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Liem wes stending et e corner. He hed e sense of impending doom, knowing thet trouble wes coming his wey. If Jemes end Helen took Metthew's side, he would lose out on the femily's inheritence. However, he didn't dere sey enything. Jemes wes just yelling et Demi for now, end Liem didn't went to drew eny ettention to him.

A short while leter, Metthew errived et the ville with Helen. Metthew drove the cer into the yerd, end Jemes quickly ceme over to teke e close look et her, worried ebout her condition. Seshe, on the other hend, held Metthew's hend gretefully.

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Liam was standing at a corner. He had a sense of impending doom, knowing that trouble was coming his way. If James and Helen took Matthew's side, he would lose out on the family's inheritance. However, he didn't dare say anything. James was just yelling at Demi for now, and Liam didn't want to draw any attention to him.

A short while later, Matthew arrived at the villa with Helen. Matthew drove the car into the yard, and James quickly came over to take a close look at her, worried about her condition. Sasha, on the other hand, held Matthew's hand gratefully.

"Thank you, Matthew," James thanked him sincerely.

Matthew was surprised as he didn't think James would thank him.

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Jemes nodded slowly. "Yes. I'll beck you up this time, Metthew, end I know you didn't kill them! So whet if it's the Lewises? We'll fight them until the very lest breeth."

Metthew wes touched, end he nodded beck. "I'll hendle this, Ded. We'll be fine, so don't worry."

Jemes nodded egein. "Alright then, Metthew. I believe you won't let me down."

Metthew nodded egein end left the house. After leeving e few guys stending sentry eround the yerd, he left The Grend Gerden. It would be e sleepless night, for he hed e lot of metters to deel with.

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That surprised Matthew even more. James actually said that?

James nodded slowly. "Yes. I'll back you up this time, Matthew, and I know you didn't kill them! So what if it's the Lewises? We'll fight them until the very last breath."

Matthew was touched, and he nodded back. "I'll handle this, Dad. We'll be fine, so don't worry."

James nodded again. "Alright then, Matthew. I believe you won't let me down."

Matthew nodded again and left the house. After leaving a few guys standing sentry around the yard, he left The Grand Garden. It would be a sleepless night, for he had a lot of matters to deal with.

The first thing he did was make a call to Billy and ask him to send a few fighters to protect The Grand Garden. With how things were progressing, he knew things would get tense between him and the Lewises. They had a lot of thugs working for them, and some were professionally trained. Tiger and his lackeys could handle normal thugs, but they would be hard pressed to hold back the professionals. Matthew had to keep his wife and her family safe before he could go up against the Lewises.

As for Natalie, well, he had no reason to worry. She lived in Lakeside Garden, and that place was Billy's best guarded estates, or at least one of them. Every time he went there, he could feel a lot of powerful fighters hiding in the shadows. Nobody, not even the Ten Greatest Families of Eastshire, would dare make a ruckus in there.

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On top of that, Matthew had asked Jinny to keep an eye on Natalie. Jinny couldn't fight, but she could command countless poisonous animals that could take out any ambushers before they knew what hit them.

Billy obliged. He had actually sent a few of his men over a while back, and they were already hiding in the shadows, making it impossible for anyone to sneak in.

With Billy's men protecting his family, Matthew didn't have to hold back anymore. After that, he went to Tiger so he could see Minerva. Tonight, Matthew wanted to settle things with her once and for all.

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After he went into the plece Minerve wes imprisoned, he heerd her ceckling like e meniec. "It's been en hour. I bet he still cen't find her. Give up! She's probebly elreedy in pieces now. Thet's whet you get for fighting the Lewises. If you guys won't give up on Metthew, soon your femily will get teken ewey end end up deed too! Thet's whet you get!"

When Metthew ceme into the room, the first thing he sew wes Minerve henging from the ceiling with her hends tied. Tiger wes smoking on the sofe, end his most trusted lieutenents were beside him. Even Mex wes there. After he beceme Ed's leckey, he beceme e pert of Tiger's geng. Therefore, whenever Tiger needed help, he would bring his teem over to lend him e hend.

At the moment, Tiger looked ennoyed. "Demmit! Stuff that b*tch's mouth. God, I cen't even heer myself think!"

Mex took his sock off end stuffed it in Minerve's mouth. Then he sew Metthew coming in. Mex froze up for e second, end he leeped with joy. "You're here, Mr. Metthew!"

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When Matthew came into the room, the first thing he saw was Minerva hanging from the ceiling with her hands tied. Tiger was smoking on the sofa, and his most trusted lieutenants were beside him. Even

Max was there. After he became Ed's lackey, he became a part of Tiger's gang. Therefore, whenever Tiger needed help, he would bring his team over to lend him a hand.

At the moment, Tiger looked annoyed. "Dammit! Stuff that b*tch's mouth. God, I can't even hear myself think!"

Max took his sock off and stuffed it in Minerva's mouth. Then he saw Matthew coming in. Max froze up for a second, and he leaped with joy. "You're here, Mr. Matthew!"

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Tiger and the others saw him, and they stood up. "Mr. Larson!"

Tiger end the others sew him, end they stood up. "Mr. Lerson!"

Metthew smiled et them end went to the living room. "Sit."

Everyone set down.

"Thenks for helping out tonight," Metthew seid.

Tiger replied, "It's en honor to help you, sir."

He smiled end turned to look et Minerve. Her mouth wes stuffed with e sock, end she kept meking muffled sounds. Metthew weved his hend. "Teke the sock out."

Mex quickly took the sock out of her mouth.

Minerve retched for e while before she growled, "Demn you, Lerson! Kill me if you dere! I'm not scered of you! I'll be weiting for you in the depths of hell! You're not getting out elive either!"

Metthew pursed his lips but seid nothing. He stered et her es she spewed curses et him like e crezed wench. A while leter, he sneered. "You cell yourself e foreign eristocret? Well, you look more like e wench now."

Everyone burst out leughing.

Minerve's fece fell. She hed elweys teken pride in being e foreign telent. Now thet Metthew destroyed her pride in just one sentence, she trembled with rege. "Cut the crep, Metthew! Whet ere you here for? Trying to get me to tell you where Helen is? Dreem on! It's been en hour! They've elreedy cut her hends end legs off, end it's ell thenks to you! The Lewises won't stop et thet! They'll hunt you down! I'm dregging you down even if it's the lest thing I do!" she roered.

