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In the hall of the Douglas family's main residence, the phone beside Hugo Douglas, who had been anxiously waiting for news, suddenly rang.

"How is it?" Hugo asked impatiently as soon as the call connected.

"Good news! Apart from the Luxe, Heaven Media, and three entertainment joints and bathhouses ordered to cease operations permanently, the other companies are allowed to resume operations. However, we have to pay a large fine..." said a Douglas on the other end of the line.

"That's good. The fine doesn't matter. The Douglases can still afford to pay it!" Hugo said in a much more relaxed tone. The tension of his face also eased up.

Although he had lost several lucrative companies, which were pillar businesses of the corporation, it was much better than having the entire Douglas family be wiped out!

As long as they were given some time to operate their businesses, they would slowly recoup their losses sooner or later. At most, they would just change the names of their companies.

Hugo hung up the phone in high spirits. The family members gathered around him immediately looked at him expectantly.

"Has the matter been resolved?"

"There's hope for our family, right?"

"Has Chris settled everything? Is that person no longer going to pursue the matter?"

Facing their anxious and expectant gazes, Hugo nodded slowly and said with a smile, "Yes, we've safely overcome our crisis this time!"

In an instant, the ten-odd Douglases immediately looked relieved, and they praised Chris incessantly.

"Chris is really reliable and capable. He's only been out for an hour or so, and the matter has already been settled!"

"He's really worthy of being the next successor. He's really not bad!"

"Of course. That goes without saying. After all, he has Hugo's genes. Like father, like son!"

Hugo smiled while listening to them praising Chris, but his heart was gloomy.

In particular, he wanted to sneer when he heard them saying things like Chris was definitely competent because he was his son.

It was because the eldest son, Chris Douglas, whom they were singing praises about, was not actually Hugo Douglas's biological son but the bastard child from an illicit affair between his wife and another man!

If it weren't for the fact that Hugo was vying for the position of the patriarch of the family back then and needed a successor to increase his chances, he would never have allowed this bastard child, Chris Douglas, to survive!

Previously, Hugo showered Chris with praises on several occasions in public and even said that he was going to be the successor of the Douglas family, all because

he wanted Chris to think that he valued him so as to ensure that he would be devoted to working for the family.

He thought that Chris would finally have a taste of how it felt to pave the way to success for others when he finally handed the family over to his biological son, Gordon Douglas!

Hugo felt that all of that was what Chris and his shameless mother owed him!

At this moment, Chris happened to have just arrived home. As soon as he entered the mansion, he was surrounded by many enthusiastic Douglases, who kept praising him endlessly.

"Chris, the fact that we can overcome the crisis this time is all thanks to you!"

"Yes, if it weren't for you, how could our family's crisis be resolved so quickly?"

Chris was stunned. But he soon smiled and said humbly, "Not at all. It's only right for me to do this for the family. Besides, I also took advantage of our family's name and prestige to get the matter resolved by fluke. Actually, Dad and all of you are the ones who deserve the credit!"

Hugo patted Chris's shoulder warm-heartedly. "It's no wonder you're my son. Well done!"

Chris hurriedly lowered his head."It's all because you taught me well, Dad. It's all thanks to your glory!"

The two of them looked at each other and smiled, looking like an affectionate pair of father and son.

"Hey, where's Gordon? Didn't he come back with you?" Hugo asked when he suddenly noticed that Gordon wasn't around.

With a glint in his eyes, Chris answered warmly, "I saw that Gordon's legs were severely injured, and I was scared that his condition might worsen, so I sent him to the hospital. Although his injuries didn't really hurt his muscles and bones since we were just putting on a show for Lucas Gray, he's still quite badly injured. So I thought that it'd be better to let Gordon recuperate well in the hospital for a while."

"Okay, good to hear." Hugo nodded and left.

However, he had no idea that Chris was staring at him with an icy-cold gaze from behind. Hmph, old fogy, are you thinking of making use of me to bring success to your son? I'll see how you're going to play mind games with me when your only biological son and grandson are dead!

After walking to a corner where no one was around, Chris dialed a certain number and made a call. "Okay, those two wastrels can be killed now. But remember to make sure they die in the hospital and don't leave any evidence behind."

Gordon and Brad Douglas were both hospitalized because they were seriously injured. The Douglases had just gone through a crisis, so their power had been greatly reduced. They were also all overwrought with overwhelming matters to handle. And they trusted him even more than before as well.

It was the perfect opportunity!

Besides, he could blame the deaths of Brad and Gordon on Lucas.

Not anyone could tolerate having to stoop low and bow to someone else like Chris had done at the Carter Corporation today!

The following day, the news of the sudden deaths of both Gordon Douglas and Brad Douglas in the hospital spread like wildfire throughout the county!

The Douglas family was considered a prestigious family in Orange County. And the deaths of the two direct descendants of the family naturally sparked numerous discussions and speculations in the county.

Cheyenne also heard the news, and her expression changed immediately.

When she saw Lucas again, she asked him hesitantly, "Brad Douglas and Gordon Douglas both died in the hospital yesterday. Have you heard about it?"

"What? Both of them died?" Lucas was rather surprised. He went out with Jordan early in the morning and indeed did not know about it.

Cheyenne looked at Lucas for a long time, unsure of what to say.

Lucas suddenly laughed. "Why are you looking at me like that? Do you suspect that I killed them?"

Cheyenne shook her head, well aware that Lucas shouldn't have done such a thing even though she knew that he was capable of it.

Looking at Lucas worriedly, she said, "In that case... you have to be more careful. Brad Douglas's death is reportedly due to complications caused by an infected wound, and Jordan... was the one who inflicted it. I'm worried that the Douglases might blame it on you."

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Hearing her words, Lucas smiled and looked at her tenderly. "Don't worry. The injuries we inflicted on Brad Douglas weren't severe enough to be fatal. Even if they try to investigate, they won't be able to associate it with me, so I won't be in trouble."

Cheyenne finally felt much less worried, but she nevertheless reminded Lucas, "Anyway, you should be more careful."

"Yes, I will," Lucas answered with a smile.

After Cheyenne left, a cold expression appeared on his face.

There was definitely more to the double deaths of Brad Douglas and Gordon Douglas!

If no one provoked him, he wouldn't care to interfere with the family matters of the Douglases.

However, if someone was foolish enough to try to blame the matter on him, he wouldn't be merciful and would simply chop off his hand! He was no saint after all.

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At this moment, the Douglas residence was all black, and the two large black lacquered wooden coffins were placed in the middle of the hall, surrounded by countless white wreaths.

The Douglas family was a top family in Orange County. Since such a huge incident happened all of a sudden, there were naturally many guests. Regardless of whether they were close or not, they would all have to attend and offer parting words to the deceased. They would also have to show their respect and then comfort the Douglases.

Hugo sat beside the hall and stared at the two coffins in front of him with a deadpan expression. He wasn't moving at all and was acting as if he couldn't hear or see anything happening around him. His face, which was still rosy and healthy previously, seemed to have aged more than ten years overnight.

