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Nicholas smiled and pushed the wheelchair over to Tessa without a word. He picked her up and placed her in the wheelchair. Then, he took a blanket and covered it over her legs. “So, all well?”

“Yes, very. Now, take me to Gordon,” Tessa urged. She couldn’t wait to see her child. He got the message and pushed her away from the ward. Gregory followed closely behind.

Timothy saw them off. This moment belongs to them and them alone. When they arrived at the incubation room, Nicholas helped Tessa up, and he pointed at the incubator Gordon was in. “That’s Gordon.”

She looked in the direction he was pointing and saw a petite baby lying in an incubator. He looked just like in the photos, but cuter and prettier. Thanks to the meticulous care the hospital provided, the baby was growing stronger with each passing day. Now, he was a lot more active than he used to be.

Gordon was flailing around, his fingers dancing in the air as if trying to grasp something. He was smiling with his mouth slightly ajar.

Tessa could feel her heart melting as she stared at her baby’s sweet smile. “He’s so adorable. She was almost glued to the glass window, tears welling in her eyes. “I really want to hold him.

Nicholas, I want to hold him, please.” She turned around, staring at Nicholas with tear-filled, glimmering eyes. In most cases, he would have given her what she wanted, but not this time. He held her in his embrace and whispered, “Not now. But when he

can be discharged from the incubator, promise you’ll be the first to hold him, alright?”

Tessa was not alright. For the first time, she felt hatred against Wanda. If that woman hadn't done this, my baby wouldn't have to suffer so much. At the thought of that, her mood took a sour turn.

Noticing her change in mood, Nicholas tightened his hug. "Calm down. We should look forward to the reunion and nothing else. Just think about you, me, Greg, and Gordon finally getting back as a family."

As Tessa imagined the picture of their happy family, she slowly calmed down. Once again, she looked at Gordon gently. "You're right. I should look forward to the great reunion."

Nicholas held her even tighter at that. Both of them stared at their baby as they locked in each other's embrace.

A few moments later, Tessa finally calmed down and started chatting with Nicholas. "Hel looks as lively as he was when he was in my belly. I saw him kicking his legs a few times.

And he looks just like Greg. Though, he looks like you the most." She turned around and smiled at Nicholas. He kissed her cheek before saying gently, "But I think he resembles you more."

"He's still our baby, no matter whom he resembles." She leaned into his embrace, smiling sweetly. Her eyes were gleaming like stars in the night sky. Even though she was immersed in the happiness of seeing her child, she didn't forget about Gregory. "And Greg is our baby, too."

Gregory approached them and lovingly held his mother's hand. Sweetly, he said, "I will protect Gordon, too."

"Oh, I know you will, Greg. You're a good child." Tessa looked at the boy gently, touched by what he said. Gregory beamed, feeling happy that he was praised.

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Nicholas looked at them with eyes filled with tender love. Eventually, they thought it was time to go back, and he took Tessa back to her ward.

However, the moment he stood behind her, Gregory approached his father and tried to push him away. “Let me do it, Daddy. I’ll take Mommy back to her room.” He took Mommy here just now, and then Mommy kissed him. If I take Mommy back to her room, then I can also get a kiss.

Unfortunately, Nicholas did not budge. He frowned and said, “Stop that. You don’t have enough strength to push her.”

“As if. I’m plenty strong.” The boy was trying to prove himself so he could get a kiss from his mother. He even went to his mother and pleaded, “Mommy, can I take you back to your room? Please.”

Tessa broke into a smile. She let Gregory do what he wanted since she knew refusing would be pointless. He would only learn when he was taught a lesson by reality.

However, the boy didn’t know that. Thinking that his mother was giving him a chance, he shot his father a smug look. Nicholas smiled and said nothing to it. He knew what Tessa was thinking, so he moved away and let Gregory take over.

Happily, the boy stood behind his mother and tried to push her wheelchair, but it didn’t budge. Huh? He pushed as hard as he could, and the wheelchair moved this time, but it merely moved an inch. Once again, he tried to push as best he could. His face was getting red, yet all he managed was a few more inches.

Gregory would have continued to push the wheelchair if not for his father dragging him away. When he saw how effortlessly Nicholas could push Tessa’s wheelchair, he asked, dejectedly, “You make it look so easy. How come I couldn’t even push it an inch?”

Tessa held the boy's hand. "Your father is an adult, but you are still a child. Once you grow up, you can be as strong as he is."

Inspired, the boy gave her a firm nod. "I'm going to grow big and strong so that I can take care of you." Oh, he's so adorable. She pulled him into her embrace and gave him a peck.

The family happily returned to the ward, but the moment they emerged from the elevator, they saw Amber skulking around Tessa's ward before entering.

