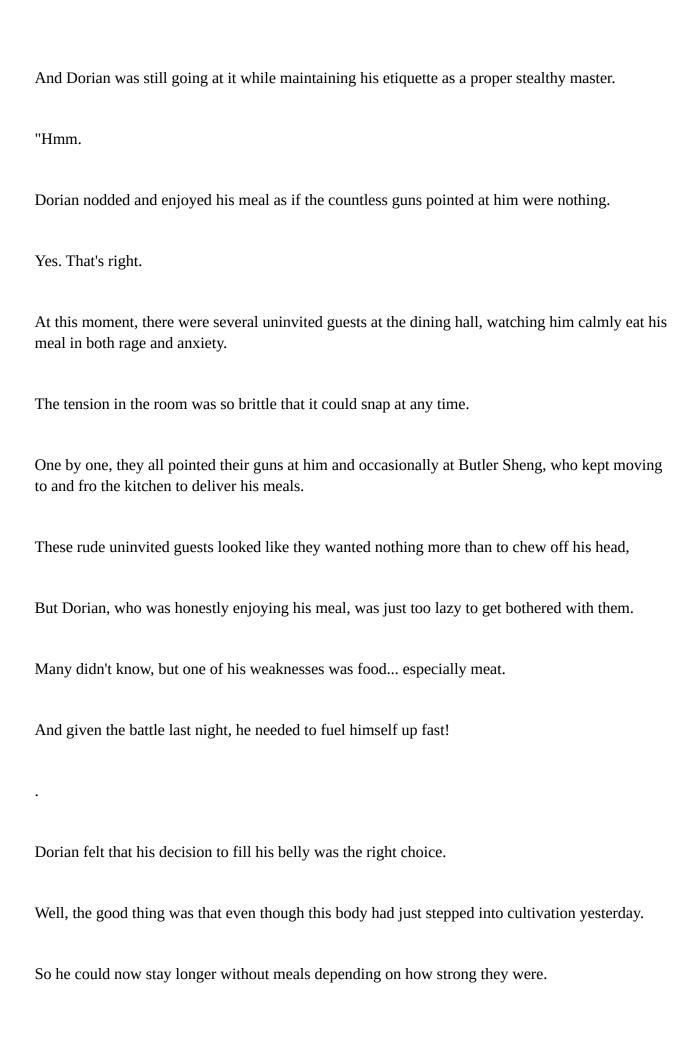
Be Honest! 31

Chapter 31 It Was You!!
Today was a brand new day!
The early morning rays illuminated the city as early as 6 A.M, reaching through several windows and waking as many people up as possible.
And just like the morning rays, the heat had slowly crept in, becoming stronger by the hour too.
The winds were stagnant, allowing the buzzing bees and tiny creatures to zoom around, creating quite a stir.
The roads became busy with vehicles of all sorts, and the city became booming and loud as it typically was.
But of course, within some high-end gated regions, the streets still remained as quiet and peaceful without the hustling and bustling of the city.
Well at least, that's how it was supposed to be.
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9:48 A.M.
Dorian calmly held his cutlery elegantly while slicing through the thinly cut strips of meat on his plate.
And as he ate, Butler Sheng unhurriedly strolled in with a trolley of more dishes too.
The young Master Dorian had already eaten off 4 plates of food.

Butler Sheng cleared the dishes and neatly placed another set of meals on the table.



And at the moment, Dorian could go for a week straight without food.

Of course, any regular person could do this while drinking water too.

But the difference was that they wouldn't be able to do much and would subconsciously feel dizzy, lightheaded and hungry.

With him, he could run for days, fight and would not feel the weight of his physical body at all.

Anyway, when the opportunity arose, he always took advantage of the moment to eat to his heart's content because for all he knew, something might come up that would keep him but for days.

Maybe he wouldn't be able to come back today and have a meal, or perhaps he might only have the chance to eat 2 weeks from now.

Whatever the case, he liked to have his belly full.

Butler Sheng looked at the commotion and couldn't help having black lines on his face.

At first, he, Bewoh and Haru were worried about these people.

But after getting the signal from their Master, they could only calm down and go about their business as they usually did.

Nonetheless, they kept hovering around just in case their Young Master was in any danger.

