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George Thomas the billionaire!

What prestige and fame he had!

He had a net worth of more than ten billion and was the legend of Riverdale.

The amount of wealth and connections he had could not be imagined by anyone at the scene.

A powerful man like him was at Old Master Yates' party. No one would have thought of this happening!

When they heard George's name, everyone in the hall and outer courtyard started gasping. They fell into a state of shock.

Everyone at the scene including Bob, Peter, and Samson stood up. Russell and Theo also stood up to get ready to welcome this VVIP.

"Who would've expected George Thomas to show up?"

Everyone was scared. There were ominous glints in their eyes. They all stared at the entrance at the same time. They wanted so badly to see the legendary billionaire of Riverdale to appear at the door.

A few luxury cars stopped outside the door of Yates Manor. Then, George got out of a black Bentley. He was wearing a grey Tang suit and holding a cane. He slowly made his way to the entrance.

Bob and his group of people were already at the door. They were the first to witness the refined George Thomas walking over.

"It's really George Thomas!"

Bob could not stand still anymore. He walked over and welcomed George personally.

though there was not much difference in their ages, it was obvious that Geroge looked

expect you to visit me in my humble abode,"

your 70th birthday, so I decided to

he said that, everyone figured that this was the Yates family lucky

events, and now, VIPs were coming

cast their glances at Philip who was sitting in the

he had just

the richest man

piece of trash. What did he do to claim connections

fake. If not, how

George said something that widened Is my little boy Philip that, his as if a large hammer had fallen from the sky and that knew was starting to crumble expect to be Thomas, was was starting to Field, Theo more than billions, and they were spineless bum senses and replied, "Yes." Then, he led George into the courtyard. Everyone followed and followed Bob

from Riverdale. You must be exhausted. Come, let me propose a toast to you,"

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"Mr. Thomas, do you have the wrong person? Look at Philip's wretched state, he's just a hopeless case who everyone looks down on..." Paula was unconvinced, so she blurted out.

Not only did she suspect that Theo was a fake, but now, she suspected George was a fake too.

Who were they? Were they blind? How would they have any connections with a penniless fool like Philip?

"Ma'am, please watch your language. No one can insult my little Philip like that." George's tone was icy.

Bob shouted as well, "Paula, shut up! One more word and you're out of here!"

Paula shut her mouth when she saw her father's angry expression. She was as scared as a bird that was startled by the mere twang of a bow. She did not dare to lift her head anymore.

Martha chuckled deviously. She said weirdly, "Oh, our Phil is the best indeed. He even knows a rich person like you, Mr. Thomas. Unlike some people whose daughter only got a nice husband after sleeping with God knows how many men. And she still dares to show off every day. How cheap."

Bob was used to the daily bickerings of his two daughters. He spoke up and stopped them.

Paula was trembling with anger. She peered at Philip at the outer courtyard. Her heart was filled with anger and jealousy.

What did Philip do? How could he claim relations with someone like George?

Did he sell his wife?

At the party, it was only natural for people to ask about Philip and George's relationship.

Before George could say anything, Martha could not wait to show off. She told them Philip had saved George and was George's savior.

everyone sighed breaths

there would be a huge chance for him to

got up and walked to

Philip, George sat

eyes were glued on Philip. Bewilderment, jealousy, envy, and disbelief were among some of the complicated emotions in their

He even started

Man George, what are you

said, "Young Master, didn't you ask me

Pfft!

spat out his

even more of a

at Philip, and at that moment,

Who was this guy?

really just a spineless

started to understand what Philip had said earlier, something about making the Yates disappear

so arrogant just because he

drank his wine quietly. His hands were trembling, and his heart was roaring in

is it possible for you

you is not allowed to cause trouble here!

"Monkey, bring the boys and block the entrance of the village. I want to f*ck someone up! I want to cripple him! There's also a woman. I'll let you guys do anything you want to her as

Philip. It was obvious that Philip's table had become the highlight of the party even though

glances at them occasionally. They were

tired. Philip got up and said to George and the rest, "Um, I have to

don't feel so good, so I'm going to ask Philip to send me back. I'll take him to visit

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Bob knew about Philip's relationship with Russell, and he knew that they were not that close. Naturally, his impression of Philip went back to how it was before.