Nicholas' face darkened, and Tessa furrowed her brows as well. She wondered why Amber sneaked into her ward.

They approached the ward silently, peeking through the crack of the ajar door. Amber had no idea she was being watched. She went straight to Tessa's bed and whipped something out before placing it under the pillow.

Tessa couldn't hold it in any longer and entered her room. "What are you doing?" she asked coldly. Amber leaped in shock. "W-What are you doing here?" She stared at Tessa and Nicholas in horror. She didn't expect to be caught.

Tessa asked mirthlessly, "This is my ward." Of course, I can be in this room. Amber got the implied message, and she fidgeted. Nicholas went past the ladies without saying a word and retrieved the item Amber hid under the pillow.

Tessa's heart sank. "Careful!" she cried out in alarm. However, what Nicholas held in his hand surprised her. She thought Amber had hidden something dangerous under the pillow, given how much she hated Timothy and her.

However, to her surprise, the thing she hid was a pair of beautiful baby bracelets made of pure gold. Nicholas was surprised as well. He, too, thought it would be a dangerous item.

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On the contrary, Amber was speechless to see all the gifts she had hidden away being brought out. Tessa's hesitant voice entered her ears, "What are these?"

"I heard that you just gave birth. Since there are no other elders in the Reinhart Family, these gifts are to represent the Reinhart Family's goodwill toward the children." After a brief pause, she eventually decided to face Tessa and come clean about the reason for her visit. She inhaled deeply, then continued, "I know you think nothing of these gifts. If you don't like them, you can throw them away. In any case, I have always been nothing more than a hateful old woman in your eyes."

Once she said that, she immediately turned around and left the hospital ward without waiting to see the expression on Tessa's face.

Tessa stared at Amber's departing figure in a daze. When the reality of the situation finally sank in, she was struck by a growing mixture of astonishment and confusion. That was because the fact that the old lady would prepare gifts for the children had never even occurred to her.

At this moment, she was at such a loss for words that she instinctively glanced at Nicholas. He was holding a gold bracelet in his hands, but the situation had surprised him just as it did her.

Meanwhile, Gregory stood by the side of the room. Although his eyes were darting around the room curiously, he remained well-behaved and quiet the entire time.

A blanket of silence abruptly fell over the hospital room. It was not until Timothy and Kieran entered the ward that the silence was broken.

Timothy had initially planned to return to work, but he received a phone call from Kieran on the way back. In the end, he was forcefully dragged to the hospital again..

In Kieran's words, he refused to visit the hospital on his lonesome and had to suffer watching the couple's lovey-dovey interactions all on his own. Therefore, he needed to bring a companion with him..

When the two men entered the hospital ward, they immediately sensed the strange atmosphere in the air.

“Nicholas, Tessa. Why are you in such a daze? Did something happen?” Kieran swept a questioning glance at Nicholas and Tessa. Then, his gaze landed on the gold bracelet in Nicholas' hand. His eyes immediately lit up at the sight. “Wow! Is that a custom-made bracelet for my little nephew? It's so pretty!”

Timothy took a look at the gold bracelet and nodded in agreement. “It's beautiful. Speaking of which, I have yet to prepare a welcoming gift for Gordon even though I am his uncle.”

At the end of his sentence, a flicker of regret flashed through his eyes. He couldn't help feeling that he was incompetent in his role as an uncle.

Next to Timothy, Kieran seemed to realize the same thing and slapped his forehead with a look of remorse. “If you had not said anything, I would have forgotten about that too! That won't do. I will have to go shopping for Gordon's present later.”

Nicholas studied the two men's expressions. Then, he calmly placed the gold bracelet aside and casually explained, “I did not prepare this gift. This is a gift from Old Mrs. Reinhart. Nevertheless, for you to only remember about the gift now... Don't you think you're too incompetent in your roles as an elder?”

After he said that, he even threw a disdainful look at Kieran and Timothy Kieran immediately looked guilty and ashamed.

On the other hand, Timothy frowned at those words. He stared at his elder sister with disbelief as he questioned suspiciously, ‘Was this gold bracelet really given by the old hag?’”

Tessa nodded lightly and roughly explained what had happened earlier. When she finished explaining the situation, she murmured in amazement, “To be honest, I never expected the old lady to send us a gift.”

Timothy was also surprised by the unexpected turn of events.

He walked over and picked up the gold bracelet given by Amber. The bracelet was quite heavy, clearly indicating that the old lady had not skimped on the materials. Moreover, the artistry was also exquisite. Soon, a feeling of doubt inadvertently sprung up in his heart.

