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After the unadorned and heavy door was pushed open, Philip turned around and saw a figure.

The man had a red and golden cane with a dragon's head. He was over 70 years old and was slightly hunchbacked. His eyes were squinted, and there was a slight smile on his face.

He stood at the door like a mountain. Everyone in the hall did not dare to breathe in his presence.

Even if he had restrained his temperament quite well, the reputation and talent in his bones were able to make Philip frown.

Jack Wallis.

The current person in charge of the Wallis family. Giada's father.

This person was extremely conceited and arrogant.

He spent 40 years making the Wallises into the biggest family. They were just below the Clarkes.

This person was also super ambitious.

Behind Jack was a middle-aged man who looked about 40 to 50 years old. His hair was grey, and he was wearing a pair of black glasses. He held a briefcase in his hand and had a black suit on with a tie. He kept nodding his head, but it was nothing peculiar. However, all of them in the room knew that the person must be someone extraordinary if Jack was keeping him around.

That man was also looking at Philip in an oddly calm manner.

However, this calmness felt like a calamity to Philip.

Woosh!

A figure appeared in the hall.

ready to kill. He had a handsome face, and his eyes were cold. It was as if he was looking at his prey when he stared at the middle-aged man behind

Rick Davenport.

went through all kinds

could

Philip and Roger knew

was a sharp knife that could defeat any

ago, Philip had asked him to go overseas.

of time felt like

in the room was so thick that it was going

Philip. She recognized him immediately. The last time Philip came here,

"Steven."

said in a deep

immediately and toned

"Yes, Old Master."

man said respectfully. His tone and attitude were

the latter also toned down his aura and stood to one side. He leaned against the ornamented pillar and fiddled with his dagger. His eyes

Tim did not dare to waste any second as Jack strode into the hall. His cane

was this old man here all

"Father."

helped

at each other before the latter guffawed loudly. He said, "Haha, I didn't think I'd get to see

sat down. He

Clarkes were never afraid

nothing in this world that the Clarkes were scared

Wallises were not enough to cause

Wallis was also not

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Tim sat on the sofa and threw his head back in laughter. "Giada, you Wallises are always so impatient. How can you achieve something big in the future?"

Philip sat at one side the entire time and did not utter a word.

He knew his Uncle Tim was the one standing up for him now.

Giada's face fell, and the corner of her lips twitched. She wanted so badly to kill Tim now. That way, the Clarkes would have one less person in charge.

However, she did not dare to.

She had restraining fear about the power in Tim's hands.

Of course, Tim also had restraining fear about Giada's power after so many years.

The two of them fought openly and maneuvered covertly for so many years. Other than that, they would also restrict each other.

"Alright, we're all family."

Jack finally opened his mouth. He sat at the main sofa with both of his hands resting on his dragon head cane. He looked at Philip and asked with sudden interest, "This must be Roger's son, Philip. He's outstanding indeed. He looks very much like his father. Very much."

Philip snorted. He got up and placed his hands into his pockets. He said, "I'm sorry, the Clarkes and the Wallises are not one family. I thought the Wallises had something incredible up their sleeves. If the person in charge of the Wallises is a sad old man like you, then I'm beyond disappointed."

Giada and Jack were stunned by the statement.

two of

in a low

I, Philip Clarke, the son of Roger Clarke, is 25 years old today.

said that, Philip left the hall. Jack could only

and got up to leave the hall

sons of the Clarkes

in the hall was

you

and steeped his tea for

"Roger has a good son. This is the first time someone has talked

Jack

such a difference when

much

what can you

asked the middle-aged

finally spoke and replied, "He has the

Clank!

had the air of

air of a monarch in the Clarke family and there was one

get out of

"Impossible!"

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"Wynn, why did you come looking for me so suddenly?"

At the same time, Giada walked into the guest hall with a gentle smile on her face. She stood in front of Wynn and obstructed her view.

Giada looked like another woman compared to when she was in the hall.

Wynn saw the two figures vaguely before they disappeared into the night and out of the manor.

"Aunt Giada," said Wynn politely.

Giada grabbed her arm and sat down on the sofa. She asked her servants to prepare some desserts.

Over here, Philip and Tim had already exited the manor. Philip turned around suspiciously. He thought he heard Wynn's name being called just now.

He shook his head, opened the car door, and got in.

Back to Wynn. She was still feeling uneasy, especially when she was facing Giada.

This woman was Philip's stepmother, and Philip had some misunderstandings with her.

"Wynnie, come, freshly made desserts. It's a specialty in the South River District."

Giada smiled warmly as she picked up a slice of green cake to hand it to Wynn with her slender fingers.

Wynn nodded slightly and took it politely. She said, "You don't have to trouble yourself with this, Aunt Giada."

Giada lifted her eyebrow and looked behind her to dismiss the servants.

Giada and Wynn were the only people left in the guest hall now.

with a smile and asked after opening her mouth, "Are you here so late in the

Wynn was starting to

looked at the nervous

"Aunt Giada."

for a while and asked, "Philip told me that his family are

looked at Giada, anxious to

"Correct."

right. We are

was shocked. There was indeed

Riverdale now is to talk business and also to ask Philip to go back with me. Back then, he fought with his father and ran away from

flatly. Her tone

back to break the boundary protocol that had been set for so many years. That way, she could continue with her

that and shuddered. Her father-in-law was

talk to

Giada, if there's nothing

got up as well and said, "I'll ask someone to send you home. If you have time,

"Aunt Giada, if you have time tomorrow, come have dinner at my place.

thank you

happily. She walked over and hugged Wynn. She looked like a benevolent

left, Wynn asked,

looked at the huge manor. She said,

Clank!

Wynn was stunned.

was so extravagant, and it

did

rascal. How dare you hide this from

around to leave the manor. Then, she

...

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"Philip, is there anything you're hiding from me?"

Wynn asked and looked intensely at Philip.

Philip approached her and held her in his arms. He smiled and said, "No. What are you thinking? I've told you everything I need to."

Philip was betting that Giada had not said anything to her.

He knew she would not tell Wynn anything.

If that was the case, he could bring Wynn and Mila back home in a right and proper manner.

As for why he refused to tell Wynn his real identity, Philip had his own considerations as well.

Wynn came from an ordinary family. She did not have the foundation nor a huge family as her backing. If Philip revealed who he was or if he brought them home, the Wallises and the other powers might want to take action against them.

In this world, the Wallises were not the only family eyeing the Clarkes.

The situation now was like a tug of war. The end of the rope with more people would most likely be the winning side.

Once Philip broke this equilibrium, the chain reaction would happen.

A lot of them would have an acrimonious falling out, and they would break all relations with the Clarkes.

In