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The set-up of the security company was firmed up, and the relevant matters could be left to Elliot. Tom would deal with the North Sky Association.

Phoebe was on the right track now. She listened to Tom's suggestion, appropriately delegated her power, and did not put the entire company on her shoulders. Gradually, she felt relaxed a lot. She was not so busy every day, and her mood became better.

However, she had been a little restless these two days. She always felt as if someone was staring at her in the shadows, but every time she looked back, she saw nothing. This feeling was especially terrible.

She didn't tell Tom about it, thinking that she was hallucinating.

It seemed that Tom was right. She really needed to hire a bodyguard.

Today, when she came out of the company, a little girl suddenly came over with a note in her hand and said to her, "Big sister, someone is looking for you."

Phoebe was a little surprised. She looked around and found no one strange. She asked curiously, "Little girl, who is looking for me?"

The little girl said coquettishly, "That pretty sister said that you would know

her as long as you went over."

"A pretty sister?" Phoebe was stunned again, and then she frowned. Was it the seductive woman she met the other day when she was shopping for clothes?

She gritted her teeth and cursed Tom in her heart. This guy was not really messing around with some other woman, was he?

On the surface, she squatted down and said to the little girl with a smile, "Little girl, what's the name of that beautiful sister? How does she look? Is she especially charming?"

The little girl shook her head and said, "That pretty sister didn't say her name.

She is very good-looking in red, and she doesn't like to laugh. Big sister, hurry up. She is waiting for you. I'm going home to do my homework. Bye."

After that, the little girl hopped away.

Phoebe frowned even more. She opened the note in her hand and there read an address. It was a park not far from here. That woman was waiting for her by the lake.

The writing was especially beautiful. Every word seemed to be full of spirit as if it would fly away when it was released.

Seeing this wonderful handwriting, Phoebe was inexplicably jealous. Her handwriting was considered beautiful, but compared with this woman's, there was still a big gap between them, which increased her curiosity about that woman.

However, she did not dare to rush over. She was not the silly girl anymore, and now she was quite cautious. She would not afford one single mishap, and caution would be the best choice.

So she called for two subordinates to come over and accompany her. If there was an emergency, they could immediately call the police.

She could have ignored it, but she had an inexplicable feeling that this woman would not harm her. It was this sixth sense that made her decide to meet her personally.

Soon, she walked to the park. Besides the artificial lake, she saw a red figure standing by the lake with her back to her.

This figure had an inexplicable sense of mystery. Phoebe thought for a while and decided to walk over.

Phoebe asked the two subordinates to wait at a short distance. If there was anything wrong, they must call the police immediately.

After everything was ready, Phoebe walked over to the red figure with ease. Phoebe said, "I'm Phoebe. Are you looking for me?"

The red figure turned around and Phoebe was immediately amazed. The

woman in front of her was so beautiful!

In an instant, the inferiority feeling arose from Phoebe's heart!

This was incredible. Phoebe had always been very confident in her beauty. No matter what kind of beauty she met, she was always confident. But facing this woman in front of her, she lost her confidence.

In fact, she was too perfectly beautiful. Her face was flawless. Phoebe had never met such a woman before.

Her temperament stunned Phoebe particularly. That woman was like a fairy. Phoebe even suspected that if she blinked, this pretty woman would immediately ride on a cloud to leave.

This woman was Sunny. She came to find Phoebe.

While Phoebe was looking at her, she was also looking at Phoebe, nodding secretly in her heart. Brother Tom's wife was quite beautiful, superior to many women in the organization.

She glanced at the two subordinates behind Phoebe and said with a smile, "You're quite careful that you ask two subordinates to watch your back. However, you're still too sloppy. If I really want to do something to you, you two subordinates won't help at all."

Phoebe immediately became nervous when she heard this. She subconsciously wanted to signal the two subordinates to call the police.

However, she held back because her intuition told her that this woman was not hostile to her.

"Who are you?" Phoebe asked seriously.

Such a beautiful woman with such outstanding temperament could never be normal, nor could she come to her without any purpose!

Sunny said, "My name is Sunny, Tom's sister."

Phoebe was surprised. She remembered Tom was an only child and had no sister.

"Are you kidding me? Tom is an only child and has no sister." Phoebe said.

Sunny didn't explain. She said, "I just came to meet you. You don't have to be afraid."

Phoebe straightened up and said, "I am not afraid."

Sunny smiled faintly and said, "You weren't good enough for my brother, but he loves you very much. You're not bad, so I won't interfere. Okay, you can go back."

Phoebe was puzzled and said, "You came here specially to talk to me about this?"

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Phoebe rationally felt that Sunny was lying and making up stories, but deep down, she still believed Sunny's words. With Tom's performance during this period of time, Phoebe also thought that Tom would be extraordinary in the future, and he would have less time to be with her.

She was smart enough to understand what Sunny was trying to say. She said, "Don't worry. Since I chose Tom, I will never change my mind. Also, are you really Tom's sister? Why haven't I heard him talk about you?"

Sunny said, "He hasn't seen me yet."

Phoebe was stunned, "???"

She wanted to say something more. Sunny continued, "Okay, you go back and remember what you just said."

Then, a blinding flash occurred. When Phoebe opened her eyes again, Sunny was gone. She widened her eyes and thought she had seen a ghost!

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After a while, she came back to her senses and said "monster" secretly, then she walked back.

"Did you see the woman in red who was chatting with me just now?"

Phoebe asked two subordinates.

The two subordinates answered that they saw it. There was no surprise or abnormality on their faces, and they looked especially ordinary.

This made Phoebe mutter even more, but she did not ask further.

With questions, Phoebe returned home. Tom was reading the newspaper in the living room. When he saw her happened? Tell your husband."

Phoebe looked up and thought about it. She still said, "Do you have a sister?"

Now it was Tom's turn to be surprised. He had always been an only child. When did he have a sister?

"No, I'm an only child." Tom thought of something and said, "What? Did someone pretend to be my sister today and come to you?"

Phoebe nodded and said, "She claimed to be your sister. She's very beautiful. She said her name is Sunny."

"Sunny?" Tom frowned even more. He had never heard of the name, nor did he have a sister.

coming back, he took the initiative to welcome her and get her bag.

Phoebe felt Tom's tenderness towards her, and she felt especially warm deep in her heart.

Several times, Phoebe wanted to ask Tom if he had a sister, but every time when she was about to say something, she held back and did not say it. Tom was so sharp that he quickly sensed Phoebe had something on her mind and asked, "Do you have something to ask me?"

"Ah? No." Phoebe shook her head and lowered her head to eat.

Her behavior betrayed her. Tom stopped and asked seriously: "What

"Really? What did she tell you?" Tom asked curiously.

Phoebe told him what happened today. After Tom heard it, a sharp gleam flashed in his eyes!

Being able to disappear in front of Phoebe in the blink of an eye, she must be a master in the Innate Realm.

Tom's first thought was that she was from the North Sky Association.

But immediately, he overturned this conjecture. If it was someone from the North Sky Association, he would never let Phoebe go easily. Besides, the master in the Innate Realm was arrogant, how could he do such a low-grade thing.

Then, there was only one possibility left. The person who claimed to be his sister was from the LT Organization!

Thinking of this, Tom was inevitably nervous.

During this period of time, the LT Organization had been like a mountain, pressing on his heart and forcing him to improve.

Raven who appeared not long ago was already powerful enough, but now there was a top master in Innate Realm! How could Tom stay relaxed? Most importantly, he didn't know if the other party was an enemy or a friend.

Seeing Tom's solemn look, Phoebe said, "Tom, isn't this woman your sister?"

Tom thought about it and said, "It should be my long-lost sister. I believe she will come to me soon. You don't have to worry. It's okay."

Only then did Phoebe relax a little and she said, "That's good."

