

Chapter 1161 Most Powerful Man In The World

Nathan spat out dismissively, "Today is Kylie's best friend's big day. I'm not going to waste my energy thinking about how to punish you. Everyone here is to leave a part of you behind. That shall suffice as your punishment. Then, screw off!"

"Yes, sir!"

Hayden heard Nathan's orders and acted as if he had escaped a death sentence. He looked at his surroundings and noticed a utility knife lying around a plate of fruits.



He picked up the knife right away and chopped off his little finger in one clean cut in front of the crowd.

"Ahhh!"

He let out a painful shriek as sweat flowed down his forehead. His face twisted in total pain and agony.

The children of the Talmage's officials followed Hayden's lead and chopped off their little fingers.



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At that moment, the room was filled with painful howls as the smell of fresh blood emanated through the place.

Everyone at the scene lost their minds at the sight.

They looked at Nathan with fearful respect and thought to themselves, Hayden has been abusing his power and thrashing around Talmage for a long time now. He's finally met his end now that he bumped into the General today!

A few of the bridesmaids couldn't help but glance at Kylie in envy.

The man Kylie had brought with her was to their surprise, the General himself. Kylie is such a lucky girl!

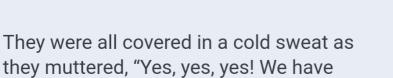
Kylie's eyes sparkled in awe as she gazed at Nathan with looks of admiration. My brother-in-law sure is the most powerful man in the world!

Jonathan and the bunch of leaders were distressed by the pain their children were

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in. Yet, they were also terrified of what Nathan would do to deal with all of them.

Soon, Nathan finally shifted his attention to Jonathan and his officials. He ordered in a cold tone, "You're to advocate for better morals and decency in your community. No more hazing the newlyweds! You guys especially will have to set an example for all of your people and lead this movement! If I ever hear any news of your people still practicing the indecent wedding customs your ancestors have passed on, all of you will be executed."



heard your words loud and clear!'

"Now scram!"

Jonathan and the other city officials immediately evacuated from the scene with their children by their side.

Nathan and Kylie also left soon after. The place was nothing like its joyous old self;

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there wasn't much meaning in staying behind anymore.

Jonathan and other Talmage leaders had wanted to set up a banquet to welcome Nathan, as they were afraid Nathan's anger had not subsided. They were worried that he would take it out on them in the days to come.

However, Nathan and Kylie had already flown back to Channing in the South that day.

On their way there, Kylie said apologetically to Nathan, "I'm so sorry, Nathan. I didn't know it would turn out to be such a mess at my friend's wedding just now."

Nathan just smiled. "Well, there's nothing you could do about it. But from now on, I think it's better if you avoid signing up to be someone's bridesmaid. You're already of age to marry, so spend more effort on putting yourself out in the market, okay?"

Kylie heard Nathan's words and took a



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quick peep at him before she bent her head and muttered, "I don't think I'll ever be able to find someone to marry."

Nathan guffawed, "How's that possible!"

How can it not be impossible? You have become a gold standard when it comes to picking a husband! I can't help but compare any man I've met to you. All of them were nothing spectacular. There's no way I can ever find someone I will marry!

They arrived in Channing soon.

Colin was already waiting for Nathan and Kylie with a Hongqi outside of the airport as they walked out.

Kylie boarded the car with Nathan.

Colin then asked, "Sir, are we going home, or are we heading to Cross Group?"

Nathan had not informed Penny that he would be back this soon, so he chuckled, "Good question! Let's head over to the Cross Group first!"



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Colin was a speedy driver, so they were soon under the Cross Group's skyscraper.

It was already time for everyone to clock off from work. In front of the building, a row of deluxe sports cars was neatly parked on the tarmac.

There were Ferraris, Lamborghinis, Porsches and so on. The dozens of sports cars were blocking the entrance of the Cross Group building.



