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"How did you get in !?" Jasper asked in a surprised and awkward tone.

"Your bodyguard opened the door for me," Celine replied as she smiled.

Jasper turned and saw Julian awkwardly placing a plate of breakfast the server had brought on the table before he immediately turned around and walked off.

"This guy!" Jasper massaged his temples as he said to Celine, "Please wait for a moment while I freshen up."

Jasper did not bother waiting for Celine's reply before he turned around and went to the bathroom.

As he brushed his teeth and mulled over the reasons why Celine would be in his room this early in the morning, Jasper caught sight of Celine leaning against the door to the bathroom. She was gazing at him with an amused look through the corners of her eyes.

He spat out the toothpaste from his mouth and said, "Did you come over this early in the morning to watch a man wash his face and brush his teeth?"

to hear a

would feel awkward if someone was staring at them the moment they woke up," Jasper

guy. I'm the woman here. I would be the one suffering losses

have to make

over so early in the morning because I couldn't wait to share this piece

Colossal Investments finally decided to underwrite the IPO for free for Sena

be a buzzword that every corporation in the country would use while claiming to have earned five years' worth of money in three years. This would set off a wave of people from the general public gaining financial

assessment. The better the grade, the lesser the resistance it'll have to be publicly listed. Its share price will be higher as well. Isn't that a good thing?"

his face and was about to leave the bathroom. However, Celine smiled as she stood by the door, seemingly without any

Jasper had no choice but to

answered as she smiled. She had no intention of refusing Jasper's invitation, but... she

am I supposed to get out if

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Although Celine was complaining about being taken advantage of, her smile never left her face.

She sat relaxedly in front of Jasper. As Julian had only prepared breakfast for Jasper, she reached over to take a sip from Jasper's cup of milk.

When Celine put the cup back down and saw Jasper staring at her, she said, "What, you can't bring yourself to let me have even a sip of milk after taking advantage of me?"

Taking his eyes away from the spot of milk at the corner of Celine's lips, Jasper laughed dryly as he said, "Of course, I can. I can even treat you to a meal every day if you want to."

"Oh, are you hinting that you want me as your sugar baby?" Celine said flirtatiously as she gazed at Jasper.

Jasper marveled at how as a woman, Celine did not even bat an eyelash when she talked about the vilest things.

"Hey, how did it feel just now? I'm much more curvaceous than your girlfriend, right?" Celine said as she snickered.

"Have you always been this open?" Jasper asked.

"Depends on my mood."

Celine then continued carelessly, "But I'm usually much more serious."

Just then, Jasper's phone rang.

Vita Layne was calling.

At this point, Vita's appointment documents had been finalized and he was now serving as the office manager for ICBS' Waterhoof City branch. All this had caused Vita to be in a great mood lately.

Now that the problems of his collaboration with Jasper had been settled, Vita made phone calls to both John and Jasper to invite them to dinner.

Jasper had no plans today and no reason to decline Vita's invitation.

He had just hung up when Celine asked curiously, "You have dinner plans tonight?"

with a couple of friends," Jasper

me with

laughed incredulously and said, "They're my friends

normal to introduce your friends to some

"Alright, let's go together."

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night, Jasper picked Celine up from

in business wear, Jasper was pleasantly surprised to see

did not have the kind of beauty that would cause one to take a second look. In terms of looks alone, Anna and Wendy were what made Celine special was how she managed to meld the elegance of Eastern women prestigious field in the world allowed her to frankly, she was instantaneously take out anyone between the age range of lady who had just gotten said sincerely in their own ways. Moreover, their beauty could on light makeup now that accentuated her features but did Celine was not bringing her personal secretary with about that too. Her secretary, Yvonne, always looked at him as if he had killed her father. If it were not for Celine, Jasper arrived at a farm on the outskirts of Waterhoof Jasper, "Your friend put a lot of thought and naturally have more experience than us peasants in this regard," Jasper said as and laughed, Jasper and Celine entered Laine, you've arrived." Vita and John smiled when they saw Miss Celine Maynard, who's also my friend. I invited her along because we both Life at The Top

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"Can't enjoy good food without some good wine." Vita laughed as he took out two bottles of aged brandy and said, "It's all thanks to you that I could advance further in my career, Mr. Laine. Let me give you a toast."

