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Matthew had a startled expression because he didn't see that coming, and both Lord Voodoo and Gregory had known each other for twenty years. At the thought of that, he suddenly had this unexpected realization in his mind. Are they connected to the daughter of the Larson Family back then?

"You ruined my business last time, Matthew. I'm not going to stop until I see you drowning in your blood!" Gregory bellowed and charged at Matthew. Soon after, Lord Voodoo joined the fight and attacked Matthew with Gregory. While Gregory was not much better than Lord Voodoo was, Matthew quickly found himself at a disadvantage, barely holding himself against the two of them.

Matthew soon noticed the door was open and wondered why it was so quiet outside. He couldn't help but wonder whether Tristan did not hear the commotion inside the room, which gave him a bad feeling as he should be not far away. Does Tristan hear everything that is going on inside the room? And who let out that scream? Is it Tristan's? Knowing what Tristan was capable of, Matthew believed that if Gregory and Tristan got into a fight, it would take Gregory some time to overwhelm Tristan. The more Matthew thought about it, the stranger it seemed to him. He realized he wouldn't stand a chance against the two men if he continued to battle them, so Matthew decided to flee with a fake move. But when he got to the door, he was taken aback by what he saw.

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Chapter 1664

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