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There were many people at the entrance, all of which seemed to be admiring the sports cars. The road leading to the entrance was completely blocked.

All of the pedestrians and drivers were hollering, "What the hell are these people doing?"

In front of the dozens of sports cars were dozens of handsome men all clad in tuxedos.

These men were surrounding a pretty and youthful man, who was in a white suit.

The young guy had a bouquet of flowers and a ring box in his hands. What's he waiting for with that gleeful grin on his face?

His subordinates in black tuxedos who were standing in a circle around him shouted at the Cross Building in unison, "Ms. Penny Smith, our master Pike Lance is here to confess his love to you! Please come out and show us your beautiful face!"



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Nathan, who was sitting in his Hongqi, was wondering what was the big scene ahead all about. His face darkened when he realized that Pike Lance, the owner of all of the sports cars, was trying to confess his love to his wife.

Does Pike Lance think it's appropriate to confess his love to a married woman like Penny?

Nathan stared at the row of sports cars ahead as well as their master and his subordinates. He then ordered Colin in an icy tone, "Ram our car into theirs! Teach them a lesson!"

"Yes, sir!"

Colin didn't hesitate one bit as he stepped on the accelerator, charging for the row of sports cars parked on the street. Nathan's car was a twenty-million President-grade vehicle; it had been specially modified to be resistant to bullets and landmines. It was as tough as a military tank.

Boom!



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The Hongqi crashed into the sports car at the end of the row; the Ferrari's trunk was immediately demolished.

The impact on the Ferrari was so strong that it led to a chain of collisions. All of the sports cars from the front to the back of the row collided with one another. The scene was unbearable to the eye.

The loss was estimated to be over a hundred million.

Under the skyscraper, Pike Lance, who was in the middle of confessing his love to Penny Smith in public, as well as his followers, were all stupefied.

The pedestrians around were shocked too. The usual hustle and bustle outside the building erupted into an uproar all of a sudden.

Pike soon came back to his senses in a second. Pain was evident on his face as he howled, "My sports cars!"

Swoosh!

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Pike and his subordinates stormed towards Nathan, and they soon formed a human envelope around Nathan's Hongqi.

Nathan, Colin and Kylie got out of their car at their own relaxed pace.

Pike glared at Nathan with all the fury in his body. "Hey, you little brat! Do you not know how to drive? Look at all of my sports cars! They're all in such ugly states now! You better be prepared to break your bank and pay for everything!"

Nathan mumbled with contempt, "You think it's funny?"

Pike was perplexed by his words. "Huh?"

Nathan looked at the Cross building and responded calmly, "I'm Penny Smith's husband, Nathan Cross!"

Pike and his followers were stunned.

They finally came around after a few seconds.

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Nathan is Penny's husband? No wonder Nathan purposefully rammed into all the sports cars.

After Pike had figured out the cause of the collision, the rage on his face vanished and was replaced by a sneer.

He teased Nathan with a pretentious smile, "So what? It just happens that I have eyes for your wife."

His lackeys around him burst into laughter.

Some of them even tried to goad Nathan, "Sir Lance, I bet this dummy here has no idea of your tastes."

"Within the Prince, who doesn't know Sir Lance's preference for women? He doesn't like young and meek girls! What he prefers is a beautiful and mature woman! Hahaha!"

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It turns out that among the many families in the nation, two were nobles that were always the top and second in terms of superiority.

These two families were the descendants of the royal bloodline.

The first noble household was the Artoria family, while the second was the Lance family.

Pike Lance was a member of the Lance family.

Not long ago, he had been named the role model of the nation and had even attended a commendation ceremony in Brimmopolis. He met Penny, who he was deeply attracted to, there!

Unfortunately, due to the circumstances, he did not have the opportunity to talk to her.

The moment he returned, he checked her background and found that she was a strong-willed woman who fought for her

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own career in the corporate world.

When he learned that Penny's husband was a good-for-nothing, he grabbed his buddies and professed his love for Penny.

