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The stakes had already been made clear in these three days! When Isaac saw Brian again, he suddenly understood something; he should just answer whatever he asked.

However, Brian's first sentence when he saw him was, "Remember what I said when I left that day?" He was holding a dagger in his hand, pulling it in and out of the sheath carelessly, all the while looking extremely bored.

The dagger was glinting icily, causing Isaac's heart to start racing in an instant. He racked his brain to recall what Brian had said to him. What did he say? If you lie to me, I will kill you!

Thinking of this, Isaac hurriedly knelt down and begged for mercy, "Young Master Brian, please forgive me! Young Master Brian—"

Brian interrupted him impatiently with a cold tone, "Shut up!"

Isaac only paused for a few seconds but his panic still caused him to instinctively beg for mercy, "Young Master Brian, please have mercy on me. I was wrong. I really know that I was wrong!"

"Is there anything else you want to say before you die?" Brian drawled.

"Young Master Brian, what I said last time was a lie to you. It wasn't Young Master Nolan who asked me to crash into Madam, but someone threatened me to do so."

The smile on Brian's fair and smooth face was very creepy for some unknown reason. At least, Isaac thought so. He used to think that Eugene was terrifying.

Similarly, Young Master Brian always had a smile and looked friendly, but now he knew that these two brothers were not pushovers at all.

"I already know the truth. Do you think your words are of use to me?"

Panicking, Isaac blurted out, "Then do you know who the mastermind behind the scenes is?"

"Lara!" Brian replied coolly.

Isaac was shocked yet again and was completely dumbfounded.

Wiping the dagger with a rag, Brian said calmly, "Is there anything else I don't know? Tell me now or off you go!"

When Isaac heard his words, he felt his hair standing on end and his heart shudder. He's terrifying. He's too terrifying. He had no doubt that Brian would really kill him. He knew how cruel he was the moment he hit him for the first time. The cogs in Isaac's brain were whirring as he thought carefully about the tasks Lara had handed him. However, this matter was already the biggest secret he knew. He didn't know much else.

Brian's dagger stabbed toward him, who was already at his dying breath. Isaac was so scared that he jerked up and said, "Ah—wait, wait! I know that Lara is a shareholder of a company. Does this count as a secret?"

Brian's dagger stopped less than three centimeters away from Isaac's heart and his blue pupils were chillingly cold as he instructed, "Go on!"

Isaac's heart, which was racing, quietly calmed down as he said tremblingly, "Actually, Lara threatened my family and asked me to come back and tell you what happened in the past, so as to provoke your brothers. You must know I had no choice, Young Master Brian."

"If you're only going to spew nonsense, you can stop talking now."

Isaac felt that if he was not killed by Brian's dagger, he would have been scared to death.

"No, no. I overheard that Lara is a shareholder of the company. She never told me about it. If you don't believe me, you can ask someone to verify it."

Brian frowned and thought, Why can't you get straight to the point? Then, he said impatiently, "What's the company's name?"

"Kanes Corporation!" Isaac replied.

Upon hearing that, Brian was surprised. "You're saying that Lara is also a shareholder of Kanes Corporation? Isn't Gerald the boss of Kanes Corporation?"

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"Yes, but I heard that she also has shares in that company."

Brian lowered his head and fell silent. He did not expect Lara to be a shareholder of Kanes Corporation. She was indeed an ambitious woman with extraordinary means.

"If you are lying to me..." Without finishing his sentence, he pressed the dagger against Isaac's chest.

Isaac was about to faint from fear and he immediately responded, "Don't worry, Young Master Brian. I will never lie to you again!"

"What else do you know?" Brian pressed on. "Tell me everything you know!"

Frowning, Isaac mumbled, "Lara is very cunning. She will only inform me about matters that she needs me to help her with. She doesn't tell me anything else."

Brian asked again, "She is a shareholder of Kanes Corporation. Does Edward know about this?"

"I'm not sure about this either."

"Back then, did Lara deliberately arrange for you to go to Eugene's side or were you instigated by her halfway through?" Brian questioned.