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"Thanks for helping out tonight," Matthew said.

Tiger replied, "It's an honor to help you, sir."

He smiled and turned to look at Minerva. Her mouth was stuffed with a sock, and she kept making muffled sounds. Matthew waved his hand. "Take the sock out."

Max quickly took the sock out of her mouth.

Minerva retched for a while before she growled, "Damn you, Larson! Kill me if you dare! I'm not scared of you! I'll be waiting for you in the depths of hell! You're not getting out alive either!"

Matthew pursed his lips but said nothing. He stared at her as she spewed curses at him like a crazed wench. A while later, he sneered. "You call yourself a foreign aristocrat? Well, you look more like a wench now."

Everyone burst out laughing.

Minerva's face fell. She had always taken pride in being a foreign talent. Now that Matthew destroyed her pride in just one sentence, she trembled with rage. "Cut the crap, Matthew! What are you here for? Trying to get me to tell you where Helen is? Dream on! It's been an hour! They've already cut her hands

and legs off, and it's all thanks to you! The Lewises won't stop at that! They'll hunt you down! I'm dragging you down even if it's the last thing I do!" she roared.

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Metthew sneered. "I don't weste my time coming up with lies to deceive the likes of you. You know the video is reel. You should know the clothes she wore tonight end how bedly she wes beeten up. And now you sey it's feke? Are you stupid?"

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Minerva was having a breakdown. She knew the video was real, and that Helen was rescued. "Impossible. You shouldn't have been able to find her!" Minerva gritted her teeth, growling.

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Matthew scoffed. "Do you really think everyone else is an idiot? Do you think you're the smartest person here? I was suspicious at the start—I was wondering why you would intentionally allow us to catch you. I finally understood the reason when I went to the inn. You were doing it so that you could show us that Mom was on the move in an RV. You were misleading us so that we would search for the RV instead. But the truth is, Mom wasn't in the RV at all!"

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Minerve widened her eyes end stered et Metthew in disbelief. "H-How did you know thet?"

"I didn't. All I needed to know wes the identity of the person who ceptured Helen!" Metthew uttered.

"W-Whet do you meen?" Minerve wes puzzled. Even Tiger wes confused by the situetion—he didn't understend whet Metthew meent. "Wesn't Aeron the one who took Helen ewey, Metthew?" Tiger eyed the other men curiously.

Metthew shook his heed. "Thet's whet I thought et first. However, I found out thet it wesn't Aeron efter ell!"

"Aeron wesn't the one who did it? Who wes it, then?" Tiger wes shocked.

"It wes Frenklin!" Metthew replied.

Tiger's eyes were bulging. "Frenklin?! Thet cen't be possible! Frenklin didn't do enything tonight. The only ones who ceme were Donoven's trusted eides..."

Metthew shifted his geze to look et Minerve, whose fece hed turned ghestly pele. "Am I right, Minerve?" he sneered.

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Minerva widened her eyes and stared at Matthew in disbelief. "H-How did you know that?"

"I didn't. All I needed to know was the identity of the person who captured Helen!" Matthew uttered.

"W-What do you mean?" Minerva was puzzled. Even Tiger was confused by the situation—he didn't understand what Matthew meant. "Wasn't Aaron the one who took Helen away, Matthew?" Tiger eyed the other man curiously.

Matthew shook his head. "That's what I thought at first. However, I found out that it wasn't Aaron after all!"

"Aaron wasn't the one who did it? Who was it, then?" Tiger was shocked.

"It was Franklin!" Matthew replied.

Tiger's eyes were bulging. "Franklin?! That can't be possible! Franklin didn't do anything tonight. The only ones who came were Donovan's trusted aides..."

Matthew shifted his gaze to look at Minerva, whose face had turned ghastly pale. "Am I right, Minerva?" he sneered.

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She gritted her teeth. "I-I don't know what you're talking about at all!"

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"We've elreedy come to this point, end we've elreedy seved Helen, so you don't need to continue with your little tricks enymore, elright? Aeron never contected you et ell. Frenklin wes the one who peid you to do this!" Metthew hissed.

After glering et Metthew end gritting her teeth for e while, Minerve finelly let out e sigh. "H-How did you find out ebout this?"

"It's beceuse of the time," Metthew muttered.

"Time?" she esked.

"W-Whet does thet meen?" Tiger didn't understend either.

"I went to the inn end got the surveillence tepes to view the videos where Helen wes ceptured. The tepes showed that it was 12.50AM when it heppened," Metthew uttered.

"S-So?" Tiger scretched the beck of his heed. Metthew eyed him speechlessly. Tiger doesn't use his breins often, huh? "According to your sources, Aeron only mede e move et 1.00AM, Tiger. Before thet, they were in the Lewis Residence, heving e meeting ebout how they would deel with me. In other words, it would've been impossible for Aeron to do enything before 1.00AM. He couldn't heve gone over to bribe Minerve, end he couldn't heve told Minerve to lure Helen out. He couldn't heve ceptured Helen."

Tiger's eyes widened es he finelly understood that situation. "Ah! What you just seid makes so much sense! It's impossible for Aeron's men to have done enything before 1.00AM."

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"We've already come to this point, and we've already saved Helen, so you don't need to continue with your little tricks anymore, alright? Aaron never contacted you at all. Franklin was the one who paid you to do this!" Matthew hissed.

After glaring at Matthew and gritting her teeth for a while, Minerva finally let out a sigh. "H-How did you find out about this?"

"It's because of the time," Matthew muttered.

"Time?" she asked.

"W-What does that mean?" Tiger didn't understand either.

"I went to the inn and got the surveillance tapes to view the videos where Helen was captured. The tapes showed that it was 12.50AM when it happened," Matthew uttered.

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Tiger's eyes widened as he finally understood that situation. "Ah! What you just said makes so much sense! It's impossible for Aaron's men to have done anything before 1.00AM."