He openly provoked Nathan.

All eyes turned to Nathan. This man came to court your wife in public and even said that he didn't care if she was your wife!
Only someone from the Lance family could do something so outrageous.

Nathan scowled, "Do you find this funny?"

To which Pike sneered, "What do you want me to say? Do you want me to tell you I find your wife hot and demand that you let me sleep with her?"

Nathan spat, "Insolent!"

The moment he finished speaking, Nathan took action.

He gave Pike two swift kicks that broke both his kneecaps.



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Crack!

Pike squealed in pain and collapsed in front of Nathan into a kneeling position.

Pike's friends, no, everyone present, was taken aback.

Pike was of noble birth; he came from the second most influential family in the entire nation. Since young, he had only had the best. No one would dare offend him.

That was the first time someone had injured him so badly!

He knelt on the floor and glared at Nathan with a vicious expression. He threatened sternly, "How dare you hit me? I'll murder..."

Nathan snorted before he snapped Pike's arms as well.

"Arghhh!" Pike shrieked in agony.

He screamed at Nathan like a hysterical wounded beast, "I'll kill you and your entire family..."



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Nathan scoffed, "Are you telling me to finish you off before you can do that?"

He then grabbed Pike by his hair and punched him several times in the face.

Bam! Pow!

Pike's face was hit so hard that his nose bridge broke. Blood splattered across his entire face that seemed to sink in like a deflated ball.

Nathan casually tossed the man aside as though he was a dead dog, making Pike's friends take a few steps back in fear.

Nathan glared at them coldly. "Bring him back to the Lance residence!"

Pike's friends came back to their senses and yelled, "You won't get away with beating Mr. Lance up like that! The Lance family will never let you off!"

They then picked Pike up and ran off as fast as they could.

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The moment they left, Penny showed up with a group of security guards.

When she got to know how Pike was expressing his love for her at the office building, she was shocked and furious. She gathered security to chase Pike and the others away.

She had not expected Nathan to have dealt with them before she arrived at the scene.

She stared at Nathan in shock and inquired, "Hubby, when did you return? Where are the troublemakers?"



Nathan smiled. "I just returned with Kylie. Don't worry. I've already dealt with that group."



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Penny heaved a sigh of relief.

That Pike really is too much! He followed us all the way from Brimmopolis to Channing! Argh, of all people, it had to be a noble family! The guards wouldn't dare touch him. Luckily, Nathan returned in time and chased them off.

Penny thought Nathan had simply chased them off. If she knew Nathan had actually beaten Pike into a pulp, she would not have been so calm.

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At the Lance residence, Brimmopolis.

Pirk Lance, the head of the Lance household, was fishing in the backyard.

Suddenly, the butler rushed over and whispered, "Sir, something's happened."

Pirk glanced at the bobber floating on the pond and inquired calmly, "What's wrong?"

The butler replied timidly, "I think it's best if

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you take a look yourself."

Pirk turned around and glared at the butler, who had his head bowed and remained silent.

Pirk was lost in thought. Something major must have happened, and it must have been something terrible. Otherwise, the butler would never dare to tell me that.

He set his rod aside and got up, instructing plainly, "Let's go!"

Soon, he arrived at the courtyard with a few guards, only to see that a crowd had formed.

Pirk bellowed, "What are all of you doing here? Scram! You should be practicing ancient martial arts!"

When they saw Pirk, the crowd bowed and formed a path for him. They murmured, "Master Pirk is here!"

Pirk then saw Pike's corpse on the ground.

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"Pike!"

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Pirk was a seasoned veteran who would not flinch even if a mountain collapsed right in front of him. However, when he saw his favorite grandson's corpse, he roared in agony.

Pike's corpse had all its limbs broken, and his face had sunk inwards. He was barely recognizable; he no longer looked human.

Pirk's blood pressure shot up, and the man nearly coughed up blood.

After an immense amount of effort, he suppressed his rage and questioned in an icy tone, "Who did this?"

