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"Rick, it's you! What are you trying to do? Are you really planning a coup?"

Patrick's expression immediately sank when he saw Rick leading all those experts inside.

He had initially been doubtful of Leon's speculation, feeling like there was no way Rick would try to seize power again for no reason.

However, it seemed like Leon's guess was right. Rick really was rebelling!

"Patrick, don't be so rude! I just think that you've been letting your age get to you, and you've been losing your touch. You're no longer suited to control the family! I think you should step down while you can and give way!" Rick sneered.

"You..."

"So you really are staging a coup!" Patrick was furious when he heard that.

He finally understood that Rick was not aiming for Damian's position this time but to take his position as the head of the family!

"So what if I am?!" Rick said calmly, not denying it.

"Despicable! If I'd known this would happen, I should have cut you off like Leon said! Otherwise, this wouldn't be happening!" Patrick shouted furiously, starting to regret things.

Last time, Leon had constantly told him to deal with Rick to get rid of any future problems when Leon had broken Nigel's legs.

In fact, Leon even offered to help Patrick get rid of Rick as long as Patrick gave the order!

However, he thought that it was because Leon hated the second line. After all, Nigel captured Cynthia, so he never considered Leon's suggestion!

Yet, at that moment, Leon's words rang true. He had kept a traitor in the family!

It was obvious how much he regretted things at that moment!

However, it was already too late for regrets!

"Patrick, cut the crap. Only those who are capable can be the family head! If you know your place, then hand your position over. Then, I might consider showing you some mercy. Otherwise, don't blame me for being ruthless!" Rick said coldly.

"With just you? Rick, the elders are all in support of me right now, and I'm quite a bit stronger than you! What right do you have to become the family head?!" Patrick said in frustration, unable to guess where Rick got that courage from.

"Are you talking about the five old farts? Eugene, bring them out to show your uncle!" Rick laughed.

After that, Eugene led a few of the experts over, who tossed the five elders on the ground.

"How is this possible?!"

Patrick could not believe his eyes at the sight.

He knew how strong the five elders were. They were at the Semi Emperor State and not that much weaker

than Rick.

It was impossible for Rick to take them on himself!

Yet, at that moment, all of them had been captured by Rick without a sound!

That was just unbelievable.

He could not understand how Rick did it.

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As if they saw Patrick's confusion, the five elders said with bitter looks on their faces,

"Patrick, we were defeated by the experts from the Martells..."

"What? So it's the doing of Charlie and the Martells!" Patrick was shocked. After that, he turned to look and finally noticed Charlie, who was not far away from Rick.

"Haha, that's right. It's me!" Charlie laughed as he walked out of the crowd.

"Charlie, what is the meaning of this?" Patrick said with a dark expression.

"What do you think? Old man, I've given you a chance to give me Iris before this, but you refused to agree! Since you didn't know your place, then I was just forced to help the second line of descendants instead!" Charlie said with a playful look on his face.

"You..."

"Charlie, based on the rules of the martial world, any force can't just interfere with the inner workings of another family so easily. You're violating the rules of our world by interfering with the Scammells right now. Aren't you afraid the Martells will be hated for this?" Patrick said angrily.

"So what? If I'm not going to follow any martial honor, are you going to do anything about it?" Charlie said with a laugh.

The Martells were under the Southern Boss, and the Southern Boss was the ruler of the underworld in the Southern Region. His name was not to be trifled with.

Those families like the Thompsons cared a lot about their name and reputation, but the Martells and the Southern Boss were more concerned with profits!

Their reputation was not that important.

As long as the Martells did not cross the line too much and incite any attacks from other sides, then it was fine.

That was also the primary reason he had never actually done anything while helping Rick!

"Despicable!" Patrick was so furious his expression soured greatly, but there was nothing he could do.

"Alright, old man, I'm not in the mood to waste any more time on you! Basically, I'll give you one last chance right now. You can choose to be obedient and hand over the family as well as Iris! Otherwise, suffer the consequences yourself!" Charlie said coldly. After that, he turned to look at Iris, who was not far away, with an intense look in his eyes.

"Impossible! I won't give her to you. Just forget about that!" Patrick said coldly.

He had already rejected Charlie once before. Since Charlie had done something so dishonorable and despicable, there was no way he would give Iris to him!

"You really don't know your place! Since you want to die, I'll grant you your wish!

Anderson, get rid of this old man!" Charlie had been angered. He quickly issued an order to the middle-aged man.

“Yes!” Anderson acknowledged.

After that, he quickly shot forward and attacked Patrick with impressive force.

“Intermediate Emperor State!”

Patrick’s expression changed drastically when he felt the power coming from Anderson.

After that, he immediately tried to avoid Anderson’s attack and started to fight him.

After some intense clashes, they had gone through over ten exchanges.

Since Anderson was even stronger, he was quickly at an advantage. He started to force Patrick to retreat, Patrick found himself unable to fight back.

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However, Patrick was thankfully strong enough to be placed at the top of all those at the Initial Emperor

State.

Even though he was no match for Anderson, he was still able to hold on with some techniques. He was not being completely dominated.

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Rick had a cold glint in his eyes as he looked at Patrick struggling so frantically.

After that, he decided to take advantage of Patrick’s lack of alertness as he charged forward with all his might, aiming at Patrick’s back!

He planned on ending the battle to prevent any surprises!

“Shameless!” Patrick was shocked. He quickly turned and tried to avoid Rick’s attack.

However, he was still not at the level of Anderson in strength. Yet, Rick had joined the fray as well.

He could defend his back, but he could not defend his front at the same time. He quickly found himself

defenseless.

“Just stay down!” Taking the chance, Anderson struck forth with immense power, aiming right at Patrick’s chest.

With danger right in front of him, Patrick was forced to strike out quickly.

Bang!

After an intense clash, Anderson’s strike, which contained all his true energy, immediately started to get through Patrick’s defenses, slamming heavily on Patrick’s chest.

Patrick spat out three mouthfuls of blood after that attack. He was sent flying for several meters before he fell to the ground.

Right after that, he felt an intense pain in his chest. He had clearly suffered heavy internal injuries and lost the ability to fight back.

“Dad, Grandfather, are you alright?”

Seeing that, Damian and Iris were both in a state of panic. They quickly rushed forward and helped Patrick

1. up.

“Rick, you despicable man! Not only are you trying to take control this time, you’ve even tried to scheme against me. You aren’t even afraid of going against your own flesh and blood! Have you fed your heart to the dogs?!” After Patrick coughed a few times, he looked at Rick with immense anger.

“Patrick, the strong have always ruled over the weak! If you want to blame anyone, you should blame your own stupidity! Don’t be so angry at me!” Rick said with a sneer, not showing any trace of remorse or regret at all.

“Anderson, grab Iris!” Seeing as things were already settled, Charlie got a bit anxious. His full focus was immediately on Iris.

To him, getting Iris was the most important. Everything else was secondary!

“Yes!” Anderson acknowledged before he started to walk over to Iris.

“Despicable! I won’t let you do whatever you want to!” Damian clenched his fists tightly with a sour look on his face.

Since Patrick had been heavily injured, things were looking very difficult for the Scammells. Currently, he was the only one capable of fighting back.

However, he was only at the Peak Overlord State. It was just too far behind compared to Rick and Anderson!

Stopping Anderson from capturing Iris felt like a pipe dream!

Right after that, he had a sudden thought on his mind as he immediately looked over to Charlie, who was standing by the side.

From what he knew, Charlie was only at the initial Overlord State!

With his skills at the peak Overlord State, it would not be too difficult to deal with Charlie!

If he managed to produce a miracle and capture Charlie, he might be able to turn the tides!

With that thought in mind, he did not hesitate for a moment before he started to lurch at Charlie!

Damian’s actions were shocking. Rick and Anderson had not been prepared for it. They were forced to stare as Damian lunged toward Charlie.

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“Yes!” Damian was elated, not expecting things to be so easy at all.

After that, he did not dare to delay things for a single second as he struck out at Charlie with all his might.

“Die!” At the same time, Bill, who was behind Charlie, quickly rushed in front of Charlie.

After that, he let out an incredibly strong strike at Damian.

“Intermediate Emperor State!” Damian was shocked when he felt the true energy coming from Bill.

He had thought that only Rick and Anderson were at the Emperor State.

Yet, he never expected there to be anyone at that level right next to Charlie!

It greatly exceeded his expectations and caused him to panic!

After that, he did not even have the time to react before he got struck by Eugene’s attack!

Bang!

With a painful clash, Damian’s body was sent flying before he fell on the ground heavily.

