But as soon as the doctor sat in the driver's seat, his body froze.

A scalpel was placed on his throat all of a sudden.

"Good evening..."

Harvey York poked his head out before showing a faint smile.

When the doctor saw Harvey's face, he could not react to the situation. He did not expect that he would meet the actual person.

He quickly tried to reach inside his armrest for his firearm, but his body froze again after Harvey put some force into the scalpel.

"That's no good...

Harvey smiled.

"If you're going to imitate me, at least try a little harder. I wouldn't pull out a firearm that hastily."

The doctor showed a cold gaze in his eyes.

"I didn't want to kill you...

"But now that you're here...

"I have no choice but to send you off."

"Send me off?" asked Harvey with a smile.

"I'm the one with the upper hand here.

"I don't care about you killing Freddy...

"But it'd be bad if you're making me take the blame."

Harvey saw the entire operation but did not try to stop it. After all, he had nothing to do with the conflict.

The doctor took a deep breath.

"Do you want to capture me alive? Do you think you can do it?" asked the doctor in a cold tone.

"Is it really that hard?"

Harvey smiled.

"Do you think you can talk your way out of this? You'll be dead if I just apply a little more pressure.

"Or do you think I'll kill you if you keep yapping?

"After all, you're pretty loyal.

"It's a shame I don't want you dead just yet."

Harvey slapped the doctor's torso with his other hand. A sense of weakness could be felt inside the doctor's body in just a moment.

He could kill so many people who went against him just before, but he felt utterly powerless, as if he was as harmless as a sheep. Harvey then pulled his scalpel away and sized up the doctor.

"Do you serve the John family?"

He slapped the doctor in the face, making him spit out the poison he was trying to bite off.

The doctor's eyes kept twitching. He was planning to end his own life after realizing that Harvey had already incapacitated him...

But he did not expect that he would also be robbed of doing that.

"Enough talk! Just kill me already!

"Don't get too cocky either!

"You'll pay for going against people you shouldn't sooner or later!

The doctor raised his head, protecting the last of his dignity.

"Do it already!"

"Kill you?

Harvey calmly let out a smile.

"Why should I?

"You're living proof.

"I'll have to ask you about where you got that face and

why you killed Freddy.

"Don't worry. I'll make it quick.

"I have someone that'll do that for me. Kayden Balmer from the Hatchet Gang, for example.

"He wants a chance to prove himself.

"I'm sure he'll do his best if I tell him about this."

The doctor was showing a derisive look on his face. The Golden Palace specially trained him before this.

A mere gangster would not be able to pry his mouth open in the first place.

Harvey showed a faint smile before picking up his phone.

"I need you here at the Flutwell People's Hospital, Kayden..."

While Harvey York was asking Kayden Balmer's help to accompany the doctor...

At the John family's house.

Gavin Bauer was calmly sipping his tea.

There were a few documents with information about Harvey, Joseph Bauer, and the Indians in his hand.

After planning his schemes to deal with Harvey, he got someone to investigate all those people for him.

He was quite surprised by the information he had gotten at that moment.

He did not realize that Harvey had constantly been disrespecting the Indians and Joseph since he arrived in Flutwell.

It was only natural for the John family to be at a disadvantage going against him.

After all, the outsider, Harvey, was quite an enigmatic man.

Right as Gavin was scheming with more plans, Elliot John walked in with a thin and long cigar in his mouth. He seemed pretty delighted at that moment.

"We did it!

"We did it, Father!

Elliot was utterly excited.

"We just got word! Freddy Garcia's dead! That b*stard, Harvey, killed him!

"The Indians there saw it!"

Gavin sat frozen for a moment before his eyes lit up.

"Are you sure he's dead?"

"Definitely!

Elliot was confident.

"Flutwell's our territory! We can kill off anyone if we wish!

"The police were also there to investigate the situation! Freddy's done for!

"I hear they're planning to question Harvey for it too!"

Then, Elliot sent pictures of Freddy's corpse to Gavin.

Gavin let out a sigh of relief after looking at the pictures before tearing the documents on the table apart.

"Since we're at this point, there'll be no turning back!

"We'll have to further escalate the show!"

Gavin was curious at this moment.

"Right. How are the Indians reacting to the situation?"

"They're enraged!

"The Bharata Business Council is going crazy!

Elliot showed a joyful look on his face, as if the plan had succeeded.

"Those Indians keep screaming about someone from Country H assassinating a mighty Kshatriya!

"If not for the police, those people would've charged into the Hatchet Gang's base camp by now!

"The Celestial Temple got word about it as well! Cody Garcia left immediately after!

"It's said he'll be here to investigate the situation himself! He said that he demands to know the entire truth!

"I was worried that Frankie Garcia alone wouldn't be able to deal with Harvey...

"But even Cody got all worked up about this!

"Harvey will surely suffer even if he doesn't die from this!"

Naturally, Elliot was not just slacking off either.

He knew that Harvey was a troublesome man...

But he believed that Harvey would be finished if one of the Three Demon Monks also decided to show up. Gavin was impressed after hearing that Cody would be here soon.

"Not bad. If that's the case, we'll have to make it easier for the Demon Monk!

"Let them bring more troops if there's a need for that!