Smiling, Jasper picked up his cup and said, "Cheers to that. Before we talk about anything else, you should first stop calling me Mr. Laine. You're about John's age, and I should be addressing you as an older brother instead. Please, call me Jasper."

"Alright, Jasper, cheers!" Vita's face was bright red as he excitedly clinked his glass against Jasper's and downed its contents.

Jasper, too, tilted his head back and finished the entire glass.

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"This is the meat of the albino beluga sturgeon, a rare fish which can only be harvested for half a month every year. It's suitable to be consumed by women because it nourishes your body and skin."

Jasper did not give Celine the cold shoulder as they ate. He cut her a slice of sturgeon meat as he spoke.

When he heard that, Vita smiled and said, "Two years ago, a pound of this could be bought for 8,000 dollars. But bear in mind that it was 8,000 dollars back in 1999. Now, there's simply no supply although there's a great demand for it. You can't buy it even if you have the money."

meat. It was tender, fresh, and fatty without being greasy. She said in surprise,

the rivers when I was

exclaimed in

through, alright? I only left the country when I was in fourth grade, but it's been more than ten years since I've returned to my hometown.

sturgeons, but overfishing has caused its numbers to drop greatly. A policy was even introduced so now, they can only be caught for half a month every year so

this sturgeon two days ago. It's considered one of the largest ones that have ever been caught in

served Jasper a bowl of snake soup. He smiled meaningfully as he said, "You should have more of this, Jasper. It has amazing healing properties. All the herbs are aged

from him as he said exasperatedly, "I'm still young and strong. You two are the ones who should drink more of

up talking about slightly inappropriate things when they ate

Jasper had initially been worried Celine would not

stuff only provides a psychological effect. If you actually want treatment, you

at the table burst into laughter when they heard

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"Let's go for a walk," Celine said abruptly to Jasper when they had almost reached the hotel.

Jasper was startled but then realized his entire body smelled like booze. It was a good idea to get some air and clear his mind. Thus, he got Julian to pull the car over before he and Celine got out.

It was already past ten at night, but Waterhoof City was not the least bit deserted. You could still see lots of people making their way around.

As they strolled on the sidewalk, Celine turned and gazed somewhat drunkenly at Jasper as she said, "Why are you so far away from me? Are you scared I'll eat you up?"

When Jasper, who had been standing behind Celine, heard that, he immediately walked up to Celine and stood next to her before saying, "Is this close enough for you?"

Celine did not say anything. She reached out, took hold of Jasper's arm, and put her head on his shoulder. She said with a smile, "This is better."

Then, she pointed to a couple standing by the road and said, "Look, they're doing it like this."

slightly and tried to pull his arm away as he said, "Miss

as she said dismissively,

already married,"

meaningfully, saying, "Yes, I'm already married. I can't be like this

another woman

relationships of other

together due to a mix of interests. Him, his parents,

are you satisfied?"

handsome, rich, capable, and is an illustrious person. He's the perfect husband no matter how you look at him. What kind of woman wouldn't

want a love story between a princess and a beggar, right? All relationships are built on a foundation of materialism. Or are you unwilling to

head. "I'm not a high schooler who daydreams about love anymore. That's

in front of a display in a department store. She was staring unblinkingly at a pair of red high heels the

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When he used a brick to break the glass of the store's display, the sound of glass smashing was accompanied by the blaring of alarms. Jasper would have thought he was crazy if not for the fact this store was owned by the Law family.

Julian, who was smoking a cigarette as he sat in the car, stared in shock when he witnessed that.

If he had not witnessed it with his own eyes, who would have thought that a tycoon with a net worth of at least several billion dollars would do something as thuggish as smashing a store display and stealing from it?

However, Jasper did not have the time to think about it anymore. He was almost broke and was focused on the 20% commission cut Celine promised him.

He found a brick, smashed the glass, picked up the red heels amongst the shards, and pulled Celine along with him as they ran off.

