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It was Pierce's watch. After Kelsey picked it up last night, she wiped it carefully with a clean towel and then put it on the pillow to sleep with her.

When she was doing these things, she told herself that she didn't mean anything because she was afraid of breaking Pierce's watch. However, when she woke up this morning, she was so scared that she broke out in a cold sweat because she had a dream last night.

In her dream, Pierce came to her with a smile, reached out to hold her hand, and asked her softly if she wanted to replace Amber as his girlfriend. She said yes several times without hesitation. However, Pierce's face changed. He pushed her away, pointed at her, and shouted at her, saying that she overestimated herself and dared to dream of being his woman. He didn't even look at her identity.

At this moment, she finally understood that in her heart, she had secretly fallen in love with Pierce and was indeed eager to get his love. However, she immediately realized that she was simply daydreaming. Not to mention that Pierce already had a fiancée, even if he didn't, with his family background, how could she, a girl who didn't even know who she was worthy of him?

When she saw Pierce just now, she felt shy and uneasy when she thought of her childish behavior last night. She was afraid that if Pierce knew about it, he would think that she had some improper thoughts. However, when Pierce said that she would help him buy clothes for his fiancée, she felt sad and wronged. These emotions mixed together really made her uncomfortable.

With the cold watch against her chest, Kelsey's heart trembled slightly. She suddenly shook her head and said, "Don't be silly, Kel. Brother Pierce saved your life and treated you so well. How could you have such an idea? You should bless him and let him and his fiancée love each other forever and grow old together."

After taking a few deep breaths, she took back the melancholy in her eyes, changed her clothes at the fastest speed, and walked out of the door with a smile.

After leaving the villa, Pierce explained to Kelsey that there was something wrong with the car when he came here, and he took it to repair the car shop.

He thought it was troublesome, so he didn't ask the driver to drive another car out of his home. Then he sat in the car and came over.

They stopped a car and drove to the shopping mall. Pierce took Kelsey to the clothing area. Pointing at the colorful clothes of various colors, he said to Kelsey, "You are a girl, so you should have a better taste than me. You choose a few sets first, and then I will make the final decision."

Kelsey might have grown up in an ordinary parent's family, but during the period of time she spent with Rodney, he had bought her a lot of clothes. As a result, her taste had been raised to a certain level. She knew what kind of clothes were most suitable for her and could best display her beauty.

Although she had lost her memory, her taste in choosing clothes was not affected. After looking around, she had already taken a fancy to three or four sets of clothes suitable for her style. However, after all, she was not buying clothes for her today, but for Pierce's fiancée. Even though Pierce had repeatedly said that she looked very similar to his fiancée, she was still worried that if the clothes she chose could not be liked by her fiancée, wouldn't it disappoint Pierce?

Thinking of this, she asked Pierce, "Brother Pierce, I want to ask if there are any photos of your fiancée on your mobile phone. If so, can you show it to me? I want to see what she looks like so that I can choose clothes that are more suitable for her according to her temperament."

"You're right. I happen to have a photo of her. I'll show you." In fact, when Pierce was in love with Amber, he had accompanied her to buy clothes. He knew the size of her clothes and the style of her clothes. Today, Kelsey came here on the excuse of taking her back to the Pierce house for dinner. Of course, he also wanted to buy a piece of clothes for Amber. Since Kelsey said so, it would be good for her to have a look at the photos.

Taking out his mobile phone, Pierce turned to a photo of Amber and Mel and handed it to Kelsey. Kelsey took the phone and looked at it carefully. When she saw Amber's face, which was somewhat similar to hers, she felt as if she had heard Amber's name yesterday. Her heart jumped for no reason, and a familiar feeling rose.

How could this be? Why did she always feel this way for Pierce's fiancée? Was it because they looked alike or because she liked Pierce that she was particularly sensitive to his fiancée?

Pierce also felt strange when he saw Kelsey's absent-minded look. He hurriedly asked, "Kel, what's wrong with you?"