Yes. Dorian might be exceptionally skilled.

But there were just too many enemies here, so the numbers did make them a little shaky and fearful for Dorian instead.

It was good to be confident. But overconfidence can also get a man killed too.



What was this?
With all the guns around, any normal person would show any wave of emotion on their face or through their eyes, even briefly.
But the calm youth before Leiji didn't even flinch for a second.
And what was up with his appetite?
Who eats this much?
At the rate he was going, the already poor-him would probably eat through any money left and starve to death somewhere in a ditch!
Could his stomach be a bottomless pit?
Seeing that Dorian didn't seem surprised at their sudden visit, Leiji's eyes turned cold as a thought dawned on him, confirming their earlier speculations.
"It was you, wasn't it.
You were the one who attacked our Young Master Sota last night!"
~Ting
Butler Sheng already fell to the ground in rage when he heard Leiji's accusations.
Fart!
How dare these bastards come in here and frame Master Dorian?
They had been fighting tirelessly last night.

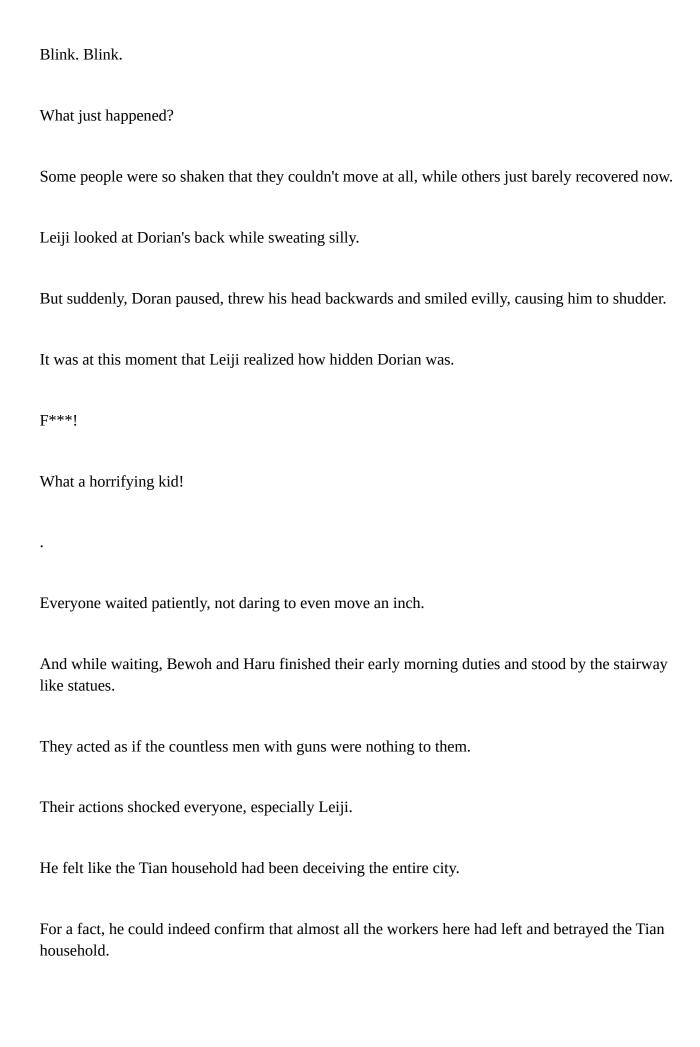
So what was this about attacking someone in their home? Dorian paused, dropped his cutlery, stared at Leiji for a little while, before suddenly chuckling: "So, his time has finally come?" ~Tchack-cack. Everyone within adjusted their guns and inched closer to Dorian. And at this moment, the world fell still. It was him! Chapter 32 Warning Bells ~Tchack-cack. Everyone pointed their guns at him in fury. They didn't need to be rocket scientists to understand what was going on here. Butler Sheng's abrupt actions and Dorian's words made them even more convinced that these poverty-stricken Tian bastards had attacked their Young Master! Leiji's entire body trembled from head to toe: "What did you just say? I dare you to say it again!" Leiji barked, making Butler Sheng's stew even more in anger too. But just when Butler Sheng was about to make his move, Dorian raised his hand and shook his head slightly. And as if completely a different person, Butler Sheng returned to his calm self, acting like the Tian Butler he was.