After that, he spat out a few mouthfuls of blood and felt intense pain in his chest. His

injuries were three times worse than Patrick's. He did not even have the strength to crawl up from the ground.

"Dad..."

"Uncle..."

Penny and Iris both shouted out with worry at the scene as they hurriedly ran over to help Damian up, but their hearts sank.

Patrick and Damian were both already heavily injured. They no longer had any ability to fight back.

They were just lambs waiting to be slaughtered!

Suddenly, other than Iris, the rest of them had ashen looks on their faces as they lost all hope!

"What a bunch of trash! You don't know your place!" Charlie let out a smile of disdain. Unlike Patrick and the others, Charlie had his hands behind his back as he stood proudly. He had an incredibly threatening aura about him!

"Charlie, don't be so happy with yourself just yet! I've already given Leon a call before this. He's on his way over! When he gets here, he won't let you off!" Iris said with clenched teeth. She was looking at Charlie with anger and hatred.

"Leon? Just with him alone? What a joke!"

Charlie started to laugh in an incredibly exaggerated manner as if he had heard the funniest joke in the world.

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"That brat's actually here!"

Charlie and Patrick were shocked at Leon's sudden appearance. They could not believe their eyes.

They had thought that, no matter how stupid Leon was, there was no way Leon would barge in just to die!

Yet, Leon had actually hurried over in such a thunderous manner!

It had exceeded their expectations!

"Leon, you're finally here!" Iris was elated. She felt incredibly relieved.

She knew of Leon's skills. He had never disappointed her before!

With Leon managing to hurry over, she immediately regained all her composure. All of the worries in her heart disappeared.

Yet, in contrast to her happiness, Patrick, Damian, and Penny did not seem happy at all.

After all, they knew of Leon's situation. Even though Leon's abilities were quite strong amongst the younger generation, it was mostly because of his defensive treasure. He could barely stand up to someone at the Peak Overlord State!

Yet, their opponents were someone at the Initial Emperor State and two opponents at the Intermediate Overlord State!

They were far stronger than Leon. They were not something Leon could deal with at his age!

It was pointless for Leon to be there. He would just give up his life for no reason!

However, after he remembered Leon's connection with the Thompsons, Patrick hurriedly shouted over to Leon, "Leon, just escape for now. Hurry and go ask the Thompsons for help!"

“That’s right! Leon, this time, the second line is working with Charlie and some experts from the Martells. You’re no match for them! Hurry up and go ask Mister Thompson for help!” Damian quickly urged Leon to escape as well.

He knew of Leon’s relationship with Yuri. At that moment, the first line of descendants was already defeated. If Leon was able to convince Yuri to help, they could still stand a chance!

“There’s no way you can escape so easily since you’re already here!” Rick immediately reacted.

After that, he had the other Scammells seal off any route Leon had to escape!

Of course, none of them knew that Leon did not plan on leaving at all. There was no need to!

On top of that, the Thompsons stayed quite far away. By the time he got their help, everything would be over!

“Iris, are all of you fine?”

Leon ignored Rick and the others. He hurried over to Iris with Snow.

Seeing Iris safe and sound without any injuries on her, he breathed a sigh of relief.

“I’m fine, but Grandfather and Uncle have been injured by Charlie. They seem to be in a bad state,” Iris said

with concern before she explained the situation briefly.

“Charlie? So he’s the one pulling the strings!” Leon had a cold look on his face.

Even though he had managed to guess that the second line of direct descendants was staging a coup, he did not know what sort of tricks they had up their sleeve.

After Iris’ explanation, he finally understood that they only dared to rebel because they had Charlie’s help!

“Grandfather, Uncle, these are Circulation pills. It’s very effective for internal injuries.”

Leon hurriedly took out some Circulation pills for Patrick and Damian, temporarily suppressing their injuries.

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On the other side, Charlie and Rick were furious when Leon ignored them. They had incredibly dark looks on their faces!

“Leon, you had an easy way out, but you decided to come here instead! Since you’re already here, prepare to die!” Charlie said in a sinister manner.

Ever since Leon injured him last time, he has already hated Leon to the bone. On top of that, Leon was even Iris’ boyfriend. There was no way he would ever forgive Leon!

The fact that Leon had actually come over by himself was perfect for him!

Other than that, he had instructed Black Gorilla to assassinate Leon before, but the Dragon Corps had taken

away Black Gorilla for some reason, which was how Leon managed to survive!

Leon would not be so lucky this time!

“You’re not worthy of killing me! Charlie, you first had Black Gorilla attack me, then you actually helped the second line stage a coup and hurt Patrick and Damian! This is just too much! It’s time we settle the score!” Leon said coldly with a murderous glint in his eyes.

“That...”

Charlie was stunned.

He and the Southern Boss had thought that Black Gorilla had been taken away by the Dragon Corps before he managed to kill Leon.

Yet, he never expected Leon to know that he had ordered Black Gorilla to do that.

Suddenly, he was quite confused. He could not understand how Leon knew about it!

However, it was already a matter of the past, and he did not care that much!

“Leon, you might not be that skilled, but you sure know how to talk! Since you want to die so badly, I’ll grant you your wish! Anderson, seal his power and break all his limbs before feeding them to the dogs!” Charlie coldly ordered Anderson.

“Yes,” Anderson acknowledged.

Right after that, he prepared to attack but was stopped by Rick.

“Wait! Mister Martell, Leon broke Nigel’s legs last time, and our hatred for him knows no bounds! Please leave him to me, I want to cripple him myself to take revenge for Nigel!” Rick said coldly, looking at Leon

with unending hatred.

“Yes, that’s fine,” Charlie quickly agreed after thinking about it for a moment.

He knew that Rick was at the Initial Emperor State. With Rick’s skills, dealing with a piece of trash like Leon would not be a problem!

So, he instructed Anderson to step aside and leave Leon to Rick.

Seeing that, Patrick and Damian looked incredibly hopeless.

“Leon, I already told you to escape and ask the Thompsons for help, but you didn’t listen! Look at things now, you can’t even flee if you wanted to!” Patrick said with a sigh. He looked very worried and filled with despair.

Damian was the same as well.

There was too much of a gap of power between the two sides. None of them felt like Leon would be able to

defeat Rick and the two Martells!

It did not seem realistic!

If there were no surprises, nothing good awaited them and Leon that day!

Suddenly, it was obvious how desperate and hopeless they felt!

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“Grandfather, you don’t have to worry! They’re just a few clowns. It’s not worth my energy at all! I’ll make sure to make them pay a painful price today for injuring the two of you!” Leon said confidently.

“Clowns? Little brat, how dare you speak so arrogantly even now?! I guess you’ve already accepted that you’re going to die!”

Rick was completely angered by Leon’s arrogance!

“Old dog, stop wasting time! This time, I’ll be sure to cripple all three of you and remove your family from the Scammells!” Leon said imperiously.

Even though he said that, he did not dare to be careless at all and secretly consumed a Dragon Pill.

“You...”

“Very well then! You asked for it! Since you want to die so badly, I’ll send you down to hell right now!” Rick said furiously.

After that, he wasted no more time in charging forward with all his might at Leon.
“Perfect!”

Feeling the Dragon Pill already taking effect, Leon scoffed as he advanced with his fist ready, facing Rick’s attack head-on!

After his training during the recent period, he was only a sliver away from the advanced Foundation Phase. He was already equal in strength to someone at the Initial Overlord State!

With the Dragon Pill increasing his power, his skills had temporarily risen to about the Advanced Overlord State!

Alongside the Mirror of Sovereign, he was already able to guard against attacks at the Initial Emperor State. Any attacks of that level and below were useless against it!

That was the main reason why he dared to face Rick head-on!

“Brat, die!” Rick had a sharp glint in his eyes.

He knew that Leon was not that strong and was only acting so arrogantly because he had a low leveled treasure that was at the Peak Overlord State!

However, he was already at the Initial Emperor State, and there was no way a treasure at that level would be able to stand up against him!

Leon facing him head-on like that was basically just suicide!

Right after that, he took the chance to increase his strength, preparing to deal with Leon with one blow!

“Grandfather, cripple this guy!”

Nigel had an incredibly aggressive look in his eyes as he started to cheer for Rick.

Leon had broken his legs before, so he absolutely hated Leon!

It was finally time for his revenge!

He wanted nothing more than for Rick to cripple Leon with one blow!

Of course, it was not just him. Eugene and Charlie had sneers on their faces as well, looking at Leon as if he was dirt.

If Leon had tried to stall things, he might have been able to survive for a few exchanges!

However, Leon had been too arrogant and decided to face Rick head-on!

That was just too dumb!

As long as Rick’s attack hit him, Leon would definitely be crippled, if not die!

There were no other possibilities!

