

INT ANNE'S APARTMENTS NIGHT

Anne is asleep in bed. Sarah unlocks the secured door and enters. She sits on the bed. Watches Anne for a second. Leans over and blows air in her face.

Anne flickers awake. Stares at her, stunned.

ANNE

Your face.

SARAH

Do I look that bad? If I was a man it would seem quite dashing, a scar like this.

ANNE

Where have you been Sarah? Why did you leave like that?

SARAH

I went riding, some bandits attacked me, it took me a while to fight them off.

ANNE

Your poor face.

SARAH

You should see them. And you have been well I trust? Well taken care of. Men were eventually sent to find me I hear.

ANNE

I worried for you. I... thought you were... You did not do it to hurt me?

SARAH

I do not play games with you.

ANNE

I know. I know.

Anne gets up and moves to her night table puts on a robe. Sarah goes to her takes her hand, gently.

SARAH

Look at me. I will say this plainly and once my dearest one, you must send Abigail away.

Anne stares at her.

SARAH (CONT'D)

From my heart Mrs Morley. Do it.

ANNE

I do not want to.

SARAH

She is a viper.

ANNE

You are jealous, it is very sweet. You always said I needed too much love from you. Now with you both I have enough. Please accept that. Love her as me. You have been rather mean to her, I would also like that to change.

SARAH

You will do as I tell you.