These things couldn't be told to Phoebe to avoid making her worried.

The next morning, Tom went to Master Chou and asked directly, "Who's Sunny?"

Tom stared into Master Chou's eyes.

Master Chou's eyes flashed with surprise. Was Master Sunny looking for Tom?

"Master Sunny went to see you?"

Master Chou asked.

When Tom heard this, he relaxed a lot.

Master Chou's posture meant that

Sunny was at least not an enemy. "No,
she went to Phoebe."

Master Chou was surprised again. He said, "Master Sunny is the Goddaughter of the Saintess, your godsister, and a member of the LT Organization."

Tom quickly found the key point and said, "My mother sent her here? Where is she now? Take me to see her."

Master Chou shook his head and said, "I don't know where Master Sunny is. She comes and goes without leaving a trace. I can't know her whereabouts."

Tom frowned slightly. He could tell that Master Chou was not lying, and he didn't ask why Master Chou hadn't informed him earlier that Sunny would come to see him. Master Chou had never been his loyal subordinate.

Then Tom didn't ask any more about it, because he knew that it was useless for him to ask. When the time came, this woman named Sunny would naturally appear.

Master Chou asked first, "Young Master, did you go to the North Sky Association branch yesterday to look for troubles?"

"That's right." This was no secret. Tom had no need to hide it.

Master Chou said, "That branch belongs to Peter. Rafael is Peter's subordinate. You are slapping Peter in the face when you do things like this. I believe Peter will come to trouble you soon."

Tom shrugged and said indifferently, "This is what you've always wanted to see."

Master Chou said solemnly, "The North Sky Association is not that easy to deal with, especially Peter, who is even more powerful and unfathomable. Many people have guessed that he has reached the Innate Realm. Young Master, you should be careful then."

Feeling that Master Chou was

concerned about him, Tom also put away his teasing and nodded, "Don't worry, I'll be careful. But I guess the next person to come to me should be Wade. Amelia told me that Wade had taken the Purification Pill, and now he might be in Innate Realm."

"Amelia?" Master Chou's face immediately revealed a gossipy expression.

Tom rolled his eyes and said, "Don't guess. Amelia and I are just friends. We met by chance and she told me."

However, Master Chou nodded and said solemnly, "Amelia is a good woman. She is born to be charming. I heard that she hasn't lost her virginity for many years as required by her

cultivation. She is a good cauldron for men. She is a great tonic for the masters in the Innate Realm. If the Young Master can have sex with Amelia to cultivate. Young Master's martial arts will improve a lot."

Tom almost kicked Master Chou and scolded, "Shut up! What do you mean by saying this? Am I that kind of person? I'm already married."

Master Chou did not smile, but said with a serious expression, "Young Master, I'm serious. I'm not joking. Since ancient times, powerful men have many wives and concubines. Young Master, you are the only son of the Saintess. You have a special talent, and you can't live with a woman for the rest of your life."

"Say it again and I'll hit you!" Tom glared. This Chou was talking nonsense. Was he such a person!

Master Chou shut up and said nothing more.

At the same time, as for Wade's side, he had already arrived at the North Sky Association branch. After listening to Rafael's explanations, he narrowed his eyes and was furious. He slammed the table hard and smashed it into pieces, "What a Tom! Fcuk! How dare he run to my place and act wild! I want him to die miserably!"

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It was silent in the North Sky Association. No one dared to speak at this time for fear of provoking Wade.

Wade was so angry that he felt he was burning. Tom had gone too far! He was so kind to him that he didn't get even with Tom, but Tom dared to come to his place!

Wade was bad-tempered and he couldn't stand Tom. He even wanted to rush to the ZQ Media immediately and punched Tom to death.

However, he was not insane. He took a deep breath and scolded Rafael, "How did you take charge of North Sky Association? How could Tom alone

bully all of you?"

Rafael was upset, but he didn't dare to talk back. Wade was Peter's precious son. He said bitterly, "Mr. Hall, it's not that I'm useless, but that Tom is powerful. All of us can't beat him. I think only a talented genius like you, Mr. Hall, can teach him a lesson."

Wade's face brightened up when he heard Rafael's flattery. He nodded and said, "That's true. Tom is indeed not easy to deal with. Only I can crush him."

Rafael quickly nodded and echoed, "Yes. Young Master, you're right."

"Well, you don't have to flatter me anymore. Tell me, how capable Tom is? Has he reached the Innate Realm?"

Wade said with some fear. Although he ad already taken the top-grade Purification Pill, it had not been completely digested, and he didn't reach the Innate Realm yet.

If Tom was the expert of Innate Realm, then he was no match for Tom. He had to rely on his father Peter to get revenge.

"Innate Realm?" Rafael was shocked, then shook his head and said, "No, I don't think so. He's not very dominating."

Hearing this, Wade breathed a sigh of relief. As long as Tom didn't reach the Innate Realm, he was confident of defeating Tom.

Actually, he felt that he was overthinking. How could Tom reach the Innate Realm so easily? He himself was persevered and had a strong will but he had to rely on his father Peter's protection. And now he was only half a step away from the Innate Realm.

Tom had auctioned off the top-grade Purification Pill, whose effect was even more terrifying. And it meant that the one who took the pill would suffer even more. How could a pretty boy like Tom have the will to survive?

After thinking about it, he felt much more relaxed and planned to go even with Tom in the near future. Now, he was much stronger than before and he would definitely torture Tom to death.

he couldn't help but get excited as long as he thought of that scene.

In the past days, Tom had a short rest and focused on consolidating his realm.

He knew that idle life would not last long. He had gone to the North Sky Association and beaten them up, so the North Sky Association would definitely come to him.

All of this was what he expected. The most important thing was to improve his strength. Only when he was strong could he have the initiative in hands.

If he guessed right, Wade would come to him.

And now Wade probably didn't know that he had reached the Innate Realm

but still thought that he could beat him up.

It was good. So Tom would beat him up out of the blue.

During this period, Tom was tracking down the existence of the LT Organization, but when he sent out his own information, he still couldn't find any trace of it, as if there was no such organization.

He was quite powerful but he still couldn't find LT Organization, which showed that the organization was quite mysterious. No wonder even Amelia doesn't know about it.

And during this period of time, Tom did not sense the existence of Sunny. He

was not sure whether that was because Sunny's martial arts were much better than him or that she was no longer in H City.

Elliot was very efficient. In just two days, he found a new office building and got the documents.

With Tom's performance that day, it was much easier to hire people now.

As a security company, they paid attention to martial arts the most. Tom would personally train the staff and they would be good.

In addition to the male bodyguards, Tom also asked Elliot to recruit a group of capable female bodyguards, who would be responsible for Phoebe's safety.

This summer vacation passed quickly, and Phoebe's younger brother, Logan, went back to school.

"Brother-in-law, can you send me to school?"

Tom was reading a newspaper in the living room when Logan came over and asked expectantly.

"I have to go to the company later, so I couldn't send you." Tom said. He only had two days to rest. How could he waste his time on Logan?

Logan immediately put on a pitiful look. He moved his butt over and said pitifully, "Brother-in-law, I beg of you to send me to school. I'll introduce you

to beautiful girls."

Tom was almost choked by his words, and Elizabeth next to him immediately hit him over the head and scolded Logan, "Bastard, what are you talking about? Are you looking for death?"

Logan touched his head, and said quickly, "Mom, it hurts so much. I was just joking. But brother-in-law, please send me to school today. Brother-in-law, please."

As soon as he finished speaking, Elizabeth pinched his ear again and scolded, "Your brother-in-law has several companies to manage. How can he have the time to send you to school? You're not a young boy anymore. You can go to school by

yourself. Don't bother your brother-inlaw!"

Since knowing Tom's identity, Elizabeth's attitude towards Tom had changed totally.