The butler whispered a reply, "According to the men who sent Mr. Pike back, he was beaten up by a man named Nathan Cross from Channing and died in the hospital."

Pirk then asked for all the details regarding the incident

After understanding the situation, he



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exuded a murderous intent and ordered, "Send someone capable to Channing and kill Nathan! Otherwise, my grandson will never rest in peace."

"Alright!"

Pirk then continued, "Also, capture that woman named Penny. I want her to undergo an underworld wedding with Pike. I will bury her with him!"

"Got it!"

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That day was Queenie's fifth birthday.

Nathan and his family brought Queenie to Cloud Palace for a meal as a form of celebration.

When Thomas learned that Nathan was coming, he came down personally to take their orders.

Once he was done, he instructed a waiter to place a plate of fruits on the table.



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Nathan glanced at the fruits and noticed that there were grapes, oranges, apples, pears, and the like.

They were all washed but not cut.

Nathan was about to call a waiter over to peel an apple for him when a group of men wearing suits burst in. They had steady strides, calm breathing, and eyes as sharp as eagles'.

You could tell that these were trained professionals at one look.



The dozens of men entered and formed two rows. A handsome young man then entered slowly with his hands behind his back.



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The entire restaurant stared at this man in shock, wondering why such a big group was here.

The handsome man headed straight for Nathan's table and asked with a smile, "Hi, everyone. Here for a meal?"

Nathan, Penny, Benson, Leah, and Kylie had no idea what this man was here for. So, they did not say anything, simply staring at him coldly.

Queenie, who was merely a child, replied honestly, "It's my birthday today! Papa, Mama, Grandpa, Grandma, and Auntie brought me here to celebrate! Uncle, who are you? Are you Papa's friend?"

The man smiled. "That's right. I'm your Papa's friend, Alfie Lance!"

Alfie Lance! From the Lance family!

When Nathan realized that the man had been sent by the Lance family, he knew he had come to settle the matter regarding Pike.



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Alfie took a chair and sat down uninvited.

He then glanced surreptitiously at Nathan and took an exceptionally sharp knife out. He smiled at Queenie. "Lass, what fruits do you like? Uncle will peel them for you!"

Penny's expression instantly changed.

Queenie was young and innocent, so she had assumed that this man really was her father's friend.

She chuckled. "Uncle, I want a pear!"

Alfie smirked wryly. "Alright, I'll cut a pear for you then."

He reached out for a pear and used the thin blade in his hands to peel it.

His long fingers handled the knife with ease as he peeled the pear in an eerily well-practiced fashion.

A thin and long layer of fruit skin was soon shaved off the pear.

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This man is an expert with knives!

He had shown off his skills in front of Queenie while Nathan and the others were watching. It was obviously a threat.

Penny and the others were nervous, and they soon panicked.

On the other hand, Nathan was as calm as usual, but his gaze had turned cold.

Soon, Alfie had peeled the entire pear. He smiled and cut it into two clean slices; he had split the pear into four like it was jelly.

He then picked up one-quarter of the fruit with his knife and passed it to Queenie. He gave her a false smile and said, "Here you go, little girl."

"Queenie, don't go near him!" Penny yelled. She could not take it any longer and held her daughter tightly.

Alfie stared at Penny and gave her a wry smile. "I was just cutting fruit for your child. Why are you being so serious? It's

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not like I was cutting her up."

Penny demanded furiously, "You're from the Lance family, aren't you? What exactly do you guys want?"

Alfie stated plainly, "Your husband killed my cousin, Pike. Pike was grandpa's favorite grandson, so he sent me over here to exact justice."

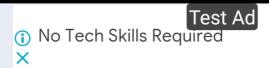
Nathan smirked, "Justice?"

Alfie nodded. "That's right! An eye for an eye! I'll kill you to take revenge for my cousin. Since my cousin liked Penny Smith, she will follow us back for an underworld marriage! We'll bury her with my cousin to fulfil all of his regrets."

