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George glared at Jasper ferociously and said, “Before you came out, didn’t your parents tell you to be more low profile outside so that you don’t offend other people?”

Jasper answered unenthusiastically, “The elders in my home did tell me to be humble and low profile outside. Plus, they also told me not to hold others in contempt so rashly.”

When George heard this, he thought Jasper was scared and lacking in confidence. Just as he was about to say something after smirking, he heard Jasper continue talking.

“But they only told me that I should be courteous to humans. If a dog keeps barking madly at me, I can just kick it away.”

George’s words that were on the tip of his tongue were then stuffed back into his throat forcefully. In an instant, his face looked extremely dark.

Even Jim was stumped for words. Then, he guffawed and felt extremely carefree.

George was his rival, and even their companies were in the same building.

There were a lot of enemies in the same industry, but one could know how horrible their relationship was just from the looks of it.

Jim had contacted Easy Media and this man in front of them named George was coming between them right now while using Mr. Combe to separate them.

He was just using Mr. Combe’s power and influence to mock and ridicule Jim for the past few days.

Today, Jim did not expect he would be able to vent his anger through Jasper.

Jim's laughter caused George's face to become even darker. There was a hint of coldness in his eyes that were glaring at Jasper.

"You little idiot, aren't you afraid that people will step on you for being so cocky in Swallow Capital?"

Jasper looked coldly at George and said flatly, "Kindness is always returned tenfold, but if you dare to cross me, you'll get a tenfold return as well."

"How cocky! You're so young yet you're already such a gigantic poser.

"You should know that Swallow Capital is not as simple as you think it is. There are people you can't afford to offend. If you get stepped on, you can only lie on the ground and beg for mercy." George smirked, and his eyes were cold.

"Of course, there are a lot of people who'll step on me in Swallow Capital, but I can guarantee that you're not on the list. You're just a hired thug who barely wormed into their circle."

Jasper shrugged, and there was an insipid look on his face. He was not even concerned about George at all.

This kind of person was just a hired thug. His next meal depended on his boss' mood. No one could insult Jasper even if he was in Swallow Capital.

Plus, he could not mess up the purchase of Easy Media because of someone like George.

Naturally, Jasper would not show him respect.

"W-Who are you calling a hired thug?"

George felt a fire of rage surging from his stomach and it was heading straight to his head.

He had been mingling in Swallow Capital for so many years, and aside from those members of the aristocratic families who came from the Residence, he had never seen such an arrogant person before.

Plus, he had asked around about the buyer who contacted Jim and knew he was not from Swallow Capital.

In addition to that, he was definitely not someone from the Residence.

As such, George had no comebacks after Jasper kept calling him out. He felt as if he had been slapped a few times across the face and was in fiery pain.

“You little idiot, I’ll teach you that you can’t be too arrogant in Swallow Capital!”

After a cold chuckle from George, he turned around and yelled at the outside of the building.

After a while, the door of a van outside opened and five to six burly men walked out. They all made their way over.

“Little idiot, it just so happened that I went out to settle some business and brought my men out for a meal. It’s your unlucky day,” George laughed nastily and said savagely.

When Jim saw this, he frowned and barked at George. “Hey, Powell! What are you trying to do? There are security cameras in the building and you’re trying to attack us here? Are you insane?”

After a scoff, George said coldly, “Shut up! You best f*ck off. Let me tell you, Mr. Combe has got my back and if you spew more bullsh*t then I’ll f*ck you up too!”

Jim's expression was gloomy. He said to Jasper in a deep voice, "Jasper, run back into the building. Run to my office and lock the door. Don't open the door if it's not me.

"I'll handle them. I've been in Swallow Capital for so many years. He won't dare to do anything to me."

When Jasper saw that Jim was still helping him so sincerely at this critical moment, he felt slightly touched. He said, "Uncle Yapp, don't worry. They won't do anything to me."

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After Jim heard that, he said angrily, "He won't do anything do you? George is not a good person. He went to jail when he was young because he fought with someone. Plus, he has Mr. Combe's support now.

"You're young, so don't get so hot-blooded and impulsive. It's not embarrassing to admit defeat at this moment. You don't need to suffer this."

Jasper shook his head and walked in front of Jim. Now, he was protecting him.

"Julian!"

Jasper called out.

Julian had been repressing it for a few days now, feeling pins and needles all over his body. He could not hold it in anymore. He stepped out, looking at George and his gang coldly.

