

The Broken Warrior's Daughter by Cooper

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The next second, Harriet felt a sudden movement and was pulled aside by Delbert, narrowly avoiding a dagger that had flown unexpectedly from behind her.

Harriet quickly withdrew her leg and turned around with a serious expression frowning her brow, only to see a bulky figure with an ugly scarred face-the likely source of the thrown dagger. Beside this man were several underling-looking thugs, their faces less scarred than his.

When the man noticed Harriet turning to look at him, his face showed no sign of guilt.

Instead, he seemed defiant.

"What are you looking at? Scared by that knife? The one I threw just now wasn't even aimed at you, so what are you afraid of?"

This man was Benjamin, who had been lying in wait with his gang.

He had planned to strike as soon as Harriet and Delbert passed by but didn't expect the couple to start getting cozy next to the car, which was torturous for a single man like him!

Benjamin became instantly enraged and, in a fit of anger, threw the dagger he held.

He was about to state his purpose when he was contradicted by one of his own men.

"Benjamin, it looked like if this couple hadn't dodged, they would have been hit directly by the flying knife. You may not have aimed at them, but your shot was off..."

Hearing his man's voice made Benjamin feel embarrassed.

He coughed lightly, pretending as if nothing had happened, and mentally noted the man who had spoken up, planning to settle the score later.

Benjamin then tried to act nonchalant as he addressed Harriet.

"Did you just find an exceptional jewel at the gems trading center? If you know what's good for you, hand it over quickly. I might just spare your lives." Upon hearing that, Harriet immediately understood Benjamin's intentions.

This man referred to by his subordinates as Benjamin had heard about her exceptional jewel and had come specifically to rob her.

Was he unaware of her background?

It was indeed brave of him!

Harriet's lips curved into a dangerous smile.

"Do you even know who I am to dare try taking the jewel from my hands?"

Benjamin continued to look fierce and didn't show Harriet any kindness.

"I don't care who you are. Hand over the jewel quickly. I might consider sparing your life!"

Where did this woman get her courage?

Surely she didn't think that Benjamin had heard from Lily that she was just a commoner from a small rural area pretending to be some important personage! But Benjamin had to admit she played the part well.

He looked up at Harriet, who smiled mysteriously at him without any intention of handing over the jewel.

A wave of irritation surged within Benjamin, triggering his underlying unease and making him more aggressive.

"So you refuse to hand over the exceptional jewel? Then I'll take it myself!"

With that, he stepped forward, reaching out to snatch the bag containing the precious stones from Delbert's hands.

As Benjamin's hand neared the bag, Delbert's brows were deeply furrowed.

"You're digging your own grave!"

He kicked out, striking Benjamin in the abdomen and sending him flying back a considerable distance.

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Benjamin clearly didn't expect Delbert's martial prowess to be so formidable.

Before he could react further, Delbert handed the bag he was carrying to Harriet.

With a cold demeanor, Delbert slowly approached Benjamin.

The murderous aura emanating from him made Benjamin's cronies wish they could abandon him and run away.

After that kick, Benjamin realized the man before him was no ordinary person.

Noticing the murderous intent radiating from Delbert made him panic.

He propped himself up on his hands and kept scooting backward on the floor.

"What do you want to do? Don't come any closer! I'm warning you, my boss is a big shot in the underworld of Imperium. If you mess with me, neither you nor your girlfriend can survive!" Seeing that things were going south, Benjamin resorted to flaunting his boss's status in an attempt to intimidate Delbert into leaving.

But it was all in vain.

Delbert showed no fear and kept advancing without any pause in his step.

Step by step, Delbert walked towards Benjamin lying on the ground, looking down at him from above with eyes full of icy resolve, like the King of Terrors descending.

"I'm asking you, who sent you? And where did you get the news that we found an exceptional jewel? You'd better not lie, or face the consequences!"

Benjamin appeared tough on the surface, but he actually was scared.

Although he had promised Lily not to expose her identity, in such a situation, he didn't know what inhumane treatment he might face if he didn't reveal her identity.

After making a decision, Benjamin no longer hesitated and promptly confessed, "I learned about that from a woman named Lily! As for my boss, I only know that his surname is Vinson.

"He operates in the underworld of Imperium. Although he may not be as prominent as those elder figures, he's still a significant figure. I've answered all your questions. Now, can you let me go?" After Benjamin finished speaking, he nervously looked at Delbert.

Delbert showed a pensive expression and exchanged a glance with Harriet.

Benjamin's anxiety multiplied several times as he feared that Delbert might attack him directly, which he couldn't withstand.

While Delbert was lost in thought, Benjamin boldly signaled to his men to seize the opportunity and subdue Delbert.

After all, they outnumbered him.

He still didn't believe it.

Could their group not handle the two people in front of them?

As long as they caught the man, the woman would be like a lamb to the slaughter, obediently handing over the exceptional jewel!

Seeing that several of his men had caught on to his thoughts, Benjamin immediately made a decision and stood up from the ground, throwing a punch at Delbert's face.

Although Delbert was pondering who Mr. Vinson was in Benjamin's words, he was still on guard against Benjamin.

When he saw Benjamin make a move, the fist was about to strike his face.

Prepared in advance, Delbert immediately stepped back, easily avoiding Benjamin's punch!

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Benjamin didn't dare to have any unnecessary reaction.

He quickly retracted his fist, preparing for the next attack.

After all, from the moves and techniques displayed by Delbert just now, it was clear that Delbert's skills weren't simple.

Delbert might even rival the elite group under his boss.

He didn't expect that the ordinary person mentioned by Lily would have such good skills!

Benjamin's heart was in turmoil and he was shocked beyond measure, unable to calm down for a long time.

As he was about to retract his hand, his wrist was suddenly tightly grasped.

Looking up, he saw Delbert firmly holding his wrist and rendering him unable to move!

Before he could react further, Delbert exerted force, directly twisting Benjamin's entire arm and forcing him to turn around.

In an instant of pain, Benjamin clenched his teeth and continued to struggle, hoping to break free.

Unfortunately, his attack didn't succeed...

Right at this moment, several of his men had also rushed towards Delbert, ready to attack directly.

Just as they were about to pounce on Delbert, several loud noises rang out, and their footsteps disappeared instantly!

Upon hearing the loud noises, Benjamin quickly looked up in the direction of the sound of footsteps.

He saw several of his burly men lying on the ground in disarray!

And beside his men, a twenty-year-old woman rubbed her fists, her eyes disdainful as she stood there with a faint smile on her lips-wicked and arrogant yet full of pride.
"Sorry, I got carried away."

That scene left Benjamin completely stunned.

What was going on?

How had all his men ended up lying on the ground?

Benjamin was completely dumbfounded.

His group of men had followed him through life and death for many years and were very strong and resilient.

How could they all be defeated by a young woman?

And the expression on the woman's face at the moment seemed to be mocking him, mocking his ignorance and foolishness, mocking him for being nothing more than a clown!

As for his men, they weren't feeling much better than Benjamin at the moment.

Being knocked down by a young woman and unable to get up from the ground for a long time was such a disgrace for them!

How could they still have the face to continue mixing in Imperium after this?

Harriet paid no attention to how people around her saw her and walked step by step toward Benjamin.

Delbert smiled gently when he saw Harriet.

Harriet raised an eyebrow and taunted Benjamin with a mocking tone in her voice, "What? Do you want to try what it feels like to be defeated by me?"