“Both the materials and the workmanship of this gold bracelet are of high quality. However, it is probably costly. Where did that old hag have such a considerable amount of money?”

“Could it be from her private funds?” Kieran haphazardly made a guess. Then, he snatched the gold bracelet from Timothy with a smile.. “Let me have a closer look. It will serve as a good reference for when I have to choose Gordon’s gift later.”

While he spoke, he held the gold bracelet up to the sun and observed the details carefully. Then, he suddenly made a sound of exclamation, “There are words engraved on the inside of this bracelet!”

“What does it say?” Timothy asked. Kieran read the words out loud with a smile. “Peace and joy’. These are good sentiments. I guess Old Mrs. Reinhart finally did something right.”

Tessa looked a little bewildered when she heard the words ‘peace and joy’. Peace and joy? She closed her eyes, countless unbearable memories from the past flooding her mind like an incoming tidal wave.

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“Cry, cry, cry. All you do is cry. Are you in mourning or something?” “You jinxes! You’re just like your dead mother!!

bet you came here specially to jinx us!” “You b\*stards don’t deserve to eat. Don’t you dare eat any of the food in this house!” All sorts of curses and abuse constantly rang out in the magnificent and luxurious villa.

The Reinharts even went so far as to kick Tessa and her younger brother out of the house in the middle of winter. No matter how they had begged and pleaded, the Reinharts remained indifferent to their plight, though.

These memories represented the past that would haunt Tessa for the rest of her life.

There was once when Timothy was ill. At the time, she had knelt outside the gates of the Reinhart Residence and begged them to save his life. However, she almost paid for her naivety with her life.

Even though several years had passed since then, even though the Reinhart Family no longer existed, the resentment still remained in her heart. This was especially so for her resentment toward Amber.

The misfortune and poor treatment that she, her brother, and their mother suffered were all caused by Amber.

If Amber had not helped with Lauren’s malicious scheming back then, Tessa’s mother would not have suffered from such a disease. Amber had even gone to great lengths just to prevent Tessa’s mother from receiving any treatment when her condition worsened toward the end.

If not for that old hag, my mother would not have died so soon! However... The old lady is reaching the end of her lifespan... She probably does not have long to



live. So, why should I continue to bear a grudge toward her? Not to mention, she has already been punished for her past mistakes.

A deep and pleasant voice entered her ears just as Tessa was coming to terms with her emotions.

“Since these words are a blessing from Old Mrs. Reinhart, we should gratefully accept them. ‘Peace and joy’, these words suit Gordon very well indeed.” Nicholas looked straight at her and gently decided on her behalf with a tender look in his eyes.

Although she rarely talked about the Reinhart Family throughout their relationship, he knew that she had not stopped caring for the Reinharts. There remained a glimmer of hope in the corner of her heart that they might change. Unfortunately, they had continued to disappoint her over and over again.

She did not realize that he had already seen through the thoughts in her heart.

After she listened to his suggestion, she agreed that it was a reasonable choice. Ever since she was pregnant with Gordon, she had been involved in various incidents. Even Gordon’s birth had been perilous.

Therefore, the blessing of peace and joy’ could indeed be said to be very suitable for the baby. With that thought in mind, she finally nodded in agreement.

In the following days, peace and tranquility returned to their lives. Tessa concentrated on her recovery in the hospital ward. Under Nicholas’ attentive care and the help of various supplements every day, her health gradually improved day by day.

Likewise, Gordon was also getting healthier by the day. In the blink of an eye, he was about to turn one month old.

Then, one day, the doctor finally brought good news to the hospital ward.

“President Sawyer, Madam Tessa. Young Master Gordon. underwent a

comprehensive examination today. We are pleased to inform you that his health has fully recovered, so he will be removed from the incubator this afternoon. At that time, you may gather outside the incubation room to wait.”

“That’s great! Gordon can finally be released!” Tessa was absolutely overjoyed. Gregory was so excited that he bounced around. “Yeah! I can finally meet my little brother!”

Nicholas studied the bright smiles on their faces. There was a gentle expression on his face. Like them, he was also highly looking forward to Gordon’s arrival.

That afternoon, Nicholas arrived early outside of the neonatal ward with Tessa and Gregory. The members of the Sawyer Family and Timothy were already there. All of them stared intently at the neonatal ward, filled with a sense of anticipation.

Fortunately, it did not take long before a doctor came up carrying a baby swaddled in a baby- blue blanket.

“Who will be the first to carry this child?” The doctor could tell that everybody present was yearning to carry the baby in her arms. So, she decided to settle the matter with a question to prevent any untoward trouble.

Fortunately, Nicholas’ amused voice rang out at this moment, “Hand the baby to my wife first. It’s the child she risked her life to bring to the world, after all.”