There were five beefy fighters next to George, so the man was extremely confident. When he saw what Jasper was doing, he could not help but burst out laughing. "Idiot! You only have one person and you dare to f*cking fight with me?"

"Men, kill that kid. I want to step on his face and ask if he still has the guts to be so arrogant!"

After George said that, the five men walked over with malevolent looks on their faces.

Julian looked at Jasper. He was asking Jasper whether he should cripple these people.

Of course, Jasper did not want to get into trouble with the law because of these thugs. He said flatly, "Go easy on them. Just teach them a lesson."

Julian sighed in disappointment. He turned around and cracked his neck. Cracking sounds that sounded like beans getting stir-fried in a hot pan were heard from his body.

With a low growl, he charged at the five of them like a wild beast out of its cage.

It was evident that he was not afraid of the other party having more numbers than him.

Those five fighters were dazed.

These people always depended on their numbers when they fought, and their opponents would admit defeat even before the fight started. They had never seen the other party charging at them with such vigor even when there was only one of them.

"Damn it, go! Cripple him!"

George roared nervously.

At that moment, the two parties were tangled in a fight.

Jim, who was being protected by Jasper, was extremely anxious. He did not expect Jasper to be so impulsive. He felt that something bad was going to happen tonight.

If Jasper was beaten up by George at this place, then how would he be able to face his best friend Dawson?

When he thought about this, Jim gritted his teeth and turned around to run to the lobby of the building. He opened the fire cabinet and took out an ax. He decided that he would not let anything happen to Jasper.

However, when he was walking over with the ax, he saw George's men lying on the ground. They were wailing and begging for mercy.

Jim was holding the ax after having made the decision of burning their boats, but now, he was staring blankly ahead.

This turn of events... Why was it different from how he imagined it would be?

Jasper saw the ax in Jim's hand and felt touched. He burst out laughing and said, "Uncle Yapp, Julian is my bodyguard. He knows how to fight. He's great."

At that moment, Jim did not know what to say.

Aside from Jim, George felt as if he was watching a movie. How would a normal person in real life defeat five people at the same time?

At this moment, Julian walked over to him.

George was so scared that his entire body was shaking. Julian's emotionless eyes caused him to feel chills down his back.

"Get away from me! Don't come any closer!"

George yelled before turning around to run away.

However, the moment he turned around, he felt the back of his neck tightening. Then, he felt as if he was flying when Julian grabbed his neck and reverse slammed him in front of Jasper.

With a loud thud, he fell flat on his face.

Jim's face twitched. He was feeling pain for George as well!

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George felt as if his organs had shifted out of place. His stomach was churning, and he felt horrible.

He tried hard to get up but his entire body was limp and powerless. He lifted his head with all his might but could only see Jasper's leather shoes.

Jasper took a step forward and squatted. He bent over to look at George, patting his face.

"You had a lot of fun calling me little idiot, huh?"

George gritted his teeth tightly, but at this moment, even if he was resolute, he did not dare to speak anymore.

“You kept saying that the stakes are high in Swallow Capital. Were you having fun acting like a poser?”

George was gasping for air while enduring the pain in his chest and stomach. He opened his mouth challengingly and said, “Just kill me or hack me into pieces if you dare!”

“How stubborn.”

Jasper smiled, and his eyes went cold instantly.

“You’re just a thug of the lowest level in Swallow Capital’s society, so why are you acting like a keelie in front of me?”

A keelie was a dialect and slang in Swallow Capital, meaning an old fox or a person unfit for society.

Jasper lifted his hand to grab George’s cheek and forced his head up to look into his eyes. Jasper said insipidly, “Yes, the stakes are high in Swallow Capital, but it has nothing to do with people like you. Don’t think that just because you’ve been in Swallow Capital for a few years that you’re a big shot here.”

George was shaking all over. He did not know whether he was trembling because of anger or pain.

He felt that Jasper’s statement had crushed his dignity into pieces before slamming them on the floor to get stomped on.

George wanted so badly to have a dagger in his hand so that he could kill Jasper for making him feel this way.

“Mr. Laine, let me remove one of his arms.”

Julian had been pissed with George's arrogance for a very long time. When he saw that he was still looking at Jasper sinisterly with hatred on his face, he could not help but propose.

In Julian's heart, Jasper was his savior—someone he respected the most in his world. He would not allow anyone to insult Jasper.