Logan looked very aggrieved, and his eyes were filled with fear and horror. Tom noticed that and said, "Are you in trouble, so you don't dare to go to school alone?"

Logan nodded first, then shook his head and said, "No, I just want you to send me to school."

Tom could tell he was in trouble and didn't dare to go alone for fear of being beaten up.

After thinking about it, Tom said,

"Okay, I'll go with you."

Logan was immediately happy. "Thank you, brother-in-law! I will definitely introduce beautiful girls later... Ouch! Mom, why did you hit me again? It hurts!"

"If you dare to introduce girls to your brother-in-law again, I will not only hit you but also kill you." Elizabeth scolded angrily.

Tom rolled his eyes helplessly, went upstairs to change his clothes, and then sent Logan to school.

"Tell me, what trouble did you get?" After getting in the car, Tom said angrily.

Logan said, "It's Acre. He has learned

some kungfu from a master and becomes very arrogant. The last time I went to karaoke with my friends and we were bullied by them. Now that school starts, they will definitely block me at the school gate."

"So you want me to send you to school?" Tom asked.

"Yes, brother-in-law, you are a big shot now. You are so awesome. You can ask your bodyguards to come here. and they will be scared to death. They won't dare to bully me again in the future." Logan flattered him and asked, "By the way, brother-in-law, where are your bodyguards? Why didn't I see them?"

Tom said, "I don't have any

bodyguards."

"Ah?!" Logan panicked immediately and said hurriedly, "No way, brother-in-law! Acre and I have agreed to fight on the first day of school. Now he must have asked a lot of experts to come. If we go there alone, we will definitely be badly tortured by them! Brother-in-law, I'm okay, but you're different. You're a big shot. If you get beaten up, your reputation will be ruined. So let's get some awesome bodyguards over here and beat Acre and the others down!"

Tom shook his head and said, "I never bring bodyguards."

Logan was even more dumbfounded when he heard this. He said quickly,

"Then I won't go to school. I'll just quit school and work in my sister's company!"

As he spoke, Logan was about to get out of the car and Tom scolded him, "Come back."

"Brother-in-law... If we go there, we will be killed." Logan said with a sad face.

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Tom did not continue, but began to close his eyes to rest.

In fact, Tom knew that during this period of time, Logan had been out and causing trouble. It was just that Tom was very busy, so he couldn't spare time to care about him. Now that he knew Logan was in trouble, Tom could not stand by.

When Logan saw that Tom was determined to rush over alone, he was so anxious that he almost burst into tears. He was regretted it. Had he known such a result, he should not have asked Tom to take him to school!

Now Tom had closed his eyes. Logan

felt hopeless, but he did not dare to disturb him anymore.

"Acre, do you think Logan dares to come?"

A few hundred meters away from the school, there were already more than a dozen people standing there, smoking. It was obvious that they were hooligans. Three of them were particularly large, middle-aged men, who were fierce and didn't look like nice people.

Acre had a cigarette in his mouth, had a puff, and said with a grim smile, "Don't worry, Logan will definitely come. The last time I showed weakness to him, making him think I was really afraid of him. With his nature, he will definitely

come when I ask him to have a fight this time."

A younger man immediately flattered, "Haha, if Logan really dares to come, he's dead!"

"Recently, Logan has made some money by relying on his brother-in-law. Thus, he acts like a tyrant. He's so arrogant that last time, he beat my bro and had sex with a lot of girls. When I see that jerk, I want to kill him!"

"Yeah, I really hate him. Fuck!"

Acre's expression became sinister. He smiled grimly and said, "Humph! He won't be happy much longer. Today, I have specially invited three masters to come over, each of whom can fight

more than ten of them. His brother-inlaw is also a good-for-nothing. If his brother-in-law really dares to come over, I will beat him together! I haven't even settled with his brother-in-law about what happened last time!"

After Acre finished speaking, he slammed the cigarette butt on the ground and stepped on it hard with his right foot, as if the cigarette butt was Logan's brother-in-law.

The last time Acre was taught a lesson by Tom, so he bore him a grudge and wanted to take revenge. Now Acre had the opportunity, so he must vent his anger!

Thinking of this, he was very excited and said to the three masters, "Uncle,

Logan's brother-in-law may come over later. This guy is a martial artist. He knows some kungfu. Are you okay?"

Uncle said disdainfully, "A martial artist? I'm good at fighting martial artists! Acre, don't worry. With Uncle here today, your enemy will be beaten and kneel down in front of you, apologizing and begging for mercy."

After saying that, he threw a punch on the wall and made an obvious mark on it. With a loud bang, Acre and other young people looked at him with admiration.

Acre became even more excited, as if he had seen Logan and Tom kneeling in front of him begging for mercy. At that time, he would take a picture and send it to the campus network, letting everyone know that Acre was the king in this university!

Compared to Acre's ambition, Logan was in a different mood. Now he was especially nervous and uneasy. The closer he got to school, the paler his face became, and even broke out in a cold sweat.

Tom saw him like this and said, "Are you scared?"

Logan forced a smile and said, "No, no."

Tom shook his head and was very disappointed with Logan. Although Logan and Phoebe had the same parents, he was so bad compared to her. There was nothing he could do but

flirt with girls and make trouble all day long.

"Brother-in-law, why don't we go back? I'm really sorry. Please..." Logan pleaded.

Tom said, "What are you panicking about? You're an adult too. You can't be panicked like this when you encounter difficulties. Otherwise, you won't be able to make a living in the society in the future."

Logan said with a sad expression, "I thought you would have a lot of bodyguards to protect you. Who knows you don't have any bodyguards?"

"Then go and reason with him." Tom

said.

Logan was even more flustered when he heard this. He knew what kind of person Acre was. If only he could reason with Acre, he wouldn't be so afraid.

Time passed very quickly. In a short while, they already arrived at the open space. Logan saw Acre and more than a dozen people, carefully examining each passing car.

Immediately, Logan's forehead broke out in cold sweat and his legs shook. He kept swallowing and was about to cry.

Acre had more than a dozen people with him, but he only had Tom and a

driver. They were doomed to lose today.

Tom opened his eyes and said to the driver, "Just stop here."

"Brother-in-law..." Logan let out a wail and trembled. He grabbed Tom's hand and was about to kneel down for Tom.

The driver stopped the car, and Tom got out of the car. Then he said to Logan, who was still in the car, "Get out of the car."

As soon as he got out of the car, Acre and others immediately found him. They all opened their eyes wide, showing excited and angry expressions, and strode over, "They're here. This is Logan's brother-in-law.

Let's kill them!"

"Something's wrong, Acre. How come only one car shows up? Is there an ambush?"

Acre scolded fiercely, "What the hell are you waiting for? We have more than a dozen people. Uncle and other two masters are here to help us. Don't be afraid of them! Go up with me and kill them."

In the car, Logan was even more scared when he saw Acre and others coming over in a murderous manner. He refused to get out of the car, making Tom a little impatient. He ordered, "Get out of the car. I won't say it for the third time."

Sensing Tom's anger, Logan did not dare to disobey. He got out of the car obediently. When he looked up and saw Acre and others coming over, his legs were trembling so much that he could hardly stand still.

Tom cursed him, "Good-for-nothing."
Then Tom looked at Acre and his men,
who had already walked in front of
him.

Acre walked up to him in a threatening manner. When he saw that there were really only Logan and Tom, he burst out laughing and said, "Logan, you are really bold. We are here to have a fight, but you only take your brother-in-law with you? Do you think your brother-in-law is a martial arts expert who can beat more than a dozen of us?"

His words caused a burst of laughter from others, and they looked at Logan, as if he was a fool.

Logan trembled even more. He said, "Acre, don't be ridiculous. My brotherin-law is the chairman of the ZQ Media. If you dare to hurt us, my brother-in-law will not spare you!"