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“He’s done for...”

“Leon’s going to die this time...”

In contrast to how excited Nigel and the others were, Patrick, Damian, and Penny felt like their hearts were completely frozen!

They knew very well that Rick was far stronger than Leon. They were on completely different levels!

If there were no surprises, Leon would not be able to take Rick’s blow at all!

However, before they could even finish their thoughts, something that shocked everyone happened the next

moment!

Bang!

After an intense clash, Rick's immense attack immediately broke through Leon's spiritual energy, and his remaining power rushed right at Leon!

Leon remained calm in the face of danger, and he used the Mirror of Sovereign for the remainder of Rick's true energy!

At the same time, he used Double Attack. A wave of true energy that was at the level of an Initial Supreme Master rose in his fist, slamming viciously on Rick's chest!

Rick did not have a defense up, so he took the full blow and immediately spat out two mouthfuls of blood before he was sent flying several meters away, slamming on the ground!

Right after that, he felt an intense pain in his chest. At least three or four of his ribs were broken. He had suffered pretty heavy internal injuries and lost the ability to fight!

"H-How is that possible?!"

Patrick, Charlie, and everyone else was all shocked at the sight. They could not believe their eyes!

They had thought that Leon would definitely die this time!

Yet, they never expected Leon to be completely uninjured and even heavily injured Rick, who was an Initial Emperor State Martial Artist!

Was that not unbelievable?

They would not have believed it if they did not witness it themselves!

"I-Impossible! This can't be real..."

Rick clutched his chest as he lay on the ground. His face was full of disbelief!

He knew that Leon's actual skills were very weak and that Leon was far weaker than he was!

He had thought that he would easily be able to cripple Leon easily if he used his full might!

Yet, the cruel truth was like a slap in the face for him!

Suddenly, he felt incredibly shocked. He could not accept what had happened!

"That's great!"

"Leon's really amazing!"

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Roxanne had just gotten off work when she heard the employees in the research institute discussing Lucian and Aubree's marriage.

"Mr. Farwell is so attentive! He actually took care of his fiancée for the entire night. If it were my boyfriend, he would never do so."

"Most importantly, he's handsome and rich. His fiancée is beautiful as well. She resembles Dr. Jarvis quite a bit, so she must be a beauty!"

Similar sentiments drifted into the air.

The group of researchers chatted as they walked. When they caught sight of Roxanne, they even bid her farewell. "See you tomorrow, Dr. Jarvis."

Smiling, Roxanne answered them one by one.

However, she couldn't help feeling puzzled upon hearing their discussion.

Lucian took care of his fiancée the whole of last night? But he had been with me the entire time last night. When did he meet up with Aubree?

Just when she found it strange, Colby came up to her from behind. "Are you free tonight? How about having dinner together?"

Abruptly snapping back to her senses, Roxanne flashed him an apologetic smile. "I still need to rush over to the kindergarten to pick my kids up, so I'm afraid I'll have to take a rain check. Another day, perhaps. When the project concludes, I'll treat everyone to a meal."

When Colby heard that, a glimmer of disappointment flashed across his eyes, but he said nothing in the end. Talking about the project, he exited the research institute with her.

As Roxanne didn't drive to work, she could only hail a taxi by the roadside.

A moment later, Colby's car slowly came to a stop in front of her. "Did you not drive?"

In response, Roxanne shook her head.

"Where are you going? I'll give you a ride. I don't have anything to do tonight anyway, and it isn't easy to get a taxi here." Colby's smile was warm and gentle.

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After saying that, Lucian dropped the topic and started asking about how she was instead.

"How do you feel now?" It was then he realized that he had not summoned the doctor, so he turned to Madilyn and said, "Could you please call the doctor?"

Madilyn bobbed her head, and when she went out of the room, she asked Elektra to go with her.

Lucian had been blocking most of Roxanne's vision, and Elektra had been subconsciously standing away from Roxanne's line of sight, fearing that she would make Roxanne upset.

Roxanne did not notice that there was a fourth person in the room.

It was only when Madilyn led Elektra out did Roxanne see her.

"She's..." Roxanne started, turning to Lucian in confusion.

She did not think much about it, thinking Elektra was Madilyn's friend.

After a moment of silence, Lucian said honestly, "She's my friend."

Roxanne stiffened. "I don't remember seeing her around."

Regardless of whether it was six years ago or six years after, the only friends of Lucian she knew of were the two from the Queen family.

She had never heard of the other woman in the room.

Lucian explained, "She's the Lane family's daughter. The Lanes are family friends of the Farwells, but before you married into the Farwell family, the Lanes went overseas to develop their business. They didn't come back during that time, and we didn't contact each other either. She just returned to the country two days ago."

Roxanne nodded in understanding. "Did she come to meet you?"

Right then, she noticed the clock on the wall.

It was already six in the morning.

No one would come to the hospital for a chat with an old friend at a time like that.

Furthermore, it seemed that Elektra had been around for a while.

Hesitation flashed past Lucian's eyes.

Roxanne knew him like the back of her hand, so she instantly figured out that something was up. Grabbing his sleeve, she asked, "Also, what happened to me? I remember diagnosing myself before I went into a coma, and I was showing signs of poisoning..."

However, she had no idea when she had been poisoned.

A look of shock flitted across Lucian's eyes.

He knew that Roxanne was medically skilled, but he did not know she was as capable as this.

The doctors he had hired could not do anything about her case, but she had managed to figure out the cause of her condition just by taking her own pulse.

"If you realized that, why didn't you tell me about it?"

Roxanne lowered her gaze guiltily. "... I didn't think it'd be this serious, and I didn't want you to worry about me. In the end, I still made you worry so much."

Lucian was exasperated, but there was nothing he could do about it. "You have to tell me right away if you feel unwell in the future."

Roxanne nodded meekly. "Have you found out what kind of poison is in me? You must have, right? I wouldn't have woken up otherwise."

If she learned what kind of poison had been in her system, she might be able to figure out when she had been poisoned.

Lucian nodded. "Jack used an essential oil to poison you, but they haven't come to a conclusion as to what was in the poison."

"Jack?" Roxanne was baffled. "Why would he do that?"

The Damaris family is a family of doctors. Why would they let Jack poison me with the medicinal herbs? Moreover, how could Jack be so vicious? What is he trying to do?

"Crap!"

Leon's expression changed drastically.

Ever since he obtained the Spiritual Pearl, his sage arts have already reached a bottleneck of the Intermediate Foundation Phase. He was only a sliver away from leveling up!

He had been working hard with his training, hoping that he would be able to breakthrough!

However, it did not seem like it was meant to be. No matter how hard he tried, there were no signs of him making a breakthrough.

He never expected that, right at a key moment of a fight, his sage arts would start to show signs of breaking through!

It was just such an inopportune thing!

After all, it was not easy to make a breakthrough. He would at least need to spend some time on it.

However, his enemies were right in front of him. Charlie would be able to kill him easily!

However, if he did not take the chance and miss out on it, he did not know how long it would take him to show any signs again!

Suddenly, he was caught in a difficult spot, not knowing what to do!

"Anderson, cripple that guy! After that, capture Iris for me!" Charlie said coldly as he looked at Iris with an

intense look.

Leon had already been injured, and Patrick and Damian were not able to fight at all.

Did that not mean he could do whatever he wanted?!

There was no way he would let such a good chance slip!

“Yes!” Anderson acknowledged the order before he immediately walked toward Leon.

“Despicable!” Leon had a dark look on his face.

With things as they were, he was forced to abandon his breakthrough to fight Anderson!

However, before he could make a move, Roanne suddenly stood in front of him, putting him behind her.

“Hold it! I won’t let you hurt him!” Roanne said angrily as she looked at Charlie and Anderson.

Leon had not only cured her illness before but had even risked his life to save her from Asmodeus,

She had already seen Leon as one of her closest and most reliable friends!

However, at that moment, Anderson had actually attacked Leon and even planned on continuing it!

It was obvious how angry she was!

“Roanne...”

Leon looked at Roanne. After that, he looked at the old man who was next to Roanne and immediately had an

idea.

“Roanne, protect me. Help me delay them for two minutes!” Leon said in a hurry.

After that, he immediately sat down and took an Energy Nurturing Pill, shutting his eyes to attempt his breakthrough.

He was not concerned as to whether Roanne had the ability to protect him or not!

He knew that the old man was an expert from the Thompsons. He was a guard that Angus had deliberately arranged for her, so the old man had to be strong!

With that old man, Charlie and the others would not be able to get close to him!

“Leon, don’t worry. I won’t let them hurt you!” Roanne immediately answered Leon’s request!