Seeing his men writhing on the ground in pain and being pinned down by Delbert, Benjamin desperately shook his head with all his might.

The confident demeanor he had displayed just now vanished in an instant.

"No, no! I absolutely don't want to! Ma'am, we were blind and ignorant. I beg you both to let us go!"

Harriet assumed the demeanor of a boss interrogating her subordinate and said, "Since you said that Lily provided you with the information about the exceptional jewel in my possession, did she tell you any other information apart from that?"

When she heard Benjamin say that Lily had informed him about the exceptional jewel, Harriet wasn't surprised at all.

After all, with Lily's narrow-mindedness, it would be strange if she didn't plan to retaliate against her or find someone to deal with her after being humiliated by her!

Upon hearing that, Benjamin didn't dare to lie and quickly recounted everything Lily had told him over the phone to Harriet.

After listening, Delbert's expression grew even darker.

It was obvious that he was extremely displeased.

Under the pressure, Benjamin had a shiver.

Delbert's thin lips parted as he uttered a few chilling words, "Take out your phone!"

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Chapter 644

Benjamin dared not resist and quickly handed over his phone to Delbert.

After taking the phone, Delbert immediately dialed Lily's number using Benjamin's phone.

It didn't take long for the call to be answered.

In the moment of connection, without waiting for a response from Lily, Delbert said directly, "Lily, I advise you to put away your dirty thoughts! I still don't want to harm you, considering your relationship with Liam!"

Suddenly!

There was a loud bang!

It sounded like the phone at the other end had fallen to the ground.

On Lily's end, the phone she had been clutching moments ago suddenly dropped to the ground.

The screen shattered, but Lily had no thoughts to spare for the phone.

She stared blankly ahead, feeling a sudden chill in her limbs and a buzzing in her brain.

When Lily received Benjamin's call, she had been overjoyed, thinking it was to inform her of the success of Benjamin's plan.

However, she heard Delbert's voice on the other end.

And he had advised her to put away her dirty thoughts.

Lily almost instantly realized that her plan had probably failed.

Since Delbert had been able to get hold of Benjamin's phone, Benjamin's situation was probably not good either.

Moreover, from Delbert's tone, he had likely already learned from Benjamin that it was her who had informed Benjamin about the jewel.

Her plan had completely failed.

Even the identity of her behind-the-scenes manipulator was thoroughly exposed!

After standing in a daze for a while, Lily picked up the phone again, pretending to look pitiful and wanting to argue, "Delbert, I don't understand what you're talking about. Didn't I already apologize to Harriet for what happened at the gems trading center?"

Hearing Lily's evasive words, Delbert couldn't be bothered to continue arguing with her.

"You know what you've done. I don't want to talk more about that. Lily, behave yourself!

"If there's a next time, I won't show any mercy!"

Afterwards, Delbert hung up the phone directly.

After sending a photo of Benjamin and his men lying on the ground to Lily, he returned the phone to Benjamin.

"Since the problem is resolved, let's go, Delbert!"

Harriet smiled and took Delbert's hand directly, getting into the car and leaving swiftly.

Only a trail of dust was left behind for Benjamin and his men.

After Delbert and Harriet left, Benjamin hurriedly stood up, pretending as if nothing had happened, coughing awkwardly a few times.

This time, he had lost face in front of his men.

Thinking about that, Benjamin had a sinister look.

He stared at the car as it drove away and picked up his tightly clenched phone to dial a number.

"Mr. Vinson, I remember you've been actively seeking various precious gem stones recently? I just happened to come across an exceptional jewel, but there was a little accident in the middle of it..." Mr. Vinson was Benjamin's immediate superior.

He was also the person who could hold his own in Imperium's illegal trading area and had quite a reputation.

If anyone dared to provoke him, they would have to pay the price!

The couple just now might have been able to handle him, but once they encountered his boss, apart from obediently handing over the exceptional jewel in their hands, there would be no way out! With great anticipation, Benjamin relayed all the details to Mr. Vinson over the phone.

On the other end of the call, Mr. Vinson twirled the diamond ring on his finger as if pondering something.

He lowered his head, and no one could see the expression on his face under the shadow.

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After a moment, Mr. Vinson said slowly, his voice filled with malicious intent, "Didn't they know who's behind your back? You said you had already redeemed the account in my name and purchased that exceptional jewel.

"It's just that those two didn't give you a chance to explain and directly took it from you, right?"

Upon hearing Mr. Vinson's words, although Benjamin felt a bit uneasy about the first sentence, he quickly responded, "Yes."

In order to seek revenge from Mr. Vinson for himself, he even distorted the truth.

In his account, he had originally possessed the jewel, and it was Harriet and Delbert who took it from him by force.

After hearing Benjamin's response, Mr. Vinson stopped twirling the ring on his finger and leaned back in his chair, revealing an unexpectedly young and handsome face.

"Since the exceptional jewel is in the hands of that couple, and you have had dealings with them before, you can select a few of my men to deal with them. I want to see results within a week." Upon hearing that, Benjamin was delighted.

Mr. Vinson's men were all elite fighters, capable of taking on a hundred opponents, far superior to his own men.

With Mr. Vinson's help, he wanted to see if that couple from before could still hold their ground against them!

"Thank you, Mr. Vinson!" Benjamin was about to hang up after achieving his goal.

But right at this moment, Mr. Vinson on the other end suddenly said, "Benjamin, do you know why I suddenly started searching extensively for jewels?"

Benjamin didn't expect Mr. Vinson to suddenly ask him that question and found himself momentarily at a loss for words.

Mr. Vinson had indeed recently ordered an extensive search for precious jewels, and had instructed his men to join in the search.

It had all happened not long ago.

At the time, his men had been bewildered by Mr. Vinson's sudden decision.

After all, Mr. Vinson had never shown any interest in jewels before, nor had he demonstrated any knowledge of it.

After some speculation among the core members, they could only come up with one relatively reasonable conclusion.

It was likely that their boss, Mr. Vinson, was in love, and the woman he was involved with liked jewels, so he had been purchasing jewels extravagantly for his girlfriend.

After all, that conclusion seemed much more reasonable compared to other possibilities such as "experiencing the extravagant life of the rich," "having too much money to spend," or "looking for something to do out of boredom."

When Mr. Vinson asked about it, Benjamin subconsciously blurted out the conclusion he and the other core members had gossiped about.

It wasn't until he heard Mr. Vinson's sneer that he realized that he had made a big mistake.

The sneer was chilling and devoid of any warmth.

It sent a shiver down Benjamin's spine, and he knew that he had revealed too much information.

Having followed Mr. Vinson for quite some time, he knew his temperament.

He had never seen anyone who angered Mr. Vinson and lived to tell the tale!

Fortunately, Mr. Vinson didn't pay too much attention to what had just happened and continued, "According to a reliable source, there will be a national jewels appreciation conference in the near future.

"My superior has instructed me to pay more attention to any good jewels recently. As long as you can bring back that exceptional jewel, I'll reward you generously."

After saying that, Mr. Vinson hung up the phone directly, leaving Benjamin staring in shock, his face filled with amazement.

What?

How come he never heard about another boss behind Mr. Vinson?

Moreover, from Mr. Vinson's tone, it seemed like he held that person in high regard.

When informing him of this matter, Mr. Vinson didn't even dare to mention that person's name.

The mysterious figure behind a prominent figure like Mr. Vinson was probably a person standing at the pinnacle of Imperium and even the entire world.