"The chairman of the ZQ Media?" Acre teased, "Oh, I'm really scared. Your brother-in-law is really powerful. Hahaha, why don't you say that your brother-in-law is the Jade Emperor?"

Logan was very angry, but he was also afraid. It was obvious that Acre would not let him go, and it was inevitable that he would be beaten up.

"Brother-in-law, what should we do? They'll beat you up together."

Tom asked him back, "Then what do you think we should do? This is your fault."

Logan gritted his teeth and said fiercely, "Brother-in-law, I'll stop them later. You get in the car and run, and then call the police!"

Tom was a little surprised and said, "You stay here by yourself? Aren't you afraid of being killed?"

Logan sighed and said, "There's nothing I can do about it. It's my fault. I can't implicate you. Brother-in-law, just go. I'll stall them."

Seeing the determination in Logan's

eyes, Tom appreciated him a little. This guy was kind of responsible.

"Remember, I'll help you out this time, but these is the last time I help you, okay?" Tom stared at him.

Logan was shocked. Before he could speak, he saw Tom go out and say to Acre, "Acre, I've already taught you a lesson last time, but you didn't learn anything from it. How dare you bring so many people to fight? You always try to stir up trouble. Now I'll give you a chance. Get out of here with your men. Study hard in the future and don't bully Logan again. Otherwise, I don't mind teaching you another lesson."

Acre and his men were stunned when they heard Tom's words, thinking that

Tom was a fool.

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"Brother-in-law! Are you crazy?!"

Logan was frightened. He grabbed Tom immediately in horror.

Acre and the others came to their senses, laughed out of anger and said, "Hahaha, well, well. This one never says uncle even if he's dying. Logan, your brother-in-law is really a weirdo!"

"You're really killing me. Did you say you wanted to teach Acre a lesson? Do you know what you are doing?"

"Who does he think he is? Yip Man? Does he think he can defeat a dozen people alone?"

"Yip Man? He's more of a retarded

man."

All of them started to ridicule Tom without scruple. Many of them were holding their thumbs down towards Tom.

Tom shook his head, getting impatient. Finally, he had got a two day off to relax himself, and he really didn't want to waste time on these running dogs.

Acre raised his head and said in a condescending manner, "You want to teach me a lesson, right? I'm here now. Come on and teach me a lesson, if you dare. How dare a loser like you put on an act here? You must not know how to spell the word 'death', do you? How dare you pretend to be the chairman of ZQ Media? You'd better look into the

mirror and take a look at yourself. You're nothing but a loser delivering parcels! How dare you strike an attitude in front of me? Why bother?"

"So noisy."

Tom flew off the handle. He snorted, took a step and slapped Acre across the face. Acre fell heavily to the ground with one cheek swollen, and screamed in pain, "You... It hurts. What are you still standing there for? Do something! Fix him!! Ouch, it hurts. Hiss..."

Given this slap, Acre had two of his teeth smashed in, and tears were streaming down his face since it hurt so much.

The others were stunned. They hadn't

expected that Tom would be so audacious. He even dared to raise a hand to Acre under such circumstances! How reckless of him!

Logan was also shocked. It didn't occur to him at all that Tom would be so irritable and hit people once there was a disagreement. Wasn't his brother-inlaw afraid of death?

Now Logan just wanted to sneak away.

"How dare you start a fight? You must want to die!"

"Brothers, come on! Let's kill this man!"

"Go! Fight for Acre!"

All of Acre's boys got furious. Weapons

in hands, they rushed up to Tom with bloodshot eyes, wanting to beat him to death.

It had to be said that these guys were really bold. They fought with iron bars, and hit in full force, not afraid to kill people at all. Imaginably, if it weren't Tom, but an ordinary person, he would be bashed up by this group of hooligans, and even beaten to death.

"Oh no, brother-in-law. Run!" Logan's voice cracked from shouting. He was so frightened that he was creeping all over. He knew the fighting capacity of these people, and they had iron bars in their hands. They were going to kill Tom!

However, Tom did not run away, but

stood there motionless, as if he was dumbfounded out of fear.

When all of them rushed up to him, Tom moved and gave a dismissive sneer. Originally, he had just wanted to give them a bluff. After all, they were college students anyway, as well as the future of the country.

Now it seemed that this was not necessary. These people were a gang of evil youths. Even if they graduated in the future and came upon the stage, they would do harm to the society, so it was unnecessary for Tom to be merciful.

Even those masters of North Sky Association were a bunch of good-fornothing fellows in front of Tom, let alone these ordinary people who were not even considered martial artists. Not to mention that they had iron bars in their hands, even with guns, they couldn't hit Tom.

Therefore, Tom brought down the dozen of college students very easily with just a few moves, but he wasn't acting too mercifully either. It would take them two or three months lying in bed to recover. Most importantly, Tom applied force tactfully enough to make them suffer, but no injury would be detected with the help of modern medicine.

From the beginning to the end of the fight, it took Tom less than half a minute. The whole process was unbelievably fast. Logan, who was

trembling behind him, became dumbfounded instantly. He rubbed his eyes hard, thinking he was having hallucinations.

'My god, how is my brother-in-law so good at fighting? He's invincible!'

Acre, who had just lifted himself up from the ground, was also stunned. Obviously, he was a little scared.

Uncle and his two men were also astonished. They narrowed their eyes and sized Tom up cautiously. They had been wrong about Tom and underestimated his strength.

"Boy, it turns out that you're also a martial artist. No wonder you were so bold and dared to meet us alone." Uncle said in a low voice.

Only then did Acre think of Uncle's existence, and he said at once, "Uncle, Uncle, come on and beat him! Beat him!"

Uncle frowned and said, "Don't panic. What kind of trouble can he stir up with my presence? Calm down!"

The other two middle-aged people also chimed in, "Acre, calm down. This man is nothing but a trash in front of us three top masters. However, the price is not the same as the one we agreed on before, got it?"

Acre said immediately, "But we agreed on it at the beginning."

Eyes wide open, Uncle grasped Acre's

collar, and said in a brusque tone, "Of course you have the right not to pay the additional money, and then we won't sort it out for you!"

Acre was furious, but he did not dare to talk back now. Since his own people were to blame for their own incompetence, Acre could only accept the fact in this situation that he was ripped off by Uncle. "Then how much more do you want?"

"This number." Uncle stretched out two fingers.

Acre raised his eyebrows and said, "Twenty thousand? This is acceptable. Then bring this guy down as soon as possible. I want him to kneel down in front of me and lick my soles!"

"Do you think I'm a beggar? Twenty thousand? I meant two hundred thousand!" Uncle slapped Acre on the head and snarled.

"Two, two hundred thousand?! You're ripping me off..." The moment Acre saw Uncle and the others' savage eyes, he got afraid immediately and didn't dare to say anything more. He swallowed, bit the bullet and said, "Okay, two hundred thousand. It's a deal. But you have to defeat him, or I won't agree."

Uncle and the other two smiled in surprise. That was great. They hadn't expected that they would earn 300,000 from this trip. It was some easy money to make.

They had just watched Tom fighting, but in fact, they didn't put him in mind. Any martial artist could bring a dozen college students down.

Uncle tilted his head and said to Tom, "Boy, it turned out that you were a martial artist. How cool. But unfortunately, you've met us. You're no match for us, so be a good boy and kneel down. Kowtow and apologize to us one by one, and we won't fight with you, while you can be spared from physical suffering."

Tom shook his head and cursed, "Idiots."

"How dare you swear at us? You're looking for death!"

Uncle flared up. He made at Tom with his hands shaped as eagle claws. The move was quick and fierce, and it left a hole in Tom's body.

