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Someone like this resembled the standard antagonist depicted in novels.

However, he was a winner in real life.

“Nice to meet you, Mr. Todd. I’ve been hearing about you for a long time now,” Jasper smiled and extended his hand.

It was now Todd’s turn to be surprised. “Oh?” He asked.

Jameson, who was standing beside them, had a curious look on his face as well.

“I really enjoy watching movies. I remember that there was a movie that had been shot in your family’s hotel, and you made a cameo in it as well,” Jasper said.

This was a small snippet that not much people knew about even in future years. However, it was something that genuinely existed.

Todd burst out into laughter and said, “Mr. Laine, not many people know about this. However, you are right. I did have a cameo role, but I didn’t expect you to notice it.”

“I’m really observant toward details,” Jasper said jokingly with a shrug.

emotions

prominent figures that Jasper had met after his reincarnation. In the future, he would be someone that had the ability to directly

did not pay too much

had nothing much to do with

case, the most he could do right now was to use this opportunity to get acquainted with him and leave a good impression on

that

States’ future political arena.

United States, Todd’s conversation

Laine, I’ve heard about what you’ve gone through as well. I think that Sena is a great

smiled and replied,

be listed on the Nasdaq after the Internet bubble burst. Its performance will largely affect the confidence of the other domestic Internet companies within Somerland

its rise was only a matter of time. In light of this, I can confidently say that Sena has great potential, both subjectively and

Sena is concerned, it is the first Internet company that has truly achieved profitability instead of having to survive

Somerland's top-ranking website portal right now, but it also operates the world's second-largest online game. For a company like that, I really can't think of any way it would make a

after listening to

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"Let's toast to the successful listing of Sena tomorrow!"

Jameson was good at creating a celebratory atmosphere. In other words, he was extremely aware about some of the social norms of the upper-class in the United States.

Therefore, his behaviors and actions were all catered to please the people within these circles.

Everyone immediately reciprocated to his cues and prompts.

After all, with Jasper's solid track record and Todd's favoritism, most of them now wished to get their hands on some of Sena's pre-IPO allocation.

Jasper was not stingy about this either.

He generously allocated another 10 million US dollars to each and every person that was present at the banquet.

10 million US dollars was not a small sum of money to Jasper, but he did not have to worry about earning money when he was on Wall Street. This was an important investment to forge more amicable connections.

Although a total quota of 10 million US dollars did not sound like a lot, everyone knew that the share price would spike once Sena got listed. If they invested a total of a million US dollars right now, it was likely that it would soon rise to 5 or even 8 million US dollars not too long after.

Nobody would reject the opportunity to earn easy money.

These elites of Wall Street, who were close associates of Colossal Investments, showed a high amount of admiration for Jasper due to his sensible way of handling things.

The banquet then officially commenced, at which point everyone sought an opportunity to talk to Jasper. During the entire process, Jasper received a lot of business cards.

His 10 million US dollar investment had started to show its efficacy almost instantly.

Meanwhile, Jack and the others had started mingling around as well. They began making toasts with the elites from Wall Street.

Although these elites did not have much individual power on their own, the widespread effects brought about by their favor toward Sena were clear.

Jack and the others were beyond delighted to get acquainted with these elites.

a prestigious professional manager from Weresoft. He  
addition to the Wall Street elites that had been invited to this banquet, some senior leaders from  
Colossal Investments had attended the event  
were at the banquet right  
event that was of a  
Jasper with a high degree of friendliness and kindness  
weave his way through the crowd with a heavy gaze. He had a stiff expression on his face due to his  
overwhelming  
pact with a few of the elites whom he was close to, and they  
to had long forgotten their agreement—they were currently thinking about the benefits that the  
short-sighted country bumpkins!” William cursed  
hey hey,  
consumed by infuriation, the  
had been a long time since someone addressed him with a simple “hey”. William turned  
features that were characteristic of Somerland,  
from the name list of Jasper’s accompanying executives. This man  
from the wealthy  
curved  
come out from a  
not even know how to drink coffee, but thought that he was a nobleman just because he  
you. Why  
He did not seem to pay their guests any heed  
did not engage in conversation with anyone or eat anything; He simply stood stiffly by the corner.  
Therefore, Henry  
it?” William asked, suppressing the  
these are really boring,”  
got a grasp of the situation at hand. Did Henry Law mistake him  
he pinned a frigid gaze upon Henry and asked, “Don’t you have legs? What do you  
frowned. He was growing

and threw it at William. "Sure, today is my brother-in-law's special day. I'd rather not hold a grudge against you. I've given you the tip.

