

## Pinnacle 21

### Chapter 21

"Don't think we are ignorant of what you'd done to the Garrison family," Aaron scoffed, "they have warned us to prepare ourselves for a bloodbath."

"Why do you have to piss off the Garrison family? Are you looking to get yourself killed?"

Caitlyn and Aaron were raving mad.

"If it's not for Zoey, I'd have kicked you out of our house a long time ago." Aaron spat with such fury that his veins stood out in his neck, "You could have been sleeping at the streets by now!"

Zoey did not want to aggravate the hostility of his parents towards Levi, but she felt Levi had acted too rashly as well.

We were lucky to have Azure Dragon bail us out this time. But what about next time? Will we get lucky again?

"Who are you to step on the toes of the Garrison family?" Caitlyn glared at Levi with total contempt, "You don't even have a place to stay on your own!"

"Mum, Levi actually has the villa..."

Zoey was trying to explain to her mum that Levi had just got his villa back, but Caitlyn cut her off abruptly, "Don't give me that crap about his villa. He's simply a ticking time bomb, you shouldn't hang around with him all the time. I'd rather you use your time to source for investors instead!"

"You should know well that the Garrison family is untouchable, not even the Lopez family could hold a candle to them. We'll be doomed should the Garrisons decide to come at us. I'm warning you, Levi, I'll get Zoey to seek a divorce with you if you ever dare to infuriate the Garrison family again!"

The next day.

to leave the house when Caitlyn reminded Zoey, "It's going to be the National holidays soon and your cousin is coming over to spend the holidays with us. Can

"Sure, mum."

their hands full at the moment. Caitlyn worked in the hospital while Aaron had just started a another frustrating day for Zoey. Every investor she

All he did was take down the names of those

as long as she could, since she could not

had definitely stressed

Caitlyn were exasperated and wore a worried look on

placid smile, "I'm sure

air of confidence, since he knew he had made all the

“Of course it’s easy for you to say that, since

Ding Dong...

It surprised them

all here, Uncle Aaron and Aunt Caitlyn. Grandpa would

he

after, Levi, Zoey and her parents came to the family complex

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“I’m a bit offended, Zoey.” Harry smiled ruefully, “How could you forget about your own family?”

“Grandpa, I...”

“You should have come to me instead. The Lopez Group could work out something for you. You know it’s well within our means to take on that Ecological Park project of yours.”

“I could even provide the startup capital for your project!” said Harry seriously.

“I bet there’s going to be some conditions attached to it?” Levi drove straight to the point. “Or you wouldn’t be so kind as to provide the funding.”

He had seen through the ulterior motive for Harry to fund the project.

“Good, I like to deal with smart people.” Harry grinned, “It’d save me a lot of my time.”

His words prompted Samuel Robertson, who was sitting next to Harry, to pass over the contract to Zoey.

“Take a look at this, Zoey.”

Zoey immediately studied the contract when they passed it to her.

The content was straightforward.

The contract stated that Lopez Group would get up to ninety percent of the profits for the Ecological Park project for providing the funds to Imperial Meadows Limited.

Aaron into a fit of rage after

to ask for such a huge chunk of

Harry had never regarded him as his own son, but

if he was trying to lure the bait to the hook, “You would end up without a cent once the project was annulled. But if you accept our funding, you’d

the funds

the funds she needed for

the Lopez family the biggest winner with a whopping ninety percent of the profits. Even Mr. Jennings could do nothing

true, Aaron.” Henry chipped in, “We should work together since we’re family.

this. I’ll leave you

left Levi, Zoey

something left on the plate for us. You should know better that your chances of

Zoey to put her name down on

sign it!” Levi

can secure the funding you

Do we hold you

was in a dilemma as she eyed Levi skeptically.

left to go, why don’t we hang on till the last day to see if we could pull in some investments?” he suggested, “It’s still not too late to sign the contract

“Sounds like a plan!”

work

## **God Of War Pinnacle**

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Levi left the house to meet up with Azure Dragon, whom he had instructed to wait for him outside the house.

“What can I do for you, Sir?” Azure Dragon asked.