The thought of having to find jewels for such a prominent figure left Benjamin both thrilled and apprehensive excited at being favored and fearful of the consequences of his plan failing and offending that influential figure.

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It couldn't be easier for such a figure of high stature to ruin him!

With that in mind, Benjamin didn't dare to delay.

He quickly turned around and briefly explained the situation to his subordinates behind him.

Meanwhile, after Harriet and Delbert left the gems trading center, the shocked onlookers had long since departed, preparing the money needed to purchase gem stones for the next time Harriet visited the gems trading center.

Lewis promptly found his immediate superior, informed him of the situation, and obtained Alan's phone number.

As soon as Alan answered his call, Lewis couldn't wait to say, "Mr. Alan, Harriet just visited our gems trading center!"

Without hesitation, Lewis directly recounted every detail of Harriet's experience at the gems trading center to Alan.

At this moment, Alan on the other end of the phone was still at Levi's villa, arguing with his other brothers about which brother Harriet preferred.

Just as they were getting into it, he suddenly received a call from one of his employees.

What?

His beloved sister went to his gems trading center and was bullied by the security guards and Lily, but then turned the tables and left?

What?

His beloved sister had produced over a dozen exquisite jewels in a single day, each one capable of astonishing the entire jewel industry when presented individually!

Moreover, the piece of jewel that Yvonne finally produced could even spark a frenzy in the entire jewel industry!

After all, even he had only seen a small piece of top-quality jewel in an ancient family with a history of thousands of years. According to Lewis' description, the jewel in Yvonne's possession was even better in quality than that of the ancient family.

He had originally planned to search for gem stones and bring Yvonne to the upcoming jewels

exhibition event to see if she was interested in jewels and if she wanted to inherit his legacy.

But now, if this news got out, not to mention inheriting the legacy, whether he could maintain his position as the top figure in the jewel industry was uncertain!

To his astonishment, Harriet was better than him!

He, who was once at the forefront, had been surpassed so quickly by Yvonne, who came after him?

The look of shock on Alan's face didn't last long.

After the shock in his heart subsided, a strong sense of unease instantly struck him.

Alan's expression turned serious, and he stood up abruptly.

"I remember that there are always many people at the gems trading center. Yvonne producing exquisite gem stones and consecutively producing over a dozen is significant! Have you sent people to protect her? What if someone targets her..."

Upon hearing Alan's words, Lewis, who initially thought the situation wasn't serious, also became nervous.

Lewis' voice became somewhat stuttered due to nervousness as he said, "Mr. Alan, I thought that with our rule at the gems trading center to protect customers, coupled with Miss Harriet's public identity as your sister, no one would dare harm Miss Harriet, so I didn't send anyone to protect her..."

Lewis's voice grew quieter.

After he finished speaking, there was a moment of silence.

Even over the phone, he could feel the pressure emanating from Alan on the other end of the line.

This standoff couldn't continue.

Lewis gritted his teeth as if making a determined decision and said, "Mr. Alan, I'll go find Miss Harriet now.

"If anything bad happens to Miss Harriet, I'm willing to take full responsibility even at the cost of my life!"

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Chapter 647

Harriet and Delbert finally returned to their villa.

At nightfall, in the villa.

After dinner, Harriet sat at her desk holding the pile of precious gem stones she had just bought.

Looking at these dozen or so valuable gem stones in front of her, Harriet held a carving knife but hesitated on how to start.

She had already decided on the way to give each of her eight brothers a carved jewel pendant.

She had even recalled all the carving knowledge she recently learned from Alan's grandfather on her way here.

But when it came time to start, she felt lost.

After several unsuccessful attempts, Harriet scratched her head in frustration, looking utterly defeated.

If she couldn't even carve jewel pendants for her eight brothers properly, how could she later carve that piece of blood jewel well and present it to Delbert?

Just then, Harriet heard the study door suddenly being pushed open.

Before she could turn around, a man approached her from behind and leaned down slightly beside her.

The hoarse and deep voice almost made Harriet unable to resist.

"Can't figure out where to start?"

Upon hearing Delbert's question, Harriet instinctively nodded.

She heard a light chuckle from the man behind her.

Before Harriet could react, Delbert walked over to her, stretched out his long arm, and directly lifted Harriet from the chair.

Without giving Harriet a chance to struggle, he sat down while holding her.

Harriet sat right on his lap!

She was stunned at first, but then a faint blush appeared uncontrollably on her fair cheeks.

Wasn't this posture too embarrassing?

At this moment, she almost wished she could dig a hole and bury herself in it!

Unable to escape while being held by the man, she could barely move.

Harriet had no choice but to shrink into the only place she could hide - Delbert's arms.

Delbert had clearly planned his sudden visit to her room.

She hoped that Delbert would come to the rescue and help her figure out what to do with these gem stones.

But now it seemed that Delbert wasn't here to help at all.

He was clearly like a hungry wolf returning to steal a bite!

Delbert looked at the shy woman in his arms with indulgence, and a hint of desire crept into his deep-set eyes.

He gently held Harriet's hands, rested his chin on her shoulder, and almost whispered in a low voice near her ear, "Harriet, my dear, would you like me to teach you how to carve jewel pendants?"

The man's already deep and hoarse voice, combined with this whisper, increased the charm several times over.

It was incredibly seductive and irresistibly alluring.

Harriet became even more shy and without a word, she burrowed deeper into Delbert's embrace.

In this situation, how could she refuse?

Being held by this satyr of hers was simply a deliberate provocation!

With Delbert's suggestive help, Harriet miraculously carved eight jewel pendants overnight.

However, by the time all the carvings were done, it was already 8 am the next day.

Just as Delbert suggested giving all these jewel pendants to the eight brothers, Harriet refused.

She insisted that the carved jewel pendants needed further polishing.

So it wasn't until the following weekend that Harriet arranged to meet Delbert and a few brothers at Levi's house.

On that day, as soon as Harriet entered the villa, she was surrounded by the eight brothers.

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Among the eight brothers, except for Alan, the other Bass brothers, including the usually cold and indifferent Levi, all looked curious and puzzled, wondering why Harriet had suddenly called them together. "Yvonne, did you call us together for something? Did someone bully you again? We'll help you seek revenge!"

Henry, the doting brother, was the first to speak.

Alan's gaze towards Harriet was unexpectedly deep, his expression inscrutable but showing a hint of curiosity similar to the rest of his brothers'.

"Yes, Yvonne, please tell us."

Harriet sat with Delbert in the center of the eight brothers, smiled mysteriously, then took a bag containing jewel pendants from Delbert's hands.

Skipping the pleasantries, she took out nine pieces of jewel pendants carved from precious gem stones from the bag.

The carvings were no less exquisite than those of top-notch master carvers.

Seeing the surprised expressions on all eight brothers' faces, Harriet proudly handed each of them one of the jewel pendants. "Brothers, from purchasing the gem stones to

the final carving and polishing, Delbert and I personally completed all of these." At this point, Harriet's expression suddenly became very serious.

"Since I arrived at Imperium, you've always taken care of me. Recently at the family banquet, you gave me the most precious gift.

"After receiving a precious gift, I also want to give you something in return. Although I know that no matter how valuable the gift is, it cannot repay your help and care for me at Imperium." She raised her head slowly, her voice slightly choked with emotion.

Seeing their beloved sister suddenly in tears, the Bass brothers felt a pang in their hearts.

"Yvonne, don't cry. You're our sister. It's our duty to protect you!"