Besides, he made a promise to Tessa in the past. She would be the first to carry the baby once the baby was born.

The doctor nodded in agreement upon receiving a response. “You’re right, President Sawyer. Mothers are the greatest. To safely give birth to the child under such dangerous circumstances and even crawl her way from the jaws of death... It is only right for her to be the first to carry the child.”

After she said that, she carefully handed the baby to Tessa. Tessa carefully took the baby into her arms, feeling amazed by how soft and tiny the infant was.

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“Hi, Gordon. I’m Mommy,” Tessa lowered her head and spoke to the baby in a gentle voice.

She did not know whether it was because of their blood ties, but she could feel the bond growing between them the instant she landed her eyes on the baby. It definitely helped that Gordon immediately revealed a sweet smile at the sight of her. His pitch-black eyes were lively and energetic. Moreover, his eyes seemed to contain the entire universe in them.

Her heart nearly melted at the sight. Gregory leaned over from the side and asked excitedly, ‘Mommy, Gordon is so adorable! Can I hold him?’

He glanced at Tessa expectantly. Naturally, Tessa did not refuse him. So, she handed the baby in her arms to Gregory without another word and warned him, “Be careful.”

He nodded seriously, his entire body immediately tensing up in response. At this moment, he was more nervous than when his teachers checked his homework.

Tessa could see his anxiousness and nearly burst out in laughter. She also took into account that he was still just a child, so she did not put the baby’s full weight in his arms but simply let him hug the baby.

Even so, he was happy and satisfied to be able to embrace the newborn. “Mommy, Gordon is so soft and small!”

“He won’t be so small anymore when he grows up.” While she spoke, she turned to look at Nicholas. “Why don’t you come and hold him too?”

Nicholas nodded and stepped forward to take Gordon into his arms. “Gordon, I am your daddy.” He gazed at the baby warmly.

Gordon blinked, clearly not understanding a word or what was happening at the moment. Nevertheless, he babbled happily and waved his little hands around.

Everybody smiled and chuckled at the sight. He was indeed a little bundle of joy whose smile never left his face. Before the baby had even warmed Nicholas' arms, his parents swooped in and snatched his youngest son away.

Once everybody had gotten a chance to carry Gordon, Stefania took Gordon into her arms and refused to let anybody else hold him. Her excuse was that Nicholas and the others were men, and men were generally not careful enough to handle a baby. On the other hand, Tessa was still too weak to carry the baby for long.

She wasn't wrong, as carrying a baby was a rather strenuous task after all. Tessa laughed at the reasoning but did not argue with her mother-in-law.

After they carried their little bundle of sunshine, which would be Gordon, Tessa began to proceed with the discharge procedures. Most of her superficial wounds were already healed by now. All that was left was her broken bones, which would take several months.

When she finally finished the formalities, Nicholas pushed her out of the hospital in a wheelchair. The Sawyers had kept news of her discharge from the hospital secret for the time being, so the public was unaware that she was healthy enough to leave the hospital.

Back at the Dynasty Gardens, Nicholas heard a chorus of congratulatory words coming from Andrew and the rest of the servants as soon as he got out of the car. "Congratulations on your recovery and discharge from the hospital, Madam Tessa!"

Tessa felt warm inside when she heard their sincere well-wishes from inside the car. Likewise, Nicholas was also in an excellent mood. He carried her down from the car and carefully placed her in the wheelchair.

Tessa thanked Andrew and the rest of the servants with a bright grin that stretched from ear to ear. Just as Nicholas was about to push Tessa into the house, Andrew suddenly stopped them.

“Please wait a moment, Master Nicholas.” After he said that, he shot a look at the servant beside him. The servant immediately reacted to the signal and brought out a small charcoal brazier from the side.

“Master Nicholas, this is a customary practice. Please carry Madam Tessa in your arms and step over the charcoal brazier. The flames will burn away all the bad luck, allowing you to enjoy a prosperous future from now on.”

Nicholas didn't hesitate to scoop Tessa into his arms upon hearing those words and stepped over the charcoal brazier. Although he did not believe in superstitions and customary practices, he did not mind following them as long as they were good for Tessa.

When Stefania heard about this, she also decided to follow suit. She carried Gordon securely in her arms and stepped over the charcoal brazier

“Gordon will also enjoy a prosperous and peaceful life in the future!” She smilingly cooed at the baby in her arms. The others quickly joined in with various congratulatory words.

Tessa smiled blissfully at the sight. Not long afterward, they arrived in the living room. Still, there was another surprise waiting for them inside.