Philip and Russell just happened to know each other at a gallery.

That piece of trash was not worth mentioning at all.

It was not just Bob waiting for Russell's appraisal, the rest of the group was also anticipating the result.

Russell did not decline. He opened the box, and at the first glance, he was attracted by the jade ornamental thumb ring.

This... This jade ornamental thumb ring was definitely made from jade of the highest grade!

Judging from the craftsmanship and the level of polishing, this ring was not made recently but from the pre-Qing dynasty.

Russell took out his magnifying glass from his pocket and started looking at it up close.

With this gesture, everyone in the hall was being kept in surprise.

What was going on?

Was Philip's jade ornamental thumb ring a genuine piece of antique?

Eric felt his heart sink. However, he got rid of this thought. It was just a piece of jade. How could it possibly be an antique?

"How is it, Mr. Field? Do you see anything?" Bob asked with a grin. He was super nervous.

had not felt this way

did not know why he was so nervous for no reason. Bob could even predict what Russell would

this ornamental thumb ring was not made from

jade ornamental thumb ring from the Qing dynasty! It might even belong to

excitedly all of a sudden. He was emotional. He even started to breathe

belonged to Emperor Qianlong, it must be

seen anything like that for

he had bid for a piece of calligraphy that once belonged to Emperor Qianlong in Capital City. It was sold

this jade ornamental thumb ring was definitely more than 30 million bucks. It must be a valuable

Dynasty... Emperor Qianlong?" Bob was stunned. His eyes were wide as he stared at the jade ornamental thumb ring in

everyone in the hall was

not know anything about antiques like Martha knew that it was something extremely

fell. Did that useless bum really give the old master something

he get the

valuable?" Martha poked

was back then, Martha would do anything to take

the world to give and yet he gave something that once belonged to

He wanted so badly to pounce over and take a look. He said excitedly, "Valuable! It's extremely valuable! Two years

"What? 30 million?"

yelled out

Martha. She covered

heart. What a damn piece

30 million!

"Old Master Yates, I think this ring costs more than 30

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Martha decided to pretend to be sick. She grunted and pointed at her chest.

How would Bob not be able to tell his daughter's little tricks? He glared at her coldly and yelled, "Martha, since Philip gave this to me, then it belongs to the Yates. If you don't feel well, you should just ask Paula to send you back."

When she heard that, Martha did not dare to pretend anymore. She straightened her back, her face filled with hatred.

Even though Paula was jealous, she still felt a little pleased when she saw that Martha could not get any goodies from this.

Bob took the thumb ring from Russell with trembling hands. He valued it very much.

100 million!

How did Philip afford to give him something so expensive?

Eric, Aaron, and Jess were all beyond shocked. They were in disbelief.

Was Philip not a completely useless piece of trash?

How did he afford the thumb ring?

Eric clenched his fists. Where did that guy get such a treasure?

F*ck, f*ck, f*ck! He was fuming. Eric went to one side and urged Monkey and his gang to hurry up. Jess was also curious. She could not make sense of the situation no matter how hard she tried. else was this guy at the corner on What was Eric doing? out her phone to send a message to faces. He worth 100 million was merely just a toy Clarke had previously told him ring from an antique market. This guy has such a sharp going on?" situation. Their suspicions toward Philip trash would knew it was just blind luck? What a Russell left, Bob asked his people to at each Philip was such not even know the true worth of the thumb good-for-nothing would not know the true worth of something valuable down on amount to anything his furious. They left Yates 100 million! Charlie! Philip really wants us to die kept on hurling it away. Do you think you can ask

Why not? That gift was from Philip, so it belongs to us. Why should it go to the Yates? No, I'm not leaving. You should go back first.

she did not cultivate her snobbishness in just one or

to part with

Back to Philip.

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"Clarke, sit tight. I'll handle this."

Theo said and dialed a number. He said coldly into the phone, "Ned, I'm at the entrance of Yates Village. Bring your men over."

After he said that, he removed his hat and took off his suit jacket. He opened the door and walked out with his men.

Philip smiled and got out as well.

Wynn wanted to follow, but Philip kept her inside the car.

Wynn should not have to watch what was going to happen next.

