

Chapter 2851

After pondering over the situation for a moment, Harvey York quietly asked, “What’s his background?”

Fabian Hamilton naturally had already figured it out beforehand.

“It’s pretty extraordinary. He’s a nephew of the Leo family from The Empire of the Sun that Never Sets, and also the commander of the Knights Templar, Mateo Leo.”

Harvey froze. The country and the Knights Templar seemed familiar, but it was his first time hearing that name.

“Be more specific.”

“The Leo family from The Empire of the Sun that Never Sets was a branch separated from Hong Kong’s main family back then.

“It’s said that the acting young master of the family is Jason Leo. This man was once the head of the Four Masters of Hong Kong. His tactics and methods are all quite outstanding.

“Mateo is his best subordinate of them all.”

“Jason, Mateo, and the Leo family...”

Harvey leaked a smile after a moment of muttering to himself.

“I’ll head over there soon. Let me have a look at the surveillance footage.”

Judging from the enemies’ background and how they worked, Harvey sensed they were coming right for him...

He was unsure if this was the return of a powerful man or the rise of someone entirely new...

Four hours later, in the evening after sundown.

Harvey arrived at Las Vegas' Mordu Casino-Palace.

At first, this place was founded by Jax Hamilton and Mordu's Jean family...

But, at this point, Mandy Zimmer had withdrawn all the shares of the Jean family.

And to express gratitude to Harvey, the Hamilton family decided to transfer the casino license under his name.

It was a shame that Mateo showed up out of nowhere, causing such a big mess in the process.

When Harvey arrived at the VIP room, Fabian had already been waiting.

He wasted no time telling Harvey what happened.

“Come, Sir York. I received word half an hour ago. Mateo’s already on his way to the casino palace from his hotel.

“I think he’s almost here.”

Harvey slightly nodded.

“Take me to the surveillance room. I want to see how this gambling legend from The Empire of the Sun that Never Sets manages to beat your family this hard.”

Fabian bitterly chuckled after hearing Harvey’s words, then gestured to guide Harvey to the surveillance room.

Only two of Fabian’s trusted subordinates were inside.

When Fabian and Harvey walked in, the

trusted subordinates were seen operating their computers swiftly.

The number one table inside the VIP room was shown on the screen.

A few young people walked toward the table while showing warm smiles before sitting in front of the dealer.

The man sitting in the middle was svelte and handsome, filled with an aura of royalty.

He was clearly an eastern man. He had curled hair while his eyes were brightly lit, as if he was a pretty boy who starred in movies. That said, his gaze had a slight cold feeling to it.

Since it was just a hint, almost no one was able to notice it.

Harvey froze slightly after seeing the man who appeared to be an internet celebrity.

He thought he would see an insufferably arrogant , high and mighty young master who would not even bat anyone an eye.

But this man seemed so gentle, as if he was a harmless sheep.

It was safe to say that this man could be any woman's Prince Charming.

At the same time, a man like this would naturally be more than meets the eye...

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Harvey York took a sip of the cup of water on the table while having someone adjust the cameras to face Mateo Leo.

At that moment, his warm smile put Harvey in deep thought.

At the same time, inside VIP room one, Mateo nodded to the people around him after he sat down before looking at the dealer with a faint smile.

“Thank you for tonight, Miss.

“Please tell your boss that the rules will remain the same as the past few nights.

“You can bring whoever you want to challenge me.

“You may also change players in the middle

of the game.”

Mateo's tone was extremely gentle. No aggression of any sort could be heard from his words, as if he was just a kind man living next door.

Not only would this make a good impression on the spectators, but even the staff members were quite fond of him.

After all, compared to those rich people with a lot of money who burst out in anger after losing...

Mateo was a breath of fresh air to those people.

Sitting in the surveillance room, Harvey calmly said, “Interesting.

“Either he's sure he'll win, or he doesn't care at all.

“But since he's here, then, of course, he'll

care. He's really confident about winning!

"But why?"

Harvey glanced at Fabian Hamilton.

Fabian bitterly chuckled.

"If I knew, I wouldn't have called you in the first place.

"Judging from what I know so far, he's exceptionally talented, on top of being good-looking. Many of the wealthy ladies here have been calling him the Gambling Prince.