"..."

being, from his body to his

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With Jasper giving him the green light, Henry was instantly elated.

However, seeing as the rest of the guests had also been attracted by the commotion and had surrounded them, there was no way Henry could run over and deliver a few more kicks to William now.

As expected, a Vice President from Colossal Investments' Headquarters soon walked over.

"Mr. Laine, Mr. Law, I believe that there must've been some sort of misunderstanding."

The Vice President smiled wryly. He was infuriated by William's foolish actions, but he had no other choice than to clean up his mess after him.

Others may not know who Henry was, but he sure did.

Thus, he knew that it was going to result in huge trouble the moment William, that imbecile, insulted Henry.

To some degree, the Vice President would much rather William have insulted Jasper instead of Henry.

the Vice President believes that William's verbal attack

was

black people in the hall,

looked at William distastefully, causing the Vice President to feel the

believe me when I say that Colossal Investments will not allow any racist behavior or opinions. I'm sure Mr. William

William who had cake all over his face and was wearing an embarrassed and painful expression. "What are

understand why he had

gaze, William bit his tongue. He knew apologizing was the only way to resolve this issue

would treat it as an insignificant

rather die than apologize

ignored the burning agony in his abdomen. He felt like a clown, one that everyone

of this was Jasper's

Jasper for

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Jasper chuckled but neither agreed nor disagreed with the statement.

Capitalists were like vampires when it came to earning profits. They could shift from being an enemy to a friend for the sake of making a buck, but they were also just as likely to shift from a friend to become an enemy in the future.

That was why Jasper had kept Colossal Investments at a very specific distance from himself.

Not too far, but not too close either. Not too friendly, but also not too cold.

Essentially, they were both just using each other.

Their relationship was currently in its honeymoon phase, and Jasper wanted to make William's life difficult during this period. However, he made sure not to go too far.

"You're very right, but I do think that Colossal Investments should also reconsider whether some people are suited for their positions within the company or not. Mr. William, for example, should truly be reconsidered, considering our partnership almost ended because of him."

Jasper's words had the Vice President deep in thought as he repeatedly looked over at William.

red in infuriation. He did not expect Jasper to bring up past incidents during such

how the situation was turning against him, William let go of

say what you want, but it won't change the fact that Celine has taken the blame for you.

think you forgot something very important here. The only reason I came to Colossal was because of my connections with Celine. I believed that both her business prowess and other strengths could

why I came to Colossal. Not because of how powerful Colossal was, but because Celine was in Colossal. I could've gone for Merlene or Layman if all

cake off his face, he did not hold back at all. "Stop making it

cold when

was much more important in the financial industry as compared

and the moment you were suspected of corruption, it would become a black mark on

be exceptionally talented, but they would not be

Jasper could see, William was merely

would let such a thing

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William sneered at the sight of Jasper's stormy expression. "What, are you still pretending not to know anything at all?"

"Stop acting already, there's no way you wouldn't know about Celine being under review. Are you telling me that you haven't realized any abnormalities at all? Or did Celine just not tell you anything?"

Scoffing, William stared at Jasper coldly. He acted as if he had just caught a thief red-handed and was looking down at Jasper with disdain.

"If you had the guts to collude with Celine from the outside, then why don't you have the guts to admit it?"

"Though I have to say, I'm impressed. I'd like to know how you managed to get Celine to be so loyal to you. She values her career more than she values her life, and yet, she's willing to put her entire career on the line for you.

"What a shame, it's over for her now."