Kelsey came to her senses and squeezed out a smile. "Oh, nothing. I didn't expect Sister Amber to be so similar to me."

"You're right. I've told you that you look alike."

Kelsey pointed at Mel and asked, "Who is this little boy?"

Pierce smiled and said, "This is Amber's son."

Kelsey was shocked. She didn't expect Amber to have a child. She wanted to ask Pierce why he would like a woman with a child. But she knew that it was very rude, so she didn't ask.

Naturally, Pierce would not take the initiative to explain. He took the phone and put it away, saying, "Now can you choose your clothes?"

"Okay." Kelsey smiled, looked at the clothes in the mall again, and picked a few new sets.

She had seen Amber's photos just now and felt that he was a mature and unique woman. He was different from her personality and temperament. The clothes she liked just now were a little childish and were not suitable for Amber. She should choose them again.

Pierce looked at the clothes and smiled with satisfaction. "Kel, your taste is really good. Amber likes this style of clothes. Come on, take this one in and have a try." Then he chose a suit and handed it to Kelsey.

Kelsey took the clothes and went into the fitting room. When she got dressed, she saw Pierce looking at her with amazement. Her heart skipped a beat and her face turned red.

"Kel, you look so good in this dress." It was the first time that Pierce had seen her in western clothes since he met Kelsey. The clothes she usually wore were bought by the secretary and young lady of Pierce's company. They were all casual clothes, which could not fully show her beauty. Now the lavender suit she wore made her look more charming and mature, which made her look more like Amber.

Kelsey stood in front of the fitting mirror and looked at her beautiful figure in the mirror. When she heard Pierce's praise, she felt sweet in her heart. When she was intoxicated, she heard Pierce say behind her, "Kel, try this dress again."

Kelsey turned around and saw Pierce holding a light yellow knee-length skirt in his hand. The style was more youthful than the one she was wearing, which was suitable for her age and style.

This skirt was not one of the clothes Kelsey chose. It should be chosen by Pierce himself. She took the dress, hesitated for a moment, and said, "Brother Pierce, I don't think this dress is suitable for sister Amber. It's better for me to wear this dress."

Pierce smiled and said, "Try it first!"

Kelsey had no choice but to walk into the fitting room with the dress in her hand. After she changed into the dress, Pierce praised her again. Kelsey herself also thought it looked good. The dress seemed to be custom-made for her. The size fit her perfectly, and it fully showed her pure and soft temperament.

"This dress suits you very well. You don't have to change it. Just wear it." Kelsey was about to enter the fitting room to change the dress, but she was stopped by Pierce. Then he said to the waiter in the shopping mall, "Miss, I want these two sets of clothes. Please wrap them up."

Kelsey was good at English. When she heard Pierce's words, she immediately realized that he was going to give her the yellow dress, and the purple suit was given to Amber.

She was very surprised. She really didn't expect that Pierce would give her such an expensive dress. Although she didn't look at the price, she had heard of the brand of this dress. It was expensive. When it was converted, any dress had to be worth tens of thousands of dollars.

She asked tentatively, "Brother Pierce, why don't you exchange for it? Aren't you going to give it to sister Amber?"

Pierce smiled and said, "I'll give her that dress. It's for you."

“No, no, I can’t take it.” Kelsey hurriedly waved her hand and wanted to go to the fitting room.

Pierce stood in front of her and said, “Kel, listen to me. I didn’t give you any salary for taking care of those roses for you during this period of time. I’ll take this dress as your salary, okay?”

Kelsey said, “Pierce, you saved my life, gave me a place to live, and gave me so much pocket money before. I haven’t thanked you yet, how can I get a salary? Besides, I didn’t do anything except pouring water for flowers and pine soil in the villa. How can I get a salary?”

Pierce advised, “Well, let’s not talk about the salary. The clothes that Secretary bought for you are casual clothes. It’s not suitable for a girl to have no formal clothes when she goes out. Just take this dress, and you can wear it in case you have to attend any occasion in the future.”