"Which one of you mother*ckers is Philip Clarke? Get out here!"

The leader was named Monkey. He was the local bully of this area at Yates Village. He would tyrannize this area to no end. He was also pushy and overbearing while thinking he was a big shot.

He held a steel bat in his hand, and his face was filled with malice. He smashed his bat down on the hood of the Mercedes-Benz and yelled, "What's wrong? Did you not hear me? Are y'all f*cking deaf? Get Philip Clarke out here and kowtow to me! And that woman named Wynn Johnston too! Come out here and go back with me so that the boys can have fun with you! If not, none of you will be allowed to leave!"

"Do you want to die? How dare you insult Mr. and Mrs. Clarke?"

Theo walked forward and said with an icy face, "Are you bored of living?"

He had been in this industry and working in Riverdale for so long, so he was not scared of a local bully like Monkey. He was just mad that they were insulting Philip!

"Damn it! Who the f*ck are you? Is it your turn to speak? You're going to die and you're still so stubborn."

Monkey looked at Theo from head to toe. "You do look like a human after dressing up, though. Do you believe that I'll beat you until you kneel and beg me for mercy?"

Theo Zander. Who do you

the name, he was shocked at first. Then, he clutched his stomach and guffawed. He

Zander? You look like a p*ssy and you dare to say that you're Theo Zander? Do you know who Theo Zander is? He's my boss' boss! He's the underground king of

fella today. "Hey, dumb*ass! Look at yourself in the mirror before telling others

words! You're as he took the first step expect him to make the first move, so he pain spreading rubbed his stomach through gritted teeth and yelled angrily, "Why the f*ck are y'all still standing here? Go! Cripple all of a group of people charged toward them while men defeated all of these thugs in less than five minutes. They were all He was adding to their pain. The rest of them were all taken care of skills. He had handpicked all of his men, so naturally, Who ordered you stepped on Monkey's face and did not show any mercy at all. Monkey started to shriek loudly me, Ned will not forgive you!" Monkey "Ned Sutherland?" continued to say, "He won't dare to speak to me here, I'm sure you'll suffer the consequences of your actions! If you know what's best for you, hurling abuses. He was seething. Theo then kicked him in However... Rovers sped eye, a man who was about six feet two got out of the car. He was huge and to eight men got out scene quickly. His eyes were

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Monkey's face went pale. His face was ashy, and he was extremely frantic.

When he was at a complete loss and was thinking about how to turn the situation around, the underground king of Riverdale walked humbly to another young man and bowed. He asked, "Mr. Clarke, what do you think we should do to them?"

Mr. Clarke?

Damn it!

Was that young man Philip Clarke? The man that Eric wanted him to cripple?

When he saw this, Monkey was in a complete state of shock. It was as if his heart had stopped beating.

'Eric Yates, you're killing me!'

In Monkey's eyes, Theo was someone he had to maintain a respectful distance from. He was involved with both the dark and light sides. He had huge power over a lot of things.

If he stomped his foot, the entire Riverdale would shake!

Now, this person was being so respectful toward that young man. He was also acting extremely cautious around him.

He could guess the identity of that young man just from the way Theo was treating him.

He wanted so badly to die now!

As he watched the young man approach him, Monkey's heart leaped into his throat.

ask you to do this?" Philip asked

was blind. I was a fool. I deserve to die! This has nothing to do with me. I was

He looked like he was in deep thought.

to die a thousand deaths! I was wrong, Sir! Please forgive me. I will be willing to undergo the most severe trials for you if

up from the ground and slapped himself on the face again and again. He slapped himself until he started

he knew he

Watch the Yates for me. Report

"Alright!" Monkey agreed quickly.

to return a gift to Eric for me. You should know what to do, right?" Philip chuckled

He knelt on the ground and started kowtowing. He said, "I understand! Don't worry, Mr. Clarke. I understand completely! I will do

Philip and Theo got

was

thought about asking Monkey to watch the Yates at the very last minute. The reason was

was wondering if he should take action against

should

would not

sitting in the car the entire day. Philip brought Wynn back to

Then, he invested 30 million and asked Agnes to

Delivery Services was responsible for half of the delivery services in was too f*cking cool to be sending deliveries with BMW got out of his office, Philip thought for a while and decided the restaurant,

are you

two women walking over to him while holding hands.