The two coffins in front of him were those of his only son, Gordon Douglas, and his only grandson, Brad Douglas. However, they would never open their eyes again.

At the thought of this, tears rolled down Hugo's face.

This scene made the countless guests who came to offer their condolences sigh with emotion

Anyone would be upset and grief-stricken to lose their son and grandson at an old age.

Fortunately, he had his eldest son, Chris Douglas, who could carry on the family bloodline.

At this moment, Chris also looked like he was grief-stricken and had tears in his eyes as he received the comfort and condolences from the guests on behalf of the Douglases. Sometimes, when something struck a sour note in him, he would weep and feel overwhelmed by the misery of the deaths of his younger brother and nephew.

All of a sudden, all the people who came to offer condolences felt emotional, as they could tell that the Douglas brothers shared a close relationship with each other

However, after everyone left in the dead of the night, Chris looked at the two large coffins in the hall, and his mournful expression was now replaced by the derisive smile of a victor.

On the second day after the burial of Brad and Gordon, Hugo finally came out of his bedroom and regained some of his vitality.

However, Hugo had gray hair and a hunched back. His eyes were also emanating a sharp glint, making everyone's heart jump.

All the Douglases waited in the hall, not even daring to breathe.

Hugo sat down on a chair in the hall, looked at everyone, and said slowly, "A few days ago, my son, Gordon, and my grandson, Brad, both passed away in the hospital due to a severe infection of their wounds."

Hugo's voice was hoarse. As soon as he said these words, a middle-aged woman dashed out, fell onto the ground, and started crying miserably. "Hugo! You must avenge Gordon and Brad! They died a wrongful death, but the scoundrel who killed them is still alive and well. You can't let him off easily! You must make him pay for it!"

The middle-aged woman was none other than Brad's mother and Gordon's wife.

Having lost her husband and son in one night, she was about to lose her mind!

In particular, she had also heard that they had been badly beaten because they had offended Lucas Gray! Even after they had been hospitalized, he still wasn't willing to let them off and ended up killing them! Or so she thought.

Brad's injuries were serious but not fatal, and the same went for Gordon's. So it was impossible for them to die in the hospital overnight!

While the woman wept miserably, the Douglases started discussing endlessly.

Almost all of them agreed that there was something fishy about the deaths of Brad and Gordon.

Although they didn't feel much for the overbearing and haughty Gordon and the loafer Brad, who was often up to nothing good and only knew to cause trouble, they were still the core members of the family. Yet they were both killed by such brutal means, so they felt fearful and insulted.

Everyone looked at Hugo, hoping that he would issue orders to find the scoundrel who bullied them and then kill him without anyone knowing to avenge the deaths of the two Douglases!

However, to everyone's surprise, not only did Hugo not promise to find the culprit to avenge Brad and Gordon, but he even looked at them sullenly and said austerely, "From now on, no one is allowed to talk about the deaths of Brad and Gordon. Otherwise, don't blame me for being merciless and punishing you with the family laws!"

Hugo's words left all of them astonished!

He's actually threatening us with the family laws in order to suppress this matter!

Why?

Could it be that the culprit behind this is so powerful that even Hugo doesn't dare to mess with him?

"No! You can't do that. You clearly know that they were both murdered! How can you not avenge them?!" the middle-aged woman yelled, unable to accept this result.

"Shut up!" Hugo barked and glared at the middle-aged woman. "Are you turning a deaf ear to my words? Now that my son is gone, I can let you leave the family if you want!"

"I..." The middle-aged woman was so frightened by Hugo that she started convulsing with fear, not daring to air her grievances.

She had now lost her husband and her son and could only live the rest of her life depending on Hugo. If she provoked him and ended up getting kicked out by him, her life would be miserable!

Hugo stood up and looked around at the crowd in the middle of the hall. "Did all of you hear what I said? If I find out that anyone talks about this again, don't blame me for not warning you beforehand!"

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Under the compelling gaze of Hugo, all the Douglases did not dare to look at him as they hurriedly hung their heads low and chorused in unison, "Yes, Old Sir!"

"One more thing." Hugo looked at the white mourning fabric that hadn't been cleared away yet with a grief-stricken expression.

"Gordon and Brad have just been buried, so don't change the arrangements in the house too soon. Also, everyone in the family is forbidden from entertaining and socializing for the next one week, or else you will be disowned!" Hugo said austerely, making their hearts drop.

Having just lost his closest kin, it was only normal that Hugo wouldn't want to see them laughing and having a whale of a time. However, if they had to cease all entertainment activities, their entertainment joints would also have to close for a week, which would result in a huge loss!

Besides, the Douglases had just suffered an enormous loss, so this loss would be even more severe

Everyone wanted to give their opinion. But looking at Hugo's expression, they could only stay silent.

After the family members left, Hugo called Chris to his study.

Standing in front of Hugo with his hands by his side and looking down, he looked just like a filial son.

Hugo stared at Chris and seemed to be trying to detect something from his face.

No matter how thick-skinned Chris might be, he couldn't stay calm because he had a guilty conscience.

"Dad, why did you ask to see me?" Chris asked while looking at the oppressive gaze in Hugo's eyes.

Hugo looked away and expressed assent, as if he had been interrupted from his trance. "Do you know why I said that in the hall just now?"

He was referring to his orders for everyone not to discuss the deaths of Brad and Gordon Douglas.

In fact, Chris was confused about it too.

His men had killed Gordon and Brad, and he even planned to make an issue out of their deaths and then put the blame on Lucas Gray so that he could avoid suspicion. No one would suspect that he had killed his younger brother and nephew.

In fact, even the middle-aged woman, Gordon's wife, had heard about the deaths of her husband and son from someone Chris sent.

He reckoned that Hugo would definitely agree to the request since he was grief-stricken over the demise of his son and grandson.

However, he never expected that Hugo would choose not to confront Lucas and instead order all the family members not to bring it up again.

Chris lowered his head and hid the emotions in his eyes as he said respectfully, "I don't know. But Dad, you've always been wise, so I reckon there must be a reason for your decision."

Hugo sighed. "Gordon and Brad are my biological son and grandson, so of course I want to avenge them. However, we can't openly go around saying that Lucas Gray killed them. First, we don't have any concrete proof, and secondly, we might alarm him and cause him to flee. By then, it would be difficult to seek revenge."

Chris nodded in a moment of epiphany and exclaimed, "Dad, you're so wise! It indeed isn't time for us to announce this yet. We should get rid of Lucas Gray when his guard is down!"

"Yes! The murderer is Lucas Gray, and we can roughly confirm that. Even if he wasn't the one, he was still the one who beat up Gordon and Brad. We have every right to look for him!" Hugo gritted his teeth.

Immediately afterward, Hugo reached out and patted Chris on his shoulder. "Chris, you're my only son now. I'll hand over the task of killing Lucas Gray and avenging Brad and Gordon to you! After you complete it, I will convene a meeting and hand over the position of the successor of the Douglas family to you in public!"