"To be honest, with how I used to do things, I'd definitely get this man on my side with a high price to be an honorary manager or a shareholder.

"It's a shame that he's not interested in any of that. He's here for the casino license."

Fabian was sympathetic.

For the King of Gambling's family, they have a liking for unbeatable men on the gambling table like Mateo.

It would be so much better if they could get a hold of people like this to be on their side.

It was a shame that the man could not be swayed. They were fated to oppose each other.

Harvey nodded without saying a word as he stared at the screen.

Mateo then took out a red equity agreement contract and calmly put it on the table.

Fabian then bitterly chuckled.

“A casino license is split into ten equity agreement contracts.

“After getting all ten, the casino license is complete.

“Mateo has five now.”

Harvey nodded.

At this moment, a plump middle-aged man was sent to be the banker.

“This is one of my Eight Great Gamblers, a usually unbeatable man when it comes to gambling...”

“But tonight’s going to be different.”

Harvey quietly waited without saying a word.

On the screen, the dealer started dealing the cards. Both sides were calmly looking at their hands without saying a word.

The only peculiar thing was that Mateo would snap his fingers every time he revealed his hand to show his excitement .

The people from the casino palace said this was a common habit here for many people .

Other than that, Mateo did not seem suspicious at all.

According to the deal, the game was already set after Mateo won a best of three matches.

The Great Gambler's calm look on his face had completely lost all color then.

Obviously, he knew that he had lost.

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According to the deal, there was still one round left to play.

Even though the Hamilton family had a chance to make a comeback, they had already lost.

They could make the casino -palace look a little better if they won at least one round .

But if they lost all three rounds , the Great Gambler would have his reputation completely tarnished once and for all.

Fabian Hamilton showed a horrible expression after seeing that they were destined to lose again.

“Sir York, did you see anything amiss?” he whispered.

Harvey York frowned, adjusted a few surveillance cameras, then told the others to focus on the dealer and the middle-aged man.

On the huge screen, three faces were shown side by side. Compared to Mateo's calm demeanor, the other two were so nervous that cold sweat dripped down their necks.

Fabian was terribly worried after seeing the sight. If they were to lose this round, the casino license would not only be a part that they would lose...

Losing fifteen rounds in a row would be extremely damaging to the Hamilton family's reputation.

Even the King of Gambling himself would naturally be a bit anxious.

Snap!

Mateo snapped his fingers once again before showing a faint smile.

“Shall we continue?”

The middle-aged man did not reply, but Harvey could see his terrified gaze before it turned hollow.

After seeing Harvey's change of expression, Fabian hesitated for a moment.

“Sir York, every single Great Gambler is hand-picked by our family.

“Not only are they skillful when it comes to gambling and luck, but they're also extremely loyal to the family.

“We treat them very well. They live pretty lavish lives with lots of bodyguards keeping them safe.

“These people would never betray the family

under these circumstances.”

Harvey nodded lightly.

“Your Great Gamblers might not have betrayed you before, and they might not betray you in the future, but that doesn’t mean they wouldn’t betray you now.”

Fabian froze.

“What do you mean?”

Harvey stared at the eyes of the middle-aged man.

“Have you paid attention to his sluggish eyes? He seems like a person who just woke up, barely conscious.”

Fabian frowned before telling his subordinates to focus on the man’s eyes.

As expected, the middle-aged man seemed out of focus. A sense of bewilderment could

be seen on his face.

Though, this feeling could not be seen in any ordinary person.

After pondering the situation for a moment, then Fabian whispered , “He looks like he’s sleepwalking but he’s acting normal...”

“It does seem like it.”

Harvey nodded . He had already found the answer.

“He’s been mildly hypnotized.”

“Hypnotized?”

Fabian froze.

“It doesn’t look that way! He looks pretty scared right now. He’s even frowning, thinking if he should call for another card! He looks nothing like a hypnotized man!

“Hypnotized people should act like walking

bodies. Am I wrong?”

Naturally, Fabian knew how hypnosis worked because of his vast experiences.

The sight in front of him did not appear that way either.

It would be easier if the hypnotized person were asked to speak their mind, but it would be near impossible for them to remain conscious while being controlled in the middle of a game!