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Philip frowned. This little girl was so rude.

She was criticizing someone the moment she met them.

'If I were your father, I would have slapped you!'

"Oh, Philip. This is my best friend, Sadie Cash," Yolanda smiled and said. There was disdain on her face.

Philip was such a pervert. What was he looking at? He was staring at her the entire time.

Sadie pressed her lips together and scolded fiercely, "What are you looking at? Have you never seen a pretty girl before?"

Philip shook his head helplessly and chuckled. He ignored the two of them.

Yolanda was not satisfied.

She finally ran into the man who had feelings for her when they were back in university. She had to show off!

A brilliant woman like Wynn actually married a spineless bum like Philip.

She even heard that Philip had been having it tough these past few years. He even owed people a lot of money and was about to have a divorce.

Yolanda was feeling pleased. She wanted so badly to show off in front of Philip so that she could insult him a little.

Without thinking about the consequences, she pulled Philip into a cafe next door and said, "This is such a rare opportunity. Let's have a coffee together."

Philip wanted to decline, but he could not.

booth

stood up unhappily and said, "Sadie,

that, she glared

not gentlemanly

women here and he did not even do What a loser. was glad that she did not fall for outfit, he while, Agnes walked in from the were curious when they saw a beautiful woman she?" Was that Philip's mistress? like him get such a pondered for a while and replied calmly, "She's the manager of my the two of them."Hello, my name is Damn it! excited. Her eyes were twinkling when she looked at Philip. be excited? Philip looked so ordinary, but he had his own company. He must She was confident that this stupid man would fall head bag impatiently and announced that she wanted to go asked emotionally, "Philip, do you really have your own company not about to make a fuss about nothing like Sadie. After all, loser. How would he be the boss Was this a misunderstanding? She smiled and said, "Not bad, Philip. I haven't seen you for three Chapter 208

There were all kinds of cold stares and jeers.

This was the so-called gathering. Eventually, it would become a place for flattery and sneers.

This was also why Philip did not want to come.

What kind of gathering was this? It was all fake. The ex-classmates here were all swinging with each other. In addition to that, the men always tried to curry favors and be posers.

"Philip, why didn't you tell me that you were coming? I could've gone to pick you up. What's wrong? You didn't come the first two times I asked you but you're here now when Yolanda's the one inviting you. Are you trying to disrespect me?"

Joshua was the one who said that. He stood up and walked over. He placed his arm around Philip's shoulder and pretended to be cordial.

Philip looked at him coldly. Had he become so hypocritical now?

When did he invite him?

Was it not Oliver the one who invited him the previous two times?

After walking to the middle of the room, Joshua gave Philip a glass of wine. He said, "Come, it's such a rare chance for us to see Philip. Let's give him a toast. This was the most popular guy in our school back then!"

Everyone was feeling indifferent about Philip. They heard that he was not doing so well all these years. He was not as dazzling as he was before.

However, since Joshua had already said that, they all lifted their glasses as they wanted to flatter Joshua.

Philip chuckled coldly and drank his wine. Then, he sat down at a corner.

However, it was obvious that Joshua would not let go of this rare opportunity.

He hinted at Carl who was sitting at one side and the latter immediately got it. He said loudly, "Say, Philip, you son of a b*tch. Where have you been all these years? You don't even pick up your phone. Did you change your number? You didn't come to the gathering when Oliver invited you. Are you not bothered about your old classmates anymore?"

Carl knew what Joshua wanted. He wanted him to humiliate Philip, or rather, to shame him.

said that, everyone started berating

now? Is that why

can he be rich? I knew he was just playing to the gallery back when we were in university. He has no genuine talent

making fun of Philip. Who here in this crowd is

to belittle Philip, but at the same time, they

hand and said,

the smirk on his face betrayed the pride

corner

then, Philip was the star while they were all

would have

was pleased with himself. He felt

Philip, I'm asking you a question. Why aren't you answering me? Why are you

idiot was sitting

looking

I've been really busy these few years, so I didn't have time. I apologize to everyone here. Plus, I'm here today,

was clear about what these people

these cheap tricks since he was as young as

guffawed and said, "Alright! It's difficult for all of us to gather here. We should drink

trouble. He asked, "Philip, I heard you started a business after you graduated. How's

head

fine. You're not made to start businesses anyway.

room fell

They lifted their ears.