Hugo's eyes were full of an inscrutable menace.

Lucas Gray was not to be trifled with, and since his biological son was dead, there was no need for the bastard child Chris Douglas to continue living either! Besides, the murderer might really be Lucas, but it could also be the ingrate Chris!

If the two of them were to be at odds with each other, they could just kill each other! Regardless of which one of them died, it would be good!

Only then could he avenge Gordon and Brad!

When Hugo thought of that scene, his hands began trembling.

Suddenly, he heard a loud sound.

Chris burst into laughter!

Laughter?

Chris was just like an obedient dog in front of him, yet he suddenly laughed after hearing that Hugo was going to hand over the position of successor to him.

Hugo was shocked, and soon, he was furious.

He had clearly just said that no one was to laugh or chatter for the sake of mourning Brad and Gordon. Yet Chris was laughing!

"What are you laughing about?!" Hugo flew into a rage and glared at Chris.

"Haha, Dad. You mean that if I don't seek revenge on Lucas Gray, you won't give me the position of successor, right?" Chris asked with a smile.

Hugo found his action peculiar and frowned. "Of course not. You're my only son. Who else would I hand it to but you?"

"Haha, who knows? I'm not your biological son. How could you hand the family over to me? I'm afraid you must be thinking about how to kill me, right?"

Chris was still smiling, but in Hugo's opinion, he was like a terrifying demon!

"What nonsense are you babbling about?" Hugo roared with shock and fear within him. When did this bastard find out?

Or has he always been pretending all this while? Has he been pretending so well that I thought he was an obedient dog, and he's only showing his true colors now?

All of a sudden, Hugo's heart was full of horror and anxiety.

"Hah, you should know whether or not I'm babbling nonsense." Since he had already revealed his true colors, Chris saw no need to pretend and walked toward the couch to sit down calmly.

"You just want me to deal with Lucas Gray and end up getting injured too. It's best if we both die, right?"

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Chris's words made Hugo take a few steps back in astonishment, almost falling onto the ground.

Hugo stared in shock and horror while pointing at Chris Douglas, his fingers trembling violently, barely able to utter a complete sentence.

"You... you..."

My plans and thoughts have been seen through by this scumbag?!

"You, get lost! Get out of my house immediately! I will never hand over the family assets to a bastard like you!" Hugo hollered while pointing at the door.

"Hah, it's too late." Chris didn't move at all. Instead, he smiled even more joyously. "I didn't want to take action so soon at first, but you forced me into this."

Hearing his words, Hugo acutely sensed danger. "What do you mean?"

Chris smiled and clapped his hands. A stranger with neatly combed hair, donning a gray suit and gold-rimmed glasses, pushed open the door to the study and walked in.

"Who are you? Who let you in? Get out!" Hugo barked furiously.

The matter had already escalated beyond Hugo's control. And in fact, he even felt a strong sense of crisis.

The stranger didn't pay attention to Hugo and instead walked straight to Chris, bent low, and bowed. He then took out a document from his briefcase and laid it on the coffee table in front of him respectfully.

"Mr. Douglas Senior, this is the will that I have prepared according to your instructions. I have already verified that everything has been signed by you. Now, you only need to have to sign the last page with your thumbprint," the stranger said to Hugo.

Hugo widened his eyes in disbelief. Immediately afterward, he flew into a rage. "Bastard! Since when did I ever make a will? When did I ever verify it with my signature? This is all just tricks you're playing! This will doesn't belong to me! It has no legal effect at all!"

"I'm going to go look for someone. This document is fabricated. It doesn't count! I'm going to kick you out of the family, you bastard!" Hugo began to panic.

His unfilial son had already brought out a fabricated will. Who knows what he might do next? Hugo was bent on immediately leaving to look for security and the other family members to kick him out!

At this moment, there was a loud thump on the back of Hugo's head.

Hugo slowly turned around and saw that Chris had smashed his head with an ashtray. His lips were trembling, but he couldn't even utter a single word. Afterward, Hugo slowly began crumbling forward.

Chris walked to Hugo's side, squatted down, and said softly, "You can now go and reunite with your precious son and grandson. Don't worry. I'll politely accept the entire Douglas family."

Hugo's throat moved a few times, but he still couldn't say a single word in the end. His pupils dilated as blood flowed out from the back of his head, forming a huge pool of blood on the ground.

"Oh no! Someone, come here! Dad accidentally slipped and fell! Hurry and call an ambulance!" Chris began yelling anxiously in the study.

The Douglases were in chaos again.

Soon, the Douglases, which had just held two funerals, held their third one.

Within a short span of a few days, three significant figures of the family died, one after another.

The news took all of Orange County by storm.

Countless people were privately discussing the Douglas family's successive deaths over the past few days, and countless speculations spread throughout the county.

However, at this juncture, Chris had already successfully become the new head of the Douglas family after the funeral ceremony.

As the only living son of Hugo Douglas and holding the will left by him before his demise, coupled with the public statements he made about making Chris Douglas the successor, Chris Douglas was able to take over the position as the head of the family smoothly and successfully. No one raised any doubts.

The changes in the Douglas family naturally caused a tremendous uproar in the county.

Some people who had been harmed by the Douglases, such as Charlotte, were stunned upon hearing the news. Charlotte sneered. "Hah, this is karma! The

Douglases committed too many disgusting misdeeds, and now Heaven won't spare them either. All three of them have dropped dead!"

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In the Carter main residence, after Dominic heard the news and felt astonished, he gave it some careful thought. He then grinned merrily and quickly called his granddaughter Scarlet Wright over.

"Scarlet, have you heard about what happened to the Douglases?" Hugo Douglas asked.

Scarlet nodded. "Yes, they're just out of luck! But that has nothing to do with us, right?"

"Haha, silly child." Dominic rubbed his hands happily. "Think about it. The Douglases specially came to apologize to Mr. Brooke, but they mistakenly apologized to that scoundrel Lucas Gray instead. Next, their family members died one after another. Haven't you figured out the key point?"

Feeling puzzled, Scarlet thought about it for a while before coming to a sudden realization. "Grandpa, I understand! It must be because they offended Mr. Brooke!"

"Shh! Keep your voice down. Just keep it to yourself, and make sure you don't tell anyone about it, lest you bring trouble to Mr. Brooke. Understood?" Dominic instructed sternly.

With glistening eyes, Scarlet covered her mouth and nodded repeatedly. "Yes! Don't worry, Grandpa! I will definitely keep my lips sealed and not cause trouble for Aston!"

"Speaking of which, how are you and him progressing? Are you confident?" Dominic asked.

At the mention of this, Scarlet began to look uneasy. She had been accompanying Aston for the past few days. Aston was physically attractive and a good sweet-talker as well. They had long advanced to home run.

Hearing her grandfather's question at this moment, Scarlet blushed and said smugly, "Don't worry, Grandpa. We... are progressing well. He promised to discuss our marriage with his elders when he returns to LA after some time."