Leon had saved her so many times, and she owed him so much!

Even if Leon did not say anything, she would not just watch as others hurt him!

“Little girl, who are you? Step aside right now! Otherwise, don’t blame me for being rude!” Anderson’s expression darkened when he saw Roanne in front of Leon. There was a fierce glint in his eyes.

“Anderson, stop wasting your time talking to that girl! Just grab her along with Iris!”

Charlie looked at Roanne’s stunning looks, and his eyes glinted. He suddenly felt a sense of amazement.

Since Roanne had been ill and rarely went out, he had never seen Roanne before and did not know that Roanne was a Thompson!

Other than that, Roanne’s looks were comparable to Iris’. Both of them were beautiful beyond compare!

If he could get both of them at the same time, having one for each arm, would it not be perfect?

Just thinking about it got him very excited!

“Yes!” Anderson acknowledged.

Right after that, without a second of delay, he rushed forward to grab the two girls!

“Not good...”

Patrick and the others felt their hearts sink at the sight.

They wanted to stop Anderson from getting Iris, but Anderson was just too strong. On top of that, Patrick and Damian had already been injured by Anderson before that.

They were powerless to help and could only stare with widened eyes as Iris fell into danger.

None of them knew who Roanne was at all. They did not think that a weak-looking girl like that would be able to avoid Anderson’s grasp!

If there were no surprises, Iris and Roanne would fall into Anderson’s hands and have a difficult time escaping!

However, before they could even finish their thoughts, they were thoroughly shocked by what happened next!

“Die!”

The old man behind Roanne had a cold glint in his eyes as he quickly stepped forward and rushed in front of

Roanne.

After that, a wave of unbelievably strong true energy shot out with a wave of his sleeve, immediately charging at Anderson!

“Peak Emperor State!”

Anderson was shocked to feel that true energy.

He had thought that his skills would be enough to deal with Leon and the first line of descendants of the Scammells.

However, he never expected a martial artist at the Peak Emperor State to be beside Roanne!

Furthermore, the power coming from that old man seemed more terrifying than just the Peak Emperor State. He could very well be at the Semi Almighty State!

There was no way he could deal with that!

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He immediately scrambled to turn around to try and avoid the old man’s attack.

However, he was just too much weaker than the old man. Even with his full might, he was not able to avoid

the old man’s attack!

Bang!

There was a loud sound as Anderson was sent flying before he fell to the ground.

After that, he spat out mouthfuls of blood, clearly suffering internal injuries.

However, he was still quite strong. He had actually managed to avoid most of the attack, or he would probably have died or been crippled!

“Peak Emperor State? How is this possible?!”

At that moment, both Charlie and Rick were stunned and full of disbelief.

It was not just them. Even Patrick and Damian were stunned as well. They were deeply shaken by the immense power the old man showed!

The next moment, everyone suddenly went completely silent.

Charlie looked at the old man warily after he snapped out of his shock. “W—Who are you?”

“John Thompson,” the old man said coldly, announcing who he was.

“What? Y—You’re a Thompson?”

The announcement left everyone shell-shocked as though a bomb had gone off. Whether it was Charlie and Rick or Damian’s side, none of them expected an expert from the Thompsons to miraculously be present.

Charlie looked at Roanne behind John, and his eyes widened. He quickly guessed who Roanne was. “Is that Roanne Thompson, then?”

He might never have met Roanne before, but he knew who she was.

Most of the ancient families had heard about how Roanne had been captured by Asmodeus a few days ago as well; it was just that very few people had seen Roanne herself.

With John beside Roanne and protecting her, anyone would be able to guess that Roanne was the secretive daughter of the Thompsons.

“I guess you do have eyes,” John said with a sneer.

“That…”

Charlie was thoroughly shocked when John admitted to Roanne’s identity himself.

Even though he knew that the first line of descendants from the Scammells had some ties with the Thompsons, he did not know how close Leon was to the Thompsons.

He could not understand why Roanne would be with someone as insignificant as Leon.

This was all out of his expectation, so he was completely caught off-guard…but that was not all.

He had not dealt with the Scammells directly this time and spent so much effort in helping the second line of direct descendants stage a coup, mainly because he did not want to alert the Thompsons about the matter, but his worst fear was realized. Roanne had somehow appeared in the mix!

This greatly disrupted all his plans.

Suddenly, he found himself completely stunned, not knowing what to do.

“That’s great! So Leon has asked for help from the Thompsons!”

After finding out who Roanne was, Patrick and the others were elated as they smiled. It was obvious that they all thought Roanne was part of the reinforcements Leon had gotten.

Even though Leon had not managed to get Yuri over, Roanne was more or less at the same level as Yuri, so the outcome was favorable.

They would be fine as long as Roanne was willing to help. Charlie and the second line’s coup would have failed, too.

At that moment, their moods were drastically different from before.

Of course, in contrast with how happy they were, Charlie and Rick’s side had sour looks on their faces.

Rick, Eugene, and Nigel in particular had made it obvious they were enemies with the first line. If the coup failed, the outcome was more than obvious for them!

“These bad guys attacked and hurt Leon! Capture them all so Leon can deal with them!” Roanne ordered angrily.

“Yes!” answered John.

It was always better to take the head of the beast first.

He knew that Charlie was the leader of their opponents, so he quickly launched forward with immense power, trying to grab Charlie.

“Don’t!”

Charlie was scared stiff. He knew very well that John was too strong. He was far from someone he and the others could deal with. Moreover, after everything that happened between him and Leon, the latter would never forgive him if he was captured and handed over to him.

With danger looming, he quickly had a thought as he retreated and hurriedly said, “Sir, wait! I want to say something!”

“Speak up, then!” John scoffed, stopping his attack for a moment.

After all, he was someone from the older generation, while Charlie was from the younger generation. He could not possibly not give Charlie the chance to speak.

“Sir, this is an internal conflict between the first and second lines of the Scammells’ direct descendants. It has nothing to do with any outsiders! If you’re going to force your way into this, aren’t you worried it’ll ruin the reputation of the Thompsons if word gets out?”

Charlie forced himself to remain calm as he spoke, trying to push John back with the Thompsons’ reputation.

“/...”

Stunned, John fell into a brief silence.

Based on the rules and honor of the martial world, for the sake of maintaining the balance between the various ancient martial arts families, they were normally not allowed to interfere with other families’ inner workings.

That was to prevent some larger families from forcibly swallowing up the smaller ones and disrupting the balance.

The Thompsons were the head of the martial world in the Southern Region. They placed a lot of importance on their name and reputation, so they never interfered with other ancient martial arts families.

If he forced his hand into a Scammell affair, then it would end up hurting their reputation!

However, he quickly noticed something wrong with a thought.

“Don’t even think about it, you brat! You Martells are the ones trying to interfere with their internal affairs. Are we not allowed to dish out justice because of that?” John said with a sneer on his face.

“That...”

“Mister Thompson, I won’t hide it from you: I have grudges against Leon. He can be counted as part of the Scammells, and I came here to deal with him. I wasn’t planning on interrupting the internal matters of the Scammells at all!” Charlie twisted the truth shamelessly.

"In the end, I can leave right now if you think what I'm doing is inappropriate. What do you think?" Charlie added, immediately wanting to retreat.

If the Thompsons were going to be involved, he no longer dared to think about helping the second line of descendants. He immediately made the decision to abandon his chess pieces for the sake of saving himself.

"I..."

John started to hesitate.

Since Charlie wanted to retreat, he no longer had a reason to continue. It would be inappropriate for him to not let them go.

However, Leon had saved Roanne before, and the Thompsons owed him a debt.

Furthermore, he saw Anderson injuring Leon with a sneak attack earlier. He would not be happy if he let them off just like that.

"Sir, you should know that the Martells are related to the Southern Boss. Please let me go for his sake!" Charlie hurriedly mentioned the Southern Boss when he saw that John was starting to sway.

"The Southern Boss?" John's expression turned serious.

Even though the Thompsons were not afraid of the Southern Boss, he did not dare underestimate that man's power. Furthermore, he was just one of the collateral descendants of the family. He did not dare to make any decisions.

Without permission from the family head, he would not provoke the Southern King for something so small. He could not risk stirring up more conflict.

It would do the Thompsons no good.

"For the sake of the Southern Boss, get lost, you brat," John said coldly, quickly making a decision.

If Charlie left, he would have helped Leon protect the first line of the Scammells. That was more than enough.

To prevent the matter from getting any more serious, he was forced to stop here.

"Thank you. I'll take my leave, then." Charlie had a happy look on his face as he silently sighed in relief.

With a wave of his hand, he prepared to leave with Bill and Anderson.

“Don’t!”

