

The Princess and the Pauper (Arabella)

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"Clark, I beg you, pretending you didn't hear anything!" Jack pleaded, his hands clasped together in prayer, "Whatever you want to know, ask our boss later when the time is right. Just don't say it came from me now! Or I'm done for!"

Clark didn't want to put him in a tough spot, so he simply said, "Whatever you tell me, I swear it stays with me. I won't breathe a word to Bella."

"Clark, some things even Romeo doesn't know. Spare me, play dumb, I beg you!"

If the boss found out he blabbed again, he'd surely be transferred to the triangular zone, and then he wouldn't be able to protect the boss all the time!

With all these weaklings around, he had to be the one to protect the boss personally at critical times.

Just then, Arabella appeared, "What are you guys talking about?"

Seeing Jack clasping his hands and begging for something, Arabella was puzzled, "What are you begging Clark for?"

"The boss is here." Jack felt doomed and quickly made up an excuse, "Well, Clark wanted to set me up with someone, this beautiful lady."

He flashed a picture he had taken earlier, "I was just begging Clark for her contact info."

Arabella was a bit speechless. In a time like this, he was still thinking about such things. She coldly said, "Get lost."

"Yes, yes." Jack breathed a sigh of relief, thankful that the boss didn't suspect anything.

"The comparison results are in. The blood traces in the living room, and the yard match that of Mr. and Mrs. Earwood."

The moment Arabella stopped talking, Clark's attention shifted, "You mean Carol's parents got hurt?"

"Yes." Arabella explained, "A villager mentioned that a few months ago, around two or three in the morning, a group of people went to Carol's house. Despite the rain, they were walking around in the yard. They were probably looking for Carol, accidentally startled her parents, and they got injured in the ensuing argument."

Arabella paused, then continued her analysis, "The villager said that for four or five days after the group appeared, the Earwoods' door never opened. Judging by the blood traces, the incident happened in the living room and then moved to the yard. So, I guess, during those days, the injured Mr. and Mrs. Earwood might have been taken away by that group. We don't know where they went and what they did"

Based on the villager's statement, Mr. and Mrs. Earwood returned only after four or five days, and soon after, they went out to look for Carol.

So, their disappearance that night is the key to solving this mystery.

"Did the powder get tested?" Clark asked, his mood heavy.

Arabella just mentioned that one of the ingredients in the powder was Aetherbloom, which was extremely toxic.

"Besides Aetherbloom, there are 16 other herbs. Each one is toxic."

"What about when they're combined?"

"The toxicity increases." Arabella said casually, "One of the lab rats just died. It took the poison and died instantly."

There wasn't even time to save it.

Clark's heart clenched, "You're saying Carol might have taken this poison.

She's been missing for a year. Was she forced to take this lethal poison and then dumped?

So, all these powers couldn't find her.

Because she's no longer in this world.

Thinking about this, Clark felt a pain in his chest that nearly suffocated him.

"Not necessarily." Arabella analyzed, "What if she used this poison on someone else?"

"What do you mean?" Clark didn't understand.

"Considering how many people are looking for her, this poison might be her self-defense mechanism. To keep it hidden, she put it in a vitamin C bottle. That bottle looks old, and she must have used it for a long time."

"Boss, according to your theory, Mrs. Clark would have to poison a ton of people with this."

Arabella gave him a look, and Jack immediately shut up.

"Carol is physically weak, it's possible that this poison might really be for her self-defense.'