close by.

From a distance, Sheldon noticed that Winnie was sitting alone on a bench. Loneliness and melancholy were written all over her face, just like when Sheldon first met her.

Men could not resist being knights in shining armor. If not for what happened in the past, Sheldon would have had more compassion for Winnie.

Winnie finally made her way to Sheldon, behaving quite like a spoiled child, and hugged him. "Why are you here? I thought you'd be pissed and continue avoiding me. I know what I did was wrong. I only wanted Mrs. Ford to like me, that's all! I wouldn't dare do it again! You've ignored me for too long, Sheldon. I promise to be more well-behaved and obedient."

Sheldon sighed, holding onto the last vestiges of his patience with her. "There's no point. My mother is a very strong-willed person. That ship has sailed the moment you messed up, and there's no remedying that. I'm also not going to turn my back on my mother for your sake."

Winnie cried louder, her tears staining Sheldon's shirt. "But I don't care! You promised that you'd treat me well forever, that we'd get married. And now you're just tossing me aside? What am I going to do?"

Right then, Sheldon wanted nothing to do with Winnie. This woman was clingier than he thought. "I'll think it over. The both of us need some space anyway," said Sheldon with a perfunctory gaze at her. "After a while, I'll give you an answer. How about that?"

"Oh, is that how it is? Every one of you is being mean to me. Do you know what I have to endure? I'm getting so much flak from Skylar's fans every day, and now all the netizens are making fun of me. I'm being trampled on because they're all supporting her. And it got so bad that I went to the hospital for an evaluation. Do you know what I was diagnosed with? Depression! He diagnosed me with severe depression! I just don't have the will to go on any longer!"

Winnie then fished out a hospital report and thrust it in front of Sheldon.

Despite that, Sheldon didn't even spare the report a glance and laughed. "You people in the entertainment industry. There's always something wrong with you guys, right? Today, it's depression. Who knows if that's even true?"

Meanwhile, at Skylar's place.

"Why are you here so late? Are we going to make babies?" Skylar smiled teasingly and took Tobias' suit jacket off him.

Tobias groaned as he sat down. "You know I am not interested in having any." He managed to painstakingly leave the car before settling on her couch. After a busy day, his body felt no reprieve. Tobias looked at Skylar with a pained expression on his face.

When compared to Skylar's vigor, his fared much worse.

Madelyn was about to enter the kitchen but was ordered by Tobias to rest earlier. He was simply implying that she had no reason to be here this late and that she was in the way.

Unfortunately, Madelyn failed to get what Tobias meant. "But I was going to make you something warm to eat!"

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Tobias was too exhausted to deal with this. Impatiently, he said, "No need for that, just go to bed. We'll be fine."

Upon that, Madelyn was surprised. Skylar, having noticed that Tobias was not in a good mood, merely winked at Madelyn. She then left the room.

As Tobias lounged on the sofa, Skylar was flipping through the script that Kate brought her. The show was meant to be premiered during the New Year. The Pretty Detective franchise had been quite popular in recent years.

The show was also the director's way of extending the olive branch to Skylar. As such, an audition was required, and the follow-up details were finalized.

Tobias changed his posture and lay on his back instead, observing how Skylar was so focused on her script; it was like nothing else existed.

"I'm not feeling so good. Can you just give me a massage?" asked Tobias, clearly fatigued. The pair had been apart for a while, and somehow, Skylar seemed a little colder towards him.

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Only then did Skylar set the script aside. She sat on the side of the sofa and massaged him as deeply as she could. However, she did not have much strength in her, so each push felt like a mere tickle on his back.

"Were you followed?" Since that note was left behind, Skylar had been quite paranoid for fear of similar incidents happening again.

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Valerie had given her a stern warning. At this stage, Skylar had to ensure that she was free of scandals. Valerie also persuaded her to allow her male fans some leeway in that they could entertain their fantasies of having a chance to date her.

Even so, Skylar dismissed this form of publicity and disapproved of letting the industry force her into submission.

"What are you afraid of?" asked Tobias, clearly displeased. "Do you think I will embarrass you? Just let them know that you have a man with you."

Skylar huffed and pinched him hard, thinking that he was being quite unreasonable.

"You're the one who started it. I'm also concerned about how this implicates you. If word gets out that we're together, it'll probably affect your company's stock prices. The senior executives are hoping you would marry a rich scion, not an actress."

Tobias waved a hand dismissively. "If I cared that much about this, I would not have handed the company over to Sheldon for him to mess up."

This made sense to Skylar. After all, Tobias was a courageous man, and his decisiveness was something that few could match.

Tobias sat up. In spite of Skylar's efforts, her lack of strength did nothing to ease his physical discomfort.

Back in the bedroom, Skylar had Empyrean Sword running in the background, just so that Tobias had something to glance at.

She would normally watch the show on her phone but was met with a barrage of live comments. This happened often with some of the more famous scenes, where the live comments would cause her screen to lag.

Tobias sighed, picked up the remote, and turned the TV off. Before he turned it off, the image of Skylar being held by Largo was displayed on the screen. They were paused amid battle, a clash of snowy white and ruby red.

"Well, can't you just watch it for my sake and praise my efforts this time!" squealed Skylar excitedly. "Even if you end up only watching two or three episodes."

"I'll make time to watch it. Besides, you played this episode right in the middle! How will I know what's going on?"

Skylar lay back on the bed. A cursory glance at Tobias told her that she would not be getting much action tonight. She noticed that Tobias had pulled out a few pills from the bottle in his trouser pocket and swallowed them without any water.

Do men do this? Just take their pills dry? I always need warm water and some fruits to mask the taste.

Skylar shuddered. She had a gag reflex that would react to just about anything. If she swallowed a large pill, it would sometimes get stuck, even with water. It was not the most pleasant sensation.

"Can't sleep? Do you need sleeping pills?" Skylar was worried about Tobias as he could never sleep well.

Thus, Skylar was unsure if it was caused by stress or just overthinking.

Insomnia must be terrible.

"No, I'm not taking those. It'll leave me in a horrible state of mind the next day, and I'll be quite dazed. I've taken painkillers instead."

Skylar could not imagine that Tobias had such a terrible affliction, to begin with. How did he even end up with a backache this bad?

Nonetheless, that night, he slept like a log, and she had not noticed any discomfort at the time.

The whole night was spent apart as the couple lay asleep, without even a cuddle.

For a brief moment, Skylar felt like they were an old married couple.

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Tobias' back was turned towards her, his breathing shallow.

The silence was then broken by the constant vibrating of Tobias' phone. A cursory glance at the screen revealed that it was Idania, but Skylar did not wake him up.

This woman seemed to appear more and more frequently in their lives.

She hesitated briefly but then gently picked up the phone and entered the bathroom.