

Chapter 483

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Two of the attacking force appeared to seriously consider his words, but then their coven leader growled a warning, and their expressions hardened, and they moved towards him. Agony smiled another chilling smile, his bloodlust rising further. "Your funeral then."

Agony hit his true killing edge, that perfect place where only death and destruction lived, where he was unchecked from all human constraints. He caught two vampires by the throat and smashed their heads together with such force, their skulls crumbled in a pulpy mess. As he released them, he twisted his hands negligibly, their heads felling a short distance from their bodies.

Behind him, he sensed movement; however, he didn't turn but maintained his focus on what was happening in front of him. The coven leader continued on his trek towards the child, and this only served to infuriate the Vârcolec further.

The mele wrenched the baseball bat from the human girl, and beckoned her across the fence, sending her crashing to the ground a distance away. Something about that ect resonated deep within Agony's soul...something breaking within...the monster he thought he controlled suddenly rearing up with a power that superseded anything he had ever experienced before.

No time! No time left. The bested head laid hands on her. He had laid his filthy hands on her! Agony took flight, a graceful, deadly leap that took him sailing above the heads of the vampires and directly behind their leader. The mele was trying to get inside the unguarded tent, inside where a child wept in terror.

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