Isaac glanced at him discreetly and whispered, "I was instigated by Lara. At that time, she analyzed the pros and cons for me, saying that no one can escape unscathed in a great disaster and that the young master was already having trouble protecting himself. She said that I have to find another way to survive and told me that I would work under her if I handled this matter well, even promising to give

me 200,000. I couldn't withstand the temptation and agreed. I drank alcohol deliberately while it was raining and caused a traffic accident. Honestly, I didn't want to kill Ellen but my car was rear-ended by the car behind, which caused a second collision. That's why Ellen was injured so badly. After the incident, I took the initiative to apologize to Young Master Nolan and admitted my mistake. Although he was angry, he didn't do anything to me. He just beat me up and sent me to the police station. Two years later, I was released on bail by Lara and then went abroad. I didn't return until a few days ago!"

Whe Brian heard this, he felt as if he was re-experiencing the scene of his mother's tragic death. He suddenly got up and stepped on Isaac's body as he shouted, "Just die already!"

Isaac begged for mercy with great difficulty, "Young Master Brian, please forgive me! I was also forced but I even took the initiative to tell you everything. Please forgive me!"

Brian sneered, "Alright then. I won't kill you, but don't think of leaving. You can stay here for the rest of your life!" With that, Brian turned and left.

He then called Eugene and learned that he was having hotpot with North, so he rushed over. However when he got there, the two of them had already started eating.

Brian looked slightly resentful. After finding out that Eugene was not the murderer and did not betray them, Brian stopped fussing over it but he still cared a little in his heart. It was not a serious matter that crossed his principles, after all. However, he still wouldn't greet Eugene respectfully when he saw him.

"I said that I was coming. Why didn't you wait for me?"

Eugene put a fish ball in his mouth and said calmly, "Who knows when you will arrive?"

Brian pursed his lips. After sitting down, he picked up his chopsticks and started eating without saying a word.

Eugene frowned. "Why did you want to talk to me?"

"Who said that I wanted to talk to you?"

Eugene glared at him and retorted, "If you're not here to talk to me, why are you here?"

"I'm here for my nephew!"

When North heard this, he raised his eyes and looked at Brian. "Why are you looking for me?"

Still eating, Brian explained, "I'm trying to look up who the shareholders of Kanes Corporation are!"

"Kanes Corporation?" Eugene asked in surprise.

Brian snorted and ignored him as he continued to put ingredients into the hotpot and eat. Eugene was speechless as he stepped forward and pulled the pot of soup to him. Brian hadn't even taken a bite of the vermicelli so he instinctively stood up and went after the pot of soup. "Wait..."

Eugene just ignored him and dragged the pot of soup to a spot that Brian could just barely reach if he bent over. Being his usual stubborn self, Brian bent down and ate the vermicelli before glaring at Eugene. "What are you doing?"

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Eugene looked impatient too as he said, "Tell me!" Brian angrily pulled the pot back and was about to continue eating when he heard Eugene say in a cold tone, "Are you not going to stop eating?"

Brian glared at him impatiently before saying, "Isaac said that Lara is a shareholder of Kanes Corporation."

Eugene still looked surprised as he asked, "How is this possible?" How can Lara be a shareholder of Kanes Corporation, a company that has been around for hundreds of years?

"Isaac heard about this accidentally. I also found it unbelievable so I wanted to ask North to look it up for me!"

Eugene thought for a while and said, "There's a new secretary in our company who once worked for Kanes Corporation. I should be able to find something out if I ask her."

North, who had not spoken much, suddenly blurted, "Don't ask her. I'll look it up for you!"

Eugene looked at him suspiciously as he questioned, "What's the matter?"

North thought for a while before saying, "I keep having this feeling that I've seen your secretary somewhere before."

Eugene was taken aback. "You've seen her before? Where did you see her?"

Shaking his head, North murmured, "I can't remember."

"North is right," Brian agreed. "You should look into this matter and investigate this secretary while you're at it!"

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On the other hand, Olivia was busy filming until around seven in the evening and the sky had already turned dark in Summer City as it was winter. Luckily, the shooting location was not far from her hotel and was only a few hundred meters away. There were several actors walking along with her, but Summer was not among them. She was one of President Liam's people, so naturally she would return with him. This was almost a well-known fact in this industry.