This was not like something out of the movies, after all!

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“That’s why I said this is mild hypnosis ,” replied Harvey York calmly.

“Hypnotism tricks like these were used by the Knights Templar on their own and considered to be a sacred art.

“The goal is simple. It’s used to tell themselves that they are the Knights Templar and they’re invincible with the power of the holy light.

“To a certain degree, this was able to increase their strength.

“A human’s mental state would hugely affect them.

“If they believe they’re invincible , they’d naturally be more terrifying than ordinary knights.

“And if I guess correctly , this commander here must’ve mastered mild hypnosis.

“He doesn’t need to take complete control of his opponent . All he needs to do is to make him feel like he’ll lose!

“Along with his gambling skills, he’d naturally be unbeatable against an opponent who’s already lost all confidence.”

It was Fabian Hamilton’s first time hearing such a thing, but he quickly understood.

Psychological suggestions would definitely have a significant effect on people.

For example, the placebo therapy was by far one of the most successful psychological suggestions.

But things like those would need triggering conditions.

The suggestions had already begun for sick patients when they started to believe the professionals . This was no different than hypnotizing themselves willingly.

But how would an opportunity like this appear on the gambling table?

Fabian had this question in mind.

“If I guess correctly , it’s when he snaps his fingers,” Harvey calmly said.

“Everyone will instinctively look at his hand when he snaps his fingers. He’ll start using his tricks the moment that happens.

“But mild hypnosis like this is a practice that consumes a lot of energy.

“If he wants to use it on somebody else, he’d have to pay a huge price.

“This must be why Mateo Leo chose to play

at most three rounds.

“This might be his limit.

“If there are more than three rounds, he might not be able to control his opponent anymore.”

“Is he really that incredible?”

Fabian frowned slightly.

“If someone feels like they’re about to lose, shouldn’t they be more careful? If that’s the case, how is Mateo going to win?”

“Simple. Just wait until his opponent folds.”

Harvey showed an indifferent expression .

“People who believe that they’d lose will keep adding cards to their hand just to feel safe.

“It’s fine to add a card or two in a game like Blackjack...

“But if you add too many, you’ll be destined to go bust.

“You can check the past footages as well. Other than the ones where Mateo has a good hand, he must’ve won because his opponents kept busting.

“Including this round here...”

Fabian gasped. He should have been able to figure this out...

But his attention was so focused on Mateo and his subordinates that he completely forgot such an important detail...

What a legendary blind spot!

As expected, after having a total of eighteen points in the Great Gambler’s hand, he kept asking for more before eventually busting with three cards in his hand.

Mateo easily won three rounds in a row yet again.

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The entire casino palace was going wild.

Everyone witnessed the Hamilton family lose another ten percent of their casino license.

If Mateo Leo kept winning, the Mordu Casino Palace would have a new owner in no time.

Inside the surveillance room, Fabian Hamilton was showing a horrible expression.

Harvey York came to his senses. He finally understood every single detail.

Mateo snapped his fingers to use his hypnotism, making his opponent feel like he was going to lose. That way, he would be able to use the change to beat down the Hamilton family completely.

“What a plan, Mateo!”

Fabian took a deep breath and stood up.

“Thank you for your guidance, Sir York. According to the rules in Las Vegas, people who cheat must have their fingers cut off.

“Mateo cheated for five straight days at this point. I should get someone to chop his hand off by now.”

Fabian spoke in a cold tone while showing an extremely scornful expression filled with murderous intent. This was the true face of the King of Gambling.

“Don’t be too hasty.”

Harvey shook his head with a calm expression.

“Number one. We don’t have anything to prove the plausibility of the mild hypnosis .

“We only saw Mateo snapping his fingers in the surveillance room...

“But many people have the same habit. We can't prove anything like this.

“Number two. There are many supporters of Mateo here. These wealthy ladies may seem normal to you, but their background and authority must be pretty extraordinary.

“If you cut their idol's hand off without giving them solid proof, do you really think we can resolve the situation without any repercussion?

“Number three. The most crucial part is that Mateo already has sixty percent of the shares at this point!

“If he gets angry and doesn't want to play anymore , the Mordu Casino Palace would surely have a new owner at this point, right?