Dorian chuckled while patting his mouth with the cloth beside him: "It's funny how life works. Just vesterday, I did warn your young master Sota, but it appears that up till now, he hasn't taken my

words seriously at all. Let me guess, it's not him who requested for me, but you all, right?"

Like a volcano, Leiji exploded even more: " So what if it was us? We're just doing what we should! Do you think that because you've managed to frighten the young master with your threats, It would make us back down? Impossible! You lie!"
Listening to him, the corners of Dorian's eyes creased up.
As expected, that Ghu boy didn't tell them what he was truly facing.
Well, they would probably think he had a mental health condition, so he only had to bottle it up.
In fact, he could call on Dorian with the talisman coin he left in his pockets.
Who knows maybe his brain had been scared silly, so he hadn't used it yet?
Leiji was getting irritated by Dorian's calm facade: "You shut up!! I don't care what excuses you have to say because whether you like it or not, you're coming with us!"
With that, Leiji snapped his hands, and 2 people moved forward.
But before they could touch him, Dorian raised his hands and grinned: "I think you're all confusing something here. I'm not the enemy. But, since I'm a little free, then I'll go with you all. However, my price isn't cheap."
Price?
Cheap?
Screw You!!!
Leiji almost puked out blood from rage alone: "Roll! Roll! Roll!!! You 2! What the hell are you listening to this fool for? Grab and gag him now!"





But call it intuition, he felt like the household hadn't fallen at all.

Of anything else, there should be hidden forces working with them or being commanded by them.

He felt like the entire thing was a mystery wrapped in an enigma, and it would be unwise to fickle the Rogers tail without knowing its full strength.

Nonetheless, they had to get to the bottom of Young Master Sota's issue.

So they had no choice but to dive into the belly of the tiger.

It was just that now, they would act more cautiously and not let their anger get the best of them.

At first, they assumed that maybe this Tian fellow had paid a lot of money to the Darknet to have someone take care of young master Sota.

Hence they had been staying up all night looking through countless assassination notices.

But even though they didn't find Sota's name on it, that didn't mean he might be free from the Dark Net.

Why? Because most people who drop requests never drop their target names too.

They only leave the amount they are willing to pay and their non-traceable contact numbers.

So only when someone was qualified enough would they then tell the person about their targets.

That said, for all they knew, Young Master Sota's name could still be there.

Seeing how the Tian family had no men, they thought they hired people to do the job because breaking into the Ghu home wasn't easy, and only a highly skilled person could do so.

Well, they indeed thought that was the case and stormed here in numbers, letting their rage get the best of them.

But now, it seemed that there might be a hidden force working with the Tians.

No! They had to act smart and carefully report this matter to Butler Windock, The Master and the Madam later on.

This Tian family might be more than what meets the eyes.

With that, Leiji steadied his heart and placed his guns back.

And soon, they heard the unhurried sounds of footsteps descending the grand stairway.

~Tap... Tap... Tap...

Everyone looked up to see Dorian in a thin black coat, with his hands behind his back.

And by his side was Butler sheng holding a large black wooden box with several carvings on it.

Leiji looked at the box deeply.

What was in it?

Dorian looked at them playfully: "Like I said, I'm not the enemy, but someone who can help you get rid of it. So, let's go!"