Bang! Colorful ribbons from handheld party poppers showered the air before they landed on Tessa and Nicholas. Kieran and Timothy's cheerful voices rang out together.

“Congratulations on your recovery, Tessa!” “Congratulations on your successful discharge from the hospital, Tessa and Gordon!”

Those two were not alone. Sofia, Marjorie, and their other friends were also gathered in the living room.

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“Welcome home, Tessa!” Every one of them offered sincere congratulations. At this moment, Mona rushed out of the crowd with a bouquet of flowers in her hand. She ran over and hugged Tessa tightly. “You scared me to death! I thought I was going to lose my best friend! But I’m so glad you’re all right!”

“I did not expect something like that to happen. either.” Tessa returned the hug and patted her best friend lightly on the back.

A short while later, Mona calmed down and released Tessa. Then, she seemed to think of something and smiled. “Miss Hathaway was. very worried about you too, but you know how she is... So, I was thinking of taking a picture with you and sending the picture to her later. Can I?”

“Of course.” Tessa nodded in agreement. Mona happily retreated to the side upon receiving Tessa’s green light on this matter.

Not long afterward, Tessa was surrounded by Sofia and all her other friends. They were also very concerned about her health and expressed great joy to see Gordon. Each of them also came bearing welcome gifts for Gordon.

Although it was Gordon’s first time meeting so many people, he was not afraid. In fact, he had a sweet smile on his face throughout the entire time.

Tessa was extremely touched by the warm scene before her. It made her feel very blessed.

That night, a small party was held at the Dynasty Gardens to celebrate Tessa and Gordon’s safe return. During the party, everybody smiled and chatted happily with each other. The atmosphere was very cozy and inviting.

After dinner, they gathered in the living room to resume their conversation.

Unfortunately, Tessa had only just been discharged from the hospital. So, her body had yet to recover completely. It seemed as though she had just been up for about five minutes before she quickly began to feel tired. The others soon noticed her fatigue and urged her to get some rest.

“Tobias and I will take care of things here. So, you can rest easy.” The one who spoke up was Stefania. She was truly worried about Tessa’s health.

Sofia and the others echoed their agreement. Tessa felt a burst of affection for her family and friends in the face of their genuine concern.

In the end, Nicholas carried her upstairs to rest. Gordon was already sleeping deeply in his cradle inside the room.

Tessa sat beside the cradle and lightly rocked it. The look in her eyes was very tender, and she couldn’t help sighing in amazement, “It doesn’t feel real at all.”

Nicholas happened to overhear her. So, he walked over and pulled her into his embrace. “Does it feel real now?” “Yeah, it feels real now.” She nodded lightly and returned his hug. The smile on her face was very sweet.

She snuggled against his chest and thought to herself that God was very kind to her. Not only was she reborn, but she also managed to survive such a catastrophe. More importantly, she even gave birth to such an adorable baby.

How could Nicholas not know what she was thinking? They cuddled for a while in comfortable silence.

After a while, Nicholas suddenly lowered his head to kiss her on the lips. His voice was indescribably tender and loving. “Get some rest. Tomorrow is Gordon’s baby shower, and we will be attending a banquet at a hotel. My parents have gone all out on the preparations for the special occasion, so the guests will be coming in droves just to attend the banquet.”



“A banquet? Why wasn’t I informed about anything? Who will be attending? What will I need to do?” Tessa had always assumed that a baby shower was only meant as a celebration among family members. She never imagined that the Sawyer Family would host a banquet in celebration. Thus, she couldn’t help feeling anxious and shot out a bunch of questions in a row.

He laughed at her anxious state and soothed her, “You don’t need to worry about anything. You just need to look pretty and show up with Gordon in your arms. Besides, this banquet is also for my parents to formally introduce you to the world.”

“Formally introduce me?” She immediately widened her eyes in shock. She never imagined that her in-laws would prepare such a surprise for her.

He tapped the bridge of her nose affectionately. “That’s right. You are the great hero of the Sawyer Family. How can we hide you behind the scenes forever?”

She was absolutely thrilled by this news. So, she raised her head and smiled brilliantly at him. “In that case, I need to rest early so that I will have the energy to stand in front of everybody tomorrow.” “You’re right. I’ll carry you to the bathroom to wash up.”

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Nicholas carried Tessa to the bathroom as he was the one who had been taking care of her these few days. When they were in the bathroom, he prepared the bath and turned around as he wanted to help Tessa remove her clothes.

Her face flushed crimson and became bashful as she looked at his outreached hand. “Um. I’ll do it myself.”

Then, she wriggled a bit and started taking her clothes off with her back facing him. An amused chuckle echoed in the bathroom. “Why are you still so shy, honey? It’s not the first time.”