He owed his life to Jasper, and he was not just saying that.

If they were in a life and death situation one day, he would be willing to take a bullet for Jasper.

When George heard this, the scenes of Julian fighting his five fighters until they were battered and bruised as if he was the God of War flashed across his brain. Then, he saw Julian walking over to him with eyes that were so icy they looked like they could kill.

George was petrified.

He had been in jail before and knew that some people really had the guts to kill.

Plus, now Julian was saying that he would cripple one of George's arms.

George did not doubt that if Jasper nodded, Julian would really do it.

His intense fear washed away all of his hatred. His eyes were now filled with terror as they shook.

"No, no! I was wrong! I was so wrong!"

George completely became a coward.

“Sir, my good sir, please don’t let him cripple me. There are security cameras all around the place. A big shot like you shouldn’t have to get into trouble with the law because of a minor character like me, right?”

When George saw Jasper’s calm and unchanged expression on his face, he quickly yelled at Jim, “Mr. Yapp, please stop him. Don’t make this into something big!”

Jim wanted so badly to spit on George’s face right now. He had seen a lot of shameless people before but he had never seen anyone as shameless as George.

However, George was right. If Julian really did something to George, then Jasper would get into trouble because they were not at the feet of the emperor.

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“Jasper, don’t act rashly,” Jim said softly.

Jasper chuckled lightly. He had not planned to do anything to George from the start.

The difference between an adult and a child was that one of them knew how to weigh the pros and cons. They would not be blinded by momentary emotions.

If he crippled George, he would feel great. However, what was going to happen next?

He would not be able to escape the consequences of his crimes.

It would be such a tremendous loss if he caused Julian to get convicted because of a minor character like George.

However, Jasper did not mind scaring him a little.

“Tell me, who’s that Mr. Combe who’s behind your back?” Jasper asked coldly.

George did not dare to hide anymore. He spilled everything as if he was spilling a bag of beans.

“Mr. Combe is the second son of the Combe family. He just came back from studying overseas. Since most of the big shots from the Combe family are involved in public relations and Mr. Combe has a celebrity girlfriend, he plans to get into the media industry.

“Mr. Combe contacted me through someone and asked me to look for a media company for him. Coincidentally, I was watching Jim during that time and knew he was looking for a media company too. As such, I contacted Easy Media following his clues. In the end, Mr. Combe was satisfied and that’s how this happened.”

Jasper’s eyes looked cold. He stood up and said to Jim, “Uncle Yapp, I think this is more complicated than we thought.”

Jim looked coldly at George who was on the floor and said, “I didn’t think that everything started because this b*stard was coming between us. I was wondering why it was such a coincidence that Mr. Combe got the news the moment I contacted Easy Media.”

Jasper peered at George who was lying on the ground and did not make a peep. He said flatly, “Get lost.”

After George heard that, it was as if he had received the greatest pardon in the world. He scrambled to get up from the floor before limping away.

On the other hand, the other five fighters helped each other up from the ground before running away too.

Julian looked at the figures of the people who were running away. There was a hint of regret in his eyes... He was still reminiscing this fondly because he did not have enough.

At a distance, George went into the car and slammed the door heavily. His racing heart finally calmed down.

After the fear went away, the bone-deep hatred started surging from within.

He turned his head and glared at Jasper who was at a distance away with rancor in his eyes. He despised him so much that he almost crushed his own teeth.

“B*stard, I’ve been mingling in Swallow Capital for so many years and I’ve never suffered such a huge loss before! I was even beaten up by an animal!”

At this moment, the bruised and battered fighters all got into the car as well. They were all looking at George with resentment.

“What are we doing to do now, boss?”

One of the fighters asked with his fangs baring. When he opened his mouth, it had tugged the wound on the corner of his mouth. He sucked in a deep breath from the pain.

Even though George wanted so badly to slap each and every one of them and call all of them good-for-nothings for embarrassing him, he knew he could not do that. Otherwise, his popularity among them would disappear and if that happened, who would still want to work with him?

George controlled his bad mood and took out a briefcase from the compartment of the armrest. He then took out wads of cash for them. “This is for your medical expenses. You guys should recuperate for the time being.”

The fighter who was talking before took the cash happily. When he was holding the cold hard cash in his hands, the wounds on his body did not feel so painful anymore.

Even though they had gotten the money for their medical expenses, they were still pissed. After all, they were beaten up and lost their dignity as well!

