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A contract marriage?

Winston was close to fainting as he fought against the urge to slap Jasper. However, he was the most puzzled by his daughter.

He thought it was outrageous enough that his brazen daughter went to serve as a war medic on the battlefield. To his dismay, she had gotten married without his knowledge. In the three years she was gone. Worse, she was involved in a contract marriage with Jasper.

He really wanted to know what was going on in her mind.

Jasper felt his eyes growing heavy with tears. There was a suffocating burden on his chest.

Now that she was on the verge of leaving him for good and sealing the unhappy chapters of their lives during Newton's birthday, Jasper demanded an answer for the separation.

"If I recall correctly, our first encounter happened three years ago. Why didn't you reject Grandpa's suggestion of marrying me? Why?" 1

Alyssa squinted at him without any feeling. "Why are you dwelling on the details after the divorce? Maybe I had nothing better to do than to get a taste of marriage. Grandpa happened to give me an opportunity to do so."

"Alyssa Taylor!" Jasper called her real name in anger. "What I need is an answer. I need your truth!"

"Mr. Beckett, our past might be dark, but the future is bright. Let's look to the future and leave the past behind."

She reached out for a handshake and continued, "We might be business rivals the next time we come across each other. I will not go easy on you, and I hope you will respect me as a worthy opponent by doing your best."

She had wanted to remind Jasper not to be held back by their past romance. On second thought, she rephrased her words because he had never loved her.

Jasper felt as though his heart was emptied. He breathed hard but could not bring himself to shake her hand. He feared that the handshake might be a last farewell.

She shrugged and entered the car without a care. Just as the car was about to leave, she rolled down the windows and stared at him. He felt his heart beating wildly, only to stiffen at what she said next.

"Mr. Beckett, see you at 9:00 am at the city hall,"

The luxury car rolled past Jasper, its wheels seemingly crushing his heart. Standing behind Jasper was Newton, who stealthily wiped away tears. Meanwhile, Javier had an inexplicable look on his face.

"Oh, what? Do you finally appreciate her now that she's left? Feeling regretful?" Newton snickered at his son.

Javier muttered, "Dad, I..." 1

You don't need a paternal test to tell that Jasper is one of yours! The two of you are equally ignorant!"

Javier swallowed down his fury and frustration. It was unbelievable that the country girl with a medical background, who had kept a low

profile for three years, was revealed as the beloved daughter of the Taylor family right after her divorce from Jasper!