Kelsey was touched by his words. She didn’t expect that Pierce was so thoughtful that he even thought of this for her. However, she had owed him too much, so how could she accept his kindness?

Her nose twitched and she said with tears in her eyes, “Brother Pierce, thank you. I really can’t let you spend any more money. Anyway, I have no place to go. I have no chance to wear this skirt. I’d better go and change it.” After that, she bypassed Pierce and walked into the fitting room.

Pierce didn’t expect Kelsey to be so persistent. He didn’t want to buy clothes for Kelsey before. He just wanted to buy a few sets of clothes for Amber and Mel. Then he said that it was not easy to get too many things, so he asked Kelsey to help him send them to the Pierce Mansion and asked her to stay for dinner. But when he saw Kelsey change into these clothes, she became beautiful and charming. He couldn’t help but want to buy one for her, but he was rejected by her.

Originally, he liked Kelsey’s gentle character. But now, seeing that she was neither vain nor willing to take advantage of him, Pierce had a better impression of her. He decided to buy that skirt and give it to her in the future.

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Kelsey changed her clothes and came out. Seeing that Pierce still bought the skirt, she no longer insisted on giving it to her. Instead, she held it in her hand with the purple suit. She couldn't help asking, "Brother Pierce, I said I don't want it anymore. Why do you still buy it?"

Pierce smiled and said, "Since you don't like me, you don't have to force me. I have a sister in my family. I'll buy her one."

Kelsey was naive and immediately believed it. She breathed a sigh of relief and said, "Then what else do you want to buy?"

Pierce looked around and walked to the elderly clothing area. He said, "I want to buy a set of clothes for my grandma."

"Brother Pierce, you are so filial." Kelsey knew that Pierce had an old lady. She also heard from the servants in the villa in the suburbs that Pierce was very filial to Madam Hammond. Now it seemed that it was true.

Pierce took the opportunity to say, "My parents died early. It was my grandmother who worked hard to raise my sister and me. I should be filial to her. I don't know if there are old people in your family. Do you remember that you often get along with old people?"

Kelsey frowned and thought about it carefully. She said, "I can't remember, but when I see the old man, I feel very kind. Maybe I also have grandparents in my family!"

In fact, Kelsey's adoptive parents had passed away very early. She had not spent much time with them. The reason why she felt close to the old man was that she was kind-hearted and often visited the lonely old man in the old yard in South City. Although she had lost her memory, her nature of caring for the old man would not change. She would naturally have a kind feeling when she saw the old man.

Pierce was overjoyed. He hoped that Kelsey would care about the old man. If she still had the experience of taking care of the old man, it would be better. Then he would be more assured to let her accompany Madam Hammond.

After choosing a set of clothes for Breanna, Pierce then went to the children's clothing area to buy a set of clothes for a boy. Kelsey guessed that he must have bought it for Amber's son. She wanted to ask Pierce several times, but

seeing that Pierce did not say anything, she was sensible and did not ask. She did not want him to think that she was being too gossipy.

When there were so many things, Kelsey naturally had to help take them. Pierce pretended to be regretful and said, "I should have called the driver to pick me up. I don't know how to take so many things home."

Kelsey thought for a moment and said, "I can help you get some for you to go to the airport. I can take the subway back to the villa by myself."

"Why don't you come with me to my house by car? Otherwise, I can't take so many things after getting out of the car. You don't know if the car can't enter the gate of our residential area. There is still a distance to get out of the car!" Of course, he was lying to Kelsey. Pierce wanted to use this as an excuse to let her go to his house. The Pierce Mansion was a large villa built on private land, not a product building. There was no gate at all. It was up to him whether or not the car could reach his house.

"Really? Well! I'll send you home first, and then I'll take the subway back to the villa." Kelsey believed that it was true. She thought that Pierce's family must be in that kind of high-class residential area. The residents there were all rich people, and the management must be very strict. It was possible that no one was allowed to enter the house. She did not expect that when Pierce arrived at the gate, he could call the driver or other servants at home to pick him up.