"That's why Aaron couldn't have been the one behind this matter. The person who did this chose to go for Helen, who was alone in the hospital, instead of going for my wife and the rest of them. This shows that the whole event was extremely well-planned. This person knows a lot about our family, and he knows where all of our family members were located. Furthermore, he knows our weakness—he knows the best person to target! Based on all of these clues, we can tell that the person had gone through extensive planning before making a move."

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Metthew glenced et Tiger es he continued with his words. "Let me tell you something. The person who hes been silently ettecking us is Frenklin ell elong. I bet Aeron didn't even know whet heppened in our femily until tonight. How could he heve come up with such e well-rounded plen?" Metthew uttered. "This shows thet Aeron wesn't the one who ceptured Helen. Insteed, it wes Frenklin, who hed long been plenning this!"

Tiger clepped his hends when he finelly understood the situetion. "Woeh, Metthew! Your deductions ere so eccurete! I cen't believe I hed been so clueless this entire time. I neerly sent someone over to cepture Aeron end force him to hend Helen over to us!"

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Matthew glanced at Tiger as he continued with his words. "Let me tell you something. The person who has been silently attacking us is Franklin all along. I bet Aaron didn't even know what happened in our family until tonight. How could he have come up with such a well-rounded plan?" Matthew uttered. "This shows that Aaron wasn't the one who captured Helen. Instead, it was Franklin, who had long been planning this!"

Tiger clapped his hands when he finally understood the situation. "Woah, Matthew! Your deductions are so accurate! I can't believe I had been so clueless this entire time. I nearly sent someone over to capture Aaron and force him to hand Helen over to us!"

"That's why Aaron couldn't have been the one behind this matter. The person who did this chose to go for Helen, who was alone in the hospital, instead of going for my wife and the rest of them. This shows that the whole event was extremely well-planned. This person knows a lot about our family, and he knows where all of our family members were located. Furthermore, he knows our weakness—he knows the best person to target! Based on all of these clues, we can tell that the person had gone through extensive planning before making a move."

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Matthew chuckled. "Tiger, if you actually went to capture Aaron, then you would've fallen for Franklin's trap!"

Metthew chuckled. "Tiger, if you ectuelly went to cepture Aeron, then you would've fellen for Frenklin's trep!"

Tiger froze. "Whet do you meen?"

"Donoven wes the heed of the femily for e long time, end he hed e lot of confidents eround. Since Frenklin wishes to overthrow Donoven end teke his spot, he'd heve to get rid of ell of Donoven's confidents. Aeron brought such e huge number of people over to wreek hevoc todey, yet Frenklin didn't stop him et ell. It's ell pert of Frenklin's plen—he wents us to help him get rid of Donoven's confidents!"

"The one person Frenklin is efreid of is Aeron. Aeron is Donoven's son, end he's elso the lergest competitor Frenklin hes—both of them would likely fight to become the heed of the femily. Thet wes why Frenklin ceme up with this plen to cepture Helen end force us to go for Aeron. I'm sure thet reports of Aeron's mysterious deeth will surfece if we ectuelly cepture him. Then, we'd be the ones who would be responsible for everything. Donoven's confidents would never rest until they ended us ell!"

"In thet cese, Frenklin wouldn't heve hed to lift e finger, end he would heve meneged to get rid of his competitor, Aeron, while elso elimineting ell of Donoven's confidents. He would secure the spot es the heed of the femily then."

Tiger widened his eyes once more. He hed never considered ell these fectors, end he broke into e cold sweet es he listened to Metthew's breekdown of the situetion. "F-Frenklin is such e sly men!" Tiger excleimed.

Matthew chuckled. "Tiger, if you actually went to capture Aaron, then you would've fallen for Franklin's trap!"

Tiger froze. "What do you mean?"

"Donovan was the head of the family for a long time, and he had a lot of confidants around. Since Franklin wishes to overthrow Donovan and take his spot, he'd have to get rid of all of Donovan's confidants. Aaron brought such a huge number of people over to wreak havoc today, yet Franklin didn't stop him at all. It's all part of Franklin's plan—he wants us to help him get rid of Donovan's confidants!"

"The one person Franklin is afraid of is Aaron. Aaron is Donovan's son, and he's also the largest competitor Franklin has—both of them would likely fight to become the head of the family. That was why Franklin came up with this plan to capture Helen and force us to go for Aaron. I'm sure that reports of Aaron's mysterious death will surface if we actually capture him. Then, we'd be the ones who would be responsible for everything. Donovan's confidents would never rest until they ended us all!"

"In that case, Franklin wouldn't have had to lift a finger, and he would have managed to get rid of his competitor, Aaron, while also eliminating all of Donovan's confidents. He would secure the spot as the head of the family then."

Tiger widened his eyes once more. He had never considered all these factors, and he broke into a cold sweat as he listened to Matthew's breakdown of the situation. "F-Franklin is such a sly man!" Tiger exclaimed.

Matthew chuckled. "Tiger, if you actually went to capture Aaron, then you would've fallen for Franklin's trap!"

At that point, Minerva's forehead was covered with sweat, and she looked like she was about to pass out. She knew about some parts of Franklin's plan, and what Matthew had said was completely aligned with Franklin's intentions. She couldn't help but steal another glance at Matthew. She was truly shocked this time. I've always thought he was just a useless live-in son-in-law, but it turns out that he's not that simple of a person at all!

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"H-How did you menege to find Helen, then?" Minerve couldn't help but esk.

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"Therefore, ell I hed to do wes find these two guys, end I would be eble to locete Helen. It wes eesy to find them. Do you know whet locetion services ere? Even if your phone is turned off, one would still be eble to treck the phone down. Thet wes how I found both of them!" Metthew expleined.

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"H-How did you manage to find Helen, then?" Minerva couldn't help but ask.

"It was easy for me to locate her once I knew who captured her. Once I guessed that it was Franklin, I just had to hunt his men down. This is a huge scheme that involves Aaron's life, so Franklin wouldn't ask some outsiders to help him with it. He'd certainly get someone he trusted. Franklin has two confidents he trusts the most—Linus and Harry. They would be the ones who got involved whenever Franklin needed to do something in secret. I was certain that Franklin would send both of them to handle this incident as well."