Penny's family's expressions fell.

Meanwhile, Nathan remained calm and questioned plainly, "You want my life and my wife to die with your cousin? Just because you're from the Lance family?"

"That's right! If you cooperate, those will be



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the consequences!"

At that, Nathan smiled. "What if we don't?"

Alfie raised an eyebrow and told the entire family, "If you and your wife cooperate, your parents and child will live. Otherwise, all of you will die to put my cousin at rest."



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Nathan scoffed, "How arrogant!"

Alfie said smugly, "The noble family of Lance has always been this way."

Nathan then said coldly, "Sadly, the Lance family is nothing to me. Today is my daughter's birthday, so I don't want to get angry. You were showing off your blade work in front of my daughter. Cut off your hand and scram."

Huh? Alfie's eyes widened.

All the ancient martial arts practitioners Alfie had brought with him stared at him with their mouths agape.

Nathan's family is being surrounded by us! We can kill his entire family if we want to. Yet, he is not worried in the slightest? He even wants Alfie to chop his hand off? He's the arrogant one! He's too much!

Alfie laughed and turned to his men, "Hey, this man told me to chop my hand off. What do you guys think I should do?"





Chapter 1166 Enough To Kill A Hundred Of You

"Kill him!"

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"Kill him!"

Dozens of men started chanting 'Kill him' loudly.

The entire restaurant was soon filled with killing intent. The customers around them turned pale and left in a hurry after paying, lest they be implicated.

Penny's family's faces drained of all color.

Alfie was satisfied with the panic he had caused. He asked smugly, "How do you find the sharpest Lances of the Lance family? They should be enough to kill even a hundred of you!"

Nathan commented, "Lances? All I see is a bunch of scrap metal."

Alfie's men glowered at him with a murderous glint in their eyes.



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Nathan called out calmly, "Elite Eight!"

"Yes!" Colin and the Elite Eight echoed from the doorway as they strode into the restaurant.

Although there were only nine of them, their presence was one of an entire army!

Nathan smiled at Alfie, who was in shock. "How do you find my men?"

Alfie commanded, "Kill them all!"

The moment he spoke, dozens of his men charged towards Colin and the Elite Eight.

However, Colin and the Elite Eight were much faster and more vicious.

Bam!

Colin punched one man in the face and kicked another in the chest.

Pow!

The two of them were sent flying; one of



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them even coughing up blood and a part of his ruptured lung. They both died on the spot.

The nine men of Nathan were fast and merciless. All their opponents fell before them.

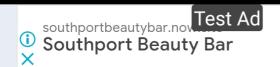
These so-called ancient martial arts masters were no match for Colin and the Elite Eight.

In the blink of an eye, all of the men brought by Alfie were either dead or maimed.

The screams and smell of blood that filled the restaurant were etched in Alfie's mind.

His eyes nearly fell out of their sockets.

They're all the cream of the crop in the Lance family! All of them practiced ancient martial arts and can take ten people at once! They should have been able to fight back an army of a thousand! Yet, they were slaughtered by Nathan's men...



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Nathan sipped his tea and calmly stared at the bewildered Alfie. "Looks like subordinates are better!"

Alfie cried out in a quivering voice, "You!"

Nathan sneered, "There's no need to be nervous. Weren't you very calm when you were cutting a pear earlier? Shall I give you another pear to practice on?"

Alfie's face flushed red upon hearing those words.

Penny's family felt much better after seeing such a scene.

That's what you get for threatening us with a knife! Weren't you very smug when you were cutting that pear? Well, go on!



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Nathan turned to Penny. "You guys should continue eating in a private room. I'll handle things here."

Penny nodded and picked Queenie up before following Thomas to a private room with Benson, Leah, and Kylie. They left the rest to Nathan.

The restaurant was pretty much deserted at that point.