“Mister Martell, you can’t leave!”

“If you leave, what’ll happen to us?”

Rick, Eugene, and Nigel paled when they realized Charlie was leaving. They lost all confidence and bluster.

“I’m very sorry, but I’ve done all I could. I wish you all well,” Charlie said very calmly before he decisively turned and left without turning back with Bill and Anderson.

“You...”

As they watched Charlie leave, Rick, Eugene, and Nigel almost spat out blood in anger.

It was Charlie who instructed them to stage a coup, but he abandoned them the moment the situation turned

sour.

The three of them were furious. They even wanted to curse at Charlie’s ancestors.

“You want to leave? It’s not going to be that easy.”

Suddenly, Leon’s body jolted as he immediately stood up. He charged over with a sneer, quickly stopping their exit.

“Leon, what is the meaning of this?” Charlie’s expression darkened in displeasure.

“What do you think? Earlier, you ordered your men to injure my grandfather and uncle, and you even hurt me with a sneak attack! I haven’t settled the score with you. Nothing comes that easily in the world,” Leon

said coldly.

“Then what do you want?” retorted Charlie.

“It’s very simple. Since you’re here, don’t even think about leaving this place unharmed. You’re free to choose how you want to die,” declared Leon coldly with a glint in his eyes.

“With just you? What a joke,” scoffed Charlie.

If John and Roanne had not suddenly appeared, he would have already crippled Leon and the first line of

direct descendants.

Leon had not only been fortunate enough to avoid that face, but he was even trying to confront him! Why was this man so foolishly brazen?

“Mister Thompson, are you seeing this? You’ve already agreed to let us leave, but Leon’s trying to stop us! If he ends up in some conflict with us because he doesn’t know his place, please keep your promise. Don’t protect him,” Charlie said seriously.

He had to render John neutral so that he would not help Leon fight him.

“...”

John was speechless.

He could tell what Charlie was planning, but he had a point—he, John, gave him his word. Since he was from the older generation, he could not go against his promise, especially when it affected his family’s reputation.

Furthermore, he did not want the matter to get any bigger, so he was not planning on going against his word anyway.

“Mister Wolf, you should just forget about it. Since they’ve stepped out of the matter, you should let them leave,” John advised.

“That’s right!”

“Leon, we’re all fine now anyway. Let’s just let the matter rest!”

Patrick and Damian chimed in as well, advising Leon as they did.

Even though Charlie had injured the two of them, the first line of direct descendants had turned the table with John’s help.

To them, it was enough for them to maintain power in the family, and everything else came second. They did not dare to dream about revenge on Charlie.

“No! I have to cripple these three for justice today,” Leon said, leaving no room for doubt in his voice.

“That...”

John could not stop himself from frowning when he heard that.

“Mister Wolf, I know the Thompsons are in your debt, but this is a serious matter. I can’t make any decisions. If you insist on dealing with them, please forgive me for not being able to help,” John said with a sigh.

He knew very well that Leon stood no chance against Charlie, Bill, and Anderson. He was not strong enough on his own.

However, thinking about the Southern Boss backing Charlie, on top of the promise he had made, John could not possibly betray his promise.

“That’s fine, Mister Thompson. Don’t worry. I don’t care about these pests at all. You don’t have to do anything,” Leon said calmly, all while glaring at Charlie and his friends.

Even though he was not that strong, he had plenty of tricks and trump cards. It would not be hard to deal

with the three of them.

If he had not had a breakthrough so suddenly, he might already have dealt with them!

“What?”

Leon’s words were like an explosion in front of everyone’s faces.

They thought that Leon wanted to use John’s power for revenge, but they never expected Leon to be planning on taking on the three of them himself.

This was insanity! With Leon’s meagre skills, was this not suicidal?

“Alright, very well, Leon. You said it yourself! I want to see if you have the skills to cripple us!” Charlie had a murderous look in his eyes.

John had agreed to not help Leon. If Leon insisted on going against them still, it was the perfect opportunity for him to get rid of Leon.

“Leon, you’re no match for them. Don’t be reckless!” said Patrick hurriedly.

He and Damian stepped forward, enduring the pain that seared through their bodies as they intended to stop Leon. Before the two of them could stop things from happening, however, Iris suddenly grabbed them by their arms.

“Grandfather, uncle, don’t worry! Leon is very strong, and they won’t be able to do anything to him. Since he wants to help the family, just let him!” Iris said in a hurry.

She knew of Leon's skills. With Leon's unbeatable Potential Energy, it would be very easy for Leon to beat them.

Earlier, Charlie's subordinates had injured Patrick and Damian before ambushing Leon and injuring him then. She was furious at the fact, and she had hoped Leon would be able to teach them a lesson.

"Yes. Iris is right—

Leon is very strong! If they hadn't snuck up on him just now, they wouldn't have been able to do anything to him!" Roanne nodded in agreement.

Just like Iris, she had witnessed that terrifying Potential Energy from Leon before.

Even Asmodeus, who was at the Semi Almighty State, had been killed by Leon in one blow. What else could Charlie's clique do?

Because of this, she remained silent the whole time, not forcing John to help Leon deal with them. There was no need at all!

"Are the two of you crazy?"

Patrick and Damian were shocked at that. They could not believe their ears.

After all, they had seen Leon being injured by Anderson earlier. It was obvious to them that Leon would not be able to beat Charlie and his men, yet Iris and Roanne both seemed to be supporting Leon!

Why were these women so confident? What was the reason?

In the front, Leon did not bother explaining things as he pointed at Anderson and said coldly, "It was you who snuck up on me and injured me. That was a low blow, you dog, so I'll start with you. Come and meet your death!"

"What an arrogant brat! Since you want to die, I'll grant you your wish!" Anderson sneered.

Even though he had been injured by John moments ago, it had not been that bad. Furthermore, Leon was injured, too, and by his hand at that, so Leon was probably not in a much better condition.

He had no reason to be afraid.

After that, he stepped forward and stood in front of Leon.

"Brat, it's your time to die!" Anderson sneered.

Before Leon could react, he immediately shot forward with immense force, attacking Leon.

Knowing how his previous attack managed to injure Leon, he was confident he could be at Leon in the same manner.

To prevent any surprises, he attacked first and gave no openings for his opponent to strike.

As long as he seized the chance, Leon would not be able to stand up to his power at the intermediate Emperor State.

“Perfect!” Leon scoffed.

He stepped forward and quickly charged toward the attacking Anderson.

“You don’t know what’s good for you!”

There was a sharp glint in Anderson’s eyes. He knew that Leon had a low-grade protective treasure, but after having injured him with one blow before, he guessed that Leon’s treasure would not be able to stop his attack.

Leon seemed to have conveniently forgotten that fact, however, and he still planned on relying on his treasure to face him head-on!

Was that not suicidal?

Anderson increased his power, planning on using his full strength to cripple Leon.

“He’s done for...”

Patrick and Damian’s faces were ashen as their hearts sank at Leon’s actions.

Earlier, they had all seen that Leon was no match for Anderson, and that was just minutes ago.

They did not think Leon would be able to turn the tables in such a short period. That did not seem likely at all!

Without a miracle, Leon would lose in a worse manner by facing Anderson like this. There were no other possibilities!

“You brought this onto yourself!” Charlie smirked at the sight and felt a sense of victory.

Even though his plan to help the second line of direct descendants failed, it would be good for him if Anderson managed to kill Leon for him.

However, before he could relish the feeling, something unexpected happened.

Bang!

With a violent clash, Anderson's immense true energy broke through Leon's attack and slammed into Leon's body.

Leon did not panic in the face of danger. He used his Mirror of Sovereign to block Anderson's attack.

Of course, since he had just made a breakthrough in his sage arts, he had gone from the intermediate Foundation Phase to the advanced Foundation Phase. With his abilities, attacks below the advanced Emperor State were useless against the mirror.

Anderson was only at the intermediate Emperor State. He could not possibly incapacitate Leon!

At the same time, he took the chance to launch his Double Attack, using his true energy at the initial Supreme Master level to quickly strike Anderson's arm.

Crack!

The clear sound of bone cracking could be heard. Anderson let out a cry of anguish as his arm was snapped by Leon.

Taking the chance, Leon charged forward and struck at Anderson's chest with all his might, sending Anderson flying.

When he fell, Anderson spat out blood twice as his face paled. He clearly suffered severe internal injuries as he lost his ability to get up and fight.

"Anderson failed? How is this possible?!"

Seeing this, Charlie, Patrick, and everyone else were stunned. They looked at Leon in disbelief, not believing their eyes.

They were all so sure Leon stood no chance against Anderson, yet they never expected that Leon could turn the tables and severely injure Anderson.