Tom didn't even blink, stretched out his hand later and got the better of him. He grabbed Uncle's thumb accurately and jerked it upwards, and the thumb broke with a crack. Uncle screamed in pain.

Tom didn't stop and gave another kick.

Uncle, who weighed over 100 kilograms, flew straight away. "How dare a trash like you strike an attitude in front of me? How ignorant."

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It was silent...

The surroundings quieted down, and no one expected the battle to end so quickly.

Especially the two middle-aged men with Uncle, whose eyes were about to pop out, only now did they realize that they had provoked a horrible man!

When Tom looked at them, they turned around and ran.

They were definitely no match for Tom, and they knew it.

But would Tom let them go?

The answer was obvious.

No.

They had barely run two steps when they felt them in the air and their necks hurt. Tom lifted them one by one and threw them back casually. They fell to the ground and couldn't stand up.

Then Tom walked back slowly and said to Logan, "I'll help you this time. But next time, if you make trouble outside, I'll break your legs. Got it?"

Grunt!

Logan swallowed heavily and looked at Tom with a completely different look, full of worship and shock. He nodded heavily and said, "I won't cause trouble again. I won't dare to go against you!"

"Well, then you go to school." Tom nodded faintly.

"I don't want to go to school now. Why don't you let me learn martial arts from you? My requirements are not high. I just want to learn half of your skills, then I'll be satisfied." Logan rubbed his hands and said excitedly.

Tom's eyes turned cold and he said, "Are you ignoring my words?!"

Logan shuddered and became frightened. God! Tom was getting more and more powerful now. Logan didn't dare to say anymore and rushed to school. Now he was very excited and Acre was knocked down. He would be the boss in school in the future.

Acre and the others regretted it so much and were extremely afraid of Tom. They couldn't figure out why Logan's brother-in-law was so powerful. It was rumored that Logan's brother-in-law was a loser. Damn it, they were all liars. How could a loser fight like that?

Just then, Tom was about to get in the car and go back. Suddenly, he sensed something, frowned slightly, and looked in one direction...

It's ahead of him on the right. A Range Rover appeared. A few people came down from above. One of them was a familiar person, Wade. He came over with sunglasses and a playful face. He clapped and said jokingly, "Tom, you come to college to bully a few college students. Tsk, I'm really ashamed of you."

Tom was a little surprised, but when he thought about it carefully, he was not surprised. Now Wade must have known that he had been to the branch of the North Sky Association and challenged. H City was not big. With Wade's connections, it was not difficult for him to find Tom.

"Wade, you have improved. Good job."
Tom commented to Wade. He could tell at a glance that Wade had already taken the Purification Pill. His meridians and internal organs had been greatly improved, but he had not yet reached the Innate Realm even if it was so close.

However, even if Wade reached the Innate Realm, he was no match for Tom.

The three of them, Uncle and the others, lying on the ground, felt the power of Wade and the others. They were all frightened. They lay on the ground trembling and did not dare to move. They pretended to be faint. Now they regretted it and realized that they had provoked a horrible man.

Not to mention Acre and his dozen college students. Some even peed their pants in fear, which was especially embarrassing.

Wade came over. He took off his glasses and stared at Tom. He did not hide his hostility towards Tom at all. He

said, "Tom, how dare you come to my place, make trouble and hurt my people? I'll satisfy you if you want to die!"

His murderous look was like something real, and it was even more devastating to Acre and the others. It made their brains stop working. All of them gasped heavily, lying on the ground and trembling.

They were all ordinary college students and they had never seen such a level of masters.

Tom grinned and said, "Wade, I admire your courage and dare to come to me. I now suspect that you were adopted by your father Peter, not his biological son. That's why he didn't care about

your life."

When Wade heard this, he was even angrier. The veins on his neck popped out and he shouted, "I will kill you!"

He gathered his strength to the extreme and clenched his fists tightly, ready to attack Tom.

Now that it was in public, Tom was also secretly gathering his strength. If Wade really dared to attack him, he would not be merciful and cripple Wade with one punch. Anyway, he had already offended Peter so much that he was not afraid of adding one more thing.

Just then, two policemen ran over from the side, pointed at them, and shouted, "Hey! What are you doing? How dare you fight here?!"

Wade's momentum was taken away in half at once. In public, he did not dare to be too arrogant. Now that the police saw him, he still had to keep a low profile.

"Tom! I'll find you soon and kill you! Then I'll take your wife and rape her until I lose interest!" Wade pointed at Tom's nose and cursed viciously.

When Tom heard what Wade said, he was also angry. He narrowed his eyes, and he was already planning how to let Wade die.

Everyone had his own treasure, and whoever touches it would be killed!

like idiots? How can he beat all of you up?"

Acre immediately became anxious and said, "Officer, I didn't lie. He really beat us up. He's a martial arts master. He's super good at fighting."

Tom said, "Sir, I'm a businessman who happened to be here. I don't know these people at all, let alone what they're talking about. Here's my business card."

When the two police officers saw the business card Tom handed over, they were all shocked. The business card showed that Tom was the chairman of ZQ Media. Now they were even more convinced of Tom. Based on their years of experience as police officers, the

Phoebe was Tom's treasure. Now that Wade wanted to rape Phoebe, there was no reason for Tom not to be angry.

But Tom didn't say it. He just stared coldly at Wade's back as Wade left. In his eyes, Wade was already dead.

Soon, the two policemen came over and gave a simple warning. They saw Acre and the others lying on the ground, obviously beaten up, and began to ask what was going on.

When Acre and the others saw the police, it was as if they saw a savior. They quickly pointed at Tom and said they had beaten up by Tom.

The two policemen immediately showed disbelief and said. "Do we look

chairman of a large company wouldn't fight on the street. And it was impossible that Tom beat up more than a dozen people, unscathed. This was pure bullshit.

So they didn't think too much. They let Tom go and called Acre and his gang back to the police station.

Acre and the others regretted it so much.

This matter did not affect Tom at all. Instead, when he met Wade later, he decided to speed up the process and train qualified bodyguards in the fastest time.

The next day, he immediately began to carry out the operation, went to the

newly established security company, and began to train these bodyguards.

Some of them were new here. When they saw that Tom was so young and knew that he was the boss of the company, they didn't take it seriously and thought that Tom wouldn't pay attention to this company.

However, not long after they saw Tom's strength, they all put away their contempt, admitted Tom's strength, and began to train seriously.

Time passed quickly, and a week passed. During this week, Tom was mainly in charge of training the new people of the security company.

Under his devil training, these

newcomers had made obvious progress, and they adored Tom more and more.

Tom did everything perfectly. Before his bodyguard team was trained well, he asked Master Chou to send masters to protect the Scotts.

It was mainly to protect Phoebe.

In fact, Master Chou initially suggested that Tom not be so nervous. The North Sky Association was a big association. They were overbearing but they had the demeanor. They probably wouldn't do anything to the people around Tom right now.

Tom naturally knew this too, but he had to be careful and be on guard.

On this day, Master Chou called him and asked him to go to a dinner party. The other party was a prominent figure in the circle and wanted to meet him.

Tom still had a lot of things to do. He didn't have the time to attend the dinner, so he refused without thinking, but Master Chou immediately said meaningfully, "Young master, I think you'd better go."

Tom realized that things were not simple and asked, "Is this a big shot?"

Master Chou nodded and said, "In the south, he's a big shot. It's best to meet him and show enough respect."

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Tom was interested and asked, "Oh? Who's this big shot? Tell me."

Now he was famous in H City. His assets were worth tens of billions and everyone had to give him face. There were not many people who could make him meet easily, obediently and respectfully.

Of course, Tom was not arrogant. He was very powerful nationwide. Still, there were many big shots above him and he was well aware of that.