Other than the employees, who had hidden in a corner, only Alfie, Nathan, and his men were left.



Nathan stated calmly, "I'm a simple man with simple ideals. My bottom line is that no one is to bother my family! You've obviously crossed that line, but I'll make this offer one last time - chop your arm off, and you may leave."

Alfie tensed up and gripped his knife tightly.

"You want my arm? I'll take your life before you can have that!"

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He then lunged towards Nathan and thrust the knife towards his chest.

Alfie had trained in ancient martial arts since he was young; he was exceptionally talented. His thrust was as fast and powerful as a lance.

However, Nathan calmly gripped Alfie's wrist and stopped the knife before it could reach him.

Huh? Alfie's eyes widened in shock. How did Nathan stop my attack?

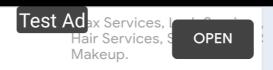
Before Alfie could come to his senses, Nathan had already snapped Alfie's wrist.

"Argh!" Alfie cried out in pain and broke out in a cold sweat.

Nathan scoffed, "This is to teach you a lesson! Tell the Lance family to send their elders to apologize and get the man who suggested the underworld marriage to kneel before me! I want him to apologize!"

Alfie gripped his right hand in pain as he





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glared at Nathan with a mix of fear and spite in his eyes. He spat, "I'll be sure to convey your words to my grandfather. Just you wait!"

Alfie then hurriedly fled with his wounded men and headed to a professional private hospital for treatment.

He left with his men who suffered milder injuries after that.

A few of his subordinates inquired fearfully, "Mr. Lance, what now? Shall we inform the master?"



Alfie was at a loss.

When he had accepted this job, he had confidently told his grandfather that he would settle this easily and get revenge for his cousin.

But he had suffered heavy casualties, even his own hand was broken.

If he returned now, his grandfather would surely think he's useless!

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However, the old man was no match for Nathan either!

Just as Alfie was hesitating, a Bentley and three black Audis pulled over in front of him.

One of the Bentley's windows was rolled down and a rich man in casual clothes smiled. "What a coincidence, Alfie!"

When Alfie saw the man, his eyes lit up as he greeted him, "Mr. Artoria!"

That man exuded an aura of nobility and was from the top family in the nation, Sam Artoria!

The Lance family was a noble family of a royal bloodline. It was the second most influential family in the nation.

The Artoria family was also a noble family of a royal bloodline. It was the most influential family in the nation!

Both families were close and had established friendly relations. The youth



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had even formed a gang called the Excalibur. Sam was their leader. He was extremely reputable even amongst members of the Excalibur.

Sam glanced at Alfie's hand, which was in a cast, and laughed, "Who broke your wrist?"

Sam had meant this as a joke.

However, Alfie replied, "I don't want to talk about it, Mr. Artoria. I've disgraced the Excalibur. I messed up in a small place like Channing and got my arm broken by someone."





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Sam had not expected his arm to have really been broken by someone else. He frowned, "So it was someone else! Hop on and tell me the details. I can't let the guy get away with it, or they'll think the Excalibur is full of pushovers."

Alfie quickly got into the car and explained what had happened to Sam.

Sam was shocked by this, so he quickly queried, "Pike lost his life over this woman? When you came to find Nathan for revenge, you got your arm broken? Now I'm really curious. Just how beautiful is this Penny Smith?"

Alfie knew the only thing Sam was interested in was women.

Sam detested the idea of marriage, so he only fooled around with no intention to marry. To make matters worse, he had no interest in female actors or women working in the entertainment industry and targeted only married women.

Alfie showed Sam a few photos of Penny



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and said, "This Penny is indeed a beauty. She's also the president of the Cross Group. One can say she's both beautiful and smart. Grandpa sent me here to kill Nathan and bring Penny back for an underworld marriage to bury her together with Pike!"

Sam was taken aback when he saw Penny's face.

He had seen countless beauties, but those with Penny's looks did not have her figure, and those with her figure did not have her grace.