It was a miracle!

It was obvious how shocked they all were.

Charlie quickly shot Bill a look after he snapped out of his shock. "Bill, what are you standing idle for? Hurry

and attack!"

Bill immediately understood and quickly charged forward. He swiftly struck at the back of Leon, who was not yet in a readied state after having defeated Anderson, powerfully.

Iris, Patrick, and the others panicked at the sight. They hurriedly shouted to Leon. "Leon, careful!"

"You're trying to attack me from behind? Despicable!"

The furious Leon quickly turned, but it was too late for him to avoid the attack. Thus, he instead uses his

mirror against the attack.

"Die, you brat!" With a vicious smirk, Bill unleashed his full power as his fist landed on Leon's chest.

Even though Leon had defeated Anderson, Bill attributed it to Anderson being injured by John. To him, Anderson's power must have weakened greatly because of that, which was why he was unfortunate enough to fall to Leon.

Bill, however, was different; he was not injured at all. He was also slightly more powerful than Anderson, already standing at the top of those at his level.

Moreover, he was launching a sneak attack, so the initiative was all his.

As long as his attack landed, it would definitely injure Leon heavily!

Sure enough, his attack slammed against Leon's chest...but what happened next shocked him.

His attack had not heavily injured Leon at all. In fact, Leon did not even budge!

"That's impossible!" Bill was shocked.

Even though he knew about the protective treasure on Leon's body, based on Charlie's reports, Leon's treasure was only at the peak of Overlord State. Furthermore, when Anderson injured Leon before this, he clearly broke through Leon's guard.

Yet, even when he was stronger than Anderson, he did not even nick Leon's skin at all. This was just unbelievable!

"Despicable. You're the one who's going to die!"

At the same time, Leon raised his fist and swung it toward Bill's chest

"No!"

Bill panicked. He wanted to avoid the blow, but he had spent all his energy and had none left to avoid the attack.

He could only watch as Leon's attack pounded his chest, and the attack sent him flying several meters away as blood spurted through his lips excessively. Not a second later, an intense pain seared across his chest.

He was even more heavily injured than Anderson, and several of his ribs were broken. He lay on the ground, not even having the strength to get back up.

"What..."

Charlie, Patrick, and the others were thoroughly shocked.

They never expected Leon to suddenly be a new person after failing to take a single attack from Anderson earlier.

Not only had Leon injured both Anderson and Bill, but it was done in one blow as well!

Unbelievable.

If they had not witnessed it for themselves, they would not have believed it!

"This is great!"

"Leon's really amazing!"

After the shock, Patrick, Damian, and the others burst into cheers of joy.

Earlier, Iris and Roanne insisted that Leon was powerful, but they were so sure the girls were driven into a desperate state of hope.

They finally realized that the girls had been right the whole time. They had underestimated Leon and Leon's

skills!

“How...could this happen?”

Charlie's face darkened at the sight.

He intentionally brought with him two experts at the intermediate Emperor State to deal with the

Scammells. They were considered quite strong in the whole Southern Region, and yet ...the two experts had been defeated by someone as young as Leon!

He could not understand how Leon did it.

Of course,

that was not the most important part. The most important part was the fact that Charlie was left without any protection since Bill and Anderson were knocked out.

It was obvious what awaited him.

“Charlie, your guards are done for. It's not your turn,” Leon said coldly as he walked toward Charlie.

Every step Leon took felt like a heavy hammer hitting Charlie's heart.

“W—

What are you trying to do?” Charlie's expression changed drastically as he rapidly retreated.

“It's very simple. I told all of you just now that I'd cripple you today for justice, and I'll do just that,” Leon said coldly.

Charlie had been the root cause of the second line staging a coup, as well as the reason why Patrick and Damian were injured. He had to make Charlie pay dearly.

“What? H—How dare you?!” Charlie was scared stiff when he heard that.

“Oh, you'll find out soon enough if I dare to,” Leon sneered.

After that, he wasted no time and swung his leg toward Charlie's chest.

“D—Don't you come near!”

The terrified Charlie immediately rolled and tried to avoid Leon's attack, but alas, he was only at the

intermediate Overlord State. He was far weaker than Leon.

Even with his full might, he failed to avoid Leon's attack and was thus sent to the ground.

Thump! Leon's foot viciously slammed into Charlie's chest.

Charlie felt an intense pain in his chest as he spat out mouthfuls of blood. He tried to struggle, but Leon's

foot was firmly planted on his chest.

"Charlie, you had your subordinates injure my grandfather. For that, I'll cripple one of your legs for revenge!" Leon looked down on Charlie with an incredibly imposing force.

Right after that, he raised his leg and prepared to stamp on Charlie's left leg!

"Don't!" Charlie hurriedly shouted. "Leon, I'm warning you... I'm the heir of the Martells! If you harm me, we won't forgive you!"

"Who cares about the Martells?! I don't know whether or not the Martells will let me off the hook, but I know that I won't let you off right now!" Leon sneered, thinking nothing of Charlie's threat.

He forcefully brought down his foot on Charlie's leg, effectively breaking the man's left leg.

"Aahh!" Charlie let out a squeal of anguish. His face paled at the pain as his forehead was beaded with cold

sweat.

"L—

Leon, how dare you... Just you wait! When you fall into the hands of the Martells in the future, I'll...make sure you end up begging for mercy!"

Charlie withstood the intense pain coming from his leg as he glared at Leon viciously, wanting nothing more than to rip Leon apart.

"You're still so stubborn even staring death in the face. Alright, I do like stubborn men like you! Now that I've gotten justice for my grandfather, it's time to get justice for my uncle by breaking your right leg!" Leon sneered as he raised his leg and aimed for Charlie's right leg.

"What?!"

Charlie felt like he had been struck by lightning when he heard that. He had thought that Leon's revenge was over, but it had just started.

"Wait! I—I have something to say!" Charlie hurriedly tried to stop Leon.

"You should leave any last words for after I cripple you!" Leon ignored it as he intended to resume his attack on his right leg.

"Don't! I'm warning you: the Southern Boss sent me this time!" Charlie panicked and hurriedly used the

Southern Boss' name.

"What? The Southern Boss sent you?" Leon was shocked. His foot stopped mid-air.

"That's right! The Southern Boss wanted to recruit the Scammells. He asked me to support the second line of direct descendants," Charlie said proudly as if it was incredible for him to be helping the Southern Boss.

"So that's it." Leon's expression darkened.

He knew that Charlie had used the Angel's Fruit to propose to Iris. He had thought that Charlie was aiming for Iris with everything he was doing.

Only then did Leon find out that Charlie actually had the support of the Southern Boss.

As for the Southern Boss' goals, he quickly understood that it was probably for Cynthion Group and the Energy Nurturing Pills. Otherwise, there was no way the Southern Boss would ever have his eyes on the

Scammells.

"What? Are you scared now? Leon, I'm warning you. I'm working under the Southern Boss' orders this time! If you know what's good for you, leave me be! Otherwise... If you anger the Southern Boss, I'll assure you that nothing good will be waiting for you and the Scammells!"

Charlie assumed that the mere mention of the Southern Boss' name intimidated Leon. He suddenly felt much

more confident, and there was a renewed sense of arrogance on his face.

"So what?" Leon sniffed. "Others might be afraid of him, but I'm not. In the end, even if it's *god*, no one can save you today!"

He thus brought down his foot viciously on Charlie's right leg, and-

Crack!

Charlie let out another intense cry of agony as both his legs had been broken by Leon.

An immense wave of pain hit Charlie and caused his vision to darken. The torture was too much that he almost fainted on the spot.

"Curse you, L-

Leon! Just you wait... The Martells and the Southern Boss will definitely kill you one day ..." hissed Charlie through gritted teeth, all while enduring the agony he felt after having both his legs broken by

Leon.

"You really don't know when to quit. Don't be in such a hurry, though. I've only gotten revenge for my grandfather and uncle! I still have a score to settle with you!" Leon sneered with murderous intent in his

eyes.

"What? W-What are you doing?"

Charlie's expression changed drastically at Leon's murderous intent. An uneasy feeling surfaced in his heart.

He never expected that Leon still had more in store for him even after breaking his legs. Was Leon not afraid of retribution from the Martells and the Southern Boss?

"Don't

worry, I don't have the habit of killing others, so I won't take your life! However, leaving someone as vile and sinister as you unharmed is also a problem, so I'll just cripple your strength. Let's see how you'll do evil after that!" Leon said coldly. After that, he raised his hand and viciously struck at Charlie's Energy Point.

As an ominous feeling loomed over his heart, Charlie's eyes widened as he shouted, "Don't!"