Master Chou nodded and said, "His name is Hawthorne. He is the chairman of Shenyang Group and the former president of G State's chamber

of commerce. He is very important in the circle and has great power. People all pay great respect to him. Even the North Sky Association doesn't dare to offend him."

When Tom heard that, he was a little surprised. SY Group was not a small company, but a giant that had been prospering for 20 years, with a market value of more than 100 billion dollars. Moreover, it was not an Internet Co like Penguin or Barry, which was unstable. SY Group was a real company, which involved a wide range of fields. In recent years, it had been ambitiously entering the communications sector.

When Tom was a kid, he had heard of the name of SY Group. At that time, the Howards and SY Group cooperated closely.

Speaking of which, the chairman of SY Group was of a similar age as Tom's grandfather.

In Tom's memory, when he was very young, he was held by this old man. Now that so many years had passed, he wondered if Hawthorne still remembered him.

"Okay, I'll go." Tom quickly made a decision and nodded.

Master Chou breathed a sigh of relief. He was afraid that Tom would be arrogant and not give this big shot face.

That night, Tom went to Hawthorne's house with Master Chou. It was a

luxurious manor, covering an area of ten thousand square meters. Tom's big villa in Dragon Bay was just a small cottage compared to Hawthorne's manor.

"Hawthorne is really high-profile. He lives in a manor in China." Tom said.

Master Chou said, "Hawthorne has the capacity to do so. He has contributed a lot of GDP for G State. As long as he is here, SY Group will survive. Even North Sky Association will not dare to provoke SY Group."

Tom was so smart that he immediately recognized Master Chou's insinuation. "Is Hawthorne going to die soon?"

Master Chou nodded and said, "There

Master Chou said, "It's possible. Anyway, as long as you see Hawthorne himself, you'll know what's going on."

During their conversation, the car drove into the manor and someone stood there waiting for them.

After getting out of the car, a few people immediately walked over. The person in front of them was a middle-aged man, who was fat and friendly. The man looked honest. Tom was born with a good impression of that kind of person.

"This is Mr. Howard, isn't it? Young and promising. It's a pleasure to meet you!" The middle-aged man came over and shook hands with Tom. His attitude

is a rumor outside that Hawthorne is old, his body is getting weaker and weaker. He's dying. Now he has started to distribute his property."

Tom thought for a moment and knew that the statement was not very reliable. Since Hawthorne was dying, how could he still have the energy to interfere with his affairs with the North Sky Association? He was seeking trouble for himself. After all, it was not easy to be a peacemaker. If he was not careful, he would offend both sides.

"I don't think it's that simple. Since Hawthorne is going to be a peacemaker, it means that he's far from the end of his life." Tom said what he thought.

was very warm, which made Tom a little flattered. He said quickly, "Hello, Mr. Paynes."

Tom had never seen this middle-aged man before, but he knew who he was. He was Hawthorne's second son, Myles, who was also a famous figure in the business world.

The person behind Myles should be from the Paynes. He also showed a friendly smile to Tom and looked very enthusiastic. To be honest, this made Tom a little confused. Logically speaking, with the power of the Paynes, there was no need to be so enthusiastic about him.

In particular, a noblewoman constantly looked at him he was her potential son-

in-law, which made him uncomfortable.

Did Hawthorne specifically call him here for a marriage?

Soon, Tom got rid of this idea. The fact that he was the son-in-law of the Scotts was no longer a secret in H City. It was impossible that the Paynes did not know it. How could he have this idea?

In any case, when he saw Hawthorne later, he would know what was going on.

The Paynes manor was obviously specially designed by someone with a very good layout. When people walked in, they unconsciously became relaxed

and comfortable, and their minds turned active.

After Tom reached the Innate Realm, he was particularly sensitive to the aura of heaven and earth. Immediately, he could clearly feel the aura in this manor, which was thicker than outside. Every tree planted had a connection, which was rather ingenious. Especially in the pond beside him, there was a group of goldfish, one of which was the king of goldfish. When Tom came in, he would still pop up and look at Tom a few times. When Tom looked over, he would not be afraid, as if he had already become intelligent.

Tom said with a smile, "Mr. Paynes, there're mountains and lakes in your manor. The layout is ingenious,

occupying the entire dragon vein of the mountain. Especially this pool beside it, it is the highlight. I wonder who designed it?"

Myles's eyes flashed with surprise and said, "Mr. Howard actually knows Geomantic Omen. You impressed me. Mr. Howard is right. Our the Paynes manor was designed by the famous Geomantic Omen master Billy."

So it was Billy No wonder the manor was so fantastic.

Tom had also heard of Billy's reputation, who was considered a big shot in the Geomantic Omen industry. He did Geomantic Omen for many high-ranking officials and nobles, and his reputation was rather high.

"Mr. Howard is really young and promising. As far as I know, Mr. Howard was born in 92. You're only 28 years old this year, right?" Myles said, "At the age of 28, you have fulfilled such an achievement. You are knowledgeable and talented. Not only do you manage several companies well, but you also know Geomantic Omen. To put it bluntly, Mr. Howard, you are the most talented person I have ever seen."

Myles's evaluation of Tom was great.

The Paynes looked at Tom with respect. Moreover, the middle-aged lady was getting more satisfied with Tom.

Tom waved his hand and said, "I feel

flattered. I only know a little bit about Geomantic Omen. I'm still far from Mr. Paynes."

Myles smiled and suddenly took the initiative to say. "Mr. Howard, I'm a few years older than you. You and I are like old friends from the start. Let's not be so separated. If you don't mind, just call me Uncle Payne. I'll call you Tom, okay?"

Tom was stunned for a moment. Surely he would not refuse. He said politely, "Hello, Uncle"

"Haha." Myles laughed happily and pointed to the middle-aged lady next to him, "Tom, this is Aunt Caroline."

Caroline smiled brightly and walked

close. She said enthusiastically, "Tom, you are really good-looking. The more I look at you, the more satisfied I am."

Tom smiled awkwardly, and the bad feeling in his heart became stronger and stronger. On the surface, he was still enthusiastic.

Others also came to greet Tom. They were all enthusiastic about Tom.

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Myles's enthusiasm made Tom feel awkward and uneasy. It was his first time to come to the Paynes. It was strange that Myles and others were so hospitable to him. They were not pretending but were genuinely passionate about him.

Tom had been used to being ridiculed all these years. It was the first time he had been warmly treated. He was not used to it.

After they entered the room, they finally restrained themselves.

"Tom, sit here for a while. I'll call my father over." Myles greeted with a smile.

Tom nodded and agreed.

Caroline and the Paynes left for a moment and promised to come back soon.

After finding a chance to speak, Tom asked Master Chou in a low voice, "Chou, didn't you say that Hawthorne wanted to see me and be a peacemaker? It doesn't seem so. What's going on?"

Master Chou rolled his eyes and said, "You must have misunderstood. I didn't say that Hawthorne asked you to dinner as a peacemaker."

Tom paused and recalled that Chou had never said that before. It was just that people would think that way. After

They also saw Tom sitting in the living room and frowned slightly.

"Who are these two country bumpkins? Why did they come to our house?"

"I don't know. I haven't seen them before. Maybe they're here to fix something."

"Really? How dare those repairmen to come into our house and make the floor dirty."

"That's my regular seat! How shall I sit down in the future? No! I have to kick these two country bumpkins out." One of the young men, who was fair and clean, said angrily and walked over quickly.

all, he had a grudge against the North Sky Association. It was natural that Hawthorne made an appointment to meet him to be a peacemaker.

Now Tom immediately realized that Chou had set him up again! Hawthorne made an appointment with him for another purpose.

Master Chou deliberately didn't look him in the eye. It was obviously a sign of guilt, but Tom was so angry that he gnashed his teeth.

At this time, there was a sound of footsteps coming from the stairs. Tom looked up and saw three people coming down the stairs. They were all young people in their twenties and thirties.