"Thank you so much. You don't have to take the subway later. I will call the driver to send you back to the villa." Pierce was touched again. This girl was really frugal. He was willing to trouble himself to take the subway and didn't want to spend too much money to take the express bus.

Kelsey smiled and said, "Don't bother. I can take the subway by myself. Anyway, you just need to tell me which line to take."

Pierce shook his head. "That won't do. You have to take the subway and take a long journey out of the subway station. Besides, I've troubled you so much today. How can you ask me to go back by myself?"

Kelsey knew that Pierce was the most gentleman, so she would never agree to her proposal, so she stopped insisting.

The two of them walked out of the mall. Pierce stopped a bus, told them the address, and drove all the way to the Pierce Mansion.

Ruby was pregnant! Although the time was short, it was a very, very happy thing for Clem. Ruby was not young anymore, and she had been engaged in the skin and flesh business for a long time. It was really a miracle that she could have a baby.

Clem felt that this child was given to him and Ruby by God in order to support their relationship. With this child, his mother would definitely not oppose their relationship. Clem had a very high standard for this child. He checked the things the pregnant woman needed to do on the Internet. He knew that the blood supply of the placenta was good for the health of the pregnant woman and the fetus after the meal, so he proposed to accompany Ruby for a walk.

The two of them strolled in Clem's neighborhood like children in love, completely ignoring the strange eyes around them. Naturally, they did not see Riya, who was hiding not far away, staring at them with a shocked look.

Riya was stunned by her own discovery! She looked at Ruby, who called Clem darling, and at Clem's face, which was as clear as water. She looked at him flirting with each other in public.

Until Clem and Ruby walked far away, she still hid aside in a daze. Riya returned to the Barron family in a daze, which made her feel terrible! She never dreamed that the old woman her son had fallen in love with would be Ruby.

Why did Ruby change her name? Now it was not the time to change her name. No matter if she was Ruby or Ruby, she could not be with her son!

This was a mess. It was the justice of heaven that could not be tolerated. It was the justice of heaven that could not be tolerated!

It was a long story. Clem was the product of Riya and a gangster in Parkview Street, and this gangster was Ruby's brother, Rudy.

Rudy was arrested and put in jail. Riya had no way to live with her child, so she gave her son to the Moore family, and she left South City.



After so many years, she had never thought of having anything to do with them, but she did not expect that the world was so small. Her son was with his aunt and she was pregnant.

She couldn't let her son and Ruby be together! But how could she tell her son about this? She couldn't tell him that Ruby was his aunt. If her son couldn't bear the consequences of this blow, she couldn't imagine it.

However, his son was deeply in love with Ruby. He certainly would not listen to his breaking up with Ruby. What should she do?

Riya was as anxious as an ant on a hot pan. It was impossible for her son to break up with Ruby now. The top priority was to get rid of the evil child in Ruby's belly first. It was the product of the riot. It was said that close relatives would give birth to monsters. She didn't know if the child in Ruby's belly would be a monster. Thinking of this, Riya was afraid. It was better to do it as soon as possible.

After such a long period of treatment in the hospital, Rachel finally recovered. The doctor said that she would soon regain consciousness according to this state. Rodney was very happy to hear that his mother would wake up. In order to prevent Itzel and others from knowing Rachel's information, he ordered the hospital to block the news. The news Itzel and others knew was that Rachel would never wake up.

After Shannon was picked up from the hospital, she didn't come back again. She made a phone call to show that she was ill. Celia was very worried and called Channing to ask about Shannon's whereabouts. Channing also hated Celia, but he didn't send her away because she was his own child. Channing impatiently told Celia on the phone that he would ask her to stay in the hospital to take good care of her. He would ask two nurses to take care of her.

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He also said that Shannon had something to do now, so he told her not to worry. Celia was not a fool. For Shannon, nothing was more important than her. Her intuition told her that there was something wrong. She began to be

afraid. Could it be that Channing had just discovered their plot and began to punish her mother?