Strength was the foundation of any martial artist. It was what many ancient martial arts families prioritized the most.

He was the heir of the family, so he bore the weight of many expectations. If Leon crippled his strength, how could he lead his family in the future?

He would not just be a cripple, but he would lose everything as well!

That was not something he could accept!

“Wait!”

Suddenly, a voice was heard.

Iris stopped Leon right on time.

“Iris, what is it?” Leon’s hand stopped in the air as he looked at Iris curiously.

“Leon, the Martells have an Angel’s Fruit that’s very important to us. If you cripple Charlie’s martial arts, we might never be able to get it...” said Iris, sounding rather concerned.

She knew how important power was to martial artists.

With Leon’s relationship with the Thompsons, as long as Leon did not go too far, he might still have a chance of getting it from the Martells through the Thompsons in the future.

However, if Leon ended up taking away Charlie’s power, then it would be too late. Even with the help of the Thompsons, Leon would not be able to get the Angel’s fruit from the Martells.

The Angel’s

Fruit was very important to her grandfather and Leon. If Leon missed out on the chance to get the Angel’s Fruit from the Martells, who knew when they would get it again?

That was also why she stopped Leon.

“That’s right. Leon, if you take away my strength, you’ll never be able to get the Angel’s Fruit from my family!”

Charlie was elated to hear that.

He let out a sigh of relief when he found out how important the Angel’s Fruit was to Leon.

However, before he could even feel happy about it, Leon immediately caused his heart to freeze over the next

moment.

“Iris, don’t worry! I’ve already made arrangements for the Angel’s Fruit. I’ll probably be able to get one soon!”

Leon said with a smile.

When he was with the Dragon Corps, Alfred had already helped him make arrangements for someone to look

into it for him.

With the Dragon Corps' abilities as well as his position in the Platinum Dragon Guard, Alfred already promised him that he would be able to get an Angel's Fruit within a month or two!

He was not worried at all!

"Oh, really? That's amazing!" Iris was much more relieved.

"That..."

Hearing that, Charlie looked like he had been struck by lightning!

He had thought that he would be able to be saved because of the Angel's Fruit!

Yet, Leon had already found another way to get one!

If there were no surprises, Leon would definitely cripple his strength after this. Leon would not let him off easy!

With that in mind, the sliver of hope he had earlier disappeared just like that!

"Leon, wait! As long as you're willing to let me off this time, I'm willing to give that Angel's Fruit to you..." Charlie said in a hurry when Leon raised his hand again.

"No need! I'll be able to get that Angel's Fruit very soon. We don't need the one from your family!" Leon

sneered. He started to continue his attack without any hesitation.

"No..."

"Nothing is certain in the world. What if something happens to the Angel's Fruit of yours? I'm begging you. As long as you let me go, I'll immediately get my family to give you that fruit," Charlie pleaded, feeling like his heart was about to collapse!

"That..."

Leon fell into a brief silence at that.

He knew that Charlie was somewhat right. If he wanted to get the Angel's Fruit from the Dragon Corps, he would need to wait for a month or two, and he would need to get even more contribution points to obtain it!

It was a little troublesome!

"Leon, I'm at fault this time. I'm willing to apologize for the Angel's Fruit. Please show me some mercy this one time. I assure you, I'll change my ways. I'll never go against you again..." Charlie immediately started to plead when he saw that Leon seemed to sway.

"Yes, you said this yourself! For the sake of the Angel's Fruit, I'll spare you for now! However, if you ever do anything like this again, you won't be so lucky!" Leon quickly made the decision after thinking about it.

Even though his deal with Charlie felt a bit like extortion, Charlie was the one who was offering it to him. He was not taking it by force!

There was not much wrong with that!

After that, he pulled back and let Charlie go.

"Yes, yes..." Charlie looked like he had gotten out of trouble.

However, he did not dare to delay it as he quickly notified his family for them to send the Angel's Fruit over.

After about half an hour, cars could be heard as a few luxury cars stopped outside.

Right after that, the doors opened. A middle-aged man, about fifty years of age, walked inside with a few impressive-looking guards.

At the helm was Charlie's father, Linus Martell.

"Dad, you're finally here! Hurry up and give the Angel's Fruit to Leon so he'll let me go." Charlie was elated to see Linus.

"Brat, let go of Charlie right now!" Linus looked at Leon coldly.

When Charlie had given him a call, Charlie had only asked for the Angel's Fruit as a gift to the Scammells. Linus did not know the gist of what happened.

However, Charlie already told him about how the Southern Boss had ordered Charlie to support the second line.

When he saw Charlie, Anderson, and Bill on the ground in front of Leon, all full of injuries, it was obvious that Charlie must have failed!

“Where is the Angel’s Fruit?” Leon asked calmly.

“I’ll give it to you, but let them go right now!”

Since Leon had the three of them, Linus was too afraid to pull anything reckless.

After that, he took out an intricate box and tossed it to Leon, wanting to get the three of them back first!

Leon grabbed the box and kept it the moment he verified that the Angel’s Fruit was inside.

“Alright, you can bring the three of them away now!” Leon kept to his promise and walked back.

After that, Linus motioned for the guards to bring the three injured ones over.

“Charlie, how are your injuries? Are they bad?” Linus could not help but ask with concern.

“Dad, my legs were broken by Leon...” Charlie said in pain.

“What?” Linus was furious when he heard that. He never expected Charlie’s injuries to be so severe!

Not only that, he knew that Charlie was acting under the Southern boss’ orders. Not only had Charlie failed to accomplish the orders, he even ended up having his legs broken!

It was obvious how angry he was!

“Brat, how dare you act so cruelly to my son! I guess you’re already tired of living!” Linus glared at Leon angrily with a murderous glint in his eyes.

“Please, this is all his own doing! He worked with the second line to stage a coup and even injured my grandfather and uncle! I’ve already shown mercy by only breaking his legs!” Leon sniffed.

“You...”

“Very well! Brat, since you crippled his legs, I’ll make sure to seek justice for Charlie!” Linus said furiously.

After that, with a wave of his hand, his guards immediately walked forward and fanned out around Leon.

Since Charlie and the others had been in Leon's hands just now, he had not been able to do anything to Leon. With Charlie already safe, there was no longer any need to hold back!

Seeing that, Leon frowned. He immediately looked at Charlie coldly. "Charlie, what is the meaning of this? I

only agreed to spare you after you pleaded so much. Are you going to go back on your word?"

"N-No..."

Charlie was shocked. He hurriedly said to Linus, "Dad, it's fine. Let's forget about this!"

"Forget about it? How could we do that?! Charlie, don't worry, I'll make sure to cripple this guy as revenge

for you!" Linus consoled.

He did not know how strong Leon was and did not know how Leon had managed to injure Charlie, Anderson,

and Bill!

However, for the sake of safety, he had brought over a few Emperor State experts and around ten incredibly strong guards from the family!

With such a strong roster, it would be easy to deal with Leon and the Scammells!

As long as he could get rid of Leon and topple the first line of direct descendants, he would not just be able to get revenge for Charlie but fulfill the Southern Boss' orders as well!

It was perfect!

"Dad, don't..."

"Miss Thompson and an expert from the Thompsons is here. We should go," Charlie hurriedly said.

He pointed at Roanne and John behind Leon with a look of fear in his heart.

Leon had foiled his plans and broken his legs. The animosity between them was already too deep to be resolved.

He wanted nothing more than for Linus to cripple Leon right away and help him with his revenge!

However, with John's might, he was forced to bear with it for the moment and think of a different plan later!

"What?" Linus was shocked when he heard that.

After that, he quickly saw Roanne and John when he followed Charlie's finger.

Since Roanne had never been out in public that often, he did not recognize Roanne.

However, John was different.

John

was quite a famous expert from the Thompsons. He had seen John a few times before and knew that John was at the Semi Almighty State. He was not to be underestimated!

John was not someone he could go after!

Right as Linus was feeling shocked, Roanne immediately rushed forward to stand next to Leon with John when she saw that the situation was bad to prevent the Martells from surrounding Leon!

"Linus, the Martells are interfering with the internal matters of the Scammells and trying to abuse your power against someone from the younger generation! Isn't that crossing the line?!" John said coldly with an unhappy look on his face.

"That..."

Linus was speechless. He did not know what to answer John.

After all, what John said was true. He could not deny that!

However, Leon had broken both of Linus' legs, and they failed the Southern Boss' task as well!

If he gave up just like that, there was no way he would be happy with it!

"Mister Thompson, I know that the Scammells are related to your family! However, this is a personal grievance between us and Leon, it has nothing to do with you! In the end, Leon's crippled my son's legs. He went too far. He has to give us a proper explanation!" Linus said with a serious voice.