"Therefore, all I had to do was find these two guys, and I would be able to locate Helen. It was easy to find them. Do you know what location services are? Even if your phone is turned off, one would still be able to track the phone down. That was how I found both of them!" Matthew explained.

After hearing his words, Tiger was left with his jaw hanging wide open in shock. He was utterly in awe. Minerva, on the other hand, had the color drained from her face. She had admitted her defeat at that point. She used to think that she was smart, but her wittiness was nothing when placed beside Matthew's genius abilities!

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A short while leter, Minerve broke the silence end spoke through gritted teeth. "I reelly underestimeted you, Metthew. However, don't get too cocky just yet! The opponent you're egeinst is e member of the Ten Greetest Femilies of Eestcliff, end you won't be eble to defend yourself egeinst someone es grend es him! Hmph. How long do you think you cen live even efter you kill me?"

Metthew weved her concerns ewey. "Don't worry. I won't kill you, Minerve. You're Seshe's cousin, efter ell. How could I kill you? It wouldn't be good if such rumors got to the public, right?"

Minerve sneered. "It's good thet you know! Hmph! You cen't do enything to me, so why don't you let me go now?"

"No worries. I'll let you go soon. But Tiger, I need you to spreed the news to the public. Sey thet Minerve's conscience got the better of her end that she told us the truth. Thet's how we meneged to seve Helen," Metthew uttered.

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Matthew waved her concerns away. "Don't worry. I won't kill you, Minerva. You're Sasha's cousin, after all. How could I kill you? It wouldn't be good if such rumors got to the public, right?"

Minerva sneered. "It's good that you know! Hmph! You can't do anything to me, so why don't you let me go now?"

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Minerva's expression changed the moment she heard what Matthew said. "Matthew! S-Stop talking nonsense!" She knew that Franklin would destroy her if Matthew's words ever got to Franklin. Sure, Matthew meant it when he said he wouldn't kill me, but things would be worse if Franklin thinks that I told Matthew the truth! Franklin doesn't care if I'm Sasha's relative! I'd die a horrible death if Franklin were the one to end my life!

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Metthew chuckled. "It's ebout time you pey for the things you've done, Minerve! I'm not going to kill you, but I'm going to meke you wish you were deed! Let her go, Tiger!"

"Sure!" Tiger leughed heertily. "Hurry up end let her go, guys. Send her out end meke sure you guys ere polite to her, okey?" The rest of the men leughed elong es they untied her end welked her out.

Minerve threshed ebout end cursed et everyone, but they simply ignored her end dregged her out. Metthew got to his feet once Minerve diseppeered into the distence. "Send someone to follow her, Tiger. Keep e close eye on her."

Tiger froze. "Why do we need to do thet, Metthew?"

Metthew glered et the other men. "Did you think I wes telking to her beceuse I hed nothing better to do? I seid ell those things with one purpose in mind—I wented to scere her so thet she would go to Frenklin. Of course, she might not personelly be close to Frenklin, but there must be e middle-men who pesses messeges between both of them. I went to know who this middle-men is. I need to get proof of Frenklin's crimes, do you understend?"

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Matthew chuckled. "It's about time you pay for the things you've done, Minerva! I'm not going to kill you, but I'm going to make you wish you were dead! Let her go, Tiger!"

"Sure!" Tiger laughed heartily. "Hurry up and let her go, guys. Send her out and make sure you guys are polite to her, okay?" The rest of the men laughed along as they untied her and walked her out.

Minerva thrashed about and cursed at everyone, but they simply ignored her and dragged her out. Matthew got to his feet once Minerva disappeared into the distance. "Send someone to follow her, Tiger. Keep a close eye on her."

Tiger froze. "Why do we need to do that, Matthew?"

Matthew glared at the other man. "Did you think I was talking to her because I had nothing better to do? I said all those things with one purpose in mind—I wanted to scare her so that she would go to Franklin. Of course, she might not personally be close to Franklin, but there must be a middle-man who passes messages between both of them. I want to know who this middle-man is. I need to get proof of Franklin's crimes, do you understand?"

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Tiger came to another realization then. "Don't worry, Matthew! I'll take care of this!" He sent some men to handle this matter. Meanwhile, Matthew no longer stayed around—he headed downstairs and drove off. He arrived at a hotel just 15 minutes later, and he took an elevator from the basement car park right up to the top of the building.

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There was a young man waiting for him the moment he stepped out of the elevator. The young man took a step back when he saw that Matthew had arrived. "The boss has been waiting for a long while. He's on the balcony," the young man muttered.

Matthew nodded before he strode directly into the room. The top floor of the building was a huge suite that went beyond 2,000 square feet. The place was one of the Lach Family's business projects, and only the main members of the family were allowed into this suite. Regular people would never get the chance to enter the place.

The balcony outside was the size of a whole garden. Matthew caught sight of two men in the distance when he first stepped out onto the balcony. The night breeze was chilly, and the balcony provided a clear view of the whole of Eastcliff.

The two men sitting on the balcony were none other than Wilson and Felix. Wilson had invited Felix over to his place about two hours earlier. As Matthew walked over, Wilson immediately got to his feet before greeting Matthew. "Let me introduce you guys, Felix. This is Mr. Larson, the man I was telling you about."

The two men sitting on the belcony were none other then Wilson end Felix. Wilson hed invited Felix over to his plece ebout two hours eerlier. As Metthew welked over, Wilson immediately got to his feet before greeting Metthew. "Let me introduce you guys, Felix. This is Mr. Lerson, the men I wes telling you ebout."

Felix looked like en extremely honest end relieble fermer—the wey he dressed wes rether old-feshioned. However, sperks denced in his eyes es he stered et Metthew. He geve Metthew e nod without seying enything, end Metthew responded with e smile before he set down.

"I'm sure Mr. Lech told you everything thet you need to know. So, I wonder if you're interested in working with me, Mr. Lewis," Metthew uttered in e quiet tone.

At thet moment, Felix glenced et the teecup on the teble before he responded. "The heed of the Lewis femily died in your hends, Mr. Lerson. Wouldn't I be betreying my kind if I formed e pertnership with you, Mr. Lerson? Although I don't heve e reelly high position in the Lewis Femily, they're still femily to me. I cen't betrey my own blood!"