With that, William sneered at Jasper disdainfully and spoke, "Congratulations to you though, now you're successful and famous. All the benefits go to you, and you don't even need to take responsibility for anything."

listened to William speak, his mind filling with memories of Celine's unusual behavior as of

and peculiar personality as always in front of him,

back then, for he believed what Celine

with Celine's

Colossal Investment's President, Mr. Paulson, right now," Jasper

this, and all Jasper wanted to do

to our schedule, you and the President are set to meet at 10 a.m. tomorrow morning. I don't know if the President is free if you wish to change the time

"Mr. Vice President, I hope you understand that this meeting will affect whether Sena

instantly. This was no longer something he could decide, so he quickly replied, "I'll contact the President now and schedule a meeting as soon as

left in a

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"It's true that as the general manager of the Terra regional branch of Colossal Investments, she has the right to lower your commission fee. However, this is also money that Colossal should receive, so she

needs to provide a reasonable excuse for such a decision. One that neither she, nor you, has provided thus far.

“That alone is enough to screw her over!

William’s expression was wretched and twisted with delight, as if nothing sparked more joy in him than seeing Celine and Jasper in trouble.

At that moment, the Vice President returned and told Jasper, “The President’s willing to see you. Do you want to go over now?”

Jasper nodded. Instructing Jack to entertain the guests present properly, Jasper then followed the Vice President away.

Standing amidst the group of people, William stared sinisterly at Jasper’s disappearing figure and sneered.

The sneer was still on his face when a hand came to slap him right on his forehead.

I’ll

...

not too far from the hotel that

Jasper took the designated elevator after alighting

head of the global economic and financial industry—Wharton

Paulson still looked full of vigor while

Paulson standing up and walking over from his office desk. He reached

hold a candle to Paulson’s glory and capabilities. Thus, he was rather

spoke, “You’ve heard of me, Mr.

area and spoke with a smile, “I’ve been watching the Somerland stockmarket all this while. I thought that the western economy had reached a bottleneck after the year 2000 and

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After the secretary brought two cups of tea over, Jasper spoke, “Mr. Paulson, I’d like to know how Colossal views Celine.”

Paulson chuckled and spoke, “Before I tell you that, I’d like to know how you view Celine.’

Jasper arched his brow slightly and replied, “She is my friend. When it comes to our working relationship, she has capabilities that others could only wish to possess, and thus, is able to save a lot of my time. In terms of our private life, she has a very unique personality and charisma, and I am fortunate to call her my friend.”

Paulson nodded. Leaning against the sofa, he replied, "That's a great answer. Honestly, I think I'm starting to envy you for having such a great friend. But Laine, you have to understand that the investment industry is very different from other industries.

"I encourage my employees to be friends with their clients, but they can only be friends professionally. The moment a client oversteps what we consider a normal friendship, it becomes a problem for both the investment company and the employee themselves."

Jasper replied calmly, "I understand the investment industry has its own rules of survival. But don't you think it's a bit too much to suspect Celine, who had just brought the investment company such a huge business deal, Mr. Paulson?"

Firstly, the biggest issue now is that neither you nor Celine can explain the reason behind the reduction and her limit coincidentally happens to

has to explain why she did it, and what benefits her action will bring the company. The truth now is that stubborn girl who wanted the pair of high heels in the showcase window. He could not possibly tell Colossal that Celine had given him a 20% decrease in commission fees because he had broken the glass and gotten

public, Celine had promised me that

she has also promised to resign immediately and compensate the Colossal three times the commission fee if Sena did not meet an IPO of 100 US

to his

gone mad?" Jasper spoke

were not the only option available to him. There

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"Looks like you really don't know about this. You're not the only one who thinks she's gone mad. I do too." Paulson sighed and spoke, "More than her superior, I was also her uncle who brought her up. Her father and I have known each other for decades—we're best friends.

"But I've never seen her make such a huge gamble before."

Paulson looked at Jasper intently and continued. "That's why I want to know what you plan on doing next."

Jasper immediately quelled the flames within him. After a short moment of thought, he came up with a response.