“The moment you lost this match, you lost your initiative, Fabian.”

Harvey reached out and tapped Fabian’s shoulder.

“At this point, you can only follow Mateo’s rhythm.

“If he wants to keep gambling shares, you play with him.

“You have no other choice.”

Fabian was exuding a murderous intent before he let out a sigh.

Harvey was right. After the most recent loss, the Hamilton family had no choice but to remain passive.

Fabian showed a resentful expression when he said, “This kid’s going to come again tomorrow.

“Judging from his attitude, he won’t give up until he acquires the entire casino license.”

“There’s no rush. We have four more chances, do we not?”

Harvey smiled.

“Besides, for your family, the things you lost on the gambling table must be won back the same way, right?”

“If not, how are you people supposed to stay relevant here in Las Vegas?”

“This casino license is mine in the first place. I’ll play with this kid tomorrow...”

After Fabian expressed his gratitude toward Harvey, Harvey left the casino palace.

He really was not interested in some gambler playing small tricks.

He planned to win Fabian's casino license back the next day during his free time.

After all, in Harvey's eyes, Mateo's small tricks would never be good enough to win against him.

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According to Harvey York's plan, he wanted Fabian Hamilton to be Mateo Leo's opponent next.

Fabian did not meet Mateo on his own. Instead, he welcomed Mateo to continue challenging the Mordu Casino Palace via various social platforms.

At the same time, the Hamilton family had already prepared their experts for the next battle.

The entirety of Las Vegas was in an uproar after hearing the news.

After all, the King of Gambling had not shown up in the media for many years.

Fabian announced the news for two purposes

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Number one. To show everyone that the Hamilton family was not directly related to the incident. That way, the family would look a little better on the outside.

Number two. The Hamilton family was ready for battle.

Simply put, if the Hamilton family were to win in the next match, all doubt about the family would dissipate instantly.

And if they were to lose, the Hamilton family and the King of Gambling's reputation would be marred forever.

In Harvey's eyes, a simple battle was a desperate struggle for the Hamilton family.

While completely ignoring the commotion in Las Vegas, Harvey went back to the garden villa in Hong Kong to rest. He woke up the next day for a jog early in the

morning.

The air of the woody trail beside the sea was refreshing . Along with the humid breeze , it was truly a comforting feeling.

Harvey was prepared to deal with Mateo that night but was also not in a hurry.

After returning to the garden villa , Harvey realized that Queenie York had already gone out. After contemplating the situation for a while, he still decided to grab a cab and head toward the Loxus Consortium.

The company's situation had already been dealt with, but Harvey still felt a little worried since this was Queenie's crucial moment to rise in power.

When Harvey arrived at the executive CEO's office , two men and women were already standing right in front of the entrance.

All those four people were westerners. All of them seemed tall and strong, hiding their reeking odor with strong perfume.

The four left quite the impression with that scent.

Harvey felt familiar when seeing the four, but he could not recall where they came from at the moment.

While pondering about the situation, the office's glass door was suddenly pulled open.

Queenie was seen wearing her business attire while talking to someone. "Thank you for your hospitality, Mr. Leo, but please send a message on my behalf.

"Those words were just jokes from back then. It doesn't count.

"I never put those words to heart anyway.

“I do hope your young master stops clinging onto me.

“If he doesn't like it, then I can give him 1.5 million dollars as compensation for his mental anguish...

“But don't try to do anything else.

“I'm just an ordinary woman, but I have no interest in climbing ranks this way.”

A man with curly hair in a suit walked out of the office. Even at this very moment, he was still showing a charming smile.

Harvey's eyes lit up. He recognized this man.

It was Mateo!

What a small world!

Mateo was not angry at all. Even though he was forced out of the office, he still smiled warmly.

“Miss York, I came here to express Young Master Leo’s sincerity.

“I told you his identity and status in The Empire of the Sun that Never Sets.

“You should know that Hong Kong is still governed by them no matter how powerful this place is.

“It doesn’t matter how strong the families here are. In front of The Empire of the Sun that Never Sets, all of you are just dogs here.

“If Young Master Leo wills it, it wouldn’t be hard for him to destroy the Loxus Consortium and maybe even the Yorks of Hong Kong.”