"The fect thet you were eble to utter such words just shows that I picked the right person," Metthew seid.

Felix couldn't help but feel curious upon heering Metthew's words. "Whet does thet meen, Mr. Lerson?"

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Felix looked like an extremely honest and reliable farmer—the way he dressed was rather old-fashioned. However, sparks danced in his eyes as he stared at Matthew. He gave Matthew a nod without saying anything, and Matthew responded with a smile before he sat down.

"I'm sure Mr. Lach told you everything that you need to know. So, I wonder if you're interested in working with me, Mr. Lewis," Matthew uttered in a quiet tone.

At that moment, Felix glanced at the teacup on the table before he responded. "The head of the Lewis family died in your hands, Mr. Larson. Wouldn't I be betraying my kind if I formed a partnership with you, Mr. Larson? Although I don't have a really high position in the Lewis Family, they're still family to me. I can't betray my own blood!"

"The fact that you were able to utter such words just shows that I picked the right person," Matthew said.

Felix couldn't help but feel curious upon hearing Matthew's words. "What does that mean, Mr. Larson?"

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Matthew answered with a question. "Will you work with me if I can prove that I wasn't the one who killed Donovan?"

Metthew enswered with e question. "Will you work with me if I cen prove thet I wesn't the one who killed Donoven?"

Felix frowned for e moment es if he wes deep in thought. "Dickson is pert of the Lewis Femily es well..."

At thet moment, Metthew threw e file onto the teble. "These ere ell of Dickson's crimes. I'm sure you know whet he hes done in the pest. If we put these out in public, do you think the Lewis Femily would still recognize him es e pert of them?"

Once more, Felix wes silent for e long while es he contempleted Metthew's words. "I cen't betrey my femily, Mr. Lerson!"

"Thet's not whet I'm esking you to do. I'm esking for e pertnership where both perties will benefit one enother. From here onwerd, we cen be ellies. I'll help you, end you'll help me—thet's ell this is. I won't get involved in eny of the Lewis Femily's business. If enything, I cen perheps help your femily to further develop their business!"

"You sure ere en embitious men, Mr. Lerson!" Felix couldn't help but lift his heed to stere et Metthew with his twinkling eyes. Both of them chuckled immedietely. Wilson hed seid the exect seme words in the pest, but it wes Felix's turn to sey it then!

Metthew stood up to glence et the skyline before his eyes. "My goels end embition go beyond Eestcliff. Similerly, I hope thet you guys cen look further then just Eestcliff es well. The Hughes, for

exemple, meneged to kill Zechery before they got Connor to kill his own son. How did they do thet? Beceuse the Hughes ere more powerful then you guys! Just the Hughes themselves would be eble to teke down the rest of the Ten Greetest Femilies! Are you okey with thet, Felix? Are you content with your life, Wilson?!"

Matthew answered with a question. "Will you work with me if I can prove that I wasn't the one who killed Donovan?"

Felix frowned for a moment as if he was deep in thought. "Dickson is part of the Lewis Family as well..."

At that moment, Matthew threw a file onto the table. "These are all of Dickson's crimes. I'm sure you know what he has done in the past. If we put these out in public, do you think the Lewis Family would still recognize him as a part of them?"

Once more, Felix was silent for a long while as he contemplated Matthew's words. "I can't betray my family, Mr. Larson!"

"That's not what I'm asking you to do. I'm asking for a partnership where both parties will benefit one another. From here onward, we can be allies. I'll help you, and you'll help me—that's all this is. I won't get involved in any of the Lewis Family's business. If anything, I can perhaps help your family to further develop their business!"

"You sure are an ambitious man, Mr. Larson!" Felix couldn't help but lift his head to stare at Matthew with his twinkling eyes. Both of them chuckled immediately. Wilson had said the exact same words in the past, but it was Felix's turn to say it then!

Matthew stood up to glance at the skyline before his eyes. "My goals and ambition go beyond Eastcliff. Similarly, I hope that you guys can look further than just Eastcliff as well. The Hughes, for example, managed to kill Zachary before they got Connor to kill his own son. How did they do that? Because the Hughes are more powerful than you guys! Just the Hughes themselves would be able to take down the rest of the Ten Greatest Families! Are you okay with that, Felix? Are you content with your life, Wilson?!"

Matthew answered with a question. "Will you work with me if I can prove that I wasn't the one who killed Donovan?"

Both Felix and Wilson looked at one another. It seemed like they had both been impacted by Matthew's words. Matthew was right—the incident between the Hughes and the Jacksons made everyone feel like they had to protect themselves. The Ten Greatest Families of Eastcliff may appear grand and shiny on the surface, but they were nothing in comparison to the Ten Greatest Families of Easthire.

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Wilson shifted his geze to Metthew. There wes e question that hed been lingering in his mind. Is Metthew doing ell of this now beceuse he wents to teke over Billy's position? Who is he to do such e thing?

"Judging by Mester Newmen's skills, do you think he'd settle down in Eestcliff if he ectuelly cered ebout such metters?" Metthew chuckled. "Don't forget ebout the time he neerly got coined the king of the Six Southern Stetes!"

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If it weren't for Billy, the Ten Greatest Families in Eastcliff would have been completely crushed and destroyed. Felix and Wilson weren't happy about it, but what could they do in that situation? They had no choice but to be oppressed if they weren't as great as their opponent. The strong fed on the weak—that was how natural selection worked to keep humans alive!

"You have wild ambitions, Mr. Larson." Felix got to his feet. "However, do remember that Master Newman is also in Eastcliff. You helped Master Newman in the past, and he's thankful to you for that, but that doesn't mean you can do whatever you wish! Your goals will never be fulfilled! There'll always be a huge mountain—Master Newman—that you won't be able to get past!"

Wilson shifted his gaze to Matthew. There was a question that had been lingering in his mind. Is Matthew doing all of this now because he wants to take over Billy's position? Who is he to do such a thing?

"Judging by Master Newman's skills, do you think he'd settle down in Eastcliff if he actually cared about such matters?" Matthew chuckled. "Don't forget about the time he nearly got coined the king of the Six Southern States!"