"Yes, we're even willing to protect you for a lifetime!"

Seeing that, Justin and Oliver quickly comforted Harriet, followed by the others.

Even Levi, who usually didn't say much, was somewhat at a loss this time.

As they tried to console her, Harriet's tears continued to fall uncontrollably.

As a result, the brothers became flustered and scrambled to comfort her.

Watching from the side, Delbert sighed resignedly because he knew that Harriet was crying out of joy and would soon be comforted.

This situation allowed the Bass brothers to experience what it felt like to be at a loss when faced with Harriet's tears.

"Harriet, dear, please don't cry."

Delbert gently rubbed Harriet's head with tenderness in his eyes.

Finally, it was Arthur who spoke up and gradually calmed down the chaotic scene.

Clutching tightly onto the jewel pendant in his hand, Arthur looked different from his usual aloofness.

He said earnestly, "Yvonne, you're our only and unique sister, our only family. Our help and care are what you deserve. And I owe you an apology. I failed to protect you properly when you were young in Agral City."

Harriet was stunned.

Although she had learned from her brothers that she was born in Agral City and grew up there, she couldn't remember anything about her childhood.

Why would her brothers say they didn't protect her well in Agral City?

What exactly happened back then in Agral City?

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Harriet was about to ask, but Arthur changed the subject abruptly with happiness, "However, with us brothers here, you'll never be bullied in Imperium again!" With that, Arthur turned on the television.

A news report happened to be airing.

The content included: the company managed by Wendell collapsed overnight, and Wendell was imprisoned!

Garry's plot against Harriet was exposed, and he was also imprisoned!

Furthermore, the shareholders of the Lynch Group underwent a major reshuffle overnight, with all shareholders within it now under Arthur and Levi's control.

As for Liam and Lily, without the Lynch Group, their future seemed even bleaker than that of Garry and Wendell in prison!

Was it an overnight upheaval in the business world?

Harriet's beautiful eyes were full of shock.

She had thought her brothers were unaware of the conflicts between her and these four people, and even if they knew, they wouldn't bother to intervene.

But to her surprise, her brothers had already seized crucial evidence while she wasn't paying attention and had sent the despicable scoundrels Garry and Wendell to prison. During the time, they had also gradually acquired shares of Liam's company through their subordinates.

Harriet looked at Arthur, incredulous, "Arthur, did you do all of these things?"

"Of course!" Arthur lightly smiled and changed the subject again, "By the way, Yvonne, when are you going to have a child with Delbert so we can cuddle our little nephew or niece?" With Arthur's words, the other Bass brothers immediately expressed their agreement and turned their gaze towards Harriet.

"Yes, Yvonne, we can't wait to give your child gifts."

"Yvonne's child will surely be as lovely as her. It would be even better if it's a girl."

Each of the Bass brothers began teasing Harriet with a sentence each.

Seeing Harriet still looking shy, Delbert couldn't help but caress her head again with a smile, "Harriet, what do you think?"

The next moment, as if realizing something, Harriet reached into her seemingly empty bag and pulled out a jewel pendant carved from the best jewel she got.

This jewel pendant was different from the others, with intricate patterns and a high level of complexity.

Under Delbert's puzzled gaze, Harriet beamed and handed the jewel pendant to him.

"Delbert, this's specially carved for you by me. Surprised?"

She had long prepared to secretly carve a jewel pendant for Delbert.

After all, when she proposed to give hand-carved jewel pendants to her eight brothers as gifts, she couldn't miss the envy that flickered in Delbert's eyes. Her man must be pampered!

Harriet decisively decided to use the best jewel to carve a jewel pendant for Delbert.

Carving a jewel pendant with a different meaning from those given to her brothers.

When the Bass brothers saw the unique jewel pendant in Harriet's hand, it was now their turn to feel jealous.

Just as Harriet was about to say something, Delbert suddenly sealed her soft lips with his own.

After about a dozen minutes, under the shocked gazes of the eight Bass brothers, Delbert held Harriet and said, "A year from now, I promise you'll have a nephew or a niece!"

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The Lynch family disappeared. Wendell and Garry were all imprisoned.

The tense relationship among the Bass brothers gradually became peaceful.

With Delbert's help, Harriet managed the company in an orderly manner.

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Chapter 650

During leisure time, apart from being close to Delbert, Harriet learned about the knowledge in various fields of her eight brothers and tried to inherit their legacy. One day, everyone gathered at Delbert's rented private villa in Imperium.

Delbert himself was cooking.

They were having a great time when suddenly a cell phone rang and broke the peaceful atmosphere.

As everyone looked towards the sound, Levi picked up the phone placed on the table and answered it.

"Hello, Mr. Levi, this's Imperium City Hospital."

Upon hearing that, everyone fell silent.

"What's the matter?" Levi asked coldly.

On the other end, it was said, "Mr. Levi, Ms. Miriam has fully regained consciousness and wants to see you. Please come over quickly."

Upon hearing that, Levi quickly responded and then looked around at everyone with a joyful expression.

"It's a call from the hospital, saying that our godmother has woken up."

"Really? Godmother has really woken up?"

The Bass brothers were overjoyed.

"Yes, godmother has fully regained her senses and wants to see us. The doctor asked us to come quickly."

After Levi finished speaking, he looked at Harriet sitting beside him, who was now in utter astonishment.

She couldn't believe her ears!

It was wonderful!

Her mother had finally fully regained consciousness, and they could finally have a conversation.

With that thought, a mist of tears welled up in Harriet's eyes.

"It's good that she woke up. Let's go quickly."

With joy in their hearts, they didn't even bother to eat and hurriedly grabbed their clothes to leave.

In the blink of an eye, they arrived at the hospital.

Harriet walked to the front.

With trembling hands, she pushed open the door of the ward, then saw the woman lying on the hospital bed, who had been there for a long time, now sitting up with a bit of liveliness. Before Harriet could call out, the woman seemed to sense something, slowly turned her head, and met the gaze of everyone.

Immediately, she burst into tears, "Harriet, is it you!"

At first glance, she recognized her daughter.

It was Harriet!

"Mom!"

As soon as Harriet opened her mouth, she almost broke down.

The two immediately embraced each other, crying tears of joy.

"Harriet, who are they..."

Miriam hesitated a bit.

The people in front of her looked somewhat familiar but also somewhat unfamiliar, as if memories were buried under dust and couldn't be recalled no matter how hard she tried. Harriet was taken aback and was about to explain when the Bass brothers proactively stepped forward and introduced themselves one by one.

After listening, Miriam pondered for a moment and then remembered something.

Her eyes welled up with tears again.

"Great, if you all are doing well, I can be at ease too."

Miriam was relieved. She never expected that the eight adopted sons she raised in Agral City had become top talents in various industries and had found Harriet. She wiped away the tears from the corners of her eyes with joy.

"By the way, mom, can you tell me what really happened after you faked your death and returned to Imperium all those years ago?"

Harriet quickly asked what was on her mind.

Miriam was momentarily surprised and then lowered her gaze, seemingly contemplating something.

Thinking her mother was deeply troubled and unwilling to speak, Harriet was about to change the subject.

However, after a struggle, Miriam finally spoke up.

"It was... it was your childhood friend, Sadie, who caused me to end up like this!"

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Chapter 651

Although Harriet and the Bass brothers already knew that Sadie was the one who harmed Miriam, hearing it directly from Miriam still made them extremely angry.

