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"No one is perfect, Mr. Lowe. I believe your son will change for the better under the continuous guidance of you and your wife!" Kai was very impressed with Glen's personality.

Frederick must've only become who he is today because Glen was too busy at work. He must've been so focused on his duty that he has neglected his son, causing the latter to have an arrogant personality.

Soon, Sebastian arrived with Frederick, who had a bandaged arm. The injury he sustained on his wrist had obviously been taken care of.

After walking through the door, he was not surprised to see William and Kai. It seemed like Sebastian had kept him up to speed while on the way there. "Dad..." Frederick called out in a shaky voice.

"You rascal! I'm going to beat you up!" Glen picked up a stool and aimed it at him. The latter was so frightened that he cowered in the corner of the room. It was apparent that he feared his father a lot.

"What are you doing, Glen?" Helen abruptly grabbed her husband while signaling Frederick to run upstairs through her gaze.

"Calm down, Mr. Lowe!" William approached him and urged.

Suddenly, Glen, still raising the stool, blacked out and collapsed to the ground. The sudden turn of events startled William and Helen.

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"Glen! Glen!" Helen yelled anxiously before turning to Sebastian and ordering, "Ouickly send him to the hospital!"

"Wait!" Kai rushed toward Glen and put his palm on the latter's forehead.

While she looked at him puzzledly, William remembered that Kai was a Miracle Doctor.

"Kai is well-versed in medicine, Mrs. Lowe! Let him check on Mr. Lowe!" William explained.

Helen nodded, although she was still doubting Kai's capability. By then, beads of cold sweat had broken out on her brow from anxiety.

Kai furrowed his brows upon checking Glen's condition, and his expression turned grim.

"Kai, is it bad?" William panicked after noticing the look on the younger man's face.

Where are we going to find a leader as upright as Glen if something goes wrong?

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Kai shook his head. "Mr. Lowe only collapsed due to fury. He's going to be fine!" However, he was actually more concerned about another matter.

Someone has used the Soul Capturing Technique on Glen! It must've been the man with a goatee! He must've done it when he shook hands with Glen. My earlier guess was correct.

The purpose of the Soul Capturing Technique was to make someone lose their soul temporarily. In other words, the victim would essentially turn into a walking corpse and would fully be under the caster's control.

Evidently, the man with the goatee had used the technique on Glen so that he would be given control over the land in the southern area of the city.

"Since he's going to be okay, it's time you wake Mr. Lowe up!" William quickly urged upon seeing how worried Helen was.

Kai nodded before applying pressure on one of Glen's acupressure points. In an instant, the mayor regained consciousness and opened his eyes slowly.

"Glen, you're awake! You scared me to death!" Helen let out a long sigh of relief.

Although Glen had woken up, he appeared visibly dazed. "What happened to me?"

"You blacked out due to fury! I've told you countless times to control your temper, haven't I? Why do you not listen? Luckily this young man is here with us. Otherwise, what were we supposed to do?" she grumbled while helping him up. Glen looked at Kai with bafflement written all over his face. "You know medicine?"

"Just a little!" The latter nodded.

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"Mr. Lowe, Kai knows a lot in medicine. In fact, he was the one who cured my sickness!" William told Glen proudly.

Kai would become his son-in-law eventually, so he took pride in the young man's capabilities.

"Is that so? I couldn't tell since he's so young!"

Glen did not take William's words seriously. In his opinion, excelling in medicine would take years. As Kai seemed like he was only in his twenties, he deemed it unthinkable for him to be a medical expert. Nevertheless, he did not retort William.

Just then, Helen said to William, "Sullivan, please stay for lunch. I'm going to cook now."

William immediately responded, "Mrs. Lowe, there's no need for the trouble—"

"Sullivan, it's not an inconvenience at all. Here, take a seat and play two rounds of chess with me. And let's drink during lunch!" interjected Glen, waving his hands at him.

Upon seeing that, William did not reject anymore. He sat down and started playing chess with Glen.

Kai watched their chess game from the side. He was hesitating if he should tell Glen about the Soul Capturing Technique.

After pondering for a while, he decided to reveal everything to the latter. Otherwise, Glen might be manipulated by those so-called businessmen. "Mr. Lowe, there's something I need to tell you," Kai piped up.

"What is it? Just tell me." Glen did not even lift his head as he uttered a reply. "When I checked your body just now, I found out that you have been cast with the Soul Capturing Technique. Someone is trying to manipulate you, most probably those businessmen." Kai told everything that he had discovered. Right after he spoke, Glen put aside the chess piece in his hand and raised his head. Staring at Kai sternly, he said, "Young lad, why are you so superstitious when we're living in a modern era? Soul Capturing Technique? That's the most foolish thing I have ever heard! Aren't you too ignorant?"

As the mayor of a city, unquestionably, Glen did not believe in his words and regarded manifestations of supernatural origin as tricks meant to deceive others.

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Meanwhile, William's expression turned solemn after he heard Kai. After all, he had witnessed Kai's ability in Lagrange Monastery with his own eyes. Thus, he knew the latter was not fooling around.