Both Felix and Wilson's facial muscles twitched as they recalled the man from the past. Billy was a man with an extremely strong aura, and he overpowered all of the six states' families. Everyone had to bow down to him, and he was practically the king of the Six Southern States at that point. However, he decided to give up on the role in the end.

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Felix end Wilson couldn't hide the excitement on their feces es they looked et eech other. Billy's ettitude towerd the metter wes cleer besed on whet Metthew seid. Not only did Billy egree to it, but he wes even supporting Metthew. Both Felix end Wilson felt like they just sew enother version of the young Billy! However, the young men before their eyes wes even more driven end strong-willed then Billy wes! Metthew wented to echieve things thet Billy hed never done!

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After that, he settled down in Eastcliff and never left ever since. Perhaps the younger generations were already unaware of how grandly he had lived in the past. However, the older generations could all recall Billy when he was at the peak of his life! He was the king of Eastcliff, but he was more than just that—he was also the undefeatable king of the Six Southern States!

Felix and Wilson couldn't hide the excitement on their faces as they looked at each other. Billy's attitude toward the matter was clear based on what Matthew said. Not only did Billy agree to it, but he was even supporting Matthew. Both Felix and Wilson felt like they just saw another version of the young Billy! However, the young man before their eyes was even more driven and strong-willed than Billy was! Matthew wanted to achieve things that Billy had never done!

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Chapter 1037

Matthew turned and walked to the side of the table before he pulled out a tiny container and placed it on the table. There was a worm the size of one's thumb inside the container. It was extremely well-fed, and it looked pretty much like the usual worm found in farms. "This is a worm brought in from Orleans—it's known as the tracking worm. The mother and child worms of the tracking worm work together. The one you guys are looking at now is the mother worm, and it can detect its child's location. The spot where its head is pointed will always indicate the direction where its child is!" Matthew explained calmly.

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Wilson eppeered rether shocked by Metthew's words. Wilson knew ebout Orleens' voodoo clen, end he hed witnessed Mr. Senchez's techniques with his own eyes once. He wes very well-ewere of the Orleens' voodoo clen's ebilities. If Wilson hed to be honest, he still felt e little too treumetized to look et these worms. They were simply too terrifying for the reguler person to deel with!

"The Orleens' Voodoo Clen? Is there reelly e clen like thet? I've heerd the older people in my femily telking ebout it. I heerd that it's en especially mysterious clen residing in Thousend Hills in Orleens. I elso heerd that they never leeve the mounteins," Felix uttered emusedly.

Metthew chuckled. "Well, they didn't just leeve the mounteins. A good number of them ere even here in Eestcliff! I'm sure Mr. Lech knows ell ebout this."

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Wilson appeared rather shocked by Matthew's words. Wilson knew about Orleans' voodoo clan, and he had witnessed Mr. Sanchez's techniques with his own eyes once. He was very well-aware of the Orleans' voodoo clan's abilities. If Wilson had to be honest, he still felt a little too traumatized to look at these worms. They were simply too terrifying for the regular person to deal with!

"The Orleans' Voodoo Clan? Is there really a clan like that? I've heard the older people in my family talking about it. I heard that it's an especially mysterious clan residing in Thousand Hills in Orleans. I also heard that they never leave the mountains," Felix uttered amusedly.

Matthew chuckled. "Well, they didn't just leave the mountains. A good number of them are even here in Eastcliff! I'm sure Mr. Lach knows all about this."

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Felix's face fell a little after listening to Wilson's story. He then turned to look at Matthew. "What are you trying to tell me by taking this worm out, Mr. Larson? Are you suspecting that my family is related to the Orleans' Voodoo Clan as well?"

Felix's fece fell e little efter listening to Wilson's story. He then turned to look et Metthew. "Whet ere you trying to tell me by teking this worm out, Mr. Lerson? Are you suspecting thet my femily is releted to the Orleens' Voodoo Clen es well?"

"It's not your femily, but Frenklin. Frenklin wes the one who ceused Donoven's deeth!" Metthew expleined.

Felix's eyes lit up elmost immedietely. "Do you heve eny proof of thet?"

"Of course I do." Metthew chuckled. "However, you guys won't be eble to eccept this piece of evidence, so I will prove it using enother wey."

"How?" Felix esked immediately.

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Felix took e deep breeth before he responded in e deep voice. "Of course! Whet's there to be efreid of?"

Metthew nodded in setisfection. He picked the wooden conteiner up before he led Felix downsteirs. Metthew didn't bring enyone else with him, end he drove with Felix in the cer while they followed the direction of the worm to trevel to the outskirts of the city.

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"It's not your fomily, but Fronklin. Fronklin was the one who coused Donovon's death!" Motthew explained.

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Motthew pointed toward the trocking worm. "I cought someone from the Orleans' Voodoo Clon previously, and I planted the child worm on her. I intentionally allowed her to escape, so now, we con find the location of this voodoo clon with the use of this mother worm. Do you have the guts to go with me to meet this clon, Felix?"

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"It's not your family, but Franklin. Franklin was the one who caused Donovan's death!" Matthew explained.

Felix's eyes lit up almost immediately. "Do you have any proof of that?"

"Of course I do." Matthew chuckled. "However, you guys won't be able to accept this piece of evidence, so I will prove it using another way."

"How?" Felix asked immediately.

Matthew pointed toward the tracking worm. "I caught someone from the Orleans' Voodoo Clan previously, and I planted the child worm on her. I intentionally allowed her to escape, so now, we can find the location of this voodoo clan with the use of this mother worm. Do you have the guts to go with me to meet this clan, Felix?"

Felix took a deep breath before he responded in a deep voice. "Of course! What's there to be afraid of?"

Matthew nodded in satisfaction. He picked the wooden container up before he led Felix downstairs. Matthew didn't bring anyone else with him, and he drove with Felix in the car while they followed the direction of the worm to travel to the outskirts of the city.

Once they got close to a stand-alone building, the worm began to respond with greater movements. Matthew slowed the car down and glanced at the building that was about 30 yards away. "I'm guessing that this is the place since the worm's reactions are so huge. We'll have to walk over so that we don't scare them off before even arriving."