His heart skipped a beat when he saw Penny's graceful poise.

His eyes narrowed as he commented, "What a waste that such a beauty is going to be killed for your cousin."

Alfie suggested, "Mr. Artoria, I lost to Nathan this time. I can't go back to my grandpa. If you help me out, I can tell my grandpa you're interested in Penny and call off the underworld wedding."

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Sam patted Alfie on the shoulder and smiled, "You're the best, buddy! If I don't get revenge on your behalf, I'll be disgracing Excalibur! Don't worry. I'll handle this!"

Alfie thanked him profusely, "Thanks, Mr. Artoria!"

Sam was the leader of the Excalibur as well as the young master of the Artoria family, the top family in the nation. That made him pretty much omnipotent. He was sure he could deal with Nathan in seconds!

Alfie's face turned red in excitement. Nathan Cross is finished!

At that moment, Nathan, Penny, and Kylie had brought Queenie to Dream Karaoke.

It was Queenie's fifth birthday, so Penny had invited all of Queenie's classmates there for a birthday party.

Penny had booked the largest private room in Dream Karaoke and decorated it.

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There were stars and heart-shaped balloons everywhere.

Several parents had brought their kids here, and they all started playing around.

Their parents had formed groups and began chatting.

Penny was dressed in a Chanel sleeveless dress with her hair tied up, revealing her fair nape. She was dressed elegantly, looking like a graceful swan.

Meanwhile, a man in a suit and wearing a gold Rolex watch was squinting at Penny like how a predator watches its prey.

He was Flint Quinton, a businessman who was often situated overseas and had a net worth of over a hundred million.

His wife had died early, and his child had been in the same kindergarten as Queenie. He had learnt that Penny was a single mother two years ago.

He leered at Penny.



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I'm a single father, and she's a single mother. This must be fate!



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Chapter 1169 Who Else But Me

Flint took a glass of wine over to Penny and smiled. "Hello, Ms. Smith."

Penny returned the greeting, "Hello, Mr. Quinton. Thanks for bringing your child to my daughter's birthday party."

Flint chuckled. "It's good for the kids to mingle around and connect. I'd like to mingle around with Ms. Smith too!"

Penny frowned when she sensed the flirtatious tone in Flint's voice.

Flint continued, "After all, we're both single parents. I can understand the troubles you're going through, Ms. Smith. We should get to know each other better..."

Penny cut him off, "I'm sorry, Mr. Quinton, you're mistaken. I'm not a single parent."

Flint was stunned.

When I sent my child to the kindergarten two years ago and first met Penny, I heard the teachers gossiping about her being a single mother! Since when did she get



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married?

Penny waved at Nathan, who was entertaining Queenie. "Hubby, come over."

Nathan smiled as he approached them. "Honey, what's up?"

Penny introduced them, "Mr. Quinton, this is my husband, Queenie's biological father, Nathan Cross."

Queenie's biological father?

Flint had heard that Penny had been raped by a drunkard. She had supposedly given birth to Queenie even though she was unmarried.

Oh my gosh! The single beauty and the president of the Cross Group, Penny Smith, chose to marry the drunkard who violated her!

Flint was heartbroken.

He sized Nathan up and remarked, "Ah, Mr. Cross. What do you do for a living?"

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Nathan glanced at Flint and replied plainly, "I was working for the military, but I'm now temporarily unemployed."

This made Flint enraged.

Penny's husband is not only a drunkard, but he's also a good-for-nothing who depends on his wife!

He sneered at Nathan, "If you're unemployed, just say so! There's no need to add the word temporary behind it! You're obviously living off your wife! You should be ashamed!"

Penny turned flustered and tried to explain the situation, but Flint had already turned to her with a sympathizing look. "Ms. Smith, you're such a beautiful woman, but you're wasting your future with such a good-for-nothing man!"