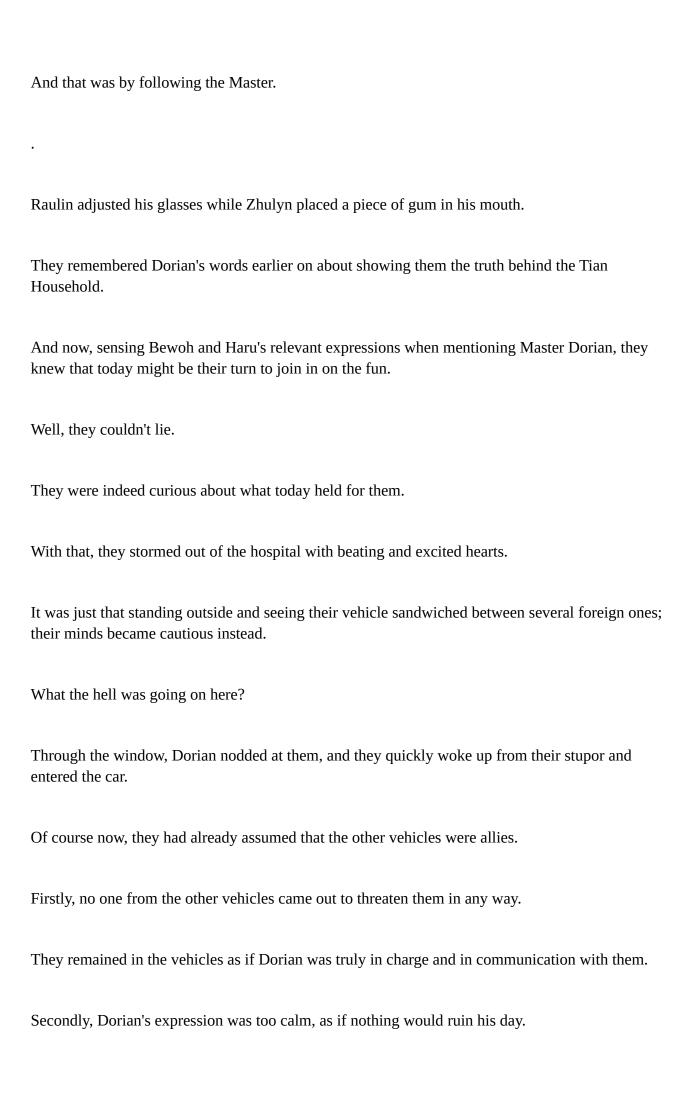
Chapter 33 The Ghu Dwo Estate

~Vrrmmmmm~~~

Countless vehicles left the Tian household orderly, all surrounding a certain vehicle in the middle.

Anyone seeing this scene would've thought that the middle vehicle was the boss controlling the entire operations.
But the eyes could be very deceiving as well.
Dorian gently leaned back against his seat while Butler Sheng sat right beside him.
As for the driver, of course it was Bewoh and Haru sat on the passenger seat beside Bewoh instead.
Yes. They had been trapped between the numerous vehicles.
However, even at that, the enemy had still listened to their one request.
And that was to head to the hospital.
But why? Because Bewoh and Haru were going to switch places with Raulin and Zhulyn.
That's right.
He did promise that within this week alone, he would be rotating with them, but for everyone to get a full glimpse of what his Tian family was about.
So now, it was Raulin and Zhulyn's turn.
As for Butler Sheng, he would stay back with Dorian until otherwise.
~Screech!
The long line of sleek black vehicles stopped before the hospital, causing quite a stir, as everyone kept wondering what sort of important person had come to the hospital today.

Bewoh and Haru got out and hastily dashed towards the ward as fast as they could. And before letting Raulin and Zhulyn leave, Bewoh patted them on the shoulders: "Make sure to listen to the master's every command. And good luck." ???? Blink. Blink. The duo looked at Bewoh in confusion. Erm... What was this for? Why did it seem like Bewoh and Haru had returned with a different air around them? It was almost as if they had grown into a higher level overnight. The biggest change came from the playful and joking Haru. Now, he was standing still and mature, guarding Dorian's parents diligently. The duo, as well as Chan-ki at the side, was also baffled by their behaviour. Did they miss something here? What exactly happened just within these last 24 hours? Raulin and Zhulyn left the V.I.P ward in a daze. Well, there was only one way they could get to the bottom of this.



And thirdly, they didn't believe that Dorian would willingly put them in danger just like that.
Even if he did, he should've taken all sorts of measures to prevent anything from happening to them.
He had given them a week to consider changing their minds and leave the Tian household since he didn't want to risk their lives for the Tain family.
So what did this mean?
It meant that their Young Master had him in his heart.
Yes. These people should be allies.
And that's how they entered the vehicles with relaxed expressions on their faces, thinking that these people were probably friends who wanted to take down Dorian's uncle instead.
But how would they have known how wrong they were?
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Butler Sheng looked at their expressions and chuckled: "You 2 seem to be in a very good mood."
Raulin nodded while Zhulyn puffed his chest out in glee: "Of course we're happy! Now, with these allies, we are sure to have a comeback."
"Oh? And when did the Master say they were allies?"
~Screech.
The vehicle shook out of line a bit.