Celia told Itzel what she was worried about. Itzel was shocked when she heard the news. There was no need to deal with this matter at all. There was nothing wrong with this matter. She had to figure it out first.

In the past, Shannon had colluded with Itzel, so she didn't think that she was alone. Now that Shannon suddenly disappeared, Itzel was worried. She began to inquire about Shannon, but Channing had kept it a secret. There was no news at all. Itzel had no choice but to ask a private detective to investigate.

The investigation on Itzel's side had just begun. Suddenly, news came that Shannon had died in a car accident!

Except for Channing and Celia, Shannon didn't have any relatives, so Shannon's death didn't alarm anyone. Shannon had an accident in a foreign place. Channing acted very quickly. After the local police fired the evidence, he directly burned Shannon at the place where the accident happened. He didn't alarm anyone when he buried her.

This was Channing's private affair, so others naturally didn't care about it. However, Itzel had to care about it. Channing had done something wrong. There must be some other reason. She had to figure it out.

Rodney and Amber were also surprised by Shannon's death. Amber was very angry. She had not avenged her mother, but Shannon had died. She knew how to choose the right time to die. Wasn't it too easy for her to die?

Rodney thought the same way. This b\*tch died at the right time. She died as soon as he wanted to deal with her. She was really free.

Noemi clapped her hands. It was called "the evil will be rewarded with the evil". Shannon's appearance in the world was too timely. Without Shannon, a vicious woman, who stirred up trouble, Amber's life would be much better in the future. Celia was alone and weak, and now she was pregnant. Her cultivation was still far from enough to plot against Amber.

Elliot didn't look like that. His intuition told him that something was wrong. Shannon's sudden car accident was too strange. Elliot told his thoughts to

Rodney, and so did Rodney. It was not the right time for Shannon to die. His intuition told him that Channing must have hidden something.

Rodney asked people to secretly observe Channing. There was no one around him except for the driver and Aunt Maleah. The people following them had been keeping an eye on Aunt Maleah and the driver. At first, they did not find anything. After a while, they saw the driver go to the mental hospitals once.

Rodney's men investigated mental hospitals, and the result came out immediately. Shannon was locked up in mental hospitals now.

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Channing must have found something out for him to suddenly attack Shannon. After hearing that Shannon had been hospitalized, Rodney was in full admiration for Channing. He was indeed a politician after all, he was vicious enough to think of such a way to deal with her.

Rodney had originally planned for Shannon to live a life worse than death. However now that Channing had already done what he wanted to do, he decided to just let it happen. He would let Shannon live out the rest of her life in an asylum. Rodney also told Elliot about what happened and instructed him not to let Amber find out. They would talk about it once she had given birth. Naturally, Elliot agreed.

For the past few days, Riya had been thinking hard for a solution. Finally she thought of one. She wanted to attempt to mix a Plan B pill into Ruby's water and let her drink it. That way she would definitely have a miscarriage.

However, how would she get Ruby to drink the drugged water? She had to find a way to do it inconspicuously so that no one would get suspicious.

Her son was broke so Riya paid for all their essential needs. After some thought, Riya decided to send her son some essential items, such as her son's favorite drink. She would then mix the pill into it. However, she was also worried that the pill might have an adverse effect on her son if he drank it, so she called up Itzel. Itzel told her that the pill would have no effect on men. Riya was relieved and went ahead with her plan.

She bought quite a few different pills and used a syringe to insert them into the drinks that she bought for her son. Besides that, she also bought him some food and some daily necessities. She made sure Ruby was not around when she personally delivered all the items to her son.

Of course, Clem had no idea that Riya was trying to set them up. When he saw that his mother had brought so many things over, he was overjoyed. Even when he brought Cindy up, Riya did not object. All she said was that they could not reveal her identity for now so she asked him not to tell others about the relationship between them.

Seeing that his mother was not opposed to the idea of their relationship, he was thrilled. His mother's identity was indeed a problem though. They definitely could not reveal her identity now, but perhaps they could after he had officially married Ruby. So, Clem accepted her request.