Soon, they arrived at the hotel where they were staying. Suddenly, two armed men jumped out from the alley, each wearing a cap and mask. Their purpose was obvious as they snatched the bag in Olivia's hand and ran away.

Olivia was caught off guard and had her bag snatched away by them. She froze for a few beats before chasing after them. Both Sean and Eric followed her instinctively. Worried that the men would hurt her, Sean shouted from behind, "Olivia, don't chase them!"

Olivia, however, was furious. How could she not chase them? Her script was in the bag. She was planning to go back and have a good look at it. How could she go through it if they snatched it away? "It's alright. You guys can go back first; I can handle it myself!"

Sean and Eric were willing to help her but they were only actors after all, so their physical strength couldn't compare with Olivia, a martial artist. It wasn't long before they were left behind.

The two men ran through streets and alleys, trying to run toward remote places. Then, they stopped in a narrow alley. Olivia also arrived close behind. The alleyway was dimly-lit, but she saw the group of people waiting there. Her heart sank as she felt that she had been fooled. It turned out that their purpose was not to snatch her bag but to target her! However, she didn't run away. She might not be

able to escape at this moment even if she wanted to, not to mention that Eugene's bodyguards were with her.

She looked at the group of people and said calmly, "Give me back my bag!"

Several men laughed and poked fun at her. "You're still thinking about the bag at such a critical moment?"

"Yes. You should worry for your life!"

Their leader, a chubby man who was of average height, shouted sharply, "Alright, stop with the nonsense. Finish her off!"

As soon as he gave the instruction, more than a dozen men surrounded Olivia with sticks in their hands. Everyone didn't really give in their all as they didn't take Olivia seriously. They actually sent out more than a dozen of them to deal with one woman and no matter how they looked at it, they felt that it was overkill. So when five or six bodyguards appeared next to Olivia, they were surprised. No wonder the woman was so calm and relaxed. It turned out that someone was secretly protecting her.

Chapter 484 Where Have You Been

But what did it matter? Even if she had bodyguards, they were still outnumbered! Following the plump man's order, a group of people surrounded Olivia.

Meanwhile, several bodyguards circled her protectively, fighting off anyone who came forward. But after holding their ground for a while, the bodyguards' defense was breached when one of the men swung toward Olivia's head. However, she managed to avoid his attack and aimed her long legs at the man's head, causing him to collapse to the ground. With that, he didn't stand up again!

Olivia was good at long-range offenses. If she really fought in close quarters she would not have enough strength, so she usually resolved the crisis at approximately two meters from her. When those men saw that their accomplices fell to the ground just like that, they were suddenly on guard.

No wonder so many of them were sent out to go after her. This woman was really hard to deal with! The plump man commanded, "Attack together! Forget about the others; just attack Olivia—"

Before he could say anything else, he was punched in the head. The attacker used so much force that the man felt as if he was hit by a hammer. Before falling to the ground, he got a look at the attacker; she happened to be a woman with short hair who was looking at him with cold eyes, much like she was looking at a dead person. However, before he could recognize who this person was, he fell to the ground.

When Olivia saw this, she looked at the woman in surprise... Is she here to help me?

But before she could figure it out, the woman moved again. She was flexible yet insanely strong and didn't have mercy on them at all. She managed to subdue most

of her opponents with just one move! Standing still, Olivia looked at the woman in front of her and observed her actions closely. Gradually, the woman overlapped with a certain figure in her mind. Jewel?

Jewel from Double Dragon Court who used to be friends with her and senior! Suddenly, she became excited and wanted to finish off this group of men as soon as possible, so she started to attack the man next to her. As a result, the group of people who had hoped to catch Olivia retreated one after another. Eventually, some of them ran away, while some suffered injuries so serious that they couldn't get up from the ground.

Olivia didn't want to chase after them anymore, so she just asked the bodyguards to remain there and deal with them. She then walked toward the woman while staring at her. Because it was too dim, she couldn't see what the woman looked like. She could only see her moves and the outlines of her features looked like Jewel.

"Jewel?" she cautiously called out, but the woman smiled and said nothing.

When Olivia was sure that the person in front of her was Jewel, she opened her arms and hugged her with tears rolling down the corners of her eyes. "I thought I would never see you again!"