“Boss, we can’t just let this go.”

George laughed sinisterly. “Of course. I’m going to see Mr. Combe now and I’ll add more details to the story. I want to see if that little idiot can still jump around so arrogantly after this! We’re working for Mr. Combe now, and he’ll definitely step in regarding this matter. I want to see how he’ll continue being so arrogant then!”

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Jasper and Jim bade farewell downstairs of the building.

“Uncle Yapp, I still have something I need to take care of. I’ll go handle it now,” Jasper said with a smile.

Jim nodded and said, “Alright, go on then. I’ll make an appointment with the King brothers later to see if we can get them to have dinner with us tonight.”

Jasper said, “Alright, I’ll wait for your update.”

Looking at Jasper and Julian’s figures, Jim felt deeply moved. He took out his phone to call Dawson.

“Dawson, you’ve got yourself a piece of treasure. Your son-in-law is really something else!”

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After Jasper bade farewell to Jim, he went back to Sena immediately. Coincidentally, he spotted Hudson and Jack walking out after finishing a meeting. When he saw their glum faces, he knew something was wrong.

“What’s wrong?” Jasper asked.

“The people in Sena all have different minds! Some of them are willing to side with us while the others are gearing more toward Dane. Now, there are two sides,” Jack said with a complicated look on his face.

“It’s simple. Punish one of them as an example to others. If it doesn’t work, tell them to get lost.”

Jasper made a straightforward decision and smiled at Jack. He said, “We just got here, and we can’t keep pandering to them. I didn’t give you this power for no good reason. You should use it whenever you see fit.

“Remember, we can’t be overly cautious when we’re doing things. Especially you. You promised to manage Sena properly for me! I’m waiting to see the results!”

“Roger!”

Jack nodded. He could not help but feel impressed with Jasper’s decisiveness. The biggest taboo of a company was to have big changes. If they did not execute it perfectly, it would affect the company greatly and cause them huge losses.

Hudson was standing at one side where he was looking at Jasper with admiration too. He felt that the tactics of this 20-something young man were so scary sometimes!

However, he had to admit that Jasper had a huge plan in mind.

While the three of them were talking, Jasper's phone rang.

It was from Jim. Jasper quickly answered the call.

"Uncle Yapp, are there any updates from Easy Media?"

Jim answered, "I just contacted them but we can only talk to them face to face depending on the situation. It seems that they don't really want to talk to us! What do you think?"

Jasper narrowed his eyes and said, "Uncle Yapp, why do you think they don't want to talk to us?"

Jim said without hesitating, "Perhaps something is going on or perhaps they have another arrangement... Wait, are you saying that they might be in contact with Mr. Combe?"

Jasper said unenthusiastically, "Yeah. The Combes were already planning to come between us anyway. Plus, George, the man who showed up today, is not a good person. He might have talked bad about us after we left. Or perhaps, the Combes are the local influencers of Swallow Capital. If we and the Combes both want to buy their company at the same time, who do you think they'll decline?"

Jim was breathing urgently now. He said in a low voice, "It's going to be very troublesome if that's the case."

At this moment, Jasper was the one who was comforting Jim instead. He laughed and said, "Uncle Yapp, don't worry. As long as there isn't a deal, we still have a chance."

Jim said in a low voice, "The King brothers are bad cookies too. I'm afraid they might raise the price in this situation."

“You get business from a discussion. If one raises their price, the other will make a bargain by slicing it down the middle. It’s not something unusual.”

Jim chortled and said, “Jasper, I can’t view you as a young man in his 20s sometimes. You act more like someone around Dawson and my age. You’re too calm and unflustered.”

“Because I know getting angry and anxious won’t help with our case now.”

After chatting for a while, Jasper hung up the phone.

Jasper rubbed the bridge of his nose. It did not matter if the King brothers were talking with Mr. Combe tonight or what they had already talked about. Jasper could not do anything about it now.

Jasper lifted his head to look at the two men in front of him. He was troubled when he thought about the matter with Easy Media. He said, “Hudson, Jack, you guys continue talking. I’ll go back to the hotel to rest.”

“Alright, we’ll settle this as soon as we can.”

After Jasper went back to the hotel, he took a shower and felt much more refreshed. He sat in the hotel alone to think about the purchase.

Jasper did not have many ideas about the purchase of Easy Media for now.

Jasper had no idea what their biggest competitor, Mr. Combe, was planning to do as well.