"Hahahaha, not bad, not bad! You're indeed worthy of being my granddaughter. Impressive!" Dominic was overjoyed as he clapped his hands. "Scarlet, you must hold on tight to Aston. Once you're married, you'll be the most prestigious lady of a wealthy family, and the Carters will rise to the peak again thanks to them. We will become your most reliable maiden home!"

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Meanwhile, Cheyenne was still feeling uneasy and full of mixed emotions after hearing about the deaths of the Douglases!

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Within a few days, all three members of the Douglas family's direct line of succession died.

To the world at large, Brad and Gordon Douglas had passed away because of health complications caused by their infected injuries, while Hugo Douglas fell down at home because he was too grief-stricken and knocked the back of his head, thereby unfortunately passing away.

However, many didn't believe this.

Cheyenne didn't believe it either, especially since a conflict had just broken out between Lucas and the Douglases because of Charlotte and her just a few days ago. Yet they died a few days later.

This made it hard for Cheyenne to believe that this really had nothing to do with Lucas.

Thus, she was feeling extremely complicated. On the one hand, she didn't want to believe that Lucas would be ruthless enough to kill them for the sake of revenge. But on the other hand, the facts left her with no choice but to doubt him.

So when Lucas came to pick her up from work at the entrance of the Brilliance Corporation office, Cheyenne decided to voice her doubts, as she couldn't endure the torment in her heart. "Did you cause the deaths of the Douglases?"

When Lucas heard this, his hand stiffened. Then he drove to the roadside to pull over and stepped on the brakes.

"Cheyenne, are you suspecting that I killed those people?" Lucas asked bitterly.

Cheyenne bit her lips. "I don't want to suspect you either. But you did have a conflict with the Douglases because of what happened to me and Charlotte. Moreover, I haven't heard of them offending anyone lately apart from you. I know you definitely are capable of doing this, but I don't want you to go too far and commit such illegal acts."

He smiled bitterly. "Am I an immoral devil who kills others without feeling anything in your eyes?"

Pinching her palm, Cheyenne looked at Lucas. "Does that mean that their deaths really have nothing to do with you?"

He looked into her eyes solemnly and nodded. "I do have the ability to kill them, but I wasn't the one who did this. If I did, I'd admit to my own doings. But since I didn't, I won't. The Douglases aren't worthy of my intervention."

Cheyenne realized that she had indeed misunderstood him.

Since Lucas had the ability to destroy the Douglas family at any time, there was indeed no need for him to take their lives.

"I'm sorry. I-I was just worried that you did something impulsive..." she apologized. After all, anyone would be displeased to be suspected of being a murderer.

"It's okay. I understand. Don't worry." Lucas nodded, well aware of what she was worried about. She was just afraid that he might step on the wrong path of no return and didn't want Amelia to have such a terrifying father.

However, her concerns were completely unnecessary because he was extremely clear what his bottom line was. Besides, he wouldn't dirty his hands easily.

After hearing what Lucas said, Cheyenne finally felt relieved.

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The following morning, Cheyenne went to work. As soon as she entered her office, Jane Harper walked over and threw a pile of documents onto her desk before she could even turn on her computer. Jane ended up knocking over Cheyenne's cup, but fortunately, there was no water in it.

"Convert the data in these documents into tables and statistical reports. Make two sets of slides. I need them for the meeting at nine-thirty later," Jane ordered while frowning in annoyance.

Cheyenne sorted out the documents scattered all over the desk. There were about fifty documents, which cumulatively were half the thickness of a dictionary. She flipped through them, only to see that there were all sorts of data tables and some scribbling on them.

Cheyenne subconsciously frowned.

It was nearly 8:30, only an hour before the meeting.

The thick stack of documents would require a long time to process, and she even had to consolidate them into a single data table and then turn them into presentation slides. Putting the data into tables alone would require at least two days.

Getting all of it done in an hour was an absolutely impossible task!

"Ms. Harper, the time is too tight. I'm afraid I won't be able to get it ready in time. Do you have the original digital spreadsheets of this information? If you do..."

Before Cheyenne could finish, Jane snapped hostilely, "Are you a good-for-nothing? I can't even get you to do a simple task. Can't get it ready in time? Do you come to the office every day just to muddle through? You should have been fired long ago!"

Cheyenne took a deep breath and forcibly suppressed the anger welling up in her chest.

Jane Harper was clearly making things difficult for her on purpose!

It wasn't the first time either.

From the day Cheyenne rejoined the Brilliance Corporation and started working from the bottom, Jane had already requested to transfer Cheyenne over to her department.

Initially, Cheyenne thought that she was just being grateful and trying to take care of her.

When Cheyenne was still in the Brilliance Corporation as the chairman of the board of directors, Jane was just an ordinary fresh graduate. Due to her humble family background and the fact that Cheyenne saw her getting bullied on several occasions in the office, Cheyenne took pity on her and made an exception to promote her to her personal assistant.

Although she took on the role of an ordinary assistant, being the assistant of the company's chairman meant that she was treated completely differently from ordinary assistants. Thus, with Cheyenne's help, Jane propelled to a high position, and her status and salary skyrocketed too, making many envious.

However, after the Carters took away the Brilliance Corporation from Cheyenne later, Jane did not talk to her much when she saw her around and even avoided her.

Cheyenne thought that Jane was just worried that she might be implicated and offend the Carters if they saw her talking to her.

However, Cheyenne never thought that Jane would ask to have her transferred to her department just so she could torture her every day by giving her arduous tasks that were impossible to finish. She reprimanded Cheyenne all the time and was actually the one who forced her to go to Heaven Media by threatening to have fired

By giving Cheyenne such a thick stack of documents and a Herculean task that was impossible to finish, Jane was also deliberately trying to humiliate her and make things difficult.

At the thought of this, Cheyenne no longer wanted to try to complete the task. She looked at Jane and said, "Ms. Harper, I don't think I've ever treated you poorly in the past. Why do you have to torture me intentionally like this?"

Cheyenne thought she was communicating calmly. But to her surprise, as soon as she finished speaking, Jane suddenly raised her hand and slapped her across the face with all her might!

Smack!

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Jane's merciless slap landed hard on Cheyenne's face, making her cock her head toward the side. And soon, Cheyenne's entire cheek became swollen.

This loud slap stunned everyone in the office, and they all stopped what they were doing and looked over.

"Hmph, I was clearly just briefing you on the tasks you have to do as per normal, but you said I'm intentionally torturing you? I'll let you feel what it's like to be tortured. Do you understand now?" Jane Harper stared at Cheyenne arrogantly with a smug expression on her made-up face.

"Tell me yourself. Since you came to work under me, how many tasks have you completed? You hand them to me late every single time. How much of my time did you waste?

"When I sent you to negotiate with the Douglases previously, it was already a sure bet, yet you messed things up. You're so useless!

"Today, I asked you to make data tables and slides. Is this very difficult? Anyone can do such a simple task, and yet you're being so adamant about complaining that you can't finish it. Are you much more noble than others?