He completed all these actions with fluid movements and without any hesitancy.

Holding the heels in one hand and pulling Celine, who was laughing delightedly, along with him, Jasper dashed all the way back to the car.

"Hurry, let's go!"

Jasper yelled at Julian.

"Alright!"

had no time to watch this exciting scene. He turned the key and stepped on the gas as they sped

sat in the car and managed to calm himself

the future. At least there would

embarrassing for him

deny that it was really

expression on his face as he gazed at Celine who was giggling as she hugged the heels to herself. He said, "You'd best remember you said you would shave 20% off

"Don't worry, I won't forget it. Do you really think

look to tell her that she was, indeed,

hotel, Jasper reminded Julian to inform Henry about what had happened and ask him not to cause a fuss. Then, Jasper asked Julian to pay the unfortunate

Jasper took a bath

lain down on his bed when his

simple, just two words with

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"I want it cold," Celine said somewhat tiredly.

Yvonne soon brought in a glass of cold milk and placed it on the bedside table.

"Miss Maynard, did you have dinner with Jasper tonight? How could you have drunk so much?" Yvonne asked.

Celine massaged her temples and said, "We had to talk about some stuff, that's it. You don't need to pry into my personal life."

Not daring to retaliate, Yvonne hummed in response. However, her eyes glinted with hatred as she lowered her gaze.

"You can leave now. I'm turning in for the night," Celine said as she lay in bed. Then, she abruptly added, "When you have time, pull up the quotation saved on my laptop and lower the commission by 20%. Add in a reasonable explanation that will be accepted by the company too. I want it by tomorrow." Startled, Yvonne said instinctively, "20%? The company will never agree to that. They might even suspect that you and Jasper have some unspoken deal. Miss Maynard, this is not..."

"This is my decision. As general manager of Terra's regional branch, I have the power to adjust the commission within a 25% frame. Don't you know that?" Celine's eyes were cold as she asked the question.

that's your personal feelings which I have no control over. I won't order you to be overly nice to Jasper but you must never let your personal feelings get in the way of your work, nor will I

gazed at Celine, who had a stern expression on her face, Yvonne bit down on her lip and said, "Understood, Miss Maynard. I'll

closed her eyes somewhat tiredly. She was feeling the effects of the alcohol now, and she did not have the energy to

the room

the room, she had a murderous

to her

you know how long it's been? Why haven't you taken any action

in a disdainful voice, "Miss Maynard, please remember that you are merely the secretary to a general manager. What gave you the guts to question

gritted her teeth as she said, "But we're equal partners in

board of directors back at the headquarters, but some progress has

"Now that you've mentioned it, Celine just asked me to change the

stunned for a while before he laughed and said, "Did Celine sleep with Jasper? Why would an otherwise smart woman do something that would only bring benefits to the other party? Has she come up

any logical explanation would do because she has the power to

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Celine's statements caused Jasper to sink into deep thought.

At the same time, Jasper made a decision.

When his companies expanded and recruited more employees, he had to make sure he had control over the amount of power his subordinates held.

Else, would he not suffer major losses if he ended up recruiting a woman like Celine Maynard who readily gave away 70 million dollars at every turn?

They enjoyed breakfast together until Celine received an encrypted call.

"It's from the headquarters. It must be them informing us that we can sign the contract now," Celine said confidently to Jasper before she returned to her room to answer the call.

Celine returned moments later with an ugly expression on her face.

When Jasper saw the expression on Celine's face, he realized that the matter he had previously been so confident about must have gone wrong.

of Jasper. She

listening,"

else into regard, his calmness at such a

informed me that members of the board have raised their suspicions regarding this deal. They're requesting a complete redo of the assessment to determine the possibility

"Which means that

apologetic expression on her face as she said, "No, there must have been something we missed.

your investment company are, but it seems odd that an amazing business deal would go down the drain just because several members of the

the investment company. Most matters are handled by the president, but the board of directors has the right to voice their doubts for large deals. It's a form of

have me, your client, waste my time with

Celine went silent.

bit aggressive, Jasper softened his tone and said, "Miss Maynard, this has nothing to do with you. Don't worry, we'll remain friends no matter what. But in the spirit of maintaining business formality, I hope you'll pass on a

Celine

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It was because a company like Sena was bound to cause a huge surge of interest in investments the minute they were listed publicly. No one dared predict how much their shares would rise, but it was without a doubt that they would be priced sky-high on the very first day.