“I want you to contact these companies.” Levi handed him a list of company names.

The following morning.

Zoey was woken up by Aaron in the wee hours of the morning.

“Where the hell is Levi? I presume he was out last night to source for funding, but what’s taking him so long to come back?” Aaron said disapprovingly, “He just can’t do anything right. He’s a born loser, a good-for-nothing!”

It angered Zoey to think that Levi did not even bother to inform her when he knew he would be out the whole night.

“We’d better sign the contract before it’s too late. Let’s meet up with Harry now!”

Harry and his men were already standing by at the family mansion when Zoey and her family arrived.

An euphoric smile hung on their faces as they greeted Zoey and her family.

It was all too gratifying for Harry and company to see the three of them come begging with their tail between their legs.

“You should have known better than to make a fool out of yourself, Aaron.” Henry and Fabian jeered at him, “Can’t you see that there’s no way you guys could ever get the investments?”

lowered his head and said feebly,

his chest when

them to hold back for three more days, they would have signed it on the same day when it was offered to them, It would have seemed more like a respectable

beg them for the contract. Knowing the contract was now the last resort for Zoey, it would only make Aaron looked desperate and

family had never felt such humiliation

sign it now, grandpa.” Zoey informed

he curled his lips into a

Didn’t we agreed on a ninety percent cut for you and ten percent

hit Zoey as she stared at Harry incredulously. Harry had just dropped

accordingly?” Harry said scornfully, “That’s our offer.

now in his court, Harry knew it was he who called the shots. The

wincing at the cold-bloodiness of these

her grandpa for

pass! I’ll give up the project altogether!” she said in a fit of rage, “Nobody would get a dime out of

you say that, Zoey? Five percent would still give

right, Zoey. We can’t afford to lose it, just

relentless pestering from Aaron and Caitlyn left Zoey with no choice

Don’t sign the

as Zoey was about to ink the contract,

away the pen from Zoey’s hands, “why do we have

## **Chapter 24**

It was a succession of top end luxury cars which included Maybach, Rolls Royce, and many more.

Each of these cars could easily cost over tens of millions!

The Lopez family looked on with a dazed expression. What the hell is going on here?

What are all these cars doing here?

Everyone went pop-eyed when they saw the faces of the people who alighted from the cars. They were a group of impeccably dressed, middle-aged men and women who carried an overpowering air of status and power.

Each of them carried a business savvy look synonymous to the directors of some top corporations.

“Huh? Isn’t that the President of Far East Investments, Mr. Feliciano Hayes? What brings him here?”

“Look, that’s the General Manager of Orc Investments Limited, Mr. Roberto Norris!”

“Isn’t that guy the boss of Starlight Property Development Limited, Mr. Lorenzo Woods?”

“Oh, my god! Even Pedro Zinno, the President of Hercules Property Development Company, is here too!”

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Fabian, Henry, and the rest of them murmured among themselves into a frenzy.

The names they had murmured were the super-rich and powerful leaders who ruled the corporate world of North Hampton. Each of their net worth were in billions.

Lopez Group looked so insignificant in the eyes of these super rich. Any one of them could easily take out the Lopez Group without even battling an eyelid.

so many big shots coming together was a sight to

took their breath

the rest to hurry themselves forward and greeted the billionaires with fawning attention; “Greetings, Mr.

to their greetings. All the billionaires walked past them as if

said in disbelief, “Could it be they

in stupefaction,

playing tricks on her. These were the same group of people she had approached before to solicit for their interests in

going on? What are

I’m Feliciano

Ms. Lopez. I’m Pedro Zinno and

to meet you, Ms. Lopez. I’m Lorenzo Woods from

...

billionaires introduced themselves in

Everybody gasped in awe.

and the others from the Lopez family

was beyond their wildest imagination to think that these billionaires

even though she tried to recompose herself, “H-Hello

nervous, Ms. Lopez! We’re here to discuss our

East Investments would be

Property Development would be willing to provide up to

to invest up

provide up to three billion in funding and even take over the construction of your project. Please let Hercules Property Development be your partner

project! We would not ask for a share of your profits, Miss Lopez. All we want is to

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“However,” Zoey added, “I’m afraid you have misunderstood the amount of funding that I’m seeking. The amount you’ve mentioned is way beyond what I’m asking for. All I need for the project is only a hundred million.”