At night, when Ruby returned, she drank the drinks that Riya had sent over. The next morning, she suddenly felt contractions in her abdominal area and she started bleeding. Clem and her started to panic and he immediately called Riya for help. Naturally, Riya did not dare to send her to any other hospital so she told her son to take her to the hospital that Itzel worked at.

She called Itzel and asked her to hide the real reason that Ruby had a miscarriage. Itzel agreed without hesitation.

Ruby was quickly sent to be treated at the hospital. Not everyone was suited to miscarry from a Plan B pill. Ruby was not young anymore, and it had been an accidental miscarriage. The remaining cells inside her had formed a blood clot and she had started bleeding heavily. If she had not reached the hospital in time, she might have lost her life.

Hearing this, Riya felt like it was such a shame. She should have asked her son to send her to the hospital a little later. Then, perhaps Ruby could have just died like that and Riya would have saved herself the trouble.

Itzel had hired a private detective to investigate Shannon. As expected, the private detective did not let her down. He quickly informed Itzel about the fact that Shannon was now contained in a mental asylum.

Itzel was very surprised. She never expected Channing to pull such a move. Since he had been so harsh on Shannon, he must have found out about the past. Itzel started to feel a little afraid. She did not know if Shannon had

exposed what Itzel herself had done as well. If Channing found out about what she had done to Amber all those years ago, he definitely would not let her go.

Channing was no saint. Just because he had not done anything to her so far did not mean that he would not do so in the future. She had to quickly think of a way to resolve the situation.

Itzel was not worried about herself, rather she was more worried about her daughter, Celia. Knowing how cruel Channing was, and how he treated Shannon, there was no way he would go easy on Celia either. Itzel had to make sure she was safe.

Itzel went to the private hospital to pay Celia a visit. She was doing well there, Channing had kept Shannon's matter a secret from Celia. When Itzel saw that Celia was staying in the most expensive suite at the hotel as well as how good she was being treated, Itzel was relieved. If Channing knew about all the crimes they had committed, he definitely would not have let Celia go. From that perspective, it seemed like Shannon had not ratted them out after all.

If so, she had to find a way to get Shannon out. She had to make sure Channing never had the chance to go ask Shannon what happened or else she would be doomed.

Itzel hired a bunch of gangsters and paid them to set the asylum on fire. While the hospital was busy transferring patients out to safety, Itzel sneaked Shannon out.

Shannon was covered in dirt and she had lost a significant amount of weight. Her legs were broken too. She had originally thought she would be spending the rest of her life in that mental asylum. Now that she had been rescued, she was ecstatic. Right now, hiding from Channing was the most important thing. She was a dead woman now. If Channing caught wind of her whereabouts, she would be dead meat.

Shannon no longer cared about keeping Malone secret from Itzel anymore, so she told Itzel to drop her off at Malone's house.

Channing quickly found out that the mental asylum had caught fire. Apart from Shannon's disappearance, no other patient was injured. He immediately understood that the fire was part of a plan to rescue Shannon out. Channing arranged for Shannon's death so as to not draw suspicions to her sudden disappearance.

Of course he also wanted Shannon to live a life worse than death. He had done so to make sure that she had no prospects of living a normal life again. However, he had not expected anyone to be so loyal to her and rescue her out.

It seemed that he had underestimated this b\*tch. She clearly had other accomplices outside. He had to think of a way to figure out who they were. The only problem was he could not do so openly, instead, he had to carry out everything in secret.

Likewise, when Rodney heard about the fire at the asylum, he knew immediately that Shannon had been rescued. Right now, there was nowhere she could hide, and the only person she could go to was Malone.

When Channing had put her into the asylum, he had no intentions of ever touching her again. However, now that Shannon had broken free and stirred up all these problems, there was no choice but to make the entire thing into a scene.

Shannon had been suffering for so many days. Itzel rescuing was like going from hell to heaven. She took a bath and ate a nice meal. Then, she told Malone the entire story about why Channing was after her.