"Kai, are you speaking the truth? Are you certain about that?" he asked, facing the young man.

Kai nodded in affirmation.

With that, William shifted his gaze toward Glen. "Mr. Lowe, Kai knows about magical techniques. He can perceive things that most of us cannot. Maybe you should let him—"

"Shut up!" Glen furrowed his brows. "Sullivan, you are not a young lad anymore. How could you believe such nonsense coming out of a kid's mouth? Soul Capturing Technique? Where exactly is my soul then?"

"Mr. Lowe, please listen to me. It's—"

"Sullivan, if you don't stop now, I'll have to ask you to leave. This is a load of nonsense!"

Glen's countenance was frosty. He was evidently averse to Kai's words. After all, a man of his status could not believe in such things.

Seeing that he was adamant about it, William dared not press on. Kai also shook his head and kept quiet.

A short while later, Helen finished preparing the meal and invited them to the dining table. However, the atmosphere during lunch was somewhat awkward. Glen's face was black as thunder throughout the whole meal.

After lunch, William and Kai did not linger in the mayor's house for long. On their way back, William was still concerned. "Kai, was Mr. Lowe really cast with the Soul Capturing Technique?"

"Yes, it's true!" Kai nodded.

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"Then you should find a way to save him. A leader as good as him is hard to come by. Even though he might be conservative at times, he is a righteous and just person!" William implored, casting a pleading look at him.

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"I will!"

Even if William did not mention it, Kai would never let those businessmen have their ways. After all, it was related to the well-being of all the citizens in Horington.

Upon receiving his assurance, William heaved a sigh of relief. He had utter faith in Kai as he had witnessed his extraordinary capabilities.

Halfway through the car ride, Kai alighted the vehicle. Instead of following William to the Sullivan residence, he called Tommy and asked the latter to gather some men.

Moments later, Tommy arrived with a group of subordinates.

"Mr. Chance, did something bad happen?" he queried as soon as he arrived.

"Stop asking questions. Just come with me."

Kai brought him and the others to stand quard outside Glen's house.

"Uh... Isn't this Mr. Lowe's house? Mr. Chance, w-what are you trying to do?" An awkward look crept onto Tommy's face.

Even though he was the underground king of Horington, he was still afraid of Glen, the real king of Horington.

"I said stop asking questions!" Kai snapped as he reclined his seat.

Then, he lay down and closed his eyes to rest, ignoring Tommy.

Meanwhile, the three businessmen were in a remote inn in Horington.

The inn's living condition was terrible, hardly up to par with their statuses as businessmen. It seemed rather strange that the three of them would choose to stay in such a place.

The businessman with a goatee sat on the bed inside the room, whereas the other two stood humbly beside him.

His eyes were closed as he sat cross-legged. While his fingers moved rapidly, his lips quivered from him murmuring a long chant.

Just then, a wisp of black mist rushed out of his finger and vanished instantly.

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"All right! It's done!" The businessman with a goatee sneered.

"Hahaha! There's nothing that Mr. White can't do!" A slightly plump businessman let out a boisterous laugh.

As a matter of fact, only the other two men—one plump and the other thin—were actual businessmen, but not the man with a goatee. His true identity was a mage.

In the city where they came from, many people believed in magic, so there were many mages there.

Be it choosing an address for a new company, naming a child, or even choosing the venue for a business meal, people would seek help from a mage.

Even though there were many fake mages around swindling people out of money, there were some competent ones. They knew all sorts of magical techniques such as capturing souls, exorcising demons, and curing some intractable diseases. Hence, those mages rose to fame. Some were even engaged by the rich.

The man with a goatee, Nicholas White, was a skilled mage with the greatest reputation in that city. The two businessmen had hired him with a huge sum of money.

They were interested in Horington and wanted to start some highly profitable businesses. However, as they would cause heavy pollution, they feared the mayor of Horington—who was well-known to be an honorable man—would rebuff them. Thus, they invited Nicholas to come over with them.

At that moment, the thin businessman took out the contract he had prepared beforehand. His lips curled into a smirk as he uttered, "I have already prepared the contract. All that's left now is to wait for Glen to come and sign the contract. Once the deal's sealed, he won't be able to deny it!"

In fact, they had used the same method to settle many tricky deals and had never failed before.

"Transfer fifty million into my account after it's done," Nicholas said faintly. "Will do!" the two businessmen replied obsequiously, nodding non-stop.

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Meanwhile, back in the Lowe residence, Glen, who was napping, suddenly opened his eyes.

He stared right at the ceiling with a glazed look in his eyes.

A few seconds later, he stood up, put on his coat, and walked out with a stiff gait. Helen was cleaning the living room when she saw him walking out of the bedroom. Puzzled, she asked, "Glen, did something happen? Why did you wake up from your nap suddenly?"

Yet, he ignored her and opened the door to leave the house.

"Why isn't he answering me?" Helen grumbled but did not read into it. She then continued to do her chores.

After walking out of the house, Glen got into his car and drove off.

"Mr. Chance! He came out. He's out!" Tommy saw Glen driving away and immediately nudged Kai.