“Just name any amount, Ms. Lopez.” Lorenzo Woods said with an air of indulgence, “Unless you’re asking for tens of billions, I’m ready to pump billions into your project.”

The words of Lorenzo Woods sent Harry’s blood pressure up a few notches when he heard he was ‘ready to pump billions into your project’. His legs wobbled, and he saw stars spinning around his head.

Zoey’s mind was in a whirlwind as she quivered in her reply, “Everybody, I am humbled by your overwhelming interest in my project. But a hundred and fifty million would be more than enough for my project.”

“How about this?” Feliciano Hayes swept his eyes across the room and suggested. “Since there are fifteen of us here, why don’t we each come up with ten million?”

“That would be the perfect solution! It would give each of us an opportunity to help Ms. Lopez.” Feliciano Hayes said, “Make sure we are not treating this as an investment or loan. It should be a giveaway to Ms. Lopez!”

Gulp!

Aaron and Caitlyn were swallowing so hard that everyone could hear them gulped.

A hundred and fifty million giveaway to our daughter?

What makes our daughter turned into a money spinning machine all of a sudden?

Everybody is begging for her to take their money.

Zoey insisted,

Ms. Lopez. Ten million is

it's just some petty cash to

insisted they should treat the

hear what she'd just said?" Levi snapped,

the billionaires shuddered with

Sure! Indeed! It should be

Everyone nodded emphatically.

ladies and gentlemen, would you mind coming to my company, Imperial Meadows Limited, to

than willing to come anytime to

continued their frenzied

Zoey walked up to Harry and said apologetically, "I can't accept

"You!"

anger as he pointed a trembling finger at Zoey. He let out

mansion amidst a wave of

victory for

had finally

smoothly, and the funds all came in as

launch the

## **Chapter 26**

Their explanation seemed plausible to Zoey.

So, it was only because they wanted to please the big guns like Azure Dragon and Orlando that these billionaires showed up in person to invest in my project.

"So did you explain to every one of them in person?"

Zoey looked at Levi and felt her heart ached when she thought about what Levi must have gone through to get the support of those billionaires.

"Yes, I did. It was quite tiring indeed." Levi smiled gently.

In actual fact, all he needed was just a call. His word was almost as good as a decree.

"I owe it to you, Levi." Zoey said with heartfelt gratitude, "It's all because of you that we're able to pull this off."

"You're right. All credit goes to Levi. It was him who had turned the situation around, I had almost given up hope."

Aaron was extremely pleased with Levi's performance today.

"I am still grappling with what's happening, actually." Caitlyn gushed.

She was starting to see Levi in a more positive light now.

"Levi, why don't you change into a new set of clothes since you've been wearing them for a while." Caitlyn said, "Just put the clothes in the laundry basket and I'll get them wash at the hospital. I am on duty tomorrow and I need to get my uniform washed as well."

Levi

The following day.

to follow up on the project while Caitlyn

could wash her clothes and get them sterilized as

because it was free and convenient since

do her laundry ever since her family

utilities bill?" A woman walked in and asked in a penetrating voice, "Must you be such a cheapskate?

name was Jelena Keaton. She worked

with Caitlyn, she was tipped as the favorite to be the department's next assistant supervisor. There assistant supervisor

liked each other, since Jelena was a prickly character who would taunt Caitlyn whenever she saw

got to do with you?" Caitlyn refuted, "You're not the one who's paying

Caitlyn emptied her laundry

toss Levi's clothes into

careless chap! How could he even forget

emptied the contents

lighter, both were of a navy green color. Caitlyn did not

he was bound to recognize them instantly. Those were war zone cigarettes that no amount of money could



connections to have access

rarest of them would be those with a sniper logo. They were so rare that even the big guns

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“What is this? God of War?” Caitlyn squinted her eyes to read the name written on the document, “What’s written here? Garrison something?”

