To Be Yours Again by Taylor

Chapter 6 Jenny's Pride

"I never joke," she said with a proud smile. Clearly, she was very confident. If she hadn't divorced Alec, she would probably still be living her retirement life, so she wouldn't have had a chance to save Faye. Perhaps it was fate telling her that Faye deserved to live.

After a brief discussion about Faye's condition, she and Alec left the room. Only then did the smiles on their faces fade away, their solemn expressions returning. "She should have had an operation earlier."

"I know," he admitted, nodding, "but I only just got wind of you."

"I'm not the only one in this country who can perform this operation."

Jenny stared at him, unable to comprehend why Alec insisted on having her perform the surgery.

"Yes, others can do it too," replied Alec. He was silent for a moment before he continued, "but I do not dare to take the risk."

Jenny's reputation as an internationally renowned neurosurgeon was unrivaled; therefore, Alec preferred to wait until he found Jenny before letting Faye take the slightest risk.

Jenny understood what he meant, and her heart sank a little. For his lover, Alec was willing to exhaust any possible means.

In the midst of all of his consideration for Faye, had he ever thought of his wife, whom he had never met? Correction. Had he ever thought of his ex-wife? She was angry, but not because she liked Alec. Her pride just couldn't take it. Jenny had always been a tough, headstrong person. She always strived to be the best and never took offense to any insult. However, marrying Alec was the first time she felt humiliated.

It was one thing that Alec didn't fancy her and another for him never to meet her throughout their marriage. Despite her steadfastness and independence, she couldn't accept it. Everything would have been fine after the divorce if they didn't infringe on each other's boundaries. However, Alec came looking for her for the sake of his little lover's life. It would have been odd if she was fine with it. Yet, she wasn't someone who could ignore a patient's pleas for help, which aggrieved her greatly.

"Don't get happy too soon, Mr. Faust. Although I promised to save Miss Lawrence, there are several conditions."

She had to make him pay, or she would lose out.

"Name them."

On the contrary, Alec was afraid that she would have no conditions. Things would be much easier if she set conditions.

After a moment of thought, Jenny answered, "I'm planning to build a laboratory, and I need funds and equipment."

"No problem, everything will be provided by the Faust Group," he replied. "Parrington Hospital lacks the latest surgical equipment," she added.

"The Faust Group will be responsible for providing it."

He would have done that even if Jenny had never mentioned it. After all, he wouldn't allow Faye to take any risk.

The way he agreed to her conditions with so much ease made Jenny feel weird. She couldn't discern what emotion was stinging her heart, but it did not feel good.

"Mr. Faust, you're willing to do anything for Miss Lawrence. Aren't you?"

"Yes, because she is very important to me," he answered, nodding without hesitation. How could the person entrusted to him by his savior before his death be unimportant?

It turned out that he was not as ruthless as the rumors said. He was only cruel when it came to Jenny.

She decided not to concern herself with it. After all, they had divorced, and the operation procedure would be their last interaction.

"Is that so? Since that's the case, why don't you donate a building? The hospital is short of an inpatient building."

Parrington Hospital was impoverished; they had a limited number of beds, and many patients could not be hospitalized. Asking Alec to donate a building would benefit the doctors and patients in Parrington.

Alec's face went dark with gloom immediately. Gritting his teeth, he replied in annoyance, "Dr. Walter, you really care for your hospital, don't you?"

The equipment fund alone would cost him millions. Now he was expected to donate a whole building, which would cost him a few million.

Although Alec was clearly unhappy, Jenny couldn't care less.

"Since you don't seem too keen, I won't force you. However, Miss Lawrence—" "I'll donate a building!" he forced himself to say. He figured she must have known that he would agree to any condition.

Indeed, Jenny was confident he would agree. After all, no amount of money was worth more than his beloved.

"Do you have any other conditions, Dr. Walter? Just name them all right now." Exuding an imposing air, he stared at her, his expression livid. It was as if he would strangle her if she named another condition.

Jenny knew she was testing his limits at this point. In addition, she would have agreed to perform the surgery even if Alec refused to comply with her request. Hence, she was delighted with the outcome.

Shaking her head, she said, "That's it."

"The surgery—"

"The surgery will commence once you donate the equipment to Parrington Hospital," she replied.

"The equipment will arrive here tomorrow morning," he answered. Staring at her seriously, he said, "I'll leave Faye's life in your hands, Dr. Walter."