Johnston. It was such a dreamy name. She used to be the girl of

to marry a spineless

fell. He was watching Philip's every

doing great,"

Carl chuckled perfunctorily.

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Yolanda watched as Philip hesitated. She said quickly, "Since we're all here, let's go together. We haven't seen each other in so many years."

Actually, Yolanda wanted to get close to Philip through this gathering.

She felt remorseful for not having any interest in Philip back then. She did not expect a man like him to have such potential.

Philip touched his nose and nodded his head. "Alright."

Philip did not have anything to do in the afternoon anyway. Also, his candlelit dinner reservation with Wynn was for tomorrow. As such, he did not have to worry.

Philip told Agnes something before the latter went back to the office.

After staying a while longer at the cafe, Yolanda and Sadie brought Philip to the karaoke in the mall nearby.

"Oliver and the gang will be singing here before going to Arc de Triumph," said Yolanda. She even grabbed Philip's arm voluntarily and said in a mysterious tone, "Philip, do you know what Joshua opened a company of his own as well? His turnover is already at three million bucks. I heard he's going to hit a target of 20 million this year! He's the one who's hosting this gathering today." Philip did not like Yolanda holding him like this. He knew what this woman had in her mind.

He removed Yolanda's hand from his arm politely and shook his head. He said, "Joshua has his own company? We haven't talked in so long."

Yolanda's expression changed. She did not expect Philip to be so insensible. She made a face as her tone became colder. She crossed her arms across her chest and squeezed her breasts together. She said, "Weren't you guys best friends back then? What's wrong? Did you guys fight?"

together. One would call them bosom buddies. Now, they did not even keep in touch anymore. They must have gotten

that Joshua had feelings for Wynn back then. However, in the end, Wynn decided to be with

had feelings for Wynn

because of this that Philip fell

such a femme

Sadie came over as well. She was

his company?" Sadie's head was shaking slightly. She

head and said, "I don't

a knowing nod and

Lowe too. Oh, and also Carl Ortega! Did

you have zero contact with your old classmates? You're so bad at keeping in contact

still in contact with Howard. Actually, I don't really like to keep in touch with everyone. It's enough

a little sad

seen Howard in so long. He wondered about

to tell Howard about catching Ruby in the act at the

would be

not believe him. They might stop being friends

arrived at the private room after a short while. They

kinds of praises and compliments. They felt extremely awkward

You sounded just like the original soundtrack!

should participate in The Voice!

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"Yeah, Philip. This is such a rare chance. I want to go too. Josh, what about me?" One of Philip's classmates said in envy.

"Me too. I heard the current account of Josh's company has a few million every month. He has so many employees too!"

Yolanda was envious. Her face was filled with adoration. She sat close to Joshua and kept acting coquettishly.

There were more than ten people in the room. Initially, everyone was just doing their own things. However, when they heard Carl's conversation, everyone became eager and was looking at Joshua with impatient gazes.

It became obvious now that they had just come to the gathering for their own selfish needs.

It could not be helped. This was the reality of it.

They were all normal people. They just wanted an easy way out.

This was understandable. It was not despicable.

"Mr. McAdams, do you still need people?"

"Josh, what about me? I was a secretary before. I can do anything."

"…"

Sadie, who was sitting at one side, immediately got close to Joshua. Her eyes were twinkling.

This was a goldmine!

bring her here. Her goal was to curry favors with a rich man

do

They wanted to show that they had what it took

hiring. However, I just need two. If you want to

feeling extremely pleased when he heard them praising and complimenting him.

each one of them a

still had to see what they

company

can your delivery company make in a month? Hurry up and beg Josh. He might hire you if you make him happy. I heard the

everyone fell into a state

for employees was 7,000 bucks?!

a blink of an eye, everyone's eyes started

were

Philip? If you need money, you can work for me. I'll reserve a slot for you. For Wynn's sake, I won't treat you

smiled. He had a pleased

he and Philip were people from

was working a low-level job. Joshua

all depend on Joshua's mood whether

opportunity, he would be able to use this chance to get close

so many