Ever since the sales drive of Cynthion Group, many of the ancient martial arts families mistakenly believed that the Scammells were related to them. The Martells were no exception!

He guessed that Roanne and John's appearance there must have been because of the Scammells!

Leon was just distantly related to the Scammells by family. At the most, he was only half related to them. He had nothing to do with the Thompsons!

He was targeting Leon at that moment and not the first line of descendants of the Scammells at all!

As long as he showed a firm attitude, Roanne and John would probably not try to help Leon, thanks to the Southern Boss behind the Martells!

"You want an explanation from Mister Wolf? Who do you think you are?! That's impossible!" John said without holding back.

"Mister Thompson, what do you mean by this? Are you really going to make an enemy out of the Southern Boss and the Martells because of someone unrelated to the Thompsons?" Linus said stubbornly, not

understanding why John was trying to speak up for Leon.

"Who told you Mister Wolf is unrelated to us? Let me tell you, Mister Wolf is a valued guest of the Thompsons. We owe him a great deal! If you're trying to use your men against him, then you'll have to get through me first!" John said coldly with a firm tone.

Before that, he had not helped Leon against Charlie and the others because he was worried about the Southern boss. On the other hand, he had also agreed to let Charlie and his men leave. It was Leon who had attacked.

Since that was the case, he was not able to help Leon.

However, Linus was trying to use his experts and guards against Leon this time. It was a completely different situation!

With how much the Thompsons owed Leon, he could not just stand by and watch!

"What?"

Linus was shocked to hear that. He could not believe his ears!

He had always thought that the Scammells' first line of direct descendants was related to the Thompsons. He never expected the one actually to have ties to the Thompsons to be Leon!

Leon was just an insignificant man without any background at all. Yet, he managed to get the Thompsons to owe him. He was even a treasured guest of theirs!

Was that not unbelievable?

It was obvious how shocked he was!

"No wonder..."

Charlie had a look of realization on his face.

He had been confused as to why Roanne was by Leon's side.

He finally understood Leon's relationship with the Thompsons was far closer than the Scammells!

Furthermore, the fact that the Scammells could even be tied to the Thompsons might all be because of Leon!

With that in mind, he suddenly realized that he had underestimated Leon too much before this!

"Linus, the Martells are absolutely dishonorable, you're just abusing your power! I'll give you one last chance. Leave this place with your family right now! Otherwise, don't blame me for not showing any mercy!" John said coldly, giving Linus an ultimatum.

"That..."

Linus had a dark look on his face.

Even though he had a few Emperor State experts with him, the strongest among them was only at the Advanced Emperor State!

They were far from enough to deal with John, who was at the Semi Almighty State!

With John protecting Leon, just John alone would be enough to deal with all of them!

He lacked any advantage whatsoever!

"What are you staring at? Hurry up and leave!" John shouted coldly before he unleashed a wave of terrifying energy at Linus.

Linus paled at that. He took a few steps back before he stopped.

“Mister Thompson, we’ll remember this! Let’s go!” Linus said through clenched teeth.

Even though he was very reluctant, John’s strength was still plain for all to see. He was forced to swallow his pride even if he was very unhappy with it!

After that, he motioned for his men who were surrounding Leon to back off. After that, they helped Charlie and the others up before they prepared to leave.

“You’re just a collateral descendant of the Thompsons, how dare you go against us Spears!” Suddenly, a cold laugh was heard.

A black, extravagant car stopped outside.

Right after that, the door opened, and Rodney walked out with a cold look on his face. Behind him were two middle-aged men.

The two men looked about fifty years old. They had cold looks on their faces, and they had an incredibly impressive and dangerous aura around them!

They were obviously not ordinary martial artists!

“The son of the Southern Boss, Rodney! Two of the Six Guardians as well!”

John’s expression changed drastically when Rodney appeared with the two men.

The Southern Boss and the Thompsons never had a good relationship. As an expert of the Thompsons, he knew about the Southern boss and the Spears’ situation!

Rodney was the Southern Boss’ son and also one of the most famous figures in the younger generation of the Southern Region. His name and ability were second only to Yuri!

He could naturally recognize Rodney!

As for the two men behind Rodney, they were the Fifth and Sixth Guardian of the Six Guardians that served

under the Southern Boss!

On top of that, the Southern Boss was one of the overlords of the underworld. With his name and excellence in the underworld, he had managed to gather quite a few experts under him!

The Six Guardians were at the top of all the experts he had painstakingly gathered. Every single one of them was at least at the Semi Almighty State!

The first three were amongst the top experts of the Almighty State!

It was obvious how powerful the Six Guardians were!

“The son of the Southern Boss?” Leon was shocked to hear that.

He had never seen Rodney before. After John revealed who it was, he finally understood that the young man with such a sharp and sinister aura around him was the son of the Southern Boss!

As for the guardians behind Rodney, he had never heard of them before!

However, the incredibly imposing aura around them made it obvious that they were probably the top experts

under the Southern Boss!

“Crap!”

“Why is Rodney here? This will be troublesome...”

Patrick and Damian’s expressions changed as well.

They had thought that the matter was already settled!

Yet, the two of them never expected Rodney to suddenly come over with his men!

It greatly exceeded their expectations!

Not only that, they had learned from Charlie that Charlie was under the Southern boss’ orders!

Rodney had suddenly appeared so imperiously and had brought along two Guardians as well!

It was definitely not good news for the Scammells and Leon!

Suddenly, they found it hard to compose themselves!

“This is great!”

As opposed to Patrick and Damian, the second line of the Scammells and Linus were all absolutely elated!

Rick and his kin were especially so. They had already given up all hope after failing with their coup just now!

Yet, things suddenly turned around. Rodney had appeared with his men!

It caused them to find a renewed sense of hope!

“Young Master Spears, why are you here?”

Linus had an elated look on his face at Rodney’s appearance, and he hurried over.

“I just got the news that Charlie’s plan failed, so I came over here to see the situation,” Rodney said coldly.

The Spears had tried to help the second line of descendants of the Scammells because they were after Cynthion Group and their Energy Nurturing Pills.

Since the Energy Nurturing Pills were so important, he had already arranged for his men to keep an eye on Charlie.

So, he immediately got the news that Charlie’s plan to help Rick had failed.

So, he brought his men and hurried over instantly!

“Young Master Spears, I failed to do things properly, please forgive me,” Charlie said fearfully.

“It’s fine! With the Thompsons in the fray, it’s normal for things to go awry. I won’t blame you for this!” Rodney waved it off.

He knew that Charlie already did his best, so he did not plan on blaming Charlie.

“Thank you for your generosity, Young Master Spears...”

Charlie looked like a heavy burden was lifted off his shoulders.

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“Young Master Spears, Charlie’s legs were broken by them. You have to get justice for us!” Linus hurriedly complained.

“Yes, don’t worry. I won’t let Charlie’s suffering go in vain! I won’t just get revenge for him this time, but I’ll get rid of the first line of descendants of the Scammells as well. I’ll make sure to get Cynthion Group! It doesn’t matter that we’ve lost out for the moment, the one who wins at the end is the true winner!” Rodney

said with a cold voice. He had an incredibly arrogant and confident attitude as if he had already won!

What was happening seemed to be the case as well. Even though Charlie's plan had failed, nothing had ended just yet!

Rodney already brought two of the Guardians over. With their immense skills, it would be easy to overturn the situation!

He was not worried at all!

"Rodney, right? You sure know how to talk!" Leon walked forward with a dark look on his face.

"Who are you?" Rodney said with a cold look.

He had just gotten here and did not know the exact details of what had happened, nor did he know who Leon was!

"Young Master Spears, this is Iris' boyfriend, Leon. He was the one who broke my legs," Charlie revealed who Leon was hatefully.

"So he's Leon!" Rodney had a look of realization on his face.

He knew about how Charlie had asked his father to send the Black Gorilla to kill Leon.

Even though he had never met Leon before, he had definitely heard of Leon, so Leon was not a complete stranger to him.

"Brat, I'll give you and the first line of the Scammells one last chance! As long as you cripple your own martial arts and hand over Cynthion Group, I'll consider letting you all off! Otherwise, you'll suffer the consequences!" Rodney said proudly with his hands behind his back, feeling like Leon was completely insignificant.

"With just you? What a joke!" Leon said with frustration.

He had met quite a lot of arrogant scions from major families before, but it was his first time meeting someone as arrogant as Rodney!

"Rodney, I'll give you a chance as well! As long as you leave with your men right now, I'll act like nothing happened! Otherwise, there'll be no turning back from this!" Leon said coldly with a firm tone.