"After all, the more, the merrier!

"Make sure that the Indians don't know about Harvey's involvement! They'll be scared off if they do!"

Elliot John nodded lightly.

"Don't worry, Father! I've made every arrangement!"

"Right. Can we trust the killer we sent out?" Gavin Bauer asked.

"It's fine! I also have arranged his escape!

"He'll leave the borders with one hundred and fifty million dollars when he's done! He'll be a wealthy man somewhere else!

"With so many benefits waiting for him, there's no chance he'd sell us out!" said Elliot with a confident look.

Gavin nodded before leaving the place, but he turned around while squinting his eyes before he did.

"I've been teaching you this all the time, Elliot!

"We can only trust the dead!"

Elliot froze before showing a faint smile.

"I told you, Father. I have already made the arrangements.

"The wealthy man will pass away in an accident soon enough."

While the father and son were planning out their move, Kayden Balmer arrived.

After giving him the hostage and telling him to get everything out of the doctor, Harvey York gave Ansel Torres a call.

Harvey did not hide his situation at all. He came clean to his brother in arms.

At the same time, he asked the police to stay out of his way for the next couple of days.

He needed time to get the doctor talking, and he was also required to participate in the Longmen Summit's municipal qualifier.

Ansel let out a deep sigh after hearing about this.

After all, since every single piece of evidence pointed toward Harvey, he would probably arrest him in a heartbeat if it was not for this phone call.

On the next day, early in the morning. Harvey put everything in the back of his head for the time being and called a cab to the Flutwell Gymnasium.

Harvey bumped into Fisher Benett at the entrance.

"You're pretty late today, Harvey!

Fisher was quite friendly toward Harvey at the moment.

He showed a warm smile when he spoke.

"Do your best today! I'm looking forward to your results! You better come in first!"

Naturally, he admired Harvey, who had extensive knowledge of martial arts.

"You're too kind, Vice Branch Leader Benett.

"I'll definitely try my best now that I'm here."

"Nonsense!

Fisher let out a sigh.

"The Longmen Summit is a massive event!

"Flutwell is where Longmen originated! We'll be utterly embarrassed if you don't get into the top three!

"Our reputation depends on you now, Harvey!

"Slay your competition!"

Harvey skimped past the subject, saying he would give it his all before entering the hall.

Kori John and her friends were here as well.

Kori showed a horrible expression when she saw Harvey and Fisher chatting happily.

In her eyes, Fisher had always been a serious man.

It was quite a rare sight for him to think that highly of a young man like Harvey.

While Kori and the others were showing awful looks, the competition was starting.

The municipal qualifier was more straightforward.

The organizer would get a hundred participants to fight in a one-on-one match.

The Longmen disciples would be their opponents.

The participants would pass if they managed to beat three Longmen disciples.

Of course, the examiners would keep score during the fight.

If more than ten participants managed to pass the test, they would be chosen based on the order of their scores.

The auditorium was completely cleared out.

The security tape was used to make a perimeter of about a hundred square feet for each participant to fight in.

A lot of blunt weapons were set on the side of the ring. From halberds to daggers, every single possible weapon could be seen there.

Harvey York calmly walked toward the thirty-ninth ring.

He squinted at the surveillance camera on top of him before looking at Kori on the forty-first ring. Then, he rested his hand on the ready button beside him.

"This is actual combat, Harvey! It's completely different compared to the theory test!"

Kori tied her hair up in a ponytail while squinting her narrow eyes at Harvey.

"You don't even have a solid foundation in martial arts! You better not force yourself if you bite off more than you can chew!

"After all, the Longmen disciples are no easy opponents.

"You won't even be able to cry about it if they somehow manage to kill you.

"Everyone signed a death warrant anyway!"

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Kori was filled with rage when she looked at Harvey.

She truly believed that Harvey only got first place during the theory exam because he crammed everything in his brain.

She also thought that Harvey would stand no chance against Longmen's outer disciple like her in actual combat.

She felt confident that she was better than Harvey.

Harvey calmly smiled.

"Don't you worry. I won't let you down."

Three hundred Longmen disciples entered the hall before picking their ring to enter.

With the participants' consent, both sides would be able to fight in the ring.

Admitting defeat or being knocked out of the ring counted as a loss.

Harvey kept a straight face. He also could not be bothered to choose his opponents.

When all the Longmen disciples stood in their designated spots, Harvey gestured to the people outside that they could come in.

The first one in the ring was a stout middle-aged man.

He grabbed a wooden staff on the weapons rack before disdainfully glaring at Harvey.

"I don't know where you came from, kid...

"But, you don't seem like someone who knows how to fight judging from your scrawny limbs.

"People say that the weapons don't have eyes.

"You should just leave the ring by yourself at this point. I might just accidentally kill you if you don't."

The Longmen disciples burst out laughing after hearing those words.

Kori was also secretly chuckling about Harvey being insulted.

The stout man had tried to pursue Kori before. He knew exactly what to do when Kori gave him a look.

Though, Harvey did not care that he was being insulted.

"Fight me already. What's with all this talking?"

The stout man wretchedly chuckled before charging forward. He was a lot faster than most people despite his size.

He furiously swung his staff forward as he reached in front of Harvey.