Nicholas suddenly approached her and spoke right into Tessa’s ears. His actions only made her face burn brighter.

So, she reached out her hand and shoved him away in faux annoyance. “Stop it...”

But Nicholas couldn’t help but smile in response to her adorableness. After the bath, he carried her back to the bed.

Perhaps Tessa felt safe and secure in his arms as she fell asleep soon after. Nicholas’ eyes were filled with such tenderness as he watched her peacefully snoozing away.

“Goodnight.” He planted a kiss on her forehead as he held her in his embrace and slept. The moonlight shone in from outside the window, illuminating the bedroom. The scene was something out of a fairytale.

Alas, that serene painting was disturbed in the middle of the night because Gordon was wailing out of hunger.

So, Nicholas and Tessa were woken up by his cries. “Gordon’s hungry. Bring him to me and ask the maid to help make the milk.”

She was quick in making the appropriate arrangements. Nicholas listened to her instructions, immediately carried Gordon from the crib, and handed him to her.

Tessa lightly swayed the baby in her arms as she murmured, “Good boy, Gordon.”

Gordon’s cries gradually quietened under her gentle coaxing, but he was still fussing.

Although she was rather groggy due to interrupted sleep, Gordon’s cuteness was enough to make her heart swell.

After she teased Gordon for a little while, she lifted her head toward Nicholas to see an unexpected scene.

Nicholas was holding a milk bottle and making the milk skillfully. He made the milk himself instead of handing over the task to the maid.

She was so stunned that she blurted, “Why didn’t you ask the maid to help?” “We still need to wait if I call her over. So, I might as well do it myself,” he replied with a smile.

She figured that made sense as she looked in his direction with Gordon in her arms and said gently, ‘Gordon, look. Daddy’s making your milk.’ After she said that, she couldn’t help but laugh as she felt the situation was incredibly amusing.

To her, Nicholas’ hands were used to dictate the business world, or they could be used to write and sign papers.

Never would she have thought that there would be a day when those beautiful hands would be making milk. Tessa gazed at Nicholas dreamily and felt highly attracted to his fluid and skillful motions.

Well, he gained his experience from caring for Gregory in the past. So, it was only natural that he knew what to do. Regardless, when Nicholas noticed her gaze, he couldn’t help but ask curiously, “Why are you looking at me like that?”

“Nothing. I just think that you look very handsome while making the milk. Right, Gordon? Isn’t Daddy the most handsome man alive?”

She lowered her head to tease the little guy as she finished her sentence.

Naturally, Gordon wouldn’t be able to understand her. But he saw Tessa move closer to him and thought that she was playing with him. So, he waved his tiny hands around and babbled happily.

She also smiled back at him. “Look at you. All happy. You definitely think that Mommy’s right!”

Nicholas heard the gurgling laughter from Gordon and Tessa’s chiming giggles as a small smile slowly made itself known across his lips. He felt that he was experiencing halcyon days as his family was safe and happy.

Later, Nicholas gently placed Gordon back into his crib after they were done feeding him. Since Gordon was full, he stopped crying and fussing as he looked around with his adorable big round eyes.

His tiny lips were slightly open, and an innocent smile was plastered on his face. That melted Tessa’s heart as she lightly rocked the crib and hummed a lullaby to coax him to sleep.

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Since Gordon was still a newborn, he fell asleep very quickly.

Tessa was filled with such intense love as she laid her eyes on the baby in the crib. It was an emotion that couldn't be described by mere words alone. She didn't even want to blink as

she would miss seeing him. She was also reluctant to rest when Nicholas had urged her to return to bed. The following day, everyone got up early, as it was Gordon's baby shower.

The banquet was held at one of the hotels under the Sawyer Group's management. The place had a welcoming and gorgeous decor.

There was an endless stream of guests as all the rich and influential people in the city attended the party.

At the hotel entrance, Stefania, Tobias, and Remus arrived early and greeted each guest with a big smile. The guests were also congratulating them in return.

“Old Master Sawyer, congratulations on the new addition to the family.”

“Congratulations, Madam Sawyer, on becoming a grandma again.”

“Chairman Sawyer, congratulations on the birth. of your grandson.”

The elders of the Sawyer Family all accepted. their wishes with grace. On the other hand, Tessa and Nicholas arrived slightly later at the hotel because of her health.

Even so, nobody said anything snarky. On the contrary, their arrival immediately caught the attention of the crowd. Tessa was wearing a fitted dress and looked like she had lost a lot of weight, but she still looked radiant.

She was sitting upright in the wheelchair, had stunning elegant makeup, and her black hair was in an intricate updo with a beautiful hairpin securing it in place. Although it was clear that she wasn't fully recovered, she was still breathtaking.