Malone turned pale with fright upon hearing this. Since Channing already knew that Ashley's accident was planned, that meant that he was in danger as well. He could not stay in this place any longer. He had to quickly leave South City and hide somewhere else.

Shannon knew as well as he did that South City was not safe anymore, but she could not leave Celia behind. Besides, she had to find out who the anonymous person who wrote that threat letter to her was.

Malone and her were the only people who knew about Ashley's actual cause of death. Shannon herself had never told anyone, so that meant that it must have somehow come from Malone.

Shannon asked Malone if he had told anyone about what happened that year. At that point, Malone knew there was no point in denying it anymore, so he told Shannon about Ruby.

Shannon was furious and scolded him fiercely. In the face of her fury, Malone could only keep silent. After Shannon vented out all her anger, she started to think about how to take revenge.

She knew that the anonymous letter must have had something to do with that b\*tch Ruby. She had to be the one who had exposed the matter. Shannon was full of injuries now, and her legs were crippled, all because of Ruby. How could she let Ruby just roam around freely? She had to take her revenge before leaving the city.

Rodney went to look for Director Moore and got him to release Riya's partner, Rudy, from jail. After his release, he returned to Parkview Street. Although back then he had been an infamous gangster there, his glory days had long passed. Most of the gangsters he used to hang out with were no longer in Parkview Street. The gangsters that hung around there now were no longer the people he was familiar with.

Rudy's return did not draw much attention from anyone. All he had with him was a simple bag of luggage. As he drew up the gate of his house, he saw that it had been overrun by grass and looked shabby.

His parents had passed away more than ten years ago and his sister was nowhere to be found. This house had been vacant for at least ten years. Rudy's heart was filled with sadness at the sight of the dilapidated and desolate scene before his eyes. He had once been a man filled with lofty aspirations. Never in his wildest dreams had he imagined that he would end up where he was right now.

When he was released, he had thought it would cause a commotion. He had thought all the big shot gangsters would invite him out to drink and celebrate. Then, he would eventually be able to rise up and rule the streets again like he used to.

Unfortunately, the sight before him shattered Rudy's dreams. The house was inhabitable. He had no choice but to take his luggage and head to a nearby hotel. He decided to fix the house up once he settled down more.

Rudy did not have much money on him. He only had what he had earned while working in prison. The amount was only enough to last him a couple of days, so he had to find another way to make a living.

After settling down in the hotel, Rudy headed out to buy a cheap meal. Unexpectedly, he was stopped on his way out. The man looked at him up and down and asked him with friendliness, “Rudy?”

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“You are?” Rudy looked at that person doubtfully. He combed through his memory but could not recognise the man in front of him.

“It’s me, Lil Six! You don’t recognize me anymore?” The man introduced himself. Rudy had no idea who Lil Six or Leslie or whatever name he had. From his name, he assumed that Lil Six had to be one of the less noticeable small fry gangsters that he used to hang out with.

“Rudy, when did you come back?” Lil Six asked him.

“I just came back today!”

“Oh, how come no one knew about your return? My bad. Since I’ve run into you, let me welcome you back,” Lil Six said as he reached out his hand and dragged Rudy over to his car beside him.

Even a small gangster like him owned a car. Rudy himself did not even have a home. The comparison was depressing.

However, having someone care about him was better than nothing. Rudy wanted to find someone to catch him up on what was going on anyway. So, he decided to follow Lil Six to a restaurant nearby.

Lil Six ordered a variety of dishes as well as a nice bottle of wine. Him and Rudy enjoyed their feast as they chatted away. According to Lil Six, some of the gangsters that Rudy used to know had gone overseas, some had retired in wealth, while some were in prison. In short, not many of them were around anymore.

After the discussion, Rudy realized that he could no longer rekindle his old profession. The gangsters around were all new now, and they definitely would not accept him as their leader. He started to become anxious.

How would he survive if no one would listen to him? Apart from fighting and taking advantage of others, he did not really know how to do anything else.