What?!!

The colour drained from Raulin's face as he started at the rear mirror in shock.

"You... you're joking, right?"

Butler Sheng eyes the duo from the mirror with a playful expression on his face: "Joking? What do you think?"

[The duo]: ".... F***!"

Like so, the trip to the Ghu estate was filled with Raulin and Zhulyn listening to Butler Sheng on what these people wanted.

And in the end, it was concluded that Master Dorian was framed.

But they felt that there was more than what Butler Sheng wasn't letting on.

They were also very curious about what was in the box.

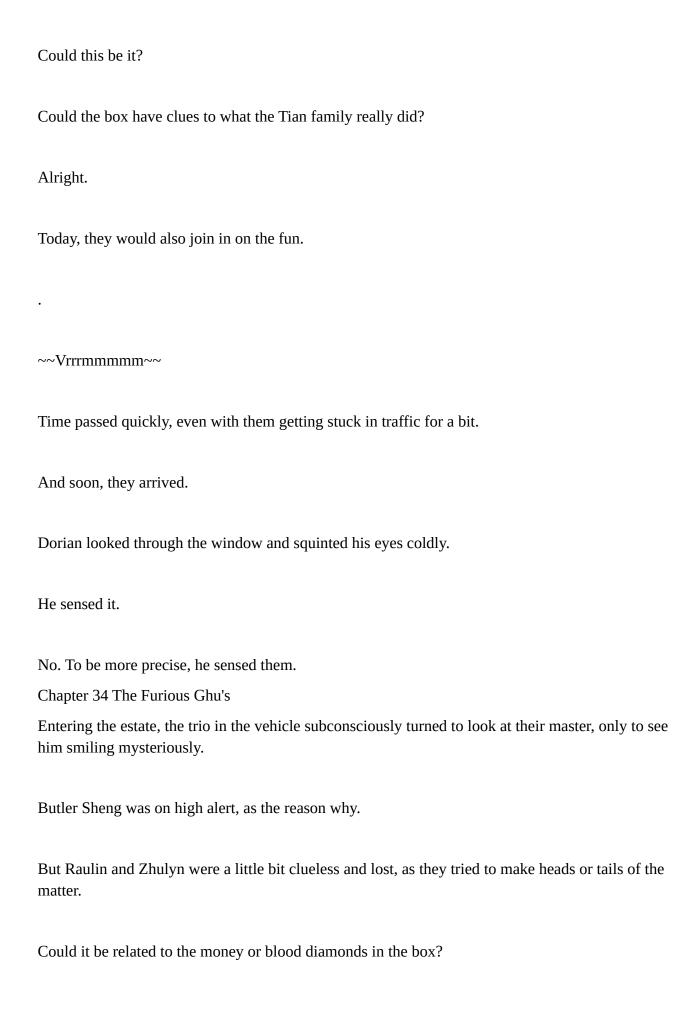
How did it feel like they were gangsters dropping off blood diamonds instead?

Well, whatever the case, they quickly adjusted their emotions and resumed back to normal.

With their training as bodyguards, they had to be prepared for all sorts of situations.

And remembering Bewoh's words for them to listen and trust the Master, just looking at how calm and unbothered Dorian and Butler Sheng were, they now convinced that they had everything under control.

And they in turn decided to see just what cards their master had laid out to counter the enemy.



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Their own understanding of things had taken a real left turn as if envisioning some mob movie.

Like so, everyone had their thoughts as they drove into the massive grand estate.

The entire place was as grand as the Tian estate too.

One would have to drive past clear the fields for a bit, passing through security buildings all around too.

There were fountains, ponds and countless statues as well.

And the further they went in, the more buildings they saw scattered all around. Not to talk of the many roads, sidewalks and paths one could take, all within the Grand estate.

The luxury screaming from the scene was enough to make countless ordinary folks stare uncontrollably with envy, wishing to spend the night in just one of these grand buildings here.

But for Dorian and the others who were already living in the Grand Tian estate, which was indeed slightly bigger than this one, their expressions remained the same as if it was all nothing to them.

