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Before the dean could interject, Minnie fixed her gaze on Hannah and proposed, "How much are you seeking? I'll purchase your thesis. The Glyn family is not short on resources."

"I am not lacking in resources either."

Hannah's response was resolute.

"I shall not sell my thesis."

Minnie, brimming with indignation, threatened, "Isn't it splendid to be a teacher? Believe it or not, I'll ensure you can't remain at this institution!"

As Minnie's temper flared, she dialed a number promptly, declaring, "Melina! There's someone at the school causing me trouble. Bring assistance here immediately!"

Hannah's insight into this matter was undeniably accurate and the dean couldn't help but roll his eyes. His primary concern was avoiding any incidents that might sour the relationship between the Glyn and Mitchell families, so he discreetly dispatched a message to an individual.

In a remarkably short span of time, Melina arrived at the school as the initial responder. She exuded an air of elegance and nobility, even in her casual attire.

Upon entering the room, she swiftly made her way to Minnie and inquired, "Minnie, what transpired? Who has mistreated you?"

"It's this teacher! She has refused to sell her wretched thesis to me! Even if I were to publish it, what could she possibly do?"

Only then did Melina's gaze shift to the presence of Hannah in the office.

Her countenance registered shock, as it appeared she had not anticipated that the source of the commotion would be none other than Hannah.

"Miss Moore?"

"You know her?"

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Minnie scrutinized Hannah with suspicion.

"She's just a teacher. How is she connected to you?"

Melina responded with a gracious smile, "She's a friend of Bryson's.

We've met on several occasions."

Observing that they were all acquainted with one another, the dean approached with a genial smile, remarking, "Well, given your shared acquaintanceship, let's chalk this up to a misunderstanding. It's not befitting for friends to be at odds."

“Miss Moore, I must extend my sincerest apologies. My sister has been rather indulged by our family since childhood and her manners may be lacking. I hope you can find it in your heart to overlook this incident.”

Melina approached Hannah, speaking in a tone that suggested familiarity.

“You see, some time ago, I engaged her tutor to help her choose a topic for her thesis. I never anticipated that she would procure a thesis from an external source without informing us.

I share some responsibility for this situation as well. Please accept my apologies on her behalf, Miss Moore.”

Minnie hadn't expected her sister to offer an apology to this teacher and she hesitated before rising to her feet.