Colossal Investments was drooling over a business deal that would bring them such fame.

After all, the competition in the investment industry was brutal and competitive. No one knew which was the second biggest investment company, but everyone knew Colossal Investments was the biggest investment company.

If Colossal Investments ever fell from grace, they would be forgotten by the public in a matter of days.

That was why Jasper dared to ignore their shady tricks.

All he needed to do was switch companies. What was there for Jasper to worry about?

On the contrary, it was something that the internal affairs at Colossal Investments needed to worry over.

As expected, Celine's eyebrows were knitted together when she heard what Jasper had said.

yet. I'll take care of this as soon as

days. Give me three

the serious expression on Celine's face and thought about it for a moment before he nodded and said, "Alright, let me know if you

mind that I

nodded and said, "Alright,

finished, Celine bade goodbye to Jasper and hurried back to

room and sat silently in the study for half an hour before

the board was stopping Sena from being listed publicly and was still celebrating inwardly. When she heard Celine, she did not think much about it

Slap!

a hand landed

as she stared at Celine in disbelief, yelling, "Miss Maynard, why

dared to turn on me but you never thought there would be a day when I

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A flustered expression appeared on Yvonne's face. She had not expected her plan to be exposed so soon.

Right now, she was so flustered the only thing she could do was grit her teeth and deny everything, insisting she had nothing to do with it.

She knew Celine had no evidence against her if she denied everything. However, she would be done for if she admitted to anything herself.

When she saw that Yvonne was still not going to admit to anything, Celine shook her head in disappointment. "I always knew he had sent you over to spy on me, but I never minded.

"After all, there would be others even if I sent you away. I can't stop that.

"But you managed to fit my requirements, and you're good at what you do. That's why I've always trusted you.

"I was initially willing to give you another chance on the basis of the trust we shared. As long as you admitted to everything..."

becoming more flustered and pale. She said calmly, "Yvonne Stone, from this moment onward, you are no longer

as she screeched, "Miss

calm as she said coldly, "You rejected the last chance I gave you. Perhaps my tolerance has caused you to

had no proof against you and that William would never identify you publicly, I wouldn't stand a chance against you so

and the investment company is not a courtroom either. I don't need any

leave right now. We no longer

with that severe blow, Yvonne hurriedly tugged on Celine's shirt as she sobbed. "Miss Maynard, please forgive me. I didn't mean anything by it. I didn't know you

reason I did that was to cause trouble for Jasper. I couldn't just stand by and watch as Sena gets successfully listed. Who does he think he is? What gives him

never wanted

stern face only grew as she listened to

you make mistakes, and I'm always ready to give you a chance to correct them. But it's your parents' responsibility if your morals

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"In fact, people like you are the ones who should be hated and pitied the most. You brought trouble to both yourself and others, thinking you were smart. However, you ended up being the fool."

Everything she said caused Yvonne to stand rooted to the spot in shock.

She realized that things were exactly how Celine made them out to be. She was the fool here.

Not only had she not gained any benefits, but Jasper, the one she wanted to seek revenge on, had lost nothing. On the other hand, she had lost everything.

She also dragged Celine down with her in the process.

"Miss Maynard, I..."

Tears filled Yvonne's eyes as she tried to plead for mercy. However, she was too ashamed to actually say anything when she opened her mouth.

you still have some shame,

once again flare within Yvonne. She gazed hopefully

what Celine said after that pushed her right back into an

in other investment companies. If Colossal Investments

saying that, leaving Yvonne to stand rooted to the spot in shock before she finally burst

was done dealing with Yvonne,

to receive a call from her. He seemed to

in a good mood," William said leisurely

on her face as she said, "Isn't this what you

laughed and said, "Please don't say that. You're an amazing partner, and I hope only the very best for you. I said the