After a pause, Miriam continued, "After I faked my death and escaped from your father, Clifton, I returned to Imperium. I had planned to ask your grandfather to save you, but I saw your good friend holding your token and becoming the daughter of the Bass family.

"When she saw me return, feeling guilty, she took advantage of the lack of people around and pushed me down the stairs. It resulted in me lying here unconscious..."

As Miriam told the story, tears streamed down her face.

When she mentioned the name of her enemy, her tone noticeably intensified.

Then, her eyes momentarily lost focus, as if a scene flashed through her mind. She recalled the reason she had left in the first place-her husband's infidelity. She gave birth to Harriet in Agral City, hoping for a peaceful life.

Unexpectedly, Clifton's company faced a sudden crisis.

He came to Agral City to find her for money.

She refused because she was struggling as a single mother and had financial pressures everywhere.

Moreover, she felt that he deserved his financial troubles. She naturally rejected his demands.

To her astonishment, he heartlessly kidnapped his own daughter and took her to Meawood City.

Upon learning that, she hurriedly followed but didn't expect him to have murderous intentions towards her.

If she hadn't reacted quickly, she might have ended up dead.

"And your father, Clifton, that heartless man..."

At this point, Miriam couldn't continue. She didn't want to tell Harriet about the cruel truth.

Harriet held Miriam's hand tenderly, "Mom, it's all my fault."

"Silly girl, how could this be your fault? Besides, I'm fine now, right? Before I lost consciousness, I was worried about you living alone. But seeing your brothers find you, I'm relieved." Miriam sighed deeply but suddenly remembered something.

Her eyes widened, and she asked anxiously, "How is your father now? Is he still causing trouble for you?"

Before Harriet could answer, Miriam hurriedly checked her up and down.

"Mom, don't worry, I'm fine."

Harriet reassured her promptly.

"I've dealt with father. He's now repenting in prison. He did wrong and deserves punishment."

Surprised by this information, Miriam asked, "Really?"

But she didn't sympathize with Clifton. He deserved what he got.

"Ms. Miriam, it's all true. Don't worry, the person who hurt you won't escape punishment, just like the one who hurt Yvonne!"

"Clifton has been taken care of. It's Sadie's turn next!"

Arthur gritted his teeth, a hint of ruthlessness flashing in his eyes.

As the leader of the world's top assassination organization, dealing with such people was like second nature to him.

"But thinking about it now, Clifton got off too easily," Lucas stood by feeling somewhat displeased.

If he hadn't arrived a step late, he would have imprisoned that man and given him a good beating.

After all, he was a famous doctor in Imperium.

As long as a person had a breath left, he could keep them alive. Not giving Clifton a taste of suffering was truly hard to dispel his hatred.

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Chapter 652

At this moment, the expressions on the faces of the Bass brothers varied, but most of them were filled with determination against those few individuals. "Don't worry, Ms. Miriam. Leave this matter to us. You can stay here for a full recovery. Once you're better, we'll move away from this place of trouble." "Everything that belongs to Yvonne will be reclaimed by us!"

Upon hearing that, Miriam had a faint smile on her pale face. She was relieved and delighted.

She didn't expect her adopted sons to be so outstanding. Seeing them united filled her with joy.

She was about to say something more when her mouth opened but her eyes suddenly noticed a man standing silently in the corner.

She squinted her eyes to make out his features and exclaimed in surprise, "You... Aren't you the little boy who lived next door to us when you were young?"

The woman's son hadn't changed at all. Even as an adult, he still wore that indifferent expression.

Fearful of being mistaken, Miriam looked at him closely for a moment.

"Yes, Ms. Miriam. It's me."

Delbert stepped out from the corner and nodded towards Miriam.

Harriet was puzzled by this revelation.

Delbert had grown up in Agral City and lived next door?

When did that happen?

Why didn't she remember anything?

Although she was curious, Harriet conscientiously introduced Delbert to Miriam.

"Mom, he's Delbert, my husband now."

"Delbert? Yes, Delbert, the Carlson family's eldest son. I know him."

Seeing Harriet nodding, Miriam smiled, "I didn't expect this. What a twist of fate!"

"Harriet, when you were young, you always said you wanted to marry Delbert. It's amazing that you finally got your wish. Isn't this destiny?"

As Miriam said, she pointed at Harriet's nose with her finger.

Seeing Harriet looking bewildered, she couldn't help but laugh, "How could you forget all that?"

Seeing that her mother wasn't joking, Harriet furrowed her brows and turned to look at Delbert.

After scrutinizing his face for a while, she still couldn't recall anything from her childhood.

She felt puzzled, wondering why she couldn't remember anything.

At this moment, Miriam hadn't noticed anything unusual and thought Harriet had simply forgotten.

"Mom, what's going on? Why can't I remember anything?"

Harriet rubbed her head. The blankness in her mind made her feel a moment of panic.

Once Miriam heard that, her smile froze on her face.

She remembered how Harriet witnessed Clifton killing her, which caused severe mental trauma.

Later, she and another person conspired to seal Harriet's memory, leading to her amnesia.

Thankfully, this was the case. Otherwise, Harriet might not be able to grow up safely.

Seeing Miriam's unusual reaction, Harriet quickly grabbed her hand to inquire further about the reason.

Before she could say anything, Miriam opened her mouth first, "Harriet, you were little back then, so it's normal to forget. But it's okay. I remember everything for you. Didn't I just tell you? As long as I remember it, it's fine."

After hearing that, Harriet pursed her lips and didn't continue questioning.

She could sense from her mother's tone that she didn't want to reveal the truth.

She glanced at her brothers and Delbert, who all remained silent but had a serious expression.

It was evident that they were all aware of the situation. Only she was kept in the dark.

Feeling helpless, she could only sigh inwardly.

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Chapter 653

Seeing Harriet's disappointment, the Bass brothers and Delbert felt a pang in their hearts.

Their mouths remained slightly open for a while before closing again.

It would be best not to let Harriet know about what happened in the past.

After all, it was something no one could bear.

Miriam reached out and ruffled Harriet's hair, "Silly girl, there's really nothing wrong. You were young at that time. Forgetting things is quite normal."

Upon hearing that, Harriet let go of many doubts in her heart and smiled lightly.

"Alright, mom, I understand."

Then everyone gathered around the hospital bed, exchanging heartwarming words that made Miriam laugh joyfully.

"Alright, alright, all of you are so sweet and good kids!"

Miriam smiled at everyone and then patted Harriet's hand.

After a sigh, she said, "I'm fine now. It's getting late. You should all go back. I need some rest too. I just woke up, and my body still feels uncomfortable. Maybe a good night's sleep will help." Upon hearing that, everyone noticed that the sky outside was gradually darkening.

However, Harriet felt uneasy, "Mom, I'll stay here with you tonight. You'll be lonely here by yourself."

"Yes, Ms. Miriam, since we have nothing to do, we might as well stay."

The Bass brothers chimed in.

"Nonsense! This ward is so small. Where will all of you sleep? On the floor?"

Miriam thought this would deter them, but unexpectedly...

"Indeed, this place is a bit small. Let's switch to a deluxe ward."

The room Miriam was in was a VIP single ward.

For a patient, it was spacious with ample room to move around.

However, with ten additional people crowding in, it felt a bit cramped.

When one suggested it, the others all agreed.

They were all influential figures in various fields with a net worth in the billions.

Changing the ward wasn't a problem at all.