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Vrrrmmmm!

In formation, the numerous lines of sleek black vehicles drove in, heading straight for the Main building at the centre of the estate, and drove across the front open space that had a fountain on it.

~Screech!!!"

They stopped their movements just when Dorian's vehicle was directly facing the grand outdoor stairway with statues of Imperial Guardian Lions at both ends.

~Catchak!

Raulin quickly got out and opened the door for Dorian, while the other 2 also got out and hurriedly stayed close to him, with Butlers Sheng still holding the strange box with the utmost care.

And not a moment later, Leiji, who had always been in the vehicle behind Dorian's, also walked out alongside the rest.

They quickly formed a straight line on both sides of the grand stairway, standing on each step with their guns in their hands.

Leiji turned towards Dorian while still maintaining a cold expression on his face.

But this time, he had no trace of disdain on his expression at all.

"Follow me!"

"Hmm..." Dorian replied while pocketing his hands and calmly ascending the stairway as if he were the true master of the Ghu Dwo estate.

He had no expression of fear but instead revealed a slight smile that puzzled everyone, including Leiji.

But no matter how Leiji tried to see through him, his efforts resulted in nothing.

Once again, Leiji confirmed his suspicions: 'This kid is hiding something.'

Like so, Dorian and the rest calmly walked in, taking everything within the residence to heart.

But not too far away on another side of the building, a very handsome man and another well-maintained middle-aged woman were currently walking their son down the golden stairway in rage and sorrow.

They placed Sota on the couch below, laying his head on the middle-aged woman's lap, while the man stood beside the sofa, close to Sota's feet with pure fury in his eyes.

And within the room, countless guards had surrounded the place as if preparing for a terrorist attack.

Of course, Windock was also there too, standing guard vigilant, besides Master Ghu Dwo.

Yes. He was Sota's father, and the middle-aged lady was Sota's mother.

She looked at her dazed and Zombie-like son, with tears in her eyes and mixed hatred for the culprit too.

"Where is he? Windock! Where is the bastard that did this to my son?!"

"Madam, I've just got word that he should be arriving in no more than 2 minutes," Windock replied while pressing the earpiece in his left ear.

"2 minutes? Good!

I'd like to see that bastard Tian who dared to go against my son!" Lady Ghu said while sinking her nails deep into the couch while imagining that it was her enemy.

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Master Ghu Dwo on the side, said nothing, but anyone who knew him well, would know that his rage had reached an critical point.

Sota was his only son!

So over the years, it's easy to see how much they loved him silly.

But not just that. Another point was that Sota was also his heir.

So anyone who tries to take down his heir was looking for a fight with him, Ghu Dwo.

His eyes narrowed as his face turned almost predatory, like a vicious lion hunting its prey.

And when the footsteps from outside the room grew louder and louder, everyone's entire body joked up, waiting to pounce on that poverty-Stricken Tian boy.

Heh.

It looks like his last few weeks in poverty had driven him to craziness, so much so that he even attempted going against them.

Good! Good! Good!

They don't mind sinking him further into the abyss he found himself and torturing him too.

Because they invited him, they couldn't just kill him at will since their other wealthy enemies use this chance to turn the public against them and press the police to bring them down.