Nicholas was like her protector as he stood behind her wheelchair. No one could ignore his tall, slender body, flawless handsome face, and dignified aura.

Gregory also donned a gray suit and stood by Tessa's side with a serious look on his chubby face.

If one were looking carefully, one would realize that his gaze kept going to Tessa's lap since she was holding on to one of the main characters of today's banquet, Gordon.

Gordon was dressed in new clothes as well and appeared cuter and more energetic than usual. His big round eyes were scanning the room as everything seemed interesting to him.

"Look, it's Tessa and President Sawyer. Quick. Take pictures!" The media finally reacted as they grabbed their cameras and pointed them at the beautiful family before them..

Some of them even stayed a distance behind the family, intending to follow them. As Tessa and Nicholas entered the hall, many guests came forward with good wishes.

"President Sawyer, congratulations on your baby." "The baby's so cute. He will definitely grow up to be a handsome man."

"Madam Tessa, you're blessed to have such a cute baby."

Both of them graciously thanked the guests for their well-wishes. On the other hand, many reporters were standing outside the hotel as they didn't receive an invitation.

They were filled with various thoughts as they flipped through the pictures they had just taken. “As expected of the first family in Southend. This baby shower is simply a gathering of the big tycoons.”

“Who would ignore the Sawyer Family’s invitation? I heard they are going to announce something important during the baby shower.”

“What is it?”

Some of them who were oblivious quickly started asking about the latest scoop, while the reporters who were in the know kept mum on the matter.

At the same time, the news was being posted online as well. The Sawyer Family’s grandson’s unparalleled baby shower. ‘The real winner in life is born with a golden. spoon-the Sawyer’s grandson.

A blessing in disguise for the young master of the Sawyer Family The emergence of these exciting pieces of news immediately caught the attention of numerous people online, as well as Tessa’s fans.

‘I’m so happy to finally hear about my goddess!’ Since the Sawyers can hold such a grand baby shower, our goddess and the baby should be safe and sound.”

Tessa’s fans had been desperately waiting for her latest update when they learned that she was receiving treatment at the hospital.

Unfortunately, all news regarding her had been. sealed away and kept secret since her accident. So, no one else but the Sawyer Family knew what had actually occurred.

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Now that they finally got some news regarding Tessa, her fans were all very excited. I finally get to see Tessa! She's gotten thinner, but she looks okay. My goddess. I will always wait for the day you return to the stage.

The little one on her lap should be the baby. I'm so curious about what he looks like. He most probably inherited her and President Sawyer's good looks.

"Aww. What a beautiful family. Can the reporters please post more pictures of them?"

Tessa and the others didn't know that the netizens were all begging for more pictures because the baby shower had begun. Remus strode on stage energetically and started his speech, "First of all, thank you, everyone, for attending my great-grandson's baby shower despite your busy schedules."

A round of applause rose at his words as reported took several pictures of him.

Remus waved his hand to quiet the guests as he continued, "I want to thank my granddaughter-in-law for not only saving my eldest great-grandson but also risking her life to deliver another great-grandson. Today, I would like to introduce my granddaughter-in-law to everyone."

Then, Nicholas pushed Tessa onto the stage. It was a great surprise to her as she didn't expect Remus to personally introduce her as the Sawyer's new mistress.

Another round of applause rang out as Remus looked dotingly at Tessa, who was slowly rolled out on stage. Once she got to the middle of the stage, he gently urged her, "Say hello to everyone."

Tessa nodded as her gaze landed on the guests below the stage and did a simple self-introduction. "Hi, everyone. I'm Tessa. A violinist. It's my pleasure to meet everyone here."



Everyone had a good impression of her as they watched the elegant lady speaking confidently onstage. “The woman that President Sawyer fell for indeed isn’t an ordinary Jane.”

“Just look at how she carries herself. I would have thought that she was an heiress from some big family if I didn’t know any better.”

“Even though she’s not from a prestigious family, she looks good standing next to President Sawyer. They look like a match made in heaven.”

“I heard she’s an amazing musician that even many foreign musicians approve of her. It would be an honor to hear her perform even one song.”

The crowd had a whispered discussion among themselves and started speculating if Tessa would perform on such an important day.

Sadly, they were off the mark as she didn’t plan on performing today. After all, she was the baby’s mother for today’s baby shower.

Even though she didn’t prepare anything, Gregory did. He even requested to do this as a present to his little brother, Gordon. Besides Gregory, Tessa’s seniors would also be performing to add some pizzazz to the celebration.

Some of the guests who had a relatively close relationship with the Sawyers all eagerly looked forward to the performance. This was especially so when they learned that Tessa’s seniors were all renowned international musicians, and tickets to their performances were hard to come by.