He then sneered at Nathan once more, "Brat, I don't want to comment on your life, but as a capable man, you should find a job instead of relying on your wife! Ms. Smith is such an outstanding woman. You



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don't deserve her! You should divorce her and stop wasting her time!"

Nathan smirked, "Who deserves her, if not me?"

Flint shouted out, "I do!"

He then turned to Penny and told her, "Ms. Smith, to tell you the truth, I've loved you for a long time. Although I don't have as much in assets as you, I am the boss of a large-scale factory! We're both businessmen who share similar interests! I'm a single parent, and you were one too! We have similar interests and priorities! Ms. Smith, if you're willing to divorce him and marry me, I guarantee our careers will progress well."



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Penny had an awkward expression on her face.

Nathan scowled, "So what if you own a factory. Does that make you rich?"

Flint held up two fingers and scoffed, "I'm not very rich; my net worth is but two hundred million! In any case, I'm a hundred times better than trash like you!"

Nathan nodded and took out his phone to make a call. He warned Flint, "I'll make you a beggar in ten minutes."

What? Flint's eyes widened.

He then laughed, "Who do you think you are? You'll make me a beggar in ten minutes? I'd like to see you try!"

At that point, not only Penny felt embarrassed, but all of the other parents were also feeling awkward as well.

Time ticked by; ten minutes would pass soon.

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Flint glanced at his watch and was about to tell Nathan time was up when his phone started ringing.

The man in charge of his factory had called.

Flint had a bad feeling as he answered the call.

The man in charge sobbed, "Boss, who exactly did you offend? Our factory has gone bust!"

Boom!

That piece of news was a bolt from the blue to Flint.

He was stunned.

He calmed himself down before he roared, "Impossible! How could my factory have collapsed? Are you making a fool out of me?"

The man in charge cried, "It's true! Our suppliers called and told us they won't be

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working with us in the future! We won't have any raw materials! The banks and debtors we took loans from also suddenly asked for their money back! Our factory will go bust! If we go bankrupt, you'll be in debt, boss!"

In debt!

Ten minutes ago, Flint was a boss with a net worth of two hundred million. Now, he was a man who would soon be in debt.

.He started to quiver uncontrollably.

The man in charge of the factory continued sobbing, "Boss, who exactly did you offend? Hurry up and apologize to him. If you don't, we're finished!"

Flint stared at Nathan in fear. Don't tell me he's behind this? Is a phone call from him really enough to turn me into a pauper? Oh my gosh, he's so powerful!

Flint looked at Nathan with a fearful and respectful expression. He stuttered, "Mr. Cross, I-I was in the wrong..."

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Nathan smirked and patted Flint on the shoulder. He smiled. "I was just joking with you. I'm happy to see that you've come with your child to attend my daughter's birthday party. However, please know your place. Do not try to say anything out of line. Next time, it won't be a joke."

Flint only continued to stare at Nathan fearfully.

Within minutes, the person in charge of Flint's factory called him again.

He reported ecstatically, "Boss, the supplier said he was joking! We'll still have business in the future! The banks and our debtors have also called and said they were kidding!"

Huh? So I'm a boss with a net worth of two hundred million once again?

Flint stared at Nathan in shock. Is this all just a coincidence, or is Nathan really behind this? If he really is behind this, just how powerful is he?

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Flint still had on a fearful expression. He could no longer tell if this was a mere coincidence or if it had all been staged by Nathan.

When Penny saw that Flint had learned his lesson, she attempted to reconcile them, "Alright then, let's set this aside!"

When Flint heard her words, he glanced at the graceful Penny and thought, Was Ms. Smith behind this? It's possible! Ms. Smith is the president and owner of the Cross Group with a net worth of a few hundred billion. She knows countless influential men! She could make me bankrupt in minutes! Since Nathan is her husband, she has every reason to side with him!

The more Flint thought about it, the more he was sure he was right.

Nathan was just bluffing! He simply relied on Penny!

That made Flint furious.

If only if I managed to court Penny! I'll be