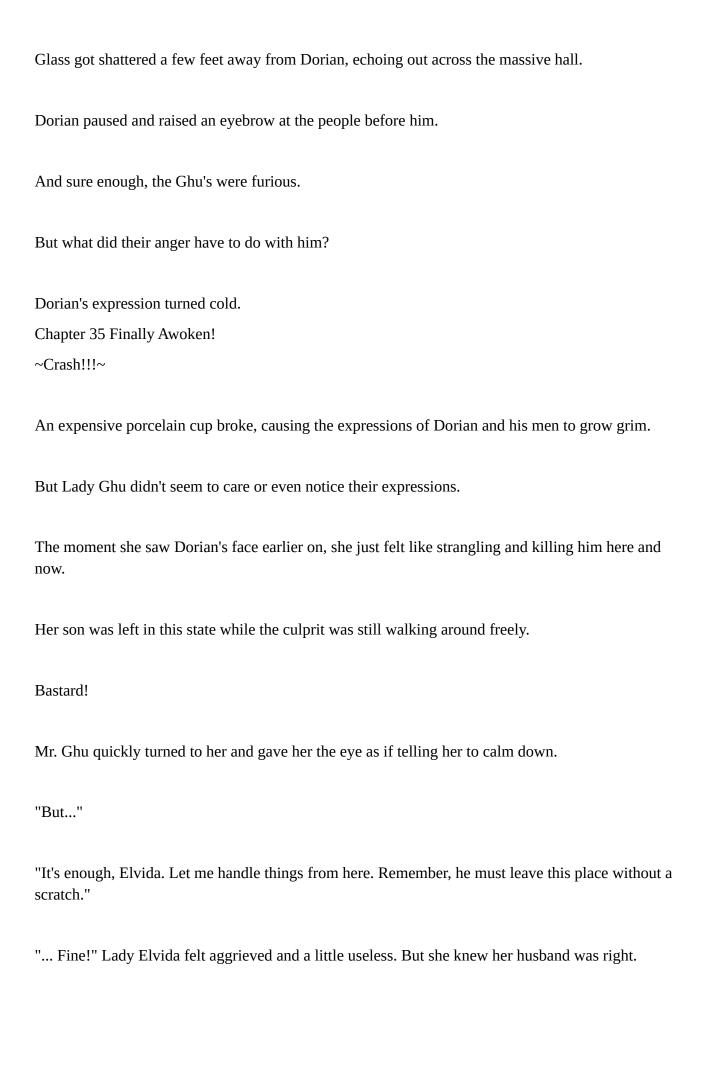
So if they wanted the job done, they had to kill and torture him within the Tian residence.

Yes! The bastard could only blame himself for all this!

~Tap. Tap. Tap. Tap.

The footsteps grew louder and louder, and soon... the double-sided doors opened, allowing the culprit to proceed in and await judgement.

~Crash!



If they acted rashly, then her son wouldn't even have a future to go back to once they finished dealing with the bastard before them.

Without even getting invited in, Dorian calmly walked across the massive open space and finally took a seat on one of the sofas there.

Of course, his men stood behind the sofa instead.

And at this moment, time seemed to stop as the Ghu's silently cursed him in their hearts.

[Lady Elvida]: 'Bastard! Who asked him to sit? Who the hell asked him to sit? No! After this, we must personally burn that couch to a crisp!'

[Ghu Dwo]: Bold Lad! You dare come into my home with no manners even after touching my son? Heh... I'd like to see how long this attitude of yours will last!'

The duo, and the other guards in the room, all cursed Dorian with all their hearts while still maintaining calm smiles on their faces as if his actions were nothing.

Even Elvida, who had been angry earlier on, now resumed her appearance as the wealthy first-class lady that she was.

But within her heart, she had already stabbed Dorian a hundred times over.

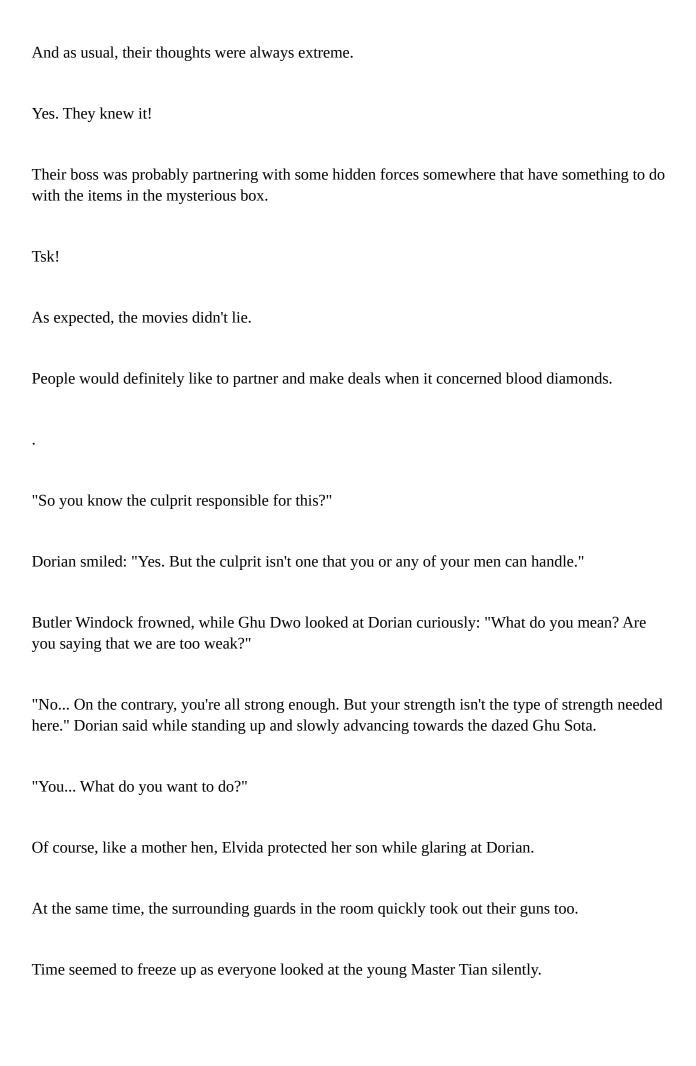
They had attempted to make him kneel when he came in, but with the little devil casually sitting down, they had no choice but to swallow their words and glare at him hatefully.