"Hmph, Cheyenne Carter, do you think you are still the same high and mighty chairman of the board? Wake up. You're just a lowly staff. If you can't even do such a simple thing, you can get lost! The Brilliance Corporation won't feed someone useless like you!"

Jane's voice was very loud as she reprimanded Cheyenne incessantly, causing the other staff from other departments to look over.

If they only heard her accusations, those who didn't know what really happened would definitely think that Cheyenne's incompetence was why she failed to complete such a simple task and think that she was deliberately trying to stall for time.

However, none of them knew how arduous these so-called simple tasks that Jane handed to Cheyenne every day really were. During this period of time, Cheyenne had been spending her nights doing work at home until midnight just so she could complete these tasks and hand them to her the following morning.

However, even then, Jane still accused her of deliberately procrastinating and handing them to her late.

Jane was obviously making things difficult for Cheyenne, and she even slapped her. Yet she twisted facts and spoke with so much gusto that the people in other departments felt that she had every right to reprimand Cheyenne. They thought no one would want a lousy employee like Cheyenne, who was incompetent yet sly, lazy, and often slacked off.

As for some employees in this department, they were naturally clearer about the details. However, Cheyenne Carter was merely a junior employee, while Jane Harper was a deputy manager of the business department. Naturally, no one would want to stand up for Cheyenne and end up offending Jane.

Cheyenne covered her flushed face while her heart was full of anger and grievances. She clenched her fists tightly.

"Are you still not convinced? Hmph, forget it. Since you can't even do a simple task like drawing up a table, go and pour me a cup of hot water and bring it to my

office. Don't tell me that you can't even pour a cup of water! What are you waiting for? Get to it now!" Jane hollered sternly.

Her face red and swollen, Cheyenne clenched her teeth. Then she went to the office pantry and brought a cup of hot water over.

The water Cheyenne poured was not pure boiling hot water but lukewarm water that was just right for drinking.

When Cheyenne returned with this cup of water, she heard some people in the office gathered around Jane sucking up to her.

"Ms. Harper, you're so impressive. You're so young, and you managed to become a deputy manager. You're so young and pretty, and you're really capable too. I'm so envious!"

"That's right! Ms. Harper is so much better than that b*tch Cheyenne Carter! If not for the fact that she had the support of the Carters previously, she wouldn't be fit to carry Ms. Harper's shoes!"

"Ms. Harper, your skin is so good. How do you take care of your skin? You look so much better than other girls in their twenties! My sister went abroad on a business trip and brought me a set of skincare products, but I don't use them at all. Why don't you try it out for me?"

"Haha, how can I accept it?" Jane said. However, she grabbed the gift bag of skincare products. When she saw the large stack of money in it, her smile became even more radiant.

"The Grange Corporation's project is not too bad. I will let you be in charge of it," Jane said to the young woman who gave her the gift.

The young woman was instantly overjoyed and thanked her repeatedly. The project with the Grange Corporation had a huge profit margin, and she pondered for a long time but couldn't figure out why it didn't get accepted. Under the guidance of others, she finally understood the trick.

Indeed, after she sent a gift package worth more than ten thousand dollars, she managed to clinch the project!

Although she felt the pinch of giving such a hefty gift, she would be able to recoup her losses soon if she managed the project well.

The young woman was on cloud nine. The others looked at this scene with envy and jealousy while thinking about the profitable projects that they could work hard on.

Cheyenne was outside and could not see what was inside the gift bag. But she felt that Jane's behavior was very inappropriate.

However, she couldn't say anything. As long as the young female colleague insisted that it was a normal gift between women, no one could find an issue with it.

"Ms. Harper, here's the water you wanted." Cheyenne handed the glass of water to Jane.

"Okay." Jane Harper glared at Cheyenne indifferently. Then she grabbed the glass of water and took a sip.

Before the water touched her lips, Jane Harper's face turned furious, and she splashed the water at Cheyenne's face. "How can I drink such hot water? Are you trying to scald me?!"

Cheyenne took a step back, and the water missed her face but splashed onto her clothes. Water dripped down, and she looked extremely distressed.

Fortunately, Cheyenne had added some cold water. Had the hot water scalded her, she would have definitely suffered severe burns!

Even if Cheyenne had a good temper, she couldn't tolerate it now. "Jane Harper, I've had enough of your nitpicking! If the water were really hot, weren't you worried that it would have scalded me?"

"Hmph, did you get scalded?" Jane Harper raised her head disdainfully. "Cheyenne, you're used to being a pampered heiress, aren't you? You couldn't even get a glass of water properly. You're a good-for-nothing! How dare you call me by my full name? Are you sick of your job? Go to the HR department and submit your letter of resignation. I won't stop you!"

Cheyenne looked at Jane coldly. "Do you think you can order me around and bully me however you want just because you're my manager?"

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Cheyenne's face turned sullen, and her aura became austere, instantly reminding Jane of the time when she was just a fresh graduate and was full of awe toward Cheyenne. She had even developed a sense of inferiority then.

However, Jane soon got rid of this feeling. She was now a deputy manager at the Brilliance Corporation, while Cheyenne was just a junior employee subordinate to her. Cheyenne was at her beck and call.

Jane looked at Cheyenne with contempt. "Yes! Do you still think that you're the lofty chairman you used to be and that I'm still your assistant? Now, I'm your manager, and you have to do whatever I tell you. You have to bear with all the scoldings and beatings that I give!

"I know you still harbor thoughts of going back to the management level and climbing to the top of the Brilliance Corporation, but those are merely your delusions!

"I'm telling you, as long as I'm here, you will never get a chance to be promoted. You will stay at the bottom as an ordinary employee for the rest of your life, and you will never be able to climb up again!"

Jane hollered at Cheyenne with a menacing expression. She was furious and envious of her!

How could Cheyenne Carter be so lucky as to be born into a wealthy family and have such a beautiful face? She even became the chairman of the company at such a young age and possessed everything that everyone is envious of.

Why did I have to be so lowly and inferior in front of her while she did me favors and bestowed kindness?

Now, Cheyenne Carter has finally fallen from her pedestal and become far worse than me. I, Jane Harper, will step all over her and never give her the chance to climb up again!

Cheyenne found it really ironic. Jane was now a deputy manager, but she managed to get to that position because of Cheyenne's help. Yet Jane was now throwing her weight around and putting on airs in front of her. She even swore to condemn Cheyenne and undermine her!

In that case, all her previous thoughts were just overly naive and righteous.

Thinking of this, Cheyenne took a deep breath and glanced at Jane coldly. "Is that so? Keep your eyes wide open. I hope you will never regret it!"

After saying this, Cheyenne stopped looking at Jane and the others in the office, who had peculiar expressions. She headed straight to the washroom to change out of her wet clothes

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Soon, everything that happened in the business department office was reported in detail.

Flynn Davis didn't dare to be negligent when it came to Cheyenne's affairs. He not only sent someone to pay attention to Cheyenne's actions in the company but also reported these matters to Lucas as soon as possible.