"Change the ward? Let's just change the hospital," Lucas scanned around and was somewhat dissatisfied with this hospital.

As the top doctor of Imperium, he wouldn't set foot in a medium-sized hospital like this.

If Miriam's condition hadn't been severe, preventing multiple transfers, he would have taken her to the most advanced hospital in Imperium for treatment long ago.

Perhaps if he had treated her earlier, things wouldn't have dragged on until now, which gave those troublemakers a few more days to cause chaos.

"You guys..." Miriam was at a loss for words, looking at them with a resigned look.

After some persuasion, she finally managed to send them away.

However, before she could even close her eyes, Harriet returned from home.

Initially, Harriet had already gone home with Delbert, but lying in bed, unable to sleep due to the blankness in her mind, she grew increasingly restless. Finally, unable to bear it, she glanced at Delbert sleeping beside her.

She gently touched his handsome face and then got up from the bed, intending to go to the hospital to inquire about her mother's truth.

As she made her move, Delbert suddenly opened his eyes.

As he stared in the direction she had left in the darkness, his expression was clouded with concern.

"Harriet, do you really need to know the truth?"

"It might not be a good thing for you."

Following her, he also got up, but Harriet was unaware of it.

Quietly entering the hospital, she found Miriam awake so she walked in directly.

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Chapter 654

"Mom... please, just tell me the truth about what happened back then. I know you've been hiding something from me."

"Harriet, you..." Miriam was taken aback.

She was about to offer some excuses but saw her daughter frowning with an urgent expression.

"Mom, please tell me. These are my memories after all. Losing them feels terrible. I have the right to know the truth, don't I?"

After hearing that, Miriam was somewhat hesitant.

She really didn't want Harriet to suffer another blow, but...

Harriet was right. She had the right to know the truth.

Miriam sighed, and the tight grip of her teeth eventually loosened.

"You should have the silver needles I gave you. Take them out."

Harriet breathed a sigh of relief and quickly pulled out a few short but delicate silver needles from her belt.

"One is enough. Extend your hand."

Miriam then used the silver needle to help Harriet unlock her memories.

As the memories flooded back, it felt like a dam bursting open, crashing fiercely onto the ground.

The impact caused Harriet to furrow her brow immediately.

Her face contorted in pain as she tried to alleviate it by massaging her temples, but the pain only intensified.

The flood of memories was overwhelming. She couldn't bear the sudden rush of restored memories.

Her body trembled uncontrollably.

She gradually recalled her childhood meeting with Delbert and the scene of Clifton stabbing her mother before her very eyes.

The jumble of memories caused unbearable pain and anguish for her.

"Harriet, are you alright?"

Miriam was extremely anxious seeing her struggle to recover. She couldn't help but feel uneasy.

But at this moment, Harriet couldn't hear anything.

Scenes from the past flashed through her mind like a movie reel.

Her head throbbed unbearably.

These memories were like knives piercing her heart one after another.

The pain of recollection outweighed the headache.

She couldn't accept that she had witnessed her father stabbing her mother in front of her eyes.

Although her mother didn't die, she couldn't come to terms with it.

She couldn't bear seeing everything happen before her eyes and feeling powerless to stop it.

"Mom, I'm sorry. I need some air."

Harriet rushed out of the ward without any obstruction, tears falling like broken beads.

This was still a hospital. Although she was heartbroken, she maintained composure.

She wiped away her tears, left her mother's room, turned away, then saw Delbert standing in the corridor.

"Harriet, what's wrong?"

Delbert smiled slightly at her but seeing her tear-streaked face, his eyes filled with concern.

He opened his arms towards her.

Harriet instinctively threw herself into them.

As she caught a whiff of his familiar scent, tears flowed uncontrollably.

"Delbert, tell me why that happened? And I forgot everything. I'm such a fool!"

The woman in his arms trembled continuously, breaking into tears without reservation.

Delbert knew what had happened and furrowed his brows.

He felt deeply sorry for Harriet's suffering but couldn't share it with her.

He gently patted her back to soothe her emotions.

"Harriet, it's okay. I'm here for you!"

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Chapter 655

Harriet cried as she said, "Delbert, do you know? I actually saw my father kill my mother in front of me. I witnessed such a scene... "But I couldn't do anything. My mother's despairing eyes are still fresh in my memory, but I couldn't do anything..."

Harriet's voice trembled with each word, evoking deep sympathy.

Delbert clenched his teeth, understanding Harriet's sense of helplessness.

He had experienced a similar feeling when his brother was swept away by the river in front of him, and he couldn't save him.

The pain of being unable to act in such situations was something he understood all too well.

However, with many years having passed since then, he was unsure how to comfort Harriet in this moment.

Perhaps what mattered most now was for Harriet to realize that she was never alone, and she could always confide in him.

As long as Harriet was willing, he would always be there to listen to her.

Harriet tightly held onto Delbert's clothes, crying in his arms for quite some time before gradually calming her emotions. The hospital wasn't the place for words.

Delbert gently wiped away her tears and then led her to the rooftop.

Taking a deep breath, Harriet adjusted her disheveled hair affected by the wind, her voice sounding particularly weary.

"I never thought that such a significant event could slip my mind after all these years. After losing my memory, it's as if nothing ever happened.

"I shouldn't have forgotten all these things. Clifton's grave mistakes shouldn't have been overlooked."

In just a few words, it was evident how much regret Harriet felt.

However, everything had already passed, and it was beyond her power to change it.

She was just a victim in this matter.

Delbert softly reassured, "Harriet, it's not your fault.

"You were young back then. Life doesn't always go as planned. You did your best."

After these words, Delbert reached out and gently ruffled Harriet's hair before pulling her into his embrace, continuing to console her.

"Now your mother is fine. She wouldn't want you to suffer like this. I'll be by your side on the road ahead. Your tears pain me."

With these words, Delbert lowered his head and lightly kissed away the tear tracks on Harriet's face.

Harriet's eyelashes fluttered slightly.

She warmth in her heart as she leaned closer into Delbert's embrace.

Meanwhile, Miriam was worried about Harriet's unstable emotions and feared she might do something foolish.

She followed them all the way to the rooftop and.

Upon opening the door, she discovered Harriet being comforted by Delbert.

Seeing the tender scene between the two of them, Miriam couldn't help but smile faintly.

The heavy burden in her heart finally lifted at this moment.

The scars of the past had healed.

With someone like Delbert willing to accompany Harriet now, it was a good ending.

She could finally rest assured.

Thinking that, Miriam smiled and decided not to disturb the two of them.

She quietly turned around and left.

"Harriet, don't be sad. I heard some jokes recently. Let me tell you."

Suddenly, Delbert spoke up.

Harriet looked up.

She had never heard Delbert tell jokes before.

Moreover, Delbert wasn't known for his humor in others' eyes.

Curious, she nodded.

Expecting to hear some funny anecdotes from Delbert, she was instead surprised by the dark humor that came out of his mouth.

Awkwardly describing them, Delbert seemed a bit embarrassed after finishing.

Seeing him like this, Harriet couldn't help but smile.

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Chapter 656

"Delbert, you goof."

At her words, Delbert's eyes lit up instantly.

He had finally managed to make his beloved laugh.

The two of them remained quietly nestled together for a while.

After some time passed, Harriet suddenly remembered something and asked, "Delbert, why have we been married for so long, yet you've never told me that I'm Yvonne?"

"Do you know that I haven't been able to sleep well because of this name?"

With these words, Delbert became intrigued.