The woman patted her back with her hand, but still made no sound.

Only then did Olivia realize that she had not spoken. "What's the matter with you?"

Jewel pointed her finger at her throat and waved her hand again, indicating that she could not speak. Hearing this, Olivia was stunned. "You can't talk anymore?"

Jewel nodded. Olivia suddenly felt suffocated, followed by an aching pain in her heart. What happened to her? Why can't she talk anymore?

Olivia picked up the bag on the ground and dragged Jewel out of the alley, heading back to the hotel where she was staying. Under the light, she looked at Jewel in distress. "I thought you were dead; I cried for so long!"

Jewel shook her head.

Olivia asked again, "Then where have you been the past few years? Why didn't you come to us?"

Chapter 485 Don't Worry

Jewel gestured to Olivia twice, but considering the fact that Olivia couldn't understand her, she took out her mobile phone and started typing.

'After you left Double Dragon Court, I took up the mission with Phantom and Blood Rose. Later during a mission, I was tricked by Phantom and was locked in a warehouse by her. She set fire to the warehouse and the smoke from the fire hurt my throat.'

Olivia's eyes were burning with anger. "Why did you group up with Phantom? You know the both of you don't see eye to eye!"

'It was arranged by Joseph. He always looked down upon what Jonathan did. After you left, he lost his temper and said that he won't allow anyone from Double Dragon Court to get out alive! He's been looking for you secretly for the past few years. I didn't dare go looking for you as I was worried that they would follow me and find you. Thus, I changed my name and returned to the country.'

Olivia frowned. "Where are you stationed now?"

'I'm a dishwasher at the hotel in front.'

"You became a dishwasher?"

Jewel smiled and typed on her mobile phone, 'They made an exception by hiring me. Who would want to hire an employee who can't speak?'

Olivia felt distressed again as she asked, "Then how did you escape that warehouse?"

Jewel took a deep breath. It was evident that it was painful for her to recall that incident. Olivia stepped forward and hugged her. "It's alright; let's not talk about that. In the future, you can follow me. I promise I will keep you well fed!"

Jewel smiled and shook her head to signal that she was okay. Then, she started typing with her mobile phone...

'At that time, I couldn't open the door of the warehouse no matter how much I pushed or kicked at it. Later on, I found that there was a vent on the roof of the warehouse. Fortunately, there were a few plastic boxes lying around, so I used them to climb up there. However, my hands and arms were burned in the process. It took countless skin grafts to make them look like what they currently look like today!'

Olivia held Jewel's hands. In fact, if one looked closely, one could still see the scars on her hand. Looking at them, she felt distressed again. "No wonder they said you were dead when we took the money to Double Dragon Court to save you."

Jewel's tears fell uncontrollably and she reached out to hug Olivia, signifying that she was fine. Olivia wiped her tears away and soothed her with a smile, "It's all right. You can quit your job! You will stay with me from now on!"

Jewel smiled as she cried. She let Olivia hold her as she recalled the hardships, sufferings and discrimination she had suffered over the past few years. The two girls communicated what happened to them in the past few years in this way.

Before they could calm down, the doorbell rang. Olivia was surprised. Who would come over so late at night? She had bade Sean and Eric farewell just now. Who else could it be? She got up and opened the door, only to find a man and a child standing there nervously. Surprised, she asked, "Why are you here?"

Eugene grabbed her and looked her up and down, his eyes filled with worry. "Are you okay?"

Only then did Olivia know that the two people traveled for more than an hour to reach here because they found out that she had been robbed. "I'm alright. I'm still alive and well, yes?"

Eugene breathed a long sigh of relief and he could finally relax. "You scared me to death. Are you hurt? I will arrange for more of my men to come over tomorrow."

Olivia started sweating profusely. "No, no. Haven't you already sent a lot of bodyguards? I was shocked when so many bodyguards showed up today."

Eugene glared at the disobedient woman and countered, "There were so many bodyguards but they still couldn't guarantee your safety!"

Olivia pursed her lips and argued, "What do you mean by 'couldn't guarantee my safety'? I'm fine; don't worry. Plus, you don't have to worry anymore in the future. I have an assistant now."