When Lucas heard that Jane had openly humiliated Cheyenne, slapped her, and even splashed hot water on her in front of everyone at the office, an icy-cold gaze

appeared in his eyes, and he was on the verge of killing someone. She's merely a deputy manager of the business department, and yet she has the audacity to insult Cheyenne.

Previously, Jane was the one who forced her to go to Heaven Media to discuss the cooperation with it, but he hadn't had the time to deal with her yet. Now, she was getting worse!

On the other end of the line, Davis seemed to be able to sense the coldness coming from Lucas. He was so nervous that he didn't dare to breathe deeply at all.

"Conduct a thorough investigation on Jane Harper. Since she has received bribes openly in the office, she definitely can't be clean. Find out all the dirty deeds that she has done over the years, sort out the evidence, and report her to the police," Lucas said coldly.

"Yes, Mr. Gray! I'll send someone to check it out right away, and I'll make sure to do a careful job!" Davis hurriedly answered.

At this moment, a text message was sent to Lucas's phone. It was from Cheyenne.

Lucas hurriedly opened it and smirked after reading the content clearly. This silly girl has finally figured it out.

Before ending the call with Davis, Lucas ordered, "I want to make Cheyenne the general manager of the Brilliance Corporation. Go draft the official documents now and announce it before noon. I want everyone in the Brilliance Corporation to hear it!"

Davis was astonished, but he immediately answered, "Yes, Mr. Gray! I'll get to it immediately!"

He was shocked naturally because he knew that Cheyenne had previously rejected Lucas's proposal to directly make her the chairman of the Brilliance Corporation, as she wanted to start from scratch. However, he was also clear about what Jane had just said. Now, Cheyenne's choice was the most appropriate approach.

"Get someone to spread the word and say that the company is likely to promote Jane Harper to the position of the director of the business department."

"Um..." Davis was a little confused why Lucas wanted to promote someone like Jane Harper, but he quickly figured it out and wanted to curse himself for being so silly.

Since Jane had the audacity to bully Cheyenne, how could Lucas still promote her? By releasing the news, he just wanted her to become conceited. The higher she stood, the harder she would fall!

"Okay, I understand, Mr. Gray!" Davis acknowledged and proceeded to get to it.

Lucas sat on the couch and looked at the message Cheyenne sent on the screen. "Can I be the general manager?" He felt heartache, but he was heartened too. This silly girl has finally decided to depend on me.

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Soon, an assistant of the HR department rushed to the office of the business department and said to Jane smilingly, "I specially came back to congratulate you. Ms. Harper, you'll be promoted soon!"

Hearing this, Jane was overjoyed, and she frantically asked, "Really? Am I really going to be promoted? I'm going to be appointed manager?"

She had been in the position of deputy manager for some time, and her former boss, a Carter, had already been given the sack some time ago. Jane thought that the position would naturally be given to her. To her surprise, she finally received the news after such a long time!

Jane smiled, and the employees around her were also about to congratulate her on her promotion. But the HR assistant shook her head. "No, you're not going to be promoted to a manager."

Jane Harper froze, and everyone around her was at a loss for words. Since it was a promotion, how could it not be to a manager?

"Congratulations, Ms. Harper. You'll soon become the director of the business department!" the HR assistant exclaimed, panting heavily.

Jane Harper was overwhelmed with joy, as if she had won the lottery!

Being promoted from a deputy manager to a department director was a super promotion!

Charismatic Lucas Gray Chapter 88 – New General Manager

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Jane was incredibly excited about soon becoming a director, so much so that she was at a loss for what to say.

"Wow. Congratulations, Ms. Harper!"

"Congratulations, Ms. Harper. You are going to be promoted to director! In our company, you're the only one who could become a director at such a young age!"

"Ms. Harper, please take care of us in the future!"

"Let's treat Ms. Harper to dinner tonight to celebrate her promotion!"

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The staff of the business department all gathered around Jane and praised her incessantly.

Jane Harper was brimming with joy, and she couldn't hide her smugness.

"Tonight, I'll treat you all to dinner. Let's book two private rooms at Lion Restaurant. I'd like to thank you all for the trust you've had in me and for taking care of me all this while! In the future, we will also continue to work together to make our business department expand and become stronger!"

Although the official promotion appointment letter hadn't been released yet, Jane was already full of vigor and had the demeanor of a leader.

When they heard that Jane intended to treat them to dinner at Lion Restaurant, all the colleagues began cheering gleefully. "Ms. Harper, you're so generous!"

"We definitely won't lose out by working under Ms. Harper!"

At this moment, Cheyenne, who had just changed into a clean set of clothes, entered.

Jane pointed at Cheyenne. "Let's all go to the Lion tonight, but this person is not welcome."

As soon as they heard her words, everyone looked at Cheyenne gloatingly.

Jane was now about to be promoted to the director of the business department, while Cheyenne was still just a junior employee.

If they ended up offending Jane Harper, there would definitely be severe consequences.

Cheyenne Carter is going to have a hard time from now on.

Well, unless she leaves the company after realizing that she can't stand it anymore...

They were all pragmatic people. Seeing how much Jane detested Cheyenne, so much so that she wouldn't even let Cheyenne take a few days off, no one wanted to take the risk of offending her. Thus, they simply undermined Cheyenne.

"Hmph, even I feel disgusted by Cheyenne Carter's pretentiousness, let alone Ms. Harper!"

"Exactly! Whenever Ms. Harper orders her to do something, she procrastinates and gives all sorts of excuses for her failure to complete it. Ms. Harper is too kind. If it were me, I would have already fired her!"

"She acts like an heiress just because she used to be family with the Carters! The Brilliance Corporation has long been taken away from her, and she's not even part of the Carter family anymore since they've already chased her out. She's all alone now. I wonder what dirty tricks she's using!"

"Hmph, Ms. Harper is right! Tonight is a celebratory dinner for your promotion to director. How could we let someone come and ruin the atmosphere?"

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Cheyenne's face turned gloomy. Jane Harper is actually going to be promoted to the director of the business department?

This was something she was unaware of.

However, Cheyenne was not worried at all because she knew that the owner of the Brilliance Corporation was Lucas. And she reckoned that he should be aware of the things that Jane had been doing. He was probably just giving her a false sense of joy.

Cheyenne wasn't interested in the celebratory party either. Even if Jane invited her, she wouldn't go.

She was just disappointed that the business department that she had single-handedly developed had already changed drastically after six years of poor management by the Carters.

The majority of the people still here were all bootlickers.

Facing this group of people lashing out at her with harsh and malicious remarks because of Jane, Cheyenne looked at them coldly and humphed. "I hope you will have an enjoyable celebration banquet tonight."

"Hah, are you being sour because Ms. Harper didn't invite you?"

"Hahaha. We're going to an expensive restaurant for a meal tonight thanks to Ms. Harper, while Cheyenne can only go home and cook for her loser husband! Hahahaha!"

"Hahahaha. I forgot Cheyenne Carter had a loser husband! But now that she has been kicked out by the Carters, she might also be chased out by the company. By then, I wonder if her loser husband will still want her!"