Tom had heard their conversation long ago and frowned. Those three young people were unruly, lazy, and rebellious rich second generation. They relied on their good family background and developed a very undesirable character since they were young. They were self-centered. When they saw anything unpleasant, they would go out of control. They had no upbringing and never cared about other people's feelings.

Tom hated dealing with such people. He thought that since Myles and the others were so enthusiastic, he wouldn't encounter such annoying people. However, he did.

However, he was used to that.

polite to you!"

As he spoke, the young man rolled up his sleeves and glared at Tom, showing signs of beating Tom.

Tom was rather angry. If it wasn't for Hawthorne's sake, he wouldn't have bothered to come over. At least, he was a man of prestige. Being scolded by a rich playboy was not something he could bear.

Now that he couldn't figure out what the Paynes's intention was. He was invited here through Chou. Just now, Myles and his wife were so enthusiastic about him. However, in the blink of an eye, the three playboys came out and spoke rudely to him. Were they trying to intimidate him?

"Hey, you two country bumpkins. Who let you in? Get out of here!" The young man came over and scolded rudely. His attitude was terrible.

Tom was at least a man with a good reputation. He was furious after being scolded like that. His face immediately darkened. "First of all, we're not country bumpkins. Hawthorne invited us here. Second, you'd better show me some respect when you speak."

The young man immediately sneered with disdain and said, "Why did my grandfather invite you here? Are you kidding me? Do you know who my grandfather is? How dare you mention my grandfather? I'm too lazy to talk to you. Get out of my house, or I won't be

Was it some sort kind of test?

No matter what, with Tom's current status, being scolded by a junior like this was already offensive. The Paynes must give him an explanation and make an apology.

Tom stared at him and said coldly, "For the sake of your grandfather Hawthorne, I'll give you a chance to apologize to me. I'll forgive you if you change your attitude."

The playboy seemed to have heard a very funny joke and burst out laughing. The other two also laughed. They looked at Tom the way they looked at a retarded person.

Tom's eyes grew colder.

"Hahaha, that's so funny. How dare such a lowly person ask me to apologize? Are you daydreaming? Well, I don't want to talk to you. I'll count to three. If you don't get lost, don't blame me for being rude to you." Bruno said with a grim smile. He had recently learned karate and his strength had increased greatly. Even a few strong men combined could not match him. He had absolute confidence in himself. It was so easy for him to teach this bumpkin a lesson.

He especially liked the feeling of beating people up. When he punched someone else, it was super cool!

By the time he counted to three, Tom was still indifferent and ignored him. He was angry and cursed at Tom for

seeking death. Then he began to attack
Tom and was about to slash down
Tom's neck with all his strength. At the
same time, a cruel smile appeared on
the corner of his mouth. Once hit, the
target would definitely fall down.

Even if Tom could react, he was not afraid to fight Tom with his arm. His arm was very hard, which was enough to make this country bumpkin painful.

But was that really the case?

Tom also sneered. He did not resist at all and let Bruno attack his neck. Suddenly, a shrill scream came out.

Of course, it couldn't have been from Tom. With his strength of Innate Realm, his body was extremely strong.

Even if Bruno really took a knife to cut him, he couldn't really cut it in. Tom could use all his strength in an instant and concentrate in one place, as hard as iron.

Tom didn't dodge just now, but he used all his strength to harden the muscles around his neck, and the density of the muscles reached its maximum in an instant. Bruno's hand blade cut off as if it were cut on an iron plate. His tears flow out from the pain.

The other two playboys were stunned. What was going on? It was obvious that Bruno's hand was cut on Tom's neck. Why was it Bruno who screamed out?

Tom didn't fight. After all, he was still in

Hawthorne's house. It was enough to punish Bruno. Otherwise, once he attacked the playboys from the Paynes, he would turn into a fighter instead of a guest.

"Ouch, it hurts so much... What are you doing here? Go fight him!" Bruno looked miserable. He held his right hand, trembling with pain. At that time, he did not realize how much trouble he had caused.

The other two playboys also began to take action and attack Tom. One guy ran to the kitchen and took a kitchen knife out. It had to be said that they were really lawless enough to do so. They were not afraid of killing people!

Just then, a loud voice came from

upstairs, "Hey, what are you doing? Stop!"

It was Myles, who was now following an old man. He pointed angrily at the three and scolded them.

Tom looked up and saw the old man. It was Hawthorne, the head of the Paynes and the chairman of Shenyang Group, a legend of G State.

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Hawthorne was eighty-five years old and he had no sign of aging. He was energetic with bright eyes. He looked very lively and it seemed that he could live for at least ten years more.

As Tom looked at Hawthorne, Hawthorne's eyes were fixed on Tom. Hawthorne smiled with appreciation.

When Mason and Ekko saw Hawthorne appear, they couldn't help but shiver and looked frightened.

Bruno immediately showed an aggrieved look and shouted, "Grandpa, you're just in time! I don't know which servant let the two country bumpkins in. I patiently asked them what they

were doing here. They ignored me, so I had to ask them to go out. However, they began to hit me. Grandpa, look, my hands are swollen. It hurts so much. Grandpa, you have to revenge me!"

Bruno was the perfect demonstration that he who first offended would first complain. He now appeared rather innocent and pitiful, which formed a stark contrast with his previous performance.

Tom couldn't help but admire his acting skills. He was really good at it.

After hearing that, a woman immediately showed a distressed expression. She ran over quickly and grabbed Bruno's hand. "Oh, my dear son! How did your hand get hit? I'm so

sad!"

Bruno looked complacent and pleased. He looked innocent and aggrieved on the surface. His eyes were red. People who didn't know the truth would think that Tom had bullied him.

"Mom, I'm fine. But my hand is almost broken." Bruno said aggrievedly and choked with sobs.

When his mother heard this, she became even angrier. She pointed at Tom and scolded him loudly, "You damn country bumpkin, how dare you bully my son! I think you're tired of living! Come on, arrest the country bumpkin and cripple his legs!"

A few burly bodyguards immediately

came over and were about to attack Tom.

Tom's expression remained calm and cold without moving. He wanted to see what Hawthorne would do.

"How dare you!"

Hawthorne shouted angrily.

Bruno became even more proud. The bodyguards also walked up to Tom and were ready to take Tom down.

"Bruno, how dare you! How dare you be rude to my distinguished guest!

Come on! Arrest the three!"

Hawthorne scolded coldly.

Right then, Bruno, Mason, and Ekko were all dumbfounded. Did they hear

correctly? Grandpa actually said that this country bumpkin was his distinguished guest, and he still wanted to take them down? Well...

Not only them, but also the bodyguards were stunned and didn't know what to do for a moment.

Hawthorne had already walked over. He was 85 years old, but he still walked steadily. He was furious. Bruno and the others all trembled with fear.

"Grandpa, I was wrong..." Bruno finally realized how much trouble he had caused and his legs began to soften.

Hawthorne ignored him and said to the bodyguards coldly, "What's wrong? You don't even listen to me?!"

"We dare not!"

A few bodyguards were frightened and rushed over to catch the three.

This time, Bruno was completely flustered and quickly begged for mercy. "Grandpa! I was wrong, grandpa! I was wrong. I didn't know that he was your guest, but I didn't offend him much. He took my hand..."

Bang!

Before he could finish his sentence, Hawthorne slapped him in the face. It was very forceful and merciless. Half of Bruno's face was swollen and blood oozed from his mouth.

Bruno's mother was heartbroken to see her son being beaten, but she did not dare to show dissatisfaction. In their family, Hawthorne had absolute authority. No one in the Paynes dared to disobey him.

"Useless thing! You are ignorant and incompetent. All you do is bully outside all day long. You have lost the face of the Paynes!" Hawthorne cursed angrily. His voice was loud and powerful, echoing in the huge villa and making all the Paynes tremble. To Bruno, it was even more frightening.