Caitlyn was trying to figure out the full name on the pass when she was startled by a voice from behind, “What are you looking at, Dr. Black?”

Caitlyn had to put the pass behind her before she could get a good look at the name.

“Oh, nothing.” Caitlyn grinned.

The voice belonged to Jelena Keaton, who was eyeing Caitlyn suspiciously.

“I see, fine.” Jelena shrugged and left.

Unbeknown to Caitlyn, Jelena had been standing behind her while she was checking the Officer Pass. She had even quietly taped down the process with her cellphone.

Jelena sheepishly sneaked to a discreet corner of the hospital and took out her phone.

“Officer, I want to report a theft by Caitlyn Black of The Third District Hospital Cardiac Surgery department.” she whispered over the phone, “I saw with my own eyes that she had stolen an Officer Pass along with a bank card. There was a bunch of chips too, I bet there must be some confidential information inside. I have even taped it down as proof, Officer.”

“Whose Officer Pass is that? Did you see the name and rank?” The officer asked from the other end of the call.

“Oh, it belongs to the God of War, Officer! I am absolutely sure of that. I have the photo and the video to prove it.”

“Okay.”

car sirens filled the air. A succession of police cars stormed into the compounds of the Third in bullet-proof vests

was arrested and tucked into the police car. She

and videos taken by Jelena

Police Station,

Patrol Squad, Xavier

inspected the Officer Pass carefully with

a deep breath and said, “This is

to be absolutely sure about this, Captain. Why don't we  
and check it out. He's from the First Metallic  
those cards. But we were not granted the  
ordered, "I want you guys to interrogate that  
Inside the interrogation room.  
stop herself from shaking, even though  
with us! Where did you  
to my son-in-law!" Caitlyn said  
spouting rubbish!!! Do you know the  
have no idea..." Caitlyn  
is an Officer Pass that belongs to the God of War!"  
Boom!

## **Chapter 28**

"Sure. Can you find out the name of that woman in the interrogation room?"

"What is it? Caitlyn Black? Are you sure it's Caitlyn Black?"

Xavier Fields gave the name to Steven Shaw.

Steven Shaw hoicked Xavier Fields to a discreet corner when he heard the name.

"You've got the wrong person! Caitlyn Black is the God of War's mother-in-law!"

"What? Oh, my God!" Xavier Fields got the shock of his life.

"Listen, Xavier." Steven instructed, "Just block any information and take it that nothing has happened today. Remember, don't let out any word about it! I'll inform Azure Dragon and we'll leave it to the God of War to deal with this."

"Alright, I'll do as you say."

Xavier Fields was still reeling from the sudden shock. He could hardly stop the quivering in his legs.

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Levi was with Zoey when he received the call from Azure Dragon. He came down to the police station after they briefed him about the matter.

He took back his wallet from Xavier Fields without making a fuss about it.

Xavier and his men could finally heave a deep sigh of relief.

suggested, "I'll follow up with Ms. Caitlyn Black

giving

may leave now,

to hear those words. It brought her to tears again, however, this time, it was

You're free to go now, since we found out that the Officer Pass was a fake document. But please remind your son-in-law not to use such fake

"I'll make sure

waiting for you outside. You may

out of the

moment she saw Levi standing by the counter, waiting

"Mum..."

me in deep shit, you fool! Why do I have

like a thief when they arrested her and took her to the police station. She had never been to a police

leave Zoey for good. You'll only ruin her future with those dirty dealings you've picked up in prison!" she ranted, "How dare you come

in frustration, "I did not

only blame his own carelessness,

in your vices, or I shall never let you get away with it!" Caitlyn blasted out at Levi, "I'm giving you one last chance and I'll keep it from Aaron and

full of rage she

"Alright, mum."

said, they left the station and Levi sent Caitlyn back to

expecting everyone to cast weird glances

everyone behaved as if it was

What's going on?

## **Chapter 29**

"I'm not hiding anything from you, mum." Levi repeated, "The pass is real."