"Hahaha, yes, exactly. After all, he just sponges off her. Once Cheyenne stops providing for him, I wonder what's going to happen to them!"

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They started insulting her one after another.

In the past, Cheyenne might still feel embarrassed. But now, she just felt that they were a bunch of clowns.

Without saying anything, she turned around and left to prepare for her future plans after becoming the general manager.

Initially, Cheyenne had turned down Lucas's offer to hand over the Brilliance Corporation directly to her and wanted to climb up the ladder with her own efforts so that others would be convinced that she truly had what it takes. However, everything that happened made Cheyenne understand that even if she was outstanding and hardworking, she would never be able to advance because of Jane Harper.

Cheyenne had also figured something out.

Her ultimate goal was to take back the Brilliance Corporation and purge all the bad practices and unscrupulous employees. She wanted the Brilliance Corporation to become healthy and full of vigor, restoring it to what it used to be.

Trying to gain the recognition of others was not the right thing to do.

As long as Lucas approved of her and she had the ability to improve the Brilliance Corporation, that would be enough.

Soon, before noon, a shocking piece of news spread to the ears of every employee of the Brilliance Corporation.

A new general manager had already been appointed and would be arriving at the office in the afternoon. At that time, all the employees of the Brilliance Corporation, except those who were out of town on business trips, would have to go to the first floor of the office to meet the new general manager!

Once the news came out, countless people began to talk about it.

Since the Brilliance Corporation was taken away by the Stardust Corporation more than ten days ago, the former general manager, Bryce Carter, was kicked out, and the remaining Carters were also sacked. Thus, there were many vacant positions.

However, except for the temporary assignment of the deputy general manager to take care of the company affairs, no other vacant positions had been filled.

In particular, the top position of general manager had been vacant for a long time. Many people had also been guessing if someone would be transferred over to fill the position or if a staff of the Brilliance Corporation would be promoted.

To be honest, they would prefer an internal selection within the Brilliance Corporation so that everyone would have a fair chance. Besides, they were all old acquaintances, and there would be more room for discussion.

"Have you heard? Who is the general manager this time? Is it someone from elsewhere or someone from our company?" someone asked.

Charismatic Lucas Gray Chapter 89 – Jane Harper's Dreams

Chapter 89: Jane Harper's Dreams

"Who knows? I asked the HR department, and they all said they received an order from the higher-ups not to spread the word. They only said that we'll know in the afternoon."

"So, it's pretty confidential, huh?"

Jane was also part of the gossiping team.

She had just received the news today that she would be promoted to a director and that the newly appointed general manager would be coming soon. Thus, she had to do her best to leave a good impression on the new general manager to get into his good books. It'll be best if the new general manager is a young and handsome bachelor!

Jane believed that with her competence and beauty, she might be able to marry the general manager in the future if she could win his favor!

That would be much more powerful than the authority she would have as the director of the business department!

Jane imagined how much power she would enjoy after she married the general manager of the Brilliance Corporation and how everyone would have to bow down to her. If she were good at convincing him, the Brilliance Corporation would be in her control!

By then, Cheyenne Carter would be nothing!

Jane was overjoyed, and when she turned around to look at Cheyenne, who was typing on her computer in the corner, she suddenly felt a strong sense of superiority. So what if the Brilliance Corporation used to belong to you? Soon, it will become mine!

As she thought of this, an arrogant expression appeared on her face, and she strutted smugly toward Cheyenne's desk in her heels. She raised her hand and unplugged the cable connected to Cheyenne's computer.

Cheyenne had just completed some project proposals and personnel transfer files and uploaded them to her cloud drive. However, she hadn't finished some spreadsheets yet, but the computer screen suddenly went black.

She looked up to see Jane standing in front of her with an arrogant and condescending expression, holding the power plug in her hand. A few ill-intentioned staff out to watch a good show surrounded them.

"What are you doing?" Cheyenne frowned and looked at Jane, who had obviously unplugged the power cord on purpose.

"Watch your tone with Ms. Harper!" Before Jane could say anything, a person with heavy makeup intervened and was eager to teach Cheyenne a lesson.

Cheyenne didn't even bother paying attention to such a person and simply stared at Jane to see what tricks she was playing.

"Tsk, I don't even know what you're pretending to be busy for. The new general manager will be here soon. Did you know?" Jane Harper said leisurely after dropping the power cord.

"And?" Cheyenne asked, leaning back against her chair.

Seeing how unconcerned and nonchalant Cheyenne was, Jane was furious. Why does this woman always act as if she is so high and mighty?

Jane decided that she didn't want to fire Cheyenne so soon. She wanted to keep her around so that she could make her watch her become the wife of the general manager and take away the Brilliance Corporation!

"What are you pretending for? Who doesn't know that you were the chairman of the Brilliance Corporation in the past, but the Carters took it away from you later? You were then given a powerless junior position, and you even competed with Bryce Carter for the position of general manager. But unfortunately, that old man would rather choose that wastrel Bryce than make you the general manager.

"You must be disappointed, huh? There's going to be someone else taking the position of general manager. Does that make you sadder?" Jane Harper said with a smile, deliberately out to upset Cheyenne.

"Ah, poor you! You used to be the high and mighty chairman of the board, but now you can only huddle in a corner of this office. You must be terrified, aren't you?"

"Hahaha! Certain people just get better and better the higher they climb, while the lives of some just get worse with time. This is life!"

"I really advise certain people to recognize their own abilities sooner and know where they stand, lest they keep on dreaming!"

"Exactly! She got driven out by her family and even married a loser husband. She's stuck with her burdensome daughter too, so she will never make a comeback!"

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Cheyenne looked at the hideous faces around her coldly without many emotions.

Soon, these scumbags who just liked to suck up to powerful people would be driven out of the Brilliance Corporation.

At about three in the afternoon, a gray Mercedes-Benz commercial car pulled over at the Brilliance Corporation office entrance, and a refined middle-aged man got down from the backseat. He was James Denning, Flynn Davis's secretary, who often followed him around.

The deputy general manager of the Brilliance Corporation, Lawrence Cayman, had long been standing at the door. He immediately walked toward the car. "Mr. Denning, you're here."

"Hello, Mr. Cayman." Denning stretched his hand out to shake Cayman's hand.

After an exchange of pleasantries, Denning asked, "Have they been notified?"

"Yes, they were all notified in the morning. We're just waiting for you to announce it."

He had naturally been notified of the arrangements in the morning since he was the interim deputy general manager. However, he didn't dare to tell outsiders.

Who could have guessed that the person who would become the general manager of the Brilliance Corporation would be that someone?

As Denning arrived, all the staff in the Brilliance Corporation immediately put down what they were doing and hurried to the large conference room on the third floor, which could accommodate more than a thousand people.

Ever since they received the notice this morning, the administration department had already set up the large conference room. All the management staff had been arranged seats according to their position and status in the front row of the

conference room. And the other employees sat at the back according to their departments.

Jane hesitated for a moment but soon sat on a seat in the first row.