Kai sat upright and observed Glen closely. Right away, he understood what was going on. "Follow him!" he ordered.

Tommy immediately started the engine and followed Glen's car.

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Glen's car swerved around Horington for a long while and eventually stopped in front of a remote inn.

"What is he doing at such a place?" Tommy asked quizzically.

Kai glanced at the shabby inn and did not respond to him. Instead, he got out of the car and watched Glen walk into the building.

"Order your men to surround this inn. No one is allowed to leave!" Without delay, he gave Tommy an instruction.

The latter nodded and shifted his gaze toward his subordinates. "Here's an order from Mr. Chance. Surround the inn, and don't let anyone leave. You'll pay with your life if you miss even a fly!" he uttered coldly.

"Yes, Sir!" The men from Templar Regiment immediately surrounded the inn and were on standby.

"Go in there with me!" Kai brought Tommy into the inn.

Inside one of the rooms on the second floor, Glen was standing inside like a puppet. There was no trace of life within his eyes.

Nicholas and the two businessmen stared at him and burst into laughter.

"Hahaha! What a useless mayor. He's just a pawn in our hands!"

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The plump businessman guffawed as he patted Glen's face provocatively. The thin businessman, too, yelled with elation, "Who would have thought that the mayor of Horington would become our puppet. From now on, the entire Horington will belong to us..."

"Hurry, take out the contract and let him sign it first!" Nicholas urged.

His task would only be completed after Glen signed the contract, and Nicholas would then receive his pay.

The thin businessman immediately whipped out the contract and handed it to Glen with a pen. "Sign the contract now!"

Without hesitation, the latter took the pen and signed his name on the contract.

He also took the seal from his briefcase and stamped it on the contract. "It's a done deal! Hahaha!"

Holding the contract, the two businessmen laughed like maniacs.

Nicholas also smirked. "Sirs, since the matter has been settled, shouldn't you pay me now?"

"Of course!"

The plump businessman hurriedly took out his phone and transferred fifty million into Nicholas' bank account.

Seeing the notification on his phone, Nicholas beamed with joy. Bam!

When the three of them were overwhelmed with delight, someone suddenly kicked the door open.

Tommy rushed in with a ferocious expression while Kai followed behind.

"Kneel on the floor! No one is allowed to move!" the former barked, wielding a heavy, broad blade.

The menacing look he displayed caused the two businessmen to think he was a robber.

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While the duo's attention was on Tommy, Nicholas spotted Kai and frowned. He remembered seeing him in Glen's house before.

At that time, he had taken a gander at Kai because he had a vague feeling that the latter was different from others. Nonetheless, he could not put his finger on it.

After all, Kai was an energy cultivator. A mere mage would not be able to detect his spiritual energy.

"Who are you guys? How dare you try to rob us? Do you know who he is?" the plump businessman berated.

"That's right. This man is Glen, the mayor of Horington. Do you want to go to prison?" the thin businessman chimed in.

"D*mn you! Stop talking and kneel now!" Tommy spat and kicked the two businessmen forcefully, causing them to fall to the floor.

As they were used to living a luxurious life, they could not withstand his kick and groaned on the ground.

"Young man, tell us what you want. Just don't hurt us!" Nicholas said while looking at Kai.

He could tell that Kai was the one who had the final say.

Kai's lips curled as he said disdainfully, "You know what I want. How dare you use the Soul Capturing Technique in Horington?"

"Who are you?" Nicholas scowled and reckoned Kai was also a mage since he could name the Soul Capturing Technique.

"There's no need for you to know who I am!"

Kai shifted his gaze toward Glen, who was standing emotionlessly, before casting a surge of spiritual energy into his head. The latter trembled, and life returned to his eyes.

"W-Where am I?" Glen asked in shock when he came around.

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"Mr. Lowe, these men made you come here using the Soul Capturing Technique," Kai explained.

That time around, Glen did not berate him. Instead, he stared at the two businessmen lying on the floor and Nicholas, who was visibly anxious.

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Kai pointed at the two businessmen and commanded, "Explain everything to Mr. Lowe now!"

"Speak!" Tommy pressed his blade against their necks.

With that, the two businessmen recoiled in fear. When they were about to come clean, Nicholas suddenly took a bag and shook it forcefully.

Wisps of black mist rushed out from the bag and filled the room instantly. Fear rooted Glen to the spot. Tommy, on the other hand, did not show any reaction. He was not afraid as he had seen such sinister spirits in Lagrange Monastery, not to mention Kai had told him about it too.

"What a lame trick!" Kai sneered.

Opening his mouth, he sucked the black mists into his stomach.

That sight threw Nicholas off.

Needless to say, Glen was utterly baffled. It was beyond his comprehension as he had never witnessed such a sight.

Thud!

Scared out of his wits, Nicholas dropped to his knees before Kai.

"Please spare my life. I've learned my mistake..." he pleaded, groveling on the floor.

In Nicholas' eyes, Kai was in the same trade as him, but the younger man was more skilled.

"Explain everything to Mr. Lowe!" Kai ordered.

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With all the fight trickled out of him, Nicholas dared not disobey Kai and recounted the whole event to Glen.