"Huh! Do you think I'm a fool to take your word?"

Caitlyn hung up the call when she heard him kept insisting that his pass was real.

She was now certain this had nothing to do with Levi.

Caitlyn concluded that the police must have instructed the hospital to put up a normal front and act as if nothing had happened, in order to avoid tarnishing its reputation.

The project went smoothly for the days that followed.

But they would soon need to halt it because of the upcoming stretch of National holidays.

“Levi, can you go pick up my cousin at the University of North Hampton? Her name is Abigail Rogers.”

Zoey said to Levi, “I’ve sent her number to your phone.”

She could not take time off from the project at this point of time, so she sought Levi’s help to pick up her cousin.

“Sure, leave it to me!”

“But shouldn’t her name be Abigail Black?”

Levi gave her a quizzical look.

“That’s because Abigail has adopted her mother’s surname.” Zoey explained.

Levi called up Azure Dragon after leaving the construction site. “Get me a car, Azure Dragon.” he ordered, “I want to keep a low profile, so a normal car will do.”

after, Azure Dragon showed up with the

was a Maserati

shook his head helplessly and got

of the east building of

waited for almost half a day, but there was

seen. Levi took out his phone and dialed the number Zoey had given

“Hello, who’s this?”

voice

is Levi, your brother-in-law. I’m here to pick you up at

said in a surprise tone, “I was thinking of going back

are you now?” asked Levi, “I’ll come over

at Dynasty KTV, VIP room

for me. I’ll be

had just hung up the call when her friend asked, “Who’s

he’s coming to fetch

her brows in

that guy. Everybody in North Hampton knows about his shabby coming to fetch you? Are you sure?

to be seen around with a

her jaw amidst the mockery of her friends. She regretted for having agreed to let Levi come and was a mere slip of tongue that made her agreed to it. I should

you, Abigail?" A guy asked. His name was Yannick Zann, Abigail's classmate. He had been wooing her for quite some time.

from a rich family

### **Chapter 30**

"Hahahaha..,"

The rest of them cackled.

Abigail felt utterly disgraced. How she wished there was a hole for her to hide herself without being seen.

She muttered in dismay, "This is so embarrassing! How could Zoey have asked him to fetch me?"

She refused to even lift her head to look at Levi.

Levi ignored the guys who kept taunting him.

"Shall we leave, Abigail?" he asked.

Abigail finally raised her head and looked straight at Levi, "Why don't you just head back on your own? I don't need you to fetch me. I know my way home."

"But Zoey insists that I pick you up." Levi's patience was waning, "Come on, let's go."

"Hey, you! Didn't you hear what Abigail said? She asked you to leave her alone. Are you deaf or something? Who do you think you are to insist that Abigail to leave with you? Get lost!"

"Yeah, Yannick will send Abigail when the party's over." The classmates cum lackeys of Yannick tried to get rid of Levi, "You're not welcome here! Get your ass out of here!"

"You'd better leave with me now!" Levi's eyes never left Abigail. He knew what nasty tricks her classmates were trying to play on Abigail. "I've promised Zoey to fetch you and that's what I'm going to do!"

"I'm asking you to leave!" Abigail snapped, "Why do I have to go with you when I don't even know who you are? I'll go back on my own!"

Boom!

their VIP room was

kicked

happened to you,  
got up to help Peyton to his feet once they recognized  
into the room. Her beaten face had swollen to  
God! What  
and the rest rushed forward to lift her up. They were  
of bullies when I came out of the restroom.  
nasty looking fellows stomped their way  
These little sexy students looked yummy to my eyes! Oh, what a grand  
of thugs drooled when they saw  
gaze swept across the pairs of fair,  
ones who had beaten up my  
were all staring at the  
was no reason for them to fear the thugs, given  
show how macho they were in front of their  
the ones that whacked him  
of the thugs, a guy with his hair dyed in  
or I'll beat the shit out of you!" Yannick warned, determined to flaunt his bravery in front  
so funny it almost choked me, guys. Do you really think a few lame students like you could beat the shit  
out of us?  
"Hahaha..."  
thugs chuckled