Her official appointment letter had yet to be issued, so she was technically still a deputy manager for now and wasn't qualified to sit in the first row.

However, she thought that since her promotion was already a sure bet, a moment sooner or later would make no difference.

Besides, Jane thought that she would only be able to leave a good impression on the new general manager and impress him with her good looks by sitting in the first row.

Seeing Jane Harper sitting in the first row of seats reserved for those in upper management positions, several other directors next to her frowned in puzzlement. But they didn't end up saying anything.

Now, there were already two people on the podium in front.

One was Lawrence Cayman, the Brilliance Corporation's interim deputy general manager, and the other was James Denning, the secretary who was transferred over from the Stardust Corporation.

The seat with the 'General Manager' nameplate was still vacant.

Who could the mysterious general manager be?

Everyone was eager to find out!

Charismatic Lucas Gray Chapter 90 – Cheyenne Gets Promoted

Chapter 90: Cheyenne Gets Promoted

Soon, the meeting officially began.

The deputy general manager, Lawrence Cayman, first made a simple statement before saying, "I'm sure all of you here have already heard of the news of the new general manager of the Brilliance Corporation. Now, let's have Mr. James Denning of headquarters announce the appointment of the new general manager. Everyone, let's give him a round of applause!"

Clap! Clap!

After the warm applause, Denning picked up the appointment letter and read it aloud solemnly. "Miss Carter is hereby appointed as the general manager of the Brilliance Corporation. She will be responsible for handling all the daily affairs of the Brilliance Corporation for a term of ten years!

"The terms in this letter have been approved by the head office, the Stardust Corporation, after the relevant procedures. It shall take effect immediately from the date of its reading.

"May I invite the new general manager, Miss Cheyenne Carter, to the stage to deliver a speech for everyone!"

As soon as Denning said this, everyone subconsciously began applauding.

However, everyone below the stage had bewilderment and shock written all over their faces The new general manager is Cheyenne Carter?

The Cheyenne Carter we know?

But isn't Cheyenne Carter already down and out? Why did she suddenly become the general manager of the Brilliance Corporation?

If it isn't her, could it be someone else with the same name? But this name isn't common.

Compared to other people's bewilderment and shock, Jane, who was sitting in the first row, was simply dumbfounded and astounded!

She couldn't believe that Cheyenne Carter would actually become the general manager of the Brilliance Corporation all of a sudden!

Something must have gone wrong!

"Impossible... It must be someone else with the same name... It must be someone else..." Jane muttered softly while clenching her fists tightly. She then looked at the podium anxiously.

The crisp and clear sounds of high heels knocking against the ground sounded from behind the podium.

Subsequently, under the gaze of countless people, Cheyenne, dressed in an elite business suit, slowly made her way to the podium in an elegant and dignified gait. She then walked to the empty seat in the middle and sat down.

The gold 'General Manager' nameplate in front of Cheyenne was glistening under the light.

At this point, Jane could no longer deceive herself.

The new general manager that she had been eagerly waiting to see was actually Cheyenne Carter!

Layers of cold sweat surged out of her body. She was shivering all over, and her body was quivering incessantly.

She even sat in the first row of seats for those with upper management positions. Every time she looked up, she could see Cheyenne's solemn gaze, and it was as though Cheyenne was glaring daggers at her and exposing her to the public.

At this moment, Jane felt humiliated and endless remorse.

However, Cheyenne did not even look at Jane once.

She sat in the general manager seat on the podium and spoke with a calm expression and tone. She made some brief statements about the current situation and the future development direction of the company.

After all, Cheyenne had single-handedly developed the Brilliance Corporation, and now that she became the general manager again, she feared nothing at all. Her speech was clear, and she was eloquent, professional, elegant, composed, and sophisticated. The people below all recalled the way she used to be when she was the CEO.

As for Jane, she had been sweating profusely below the stage, causing all her makeup to be smudged. She was too flustered to notice what Cheyenne was saying.

"Okay, this is the end of today's meeting. I hope we will all strive to make the Brilliance Corporation better under Miss Carter's lead!"

With Cayman's closing speech, everyone applauded loudly, and Jane finally returned to her senses.

Seeing Cheyenne stand up and walk toward the conference room exit accompanied by Cayman and Denning, Jane hurriedly wiped a handful of cold sweat from her face and ran after her. "Miss Carter, please wait!"

Countless people below the stage were watching with their eyes wide open, waiting to see what Jane would say to Cheyenne.

After all, Jane despised Cheyenne, and almost everyone in the company knew this, especially since many had witnessed the scolding in the morning.

With an icy-cold gaze, Cheyenne looked at Jane scurrying toward her with her eyeliner and makeup all smudged. There was no derision in her eyes or the thrill of having taken revenge. There was nothing but extreme indifference. "What's the matter?"

"Um... Miss Carter, we were planning to hold a promotion celebration for me at Lion Restaurant this afternoon, weren't we? I'd like to invite you to come to tonight's dinner to congratulate you on becoming the general manager of our Brilliance Corporation!" Jane Harper smiled brightly, as if all those things that happened between her and Cheyenne didn't exist.

Cheyenne had to admit that she had a high EQ, or rather, she was extremely thick-skinned.

Jane also extended her invitation to Cayman and Denning. "It's rare for all the leaders to be here. I wonder if you will allow me the honor to have dinner with you."

Jane deliberately made a playful action that she thought was charming, but she had no idea that she looked extremely revolting with her smudged makeup.

Cheyenne sneered. "How can I qualify to attend your promotion celebration party? I still have to go home to accompany my loser husband, lest he abandons me!"

These were the sarcastic remarks that Jane mocked Cheyenne with earlier. And now that Cheyenne was using them against her, Jane's face stiffened, and she grew speechless.

Denning frowned and stayed silent. He didn't know the woman in front of him, but he reckoned that she should have offended Cheyenne Carter, so he wasn't kind to her at all.

Cayman also frowned as he grasped the main point in Jane's words. "What promotion?"

As the interim deputy general manager of the Brilliance Corporation, he was naturally very familiar with the recent personnel transfers, and he knew that Jane Harper was a deputy manager in the business department.

Jane ruffled her hair and hurriedly laughed. "Well, the company is going to promote me to the director of the business department! I really have to thank Mr. Cayman and Miss Carter for your trust in me!"

Cayman frowned. "You're just a deputy manager. How could you be promoted straight to director? Also, who told you about the promotion? How come I don't know?"

Jane was dumbstruck.

Cayman's words made her heart drop, and she had an ominous hunch.

"Kate... from the HR department... she came to tell me this morning..." Jane stammered.

Cayman sneered. "Are you new to corporate? There wasn't an appointment letter, but you believed it just because someone said so? You're so brainless!"

After saying this, Cayman stopped paying attention to Jane and instead hurriedly turned around and quickly caught up with Cheyenne.

Jane was immediately embarrassed. Cayman obviously meant that she wasn't going to be promoted to director and that there was never a promotion for her!

In an instant, all eyes were on her!