Then Mason and Ekko knelt down and admitted their mistakes before Hawthorne could say anything. Although they were so unruly just now, they still didn't dare to be naughty in front of Hawthorne.

Hawthorne ignored them. Instead, he turned around and apologized to Tom, "Mr. Howard, I'm really sorry that my three useless grandchildren offended you. Please don't be angry."

Tom immediately stood up and said with a smile, "Mr. Paynes, you're welcome. It's normal for young people to act that way. I'm okay with that."

Hawthorne looked at Tom with admiration. He said, "Mr. Howard, I didn't teach them well. Sorry that they offended you. You can deal with them as you like."

When the three heard that, they were even more afraid. They were now extremely regretful. They never expected grandpa to be so cruel. If they

than theirs. If I had a grandchild like you, I would be overwhelmed with joy and happily hand over my power."

Tom was stunned when he heard that. What did he mean by saying that? What he said could easily cause misunderstanding.

Sure enough, after all the Paynes heard this, their faces brightened up. They all knew that people like Hawthorne had a purpose in what he said.

After hearing this, the three's faces all darkened. They were extremely disgusted and jealous of Tom.

Tom smiled faintly and did not respond.

He could not figure out what

Hawthorne was thinking and could not

fell into Tom's hands, they would die.

How could Tom not know that Hawthorne was giving him face to act like that? If he really didn't give Hawthorne a step down, then he would offend Hawthorne.

It was impossible for Tom to do such a stupid thing.

"It's not as serious as you said. In fact, your grandson didn't go so far. Besides, he has already been taught a lesson. That is almost enough." Tom said with a smile.

Hawthorne sighed and said, "Mr. Howard, you're about the same age as my three useless grandchildren. Your ability and thoughts are much better

talk casually.

Seeing that Tom was silent, Hawthorne said directly to the three, "Hurry up and thank Mr. Howard for forgiving you, or else I will break all three of your legs!"

Even though Bruno and the others were extremely unwilling, they did not dare to disobey Hawthorne. Therefore, they quickly came over to apologize to Tom.

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Tom didn't want to lower himself to the same level as these three people who were born in the purple, so he waved his hand to show that he forgave them.

Immediately, Hawthorne waved his hand to ask them to leave. Then he sat down, made tea for Tom himself, making Tom even more uneasy. Tom said, "Thank you, Mr. Paynes. I'm sorry to trouble you to make me tea. I'm overwhelmed!"

Tom had always been a very educated and polite person. From the beginning to the end, Hawthorne was very kind to him and had a warm attitude. How could he let an old man in his eighties make tea for him? He quickly stopped

Hawthorne.

Hawthorne chuckled and stopped making tea for Tom. He liked Tom even more. He said, "Okay. Since Mr. Howard says so, I won't make you uncomfortable. Come on, Myles, make tea for Mr. Howard."

Myles came over and began to make tea.

They were in the study of the Paynes, which was specially designed to entertain guests. It was very large, covering dozens of square meters. The study was filled with all kinds of antiques, paintings, and books. It was obvious that Hawthorne was a very thoughtful and educated person.

"This must be Master Chou, right? You are indeed an outstanding person. I'm sorry for neglecting you just now, Master Chou." Hawthorne said with a smile.

Master Chou said, "Mr. Paynes, don't say that! You can call me Chou. I come with the young master. You can just talk to the young master directly. You don't have to pay attention to me."

Hawthorne nodded, looked back at Tom and said, "Mr. Howard..."

Tom quickly interrupted him and said, "Mr. Paynes, please call me Tom."

"Okay. Tom, this is not the first time we've met. Do you remember?" Hawthorne said with a smile.

Tom's heart skipped a beat and he knew what Hawthorne was going to talk about, but he tried to remain calm and politely took the tea that Myles handed him. He smiled and said, "Yes. When I was very young, you came to the Howards and hugged me. I think you may forget about this, so I don't dare to mention it. Haha."

Hawthorne's eyes flashed with a reminiscent look and said, "Yes, many years have passed in the blink of an eye. At that time, your grandfather Anderson was still alive, and your grandfather and I were good friends. Now things are different. Your grandfather passed away, and I have lost one of my good friends."

When Tom heard this, he had a huge

lump in his throat. He held back his sadness and said, "Mr. Paynes, I think my grandpa would be very happy in heaven if he knew that you are still missing him!"

Hawthorne smiled and did not say anything. He looked deeply at Tom, then sighed and said guiltily, "Tom, speaking of this, I have to apologize to you. After your grandfather passed away, I didn't take care of you immediately. I hope you can forgive me, Tom."

Tom shook his head and said, "Don't say that. I don't hate you."

"Tom, you're a good person. It's hard for you to suffer so much these years." Hawthorne said, "You can call me grandpa if you want. What do you think?"

When Tom heard this, he was really shocked. Hawthorne was a very important person in G State. He was the chairman of SY Group, and the former president of the G State chamber of commerce. He had a lot of connections and was very capable. Most importantly, even the leaders of H Country had to respect Hawthorne!

Now Hawthorne took the initiative to draw Tom in and even let Tom call him grandpa! If this news got out, it would cause quite a stir.

Tom was very clear about his capability. Although he was the chairman of the ZQ Media and had

tens of billions dollars in his hands, he was no match for a big shot like Hawthorne in terms of social status and power.

To put it bluntly, he dared to offend the North Sky Association, but he did not dare to offend Hawthorne because Hawthorne was not a pure businessman. His social status and connections could not be obtained overnight.

In the simplest way, Hawthorne's social circle was not confined to the business. Hawthorne's friends were all big shots in H Country.

So for a while, Tom was very shocked. After a while, he came back to his senses and said, "Mr. Paynes, I have a grudge with the North Sky Association now. Aren't you afraid to offend the North Sky Association if you do this?"

Tom said this as a confession and as a test.

Hawthorne burst into laughter, "North Sky Association is no big deal. You're the person I want to protect, so North Sky Association dare not do anything to you."

His words were full of arrogance and confidence and he did not take North Sky Association seriously.

Tom could tell that Hawthorne was not bragging. He was really confident.

However, this made Tom more confused. He and Hawthorne were

neither relatives nor friends. Strictly speaking, this was the first time they had met. Why did Hawthorne try to draw him in like this? That didn't make sense.

Was it really because of the his friendship with grandpa, Anderson?

Soon, Tom got rid of this idea, feeling it was impossible. Grandpa passed away for almost five years. If Hawthorne and grandpa were really good friends, how could it take him so long to come to Tom?

It was obvious that Hawthorne was interested in Tom's value.

What value did Hawthorne value in him so much?

Tom thought about it for a while, and figured it out. Hawthorne should be interested in his strength as a master of the Innate Realm.

After all, although the Paynes was big, they only had a few masters of the Innate Realm! It was also possible that there was no master of Innate Realm in the entire the Paynes!

However, since Hawthorne had already said so, Tom didn't hesitate and shouted directly, "Grandpa!"

"Good, good, good!" Hawthorne was very happy. He looked at Tom with even more appreciation and eagerness and said, "I don't expect to have such an outstanding grandson before I die. I have no regrets in my life!"

Hmm? What the hell? Grandson?

Tom's heart skipped a beat, and he had that bad feeling again. He asked, "Grandpa, why am I your grandson? Are you mistaken?"

"No, I'm not." Hawthorne said with a smile, "I have a granddaughter who is in her twenties and is very beautiful. However, she is cold and arrogant. I have always been worried about her marriage. Now that I meet you, Tom, you are the best young man grandpa has ever seen. Thus, I'm going to introduce my granddaughter to you, and we'll be even closer. What do you think?"

Damn it...

Tom shouted in his heart.