Even the reporters were thrilled to be in attendance and given the opportunity to write a news column about such a marvelous baby shower.

“I’m sure this baby shower would be something that nobody else can top in many years to come.” “Focus on filming. We can’t afford to miss even a single scene.”

After Remus' speech, Nicholas pushed Tessa down the stage while Remus focused on inviting everyone to enjoy the banquet and have fun. That was when the banquet officially started.

Soon, people started going up to Tessa and Nicholas with presents. "President Sawyer. Madam Tessa. This present is for the young master. I wish him a prosperous life."

"Thank you," Nicholas thanked him and motioned for Edward, who was standing by the side, to accept the present.

The exchange was noticed by the other guests who were looking at Tessa. So, they also approached the couple and presented their gifts. Some had even begun competing with one another as they would also name their presents when they handed them over to the happy couple.

At first, they thought that Nicholas and Tessa would open the presents to take a look, but that didn't happen as Edward arranged for the gifts to be kept away by the staff in the hall.

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The quests were a little disappointed by that. Of course, the competition among the guests didn't escape Tessa and Nicholas' eyes. That made Tessa a little uncomfortable.

Nicholas immediately noticed her mood and asked concernedly, "What's wrong? Are you tired?"

"It's not that. I just feel that these people are too eager. It's Gordon's baby shower today. I'm happy that they came and even prepared presents for him, but I don't care if the presents are expensive. It's the thought that counts. It feels like they were competing with each other using those very same presents."

Tessa expressed her thoughts softly, "The way that they're trying to earn our favor doesn't exactly make me happy." Nicholas only felt that she was adorably straightforward as he gazed at the undisguised displeasure on her face..

"It's okay. If you don't like that, we'll just ignore. them. I'll introduce you to my friends." Then, he pushed her toward his friends while giving Edward a look.

Edward understood Nicholas' hint and stepped forward to block the guests that wanted to chat them up.

Soon, Tessa was introduced to Nicholas' friends, and Ashton was among them. She slowly relaxed under their interesting and humorous conversations.

Even so, the competition continued at the banquet, but it wasn't happening within Tessa's line of sight.

On the other end, Sofia took a look at the time and directed people to the side of the stage to get ready for the performance.

The first show was a performance by Tessa's seniors, and the beautiful majestic music soon reverberated in the banquet hall. Everyone was captivated and mesmerized by the music.

As the song came to an end, a burst of applause greeted the performers. Next up was Gregory's turn. He carried the violin and regally walked up on stage like a little gentleman as he bowed to the guests.

"Even though my song may not be as impressive and beautiful as Uncle Marjorie's performance, I want to dedicate this song to Mommy and my little brother. I hope that we can live happily ever after as a family."

Then, he smiled sweetly at Tessa, who was beneath the stage. His innocent smile melted the hearts of many guests as well as Tessa, as she watched her little boy standing on the stage..

Finally, Gregory started his performance.

Even though his skill couldn't be compared to Majorie and the rest, he still learned under Tessa and Sofia. So, his playing was still exceptional for a young boy his age.

After the performance, everyone clapped, and the audience threw an endless stream of compliments at him..

After that, the show continued. Tessa felt her fingers twitch in want as she watched her seniors pour their hearts and emotions into every piece.

After all, for someone who loves the violin as she did, it suddenly evoked the long-suppressed desire due to not touching a violin. during her recovery.

Nicholas caught onto her expression and chuckled, "You want to play the violin?"  
"Yes Tessa didn't deny it.

Suddenly, her lap felt empty in the next second, Nicholas had carried Gordon away from her as he looked at her with tender eyes. “Go. Play a song. I know you want to.”

“... Maybe not,” Tessa hesitated and shook her head in refusal. She hadn’t played the violin for a long time. She could tell that her skills were not what they used to be.

Besides, Gordon required her entire focus. Of course, Nicholas understood her concern as he tilted his head and gave Gregory a look.

Gregory got his hint, placed the violin he was using earlier on Tessa’s lap, and urged, “Mommy. Go. I’ve not heard you play in so long. I’m sure Little Brother wants to hear it too.”

Tessa didn’t have the heart to refuse Gregory, especially when he said those words as she glanced at the violin on her lap. Then, Timothy pushed her onto the stage, and the audience fell silent.

Soon, a piece of gentle music flowed from the stage. Tessa closed her eyes as she lost herself in the music. Although she was still seated in the wheelchair, the contented smile painted on her face made it seem as though she was sitting in a cocoon enshrouded by love.

The song was light, warm, and filled with love as she dedicated this piece to her family.