He glanced down at Harriet in his arms and suddenly felt curious about what she had been thinking at that time.

"Then tell me the reason. I'm quite curious. Why couldn't you sleep well because of this?"

Delbert knowingly asked, just teasing Harriet.

Blushing slightly, Harriet appeared somewhat embarrassed.

Delbert's lips curled into a mischievous smile.

He wanted Harriet to willingly reveal it herself.

"You clearly know the reason. Why are you asking me?"

"I don't know everything, Harriet. I'm not as clever as you. If you don't tell me, how could I figure it out?"

Delbert continued to playfully prod her.

Harriet was somewhat annoyed, but she found herself unable to be angry with the man in front of her.

Pinching the man's waist, Harriet pouted slightly and complained, "I used to think that Yvonne was your first love you could never forget, but now I realize that Yvonne is actually me.

"It's a bit embarrassing. It seems like you deliberately want to see me jealous.

"You've been keeping this secret until now. Humph! You did that on purpose, Delbert!"

Seeing Harriet's adorable expression, Delbert couldn't help but shake his head.

His concealment was only to prevent Harriet from recalling those sad memories.

But now that everything was out in the open, there was no need for him to hide anything anymore.

"Why are you silent? Could it be that you're really doing this on purpose, intentionally trying to make me jealous?"

Harriet propped herself up, her eyes showing some reluctance.

She crossed her arms in front of her chest, giving off a hint of a scolding tone.

Delbert saw her like this and pinched her cheek.

Then, he lifted Harriet sideways and planted a gentle kiss on her cheek.

"Silly girl, what are you talking about? How could I bear to make my wife jealous? The vows we made at our wedding weren't just empty words. How could you doubt that my heart belongs to someone else?" This teasing completely embarrassed Harriet, causing her face to flush.

She buried her head deep into Delbert's embrace and fell silent.

Yes, she should trust Delbert. In any case, she should trust him.

Afterward, Delbert took Harriet back to the car and headed home.

As they lay facing each other in bed, for some reason, they began reminiscing about their childhood.

"How time flies. When we first met, it feels like just yesterday."

Delbert couldn't help but sigh deeply.

He then reached out and gently touched Harriet's cheek.

Harriet smiled, her lips curling up slightly.

She rubbed her cheek against Delbert's palm and joined him in reminiscing.

"Yes, I never thought that when I was young and insisted on marrying you, my wish would come true. It seemed that destiny brought us back together. Delbert, thank you for always being willing to be by my side."

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Chapter 657

Harriet and Delbert locked eyes and smiled at each other.

"Harriet, since you say this's a destined matter, there's no need for you to thank me. We still have a long journey ahead of us. I'll be with you for a lifetime, accompanying you in all that you wish to do." Though short, that statement moved Harriet more than any grand declaration of love could have done.

Delbert wasn't one for eloquence, but every word he spoke stirred waves in her heart.

His actions proved his commitment to her, showing that his love was genuine.

Whether in the past or now, it remained unchanged.

Harriet smiled and thought that was enough.

Delbert turned his head and suddenly placed his hand on Harriet's lips.

He gently caressed them for a while.

When she least expected it, he seized the opportunity and kissed her.

This sudden kiss didn't startle Harriet. The atmosphere was ripe for such intimacy.

Yet in the midst of their kiss, Delbert suddenly pressed closer and pinned Harriet beneath him.

As their breaths grew erratic, Harriet blushed slightly, her eyes already a bit hazy.

Delbert kissed down her neck and then whispered in her ear.

"Harriet, our plans for the future are so perfect, but we overlooked one thing.

"Our future is missing one thing-a baby."

The mention of a baby was quite provocative.

Harriet smiled faintly as the room filled with a romantic ambiance.

The next day, Harriet woke up with the sunlight shining on her face.

Seeing Harriet sleeping so peacefully, Delbert smiled as he got up to freshen up but couldn't bring himself to wake her. Seeing that time was running out, he gently shook Harriet's shoulder and softly called out in her ear.

"Harriet, it's time to get up."

Harriet rubbed her groggy eyes and then reached out, hooking her arm around Delbert's neck.

Delbert lifted Harriet into his arms and led her to the washbasin.

Under Delbert's urging, Harriet slowly opened her eyes.

"Don't fall asleep again. We have things to do today, Harriet. Don't forget."

After this reminder from Delbert, Harriet suddenly remembered that she was now the general manager of Levi's company.

If she delayed any longer, she might be late for work.

She hurriedly washed up and changed into formal attire.

"Why didn't you wake me up earlier? I almost overslept."

At her words, Delbert couldn't help but chuckle.

"I saw you sleeping so peacefully. I didn't have the heart to wake you up. But it's okay. There's still plenty of time. Even if we head to the company now, we'll make it on time." Delbert personally drove Harriet to the company that day.

After getting out of the car, Harriet quickly tidied herself up.

Everything was in order as she confidently entered the company.

Now serving as Harriet's assistant, Delbert conducted himself as a true gentleman and always had Harriet's best interests at heart.

Upon entering the company, many people greeted Harriet with respect.

The absence of Garry had changed how others treated Harriet with more deference.

However, just as she stepped out of the elevator doors, the secretary brought a stack of documents over.

"Ms. Harriet, these are the documents you need to review today. The representatives for the collaboration are already waiting in the conference room." Harriet nodded and opened the documents.

It suddenly dawned on her that today was the day to sign a contract with the Bass Group represented by Sadie.

With all the recent commotion involving Garry and Wendell, she had forgotten about Sadie's involvement.

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Chapter 658

Sadie's face suddenly appeared in Harriet's mind, and she furrowed her brow, feeling a surge of hatred.

It was Sadie, her childhood best friend who, after Harriet lost her memory, secretly took away her token and her life.

Despite all that, Sadie remained unrepentant.

In order to secure her position, she heartlessly pushed Harriet's mother down the stairs, causing Harriet's mother to remain unconscious for so many years. Harriet would never let her get away with it.

Even though she didn't particularly want to see Sadie at the moment, this was a collaboration between two companies.

Harriet couldn't make decisions unilaterally.

Hurriedly entering the meeting room, Harriet apologized to everyone before taking her seat.

Sadie sat in a prominent position, watching Harriet arrive late.

She couldn't help but make a few sarcastic remarks.

"Who do we have here? The esteemed Ms. Harriet, showing up late for a collaboration meeting is quite disrespectful, don't you think?"

Now that the Lynch family had gone bankrupt and Lily had become a useless pawn, Sadie felt it was time for her to step forward and personally deal with Harriet.

Harriet knew that Sadie was deliberately trying to embarrass her, but she wasn't angry.

In fact, she even smiled slightly.

"Sorry for being late. I believe my proposal will surely satisfy you, Miss Sadie."

Harriet had confidence in her proposal.

Sadie snorted disdainfully.

Although she felt dissatisfied, she restrained herself because they were at Levi's company.

She couldn't target Harriet here and could only suppress her resentment until after the negotiations.

In the end, the collaboration was successful.

Regardless of how much Sadie disliked Harriet, she had to admit that Harriet's proposal was indeed excellent. However, as they were leaving, Sadie deliberately lingered behind to show her dominance over Harriet.

No matter how many years had passed, she couldn't let go of Delbert in her heart.

Even though Delbert and Harriet were now married, she didn't care.

She didn't think there was anything she lacked compared to Harriet.

She believed that with her abilities, she would one day win Delbert back from Harriet.