As for Dorian, he was too lazy to care about their rage but would get his interest for their early actions.

Dorian's eyes turned frosty while looking at Ghu Dwo eye to eye.

Step. Step
Ghu Dwo subconsciously took 2 steps back as his belly suddenly fluttered with an indescribable feeling.
His eyes! His eyes!
Ghu Dwo peered onto Dorian's eyes and felt like he was staring straight into a deep bottomless abyss of Hell.
Sweat quickly poured out of his palms, causing him to feel choked at the realization of what just happened.
He wanted to peel his eyes away but found that he seemed frozen in place.
But luckily, the illusion lasted for only a bit until he saw Dorian suddenly smiling, making him shudder instead.
Did this guy just warn him?
Ghu Dwo swallowed his saliva while trying to adjust himself before looking at Dorian more seriously.
His instincts told him that the boy before him was dangerous.
But now, looking at the now harmless Dorian, he felt like he might've just been imagining things.
Yes. How could a 17-year-old be that powerful?
Ghu Dwo frowned and took out a handkerchief to wipe his sweaty palms feeling like he needed to get more sleep in future.

In the meantime, Dorian lazily leaned his head to the side, looking at Leiji deeply: "Relay all you know. I'm too lazy to talk to idiots."
Elvida's nostrils were almost flaring out as she flashed her teeth, trying to calm herself down.
'Bastard!
Who are you calling an idiot?
Bastard! Bastard!!!!!!
Elvida continued her silent battle while Ghu Dwo and Windock had grasped an important point from Dorian's words.
Eh?
Could it be that the little imp wasn't the real culprit?
Their heads swiftly turned to Leiji like robots: "Speak!"
Wasting no time, Leiji retold all he knew, causing everyone's expressions to get distorted.
They also saw the underlying tone Leiji used when talking about Dorian as if saying that he was indeed dangerous.
And coupled with the description of what happened within the Tian house, Leiji felt like he had to warn them to first investigate everything before making a move.
Because one thing was for sure, the boy was indeed a dangerous one!
At the same time, Raulin and Zhulyn, who heard the whole thing, secretly screamed In shock and a little bit of expectation.





This wasn't the script they envisioned, alright?
Ghu Dwo looked at Dorian while deep in thought.
This morning, they had been trying to wake Sota from his stupor for hours, but nothing they did could wake him up.
It was as if their son had already left them and was on his way to the land beyond, which terrified them silly.
And from what Windock said, his situation was the same, although the night too with him sleeping for a bit, getting up after a few hours and screaming in fear.
Nothing they did could bring their son back to normal.
Yet, this young Tian Master had just come in, and their son had now returned to his senses even though his face and body screamed horror.
Ghu Dwo looked at Dorian and was now somewhat convinced that he might not be the enemy here.
So there was only one major question still ringing in his head.
Who was it?
Who was the real culprit?
Dorian leaned down and gently tilted Sota's chin with a broad smile on his face: "I can help you, but my price doesn't come cheap."