"Mr. Paulson, I would like Colossal Investments to immediately end all investigations on Celine, and make William, the President of Terra regional branch, pay instead. Otherwise, Sena will unilaterally apply to the Nasdaq Review Committee and decline on going public."



When he heard this, Paulson's expression darkened.

angrily, "That isn't a very smart decision, Laine. Are you threatening me? You have to know that doing so will put Colossal in a very embarrassing position. Sena will also lose a great chance to go public and you will have to repay those who had already bought shares through

a smart businessman would not make such a

While every businessman does indeed weigh the pros and cons before every decision, a man does

Jasper was referring to himself and stared at the other party seriously. "Is that your final

nodded. "I

more than anything else. Sure, you're free to look for another investment company if the relationship between Colossal

Colossal have to fire her after this, but other investment companies won't employ her either.

frowned slightly at Paulson's

The man before him was outstanding, but he

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Walking out of Colossal Investments Headquarters, Jasper's mind echoed with the words Paulson had said before he left.

"There are no emotions here in Wall Street, nor do we care about who's right or wrong. The only thing that separates me from my enemy are benefits.

"Whoever brings me benefits is a friend, and everyone else is my enemy."

Jasper admitted that Paulson's words had affected him deeply.

This was the cruel reality of a capitalist market. Without experiencing it first-hand, one would never understand how bloody the rules of the games are.

Take his partnership with Colossal Investments for example. In a short conversation, they had already decided who would assume the position of the President of the Terra regional branch.

Should Jasper truly manage to reach an IPO of 120 US Dollars for Sena, then he would have successfully proven his benefits and worth to Colossal Investments.

would only toss William out if a happy partnership with Jasper mattered more

the Terra regional branch to gain Jasper's trust and friendship was a

that Jasper had to prove

the quickest

not pay Jasper or Celine another

who was right or wrong. This was a relationship purely comprised solely  
who brought the larger cut  
was over by the time Jasper returned to the  
was not worried that this top-notch Harbor City trust-fund child would get into any trouble  
share price to 120 US Dollars, Celine  
and poured Celine a cup of milk with practiced ease. Then he looked her over, “Not bad, very  
chiffon tight-fitting dress while an exquisite red belt wrapped around her waist. The simple outfit spoke  
volumes of the wearer’s excellent

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“Am I crazy?” Jasper’s eyes widened as he looked at Celine and spoke, “You’re the crazy one here. Why didn’t you tell me anything?”

Celine lifted her hand to tuck the stray wisps of hair behind her ear as she replied, “It’s my business. Why do I have to tell you what I do?”

Jasper replied calmly. “In that case, my promise with Paulson is also my business, and I don’t have to explain it to you, yes?”

“You!” Celine’s eyes widened as she glared at him, infuriated by Jasper’s words.

The next second, however, the woman’s eyes shifted and she smiled secretly, “You’re actually planning to provide for me? Why else would you go through all that just to get me out of the investigation?”

“I just don’t want you to get involved in other matters because of me, especially when I’m certain that nothing is going on between us. I don’t make it a habit to sit and watch as someone else gets blamed for something they didn’t do.”

“Moreover, if you can tell Colossal Investment’s board of directors that you’ll resign and pay thrice the value of the commission if Sena doesn’t meet an IPO price of 100 US Dollars, then what’s stopping me from raising it to 120 US Dollars?”

and Sena. 100 US Dollars to 120 US Dollars isn’t that big

that case, what are you planning on

that Sena is a share that they will definitely profit from. If I don’t you’ll lose your job, and I’ll lose both my reputation and my

as the cheerful look

was thinking of a plan that would greatly raise

honest, it’s all the same for me regardless of if

have one now. Anything less than 120 US Dollars is a failure, so even without this  
this target is

stations throughout the United States, then interview a few stock market experts and advertise it in  
financial

will be able to do is see and hear of Sena for the next couple

that'll officially registered in the Nasdaq', and 'the first truly profitable internet company in the world'.  
What we need to do is tell the investors that a great way to earn money is standing

expression lightened slightly at Jasper's