She had taken away Harriet's life. Why couldn't she take away Harriet's man as well?

"Darryl, long time no see. You look quite dashing today."

Seeing Delbert and Harriet about to leave, Sadie immediately spoke up and stopped Delbert.

Her alluring smile was truly captivating.

Sadie was the representative of the collaboration partner after all, so out of politeness, Delbert still responded.

"Thank you. If there's nothing else, we'll be on our way."

With that said, Delbert purposely took Harriet's hand and they turned to leave.

However, Sadie smiled and followed them.

"Wait a sec, Darryl."

She deliberately stepped forward and directly linked arms with Delbert in public.

She even casually pressed Delbert's arm against her chest.

Delbert frowned slightly and awkwardly pulled his arm back.

Seeing that, Harriet was mad.

She narrowed her eyes and questioned, "Sadie, as a representative of the Bass Group, isn't it inappropriate to do such things in public?"

Sadie smiled and replied, "So what? Harriet, others may not know, but you and I do. Delbert and I grew up together and were close. It shouldn't matter.

"Right, Delbert? Have you forgotten what happened in Agral City back then?"

With a playful smile, Sadie questioned Delbert.

Delbert's face instantly darkened.

He took a few steps back from Sadie to maintain a proper distance.

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Chapter 659

Delbert lowered his gaze.

He would never allow anyone to interfere with his relationship with Harriet.

He knew Sadie's intentions but had always only had Harriet in his heart since childhood.

He didn't care about others' feelings and would never make Harriet uncomfortable for the sake of others.

"Sadie, if you continue to pester us, I won't hesitate to ruin your reputation. You know me I always say what I mean."

Delbert's words were straightforward and clear.

Sadie frowned and was about to say something else.

But unexpectedly, Harriet turned Delbert's face towards her and kissed him directly in front of everyone.

Seeing Delbert and Harriet publicly display such affectionate behavior left Sadie infuriated.

She gritted her teeth and her pupils constricted suddenly.

However, with so many people present, she could only try to remain calm.

After the kiss, Harriet proudly leaned into Delbert's embrace and gave Sadie a triumphant look.

"Excuse me, this's my man, Miss Sadie. Please show some restraint!"

Once Sadie heard that, her breathing suddenly accelerated.

She coldly smirked and then nodded repeatedly.

"Fine, Harriet, I want to see how long you can remain smug. I won't let today's incident go so easily!"

With that, Sadie waved to her male assistant beside her, who quickly followed her as they briskly entered the elevator. Asserting dominance?

She wanted to see how long Harriet could hold out!

As the elevator doors slowly closed, Sadie's expression turned cold, but a hint of satisfaction played at the corners of her mouth.

She then reached out to her male assistant and took his phone.

"Did you capture everything?"

The male assistant nodded repeatedly and handed over the phone.

Although the angle of the photos wasn't perfect, they clearly showed Delbert and Harriet kissing, with Delbert's face out of view. Backing up all the photos, Sadie coldly stated, "I want these photos to be on all the headlines tomorrow. You know what to do." The assistant nodded in response and immediately began working on the photos.

Sitting in the car, Sadie let out a sneer.

The most terrifying power in the world was public opinion.

Once these photos spread, regardless of whether the person in the pictures was truly Delbert or not, Harriet wouldn't be able to shake off the accusation of infidelity. After all, no one in Imperium knew that Harriet's assistant was actually her husband Delbert from Meawood City.

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Harriet and Delbert returned to the office.

As soon as they entered, Harriet suddenly heard the sound of the door closing behind her.

Before she could react, Delbert had already grabbed her wrist.

Delbert smoothly pressed Harriet against the wall.

Harriet blushed, looking at Delbert with a puzzled expression.

"Delbert, what are you doing?"

Delbert smirked and seemed to be reminiscing about their previous kiss.

He gently traced Harriet's lips with his finger and then whispered in her ear, "Harriet, you're rarely this bold. If I don't seize this opportunity now, who knows when the next one will come." Listening to this teasing remark, Harriet started to feel nervous.

She shook her head repeatedly and said, "Delbert, this's the office. Let's talk about this at home."

However, Delbert paid no heed.

He was already unable to contain himself.

His eyes were filled with desire as he began to caress Harriet.

Harriet's breathing gradually intensified, her eyes starting to cloud with desire.

Seizing the moment, Delbert kissed her again, enveloping her in a sweet and passionate embrace.

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Just when their passion was escalating, they suddenly heard a knocking at the door from outside.

It turned out that the documents had been processed, and the specific details of their collaboration needed Harriet's approval before signing.

The secretary knocked on the door for a while, thinking that perhaps Harriet hadn't heard her.

She knocked a few more times.

"Ms. Harriet, I have organized the documents. I need you to review them before signing. Are you in?"

The secretary wasn't sure if Harriet was in the office or not.

However, as Harriet was the general manager, the secretary couldn't simply barge in.

There was a knock on the door.

Harriet appeared somewhat flustered.

Feeling even more nervous inside, she flushed again.

"Delbert, let go of me quickly. There's someone outside!"

Harriet whispered softly as a reminder, but Delbert didn't release his grip.

Instead, he continued his actions without paying any attention to Harriet's increasingly heavy breathing.

After waiting outside for a while and receiving no response from Harriet, the secretary assumed that Harriet wasn't in the office and left.

With no further disturbance outside the door, Harriet tried to push Delbert away.

However, before she could react, Delbert rested his chin on her shoulder and whispered seductively, "Don't worry, I've locked the door. Since she's knocked on it for so long but didn't come in, she must have left. Don't be afraid."

By now, Harriet's face had turned crimson to her ears.

Both of them were breathing heavily.

It wasn't until Harriet's phone rang with a message that they snapped back to reality.

"Alright, Delbert, let's stop fooling around now. I might really get angry."

Although it was a questioning statement, Harriet didn't sound like she was blaming him.

Her playful annoyance made Delbert feel even sweeter.

He lifted Harriet onto a chair by the desk and smiled.

"Alright, alright, I won't tease you anymore. Don't be angry, my dear."

After releasing her, Harriet adjusted her clothes and checked herself in the mirror for any signs of disturbance from their interaction before finally letting out a long sigh of relief.

She didn't expect Delbert to become so bold as to flirt with her openly in the office.

After a glance at Delbert, Harriet's face still held a flush of excitement.

She recalled their recent activities and felt even more overwhelmed by them.

Seeing her adorable expression, Delbert couldn't help but lightly pinch her cheek.

"Harriet, why are you so adorable?"

Harriet furrowed her brows slightly and sighed before playfully scolding him, "Delbert, I warn you not to do this again in the future. The secretary clearly had something important to discuss with me. "And what if you forget to lock the door one day and someone sees? After all, you're currently appearing as my assistant."

Understanding Harriet's meaning, Delbert apologetically smiled but still leaned in close to Harriet and planted a gentle kiss on her cheek.

Reflecting on their recent actions, Harriet still felt a bit shaken by them.

She subconsciously tried to move away but was pulled into Delbert's embrace.

"Relax. I won't tease you anymore. Harriet, please don't be mad at me."

Pretending to be angry, Harriet turned her head away.

Delbert brushed a strand of hair from her forehead and could feel the warmth radiating from her cheeks.

Realizing that he may have gone too far with their playful antics earlier, Delbert crouched down and tightly held Harriet's hand with a pleading expression.

"I know I was wrong, Harriet. Please don't be mad at me, alright?"

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