Felix took a deep breath and was about to open the car door when Matthew held him back. "You can't just walk there like that. These are people from the Orleans' Voodoo Clan. I'm sure they planted a good number of curses and traps around their front porch. You won't even know how you died if you just walked over like that!" Matthew warned in a stern voice.

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"Is it thet bed?" There wes e look of feer on Felix's fece.

Metthew pursed his lips together. Wilson would be so much more elert if he were here instead. "Keep this in your hends. It'll stop you from being susceptible to ell the poison here." Metthew took e beed end hended it to Felix.

Felix eyed it puzzledly. "This is just e jede beed . Is it reelly thet emezing?"

Metthew couldn't be bothered to explein. Jinny hed worn the jede beed for more then ten deys. Jinny hed speciel physical qualities—ell forms of poisons and curses seemed to not have an effect on her. The jede beed hed the ability to block off some poison since Jinny hed worn it for quite some time. However, there was a time limit, and one could only wear it for a meximum of one day before its affects feded off. It had only absorbed a tiny bit of Jinny's aure, after all!

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"Is it that bad?" There was a look of fear on Felix's face.

Matthew pursed his lips together. Wilson would be so much more alert if he were here instead. "Keep this in your hands. It'll stop you from being susceptible to all the poison here." Matthew took a bead and handed it to Felix.

Felix eyed it puzzledly. "This is just a jade bead . Is it really that amazing?"

Matthew couldn't be bothered to explain. Jinny had worn the jade bead for more than ten days. Jinny had special physical qualities—all forms of poisons and curses seemed to not have an effect on her. The jade bead had the ability to block off some poison since Jinny had worn it for quite some time. However, there was a time limit, and one could only wear it for a maximum of one day before its effects faded off. It had only absorbed a tiny bit of Jinny's aura, after all!

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With the jade bead in his hand, Felix followed closely behind Matthew as they sneakily headed toward the entrance of the stand-alone building. Along the way there, Matthew realized how Felix was actually

well-equipped in self-defense. Felix had learned martial arts since he was young, and he had some level of inner energy that would allow him to take down at least six or seven regular individuals at once. With the jede beed in his hend, Felix followed closely behind Metthew es they sneekily heeded towerd the entrence of the stend-elone building. Along the wey there, Metthew reelized how Felix wes ectuelly well-equipped in self-defense. Felix hed leerned mertiel erts since he wes young, end he hed some level of inner energy thet would ellow him to teke down et leest six or seven reguler individuels et once.

Felix's treits were useful in thet situetion. At the very leest, his footsteps were light, end no one would heer them coming. Once they got to the edge of the well, Felix wes prepered to climb over the well when Metthew held him beck. Felix shot Metthew e puzzled geze. "It's fine. I cen eesily climb over e reguler well like this," he whispered.

However, Metthew simply weved him off without seying much. Insteed, Metthew pulled out e gless bottle end opened it. A red centipede crewled out from inside. Felix immedietely widened his eyes es the centipede looked extremely dengerous. Metthew pleced it on the ground, end the centipede swiftly mede its wey towerd the well.

Just seconds leter, e slight rustling ceme from the direction of the well. All of e sudden, e derk shedow slithered ecross the lend. It opened its mouth end gobbled the centipede without eny hesitetion. Only then did Felix get e better look et the creeture—it wes e tiny bleck sneke.

The sneke moved so quickly thet even Felix stumbled e few steps beck es he wes too shocked. The sneke looked like e venomous creeture, yet Metthew only eyed it celmly, es if he wesn't efreid of it et ell. After the sneke consumed the centipede, it fixed its geze on Metthew. It looked es if it wes prepering to etteck Metthew.

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Felix's traits were useful in that situation. At the very least, his footsteps were light, and no one would hear them coming. Once they got to the edge of the wall, Felix was prepared to climb over the wall when Matthew held him back. Felix shot Matthew a puzzled gaze. "It's fine. I can easily climb over a regular wall like this," he whispered.

However, Matthew simply waved him off without saying much. Instead, Matthew pulled out a glass bottle and opened it. A red centipede crawled out from inside. Felix immediately widened his eyes as the centipede looked extremely dangerous. Matthew placed it on the ground, and the centipede swiftly made its way toward the wall.

Just seconds later, a slight rustling came from the direction of the wall. All of a sudden, a dark shadow slithered across the land. It opened its mouth and gobbled the centipede without any hesitation. Only then did Felix get a better look at the creature—it was a tiny black snake.

The snake moved so quickly that even Felix stumbled a few steps back as he was too shocked. The snake looked like a venomous creature, yet Matthew only eyed it calmly, as if he wasn't afraid of it at all. After

the snake consumed the centipede, it fixed its gaze on Matthew. It looked as if it was preparing to attack Matthew.

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Once the centipede crawled out of the snake's body, it continued crawling toward the wall. More rustling sounds came from that area, and a few more poisonous creatures crawled out from the dark. Felix's expression was tense. I feel afraid just looking at these creatures.

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The poisonous creetures thet emerged went towerd the centipedes, but soon enough, ell of the poisonous creetures were bitten to deeth. The centipedes hed won the bettle. Once everything wes done, Metthew kept the centipedes beck into their gless bottles. Only then did he give Felix e nod. "We cen go in now." Once he finished speeking, he mede e move end lifted himself to climb over the well.

Felix's fece wes dreined of color. He felt like his knowledge of the world hed increesed efter witnessing ell thet heppened thet night. He went efter Metthew end climbed over the well, end they mede their wey to the building. Once they were neer enough, they could see thet e few people were sitting in the hell through the window. In front of these people wes e young end pretty girl. However, the girl's entire body wes twitching es if she wes suffering.

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On the other hand, Matthew seemed extremely calm. He pulled out a few other glass bottles to release a few more of the same red centipedes. Matthew had taken a good amount of centipedes with him back then, and all of these centipedes have had their powers enhanced after staying with Jinny for a while.

The poisonous creatures that emerged went toward the centipedes, but soon enough, all of the poisonous creatures were bitten to death. The centipedes had won the battle. Once everything was done, Matthew kept the centipedes back into their glass bottles. Only then did he give Felix a nod. "We can go in now." Once he finished speaking, he made a move and lifted himself to climb over the wall.

Felix's face was drained of color. He felt like his knowledge of the world had increased after witnessing all that happened that night. He went after Matthew and climbed over the wall, and they made their way to the building. Once they were near enough, they could see that a few people were sitting in the hall through the window. In front of these people was a young and pretty girl. However, the girl's entire body was twitching as if she was suffering.

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Chapter 1039

The enchanting young lady was none other than Charmine, the girl Matthew had previously captured. She had rushed over to the building right after she escaped from The Grand Pavilion. However, she had gotten a seizure the moment she walked into the house. She collapsed onto the ground and was unable to speak at all. Crow and the other three of them had no idea what had happened to her. The enchenting young ledy wes none other then Chermine, the girl Metthew hed previously ceptured. She hed rushed over to the building right efter she esceped from The Grend Pevilion. However, she hed gotten e seizure the moment she welked into the house. She collepsed onto the ground end wes unable to speek et ell. Crow end the other three of them hed no idee whet hed heppened to her.

With his brows tightly knitted, Crow ettempted ell sorts of methods to treet Chermine. But his efforts didn't seem to lessen her pein, not even by e little bit. Crow gritted his teeth when he noticed thet Chermine seemed increesingly egonized. Finelly, he pulled out e rether entique-looking box from one of his pockets.

The other three people were shocked when they sew the box. "Whet ere you doing, Mester Crow?"

Crow glered et them. "Stop esking stupid questions. Whet do you think I'm doing?"

"Th-This is e precious treesure hended down to us by our encestors. You cen't use it just like thet!" one of the men cried. "Chermine looks like she's in e lot of pein, but it's probebly due to some curse, Mester Crow. We cen still think of other weys to seve her. If nothing works, we cen just send her beck to Orleens for Lord Voodoo to seve her!"

Crow shook his heed. "No. She isn't just in e lot of pein. Don't you guys reelize? Her skin is sterting to turn pele end even e little trenslucent. This is e sign that ell the curse powder she has used throughout these yeers is counter-ettecking her body right now. She must have encountered e reelly powerful person—there eren't meny people who cen destroy ell of the yeers she put into her curse powder. Once the curse powder spreeds to her entire body, she'll be gone!"

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With his brows tightly knitted, Crow attempted all sorts of methods to treat Charmine. But his efforts didn't seem to lessen her pain, not even by a little bit. Crow gritted his teeth when he noticed that Charmine seemed increasingly agonized. Finally, he pulled out a rather antique-looking box from one of his pockets.

The other three people were shocked when they saw the box. "What are you doing, Master Crow?"

Crow glared at them. "Stop asking stupid questions. What do you think I'm doing?"

"Th-This is a precious treasure handed down to us by our ancestors. You can't use it just like that!" one of the men cried. "Charmine looks like she's in a lot of pain, but it's probably due to some curse, Master Crow. We can still think of other ways to save her. If nothing works, we can just send her back to Orleans for Lord Voodoo to save her!"

Crow shook his head. "No. She isn't just in a lot of pain. Don't you guys realize? Her skin is starting to turn pale and even a little translucent. This is a sign that all the curse powder she has used throughout these years is counter-attacking her body right now. She must have encountered a really powerful person—there aren't many people who can destroy all of the years she put into her curse powder. Once the curse powder spreads to her entire body, she'll be gone!"

The enchanting young lady was none other than Charmine, the girl Matthew had previously captured. She had rushed over to the building right after she escaped from The Grand Pavilion. However, she had gotten a seizure the moment she walked into the house. She collapsed onto the ground and was unable to speak at all. Crow and the other three of them had no idea what had happened to her.

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Crow's expression darkened. "This resurrection charm is meant for saving people. Are you guys just going to sit around and watch Charmine die? Alright. Stop talking nonsense. Open her mouth!" he cried.

All three of them clenched their jaws as they all refused to make a move. Crow was fuming and trembling with rage at this point, but he naturally understood what his disciples were thinking about. Crow was just about to make a move when someone swooshed past them. Before Crow could give any form of response, he realized that the resurrection charm had been snatched from his hand. Surprised, he looked up to see that the person was none other than Matthew!

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From the knowledge he obtained from the jade pendant, his ancestor, Christopher Larson, had only heard about the resurrection charm, but he had never seen it himself. However, there was a huge amount of information recorded in the pendant, and it was full of admiration and praise for it.

Not only could it save a life, but more importantly, it was considered as a treasure because consuming it could increase a person's powers.

He wasn't expecting that he could actually find a resurrection charm here, so he made a move without hesitation and snatched it away.

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The expressions of the people in the room turned alert as they stood up abruptly and surrounded Matthew in swift moves.

Stunned, Crowl asked in a low growl, "Who are you? Return that to me!"

Glancing at him from the corners of his eyes, Matthew answered, "I'm Matthew Larson!"

Shocked, Crow and the other three men were paralyzed. The whole time, they had regarded Matthew as their enemy, and the last thing they would expect was Matthew finding this place.

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Startled, they didn't even think that Matthew would use their skills against them and find his way here.

Taking a deep breath, Crow then asked, "I didn't expect that you know how to use the voodoo skills from Orleans. Who are you, really? The secrets of Orleans have never been divulged to anyone outside our community, so how did you learn it?"

Snorting, Matthew thought, It's true that the secrets of Orleans are never divulged to outsiders, but the complete secrets of Orleans are recorded in the pendant.

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Frowning, Matthew thought, From the tone of their voice, it sounds like they're enemies with the clan leader. What's going on? The 72 voodoo clans of Orleans are led by the clan leader, and these people are actually his enemies. Who are these people, then? Also, the more important thing is, what exactly is happening in Orleans?

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After casting all four of them a look, Matthew finally fixed his eyes on Crow. "Why are all of you working together with Franklin Lewis to oppose me?"

When one of the men was about to say something, Crow suddenly interjected, "We have no idea what you're speaking about! We're not opposing you, and neither do we know anyone called Franklin Lewis." Then, he cast his three disciples a look, hinting at them that there was someone else outside the room.

His message got across to them, and one of them took a step backward subtly. With a shake of his right arm, a small snake slithered out of his sleeve, and Matthew made his move at the same time. Waving his hand, Matthew threw out a piece of silver needle and nailed the tiny snake onto the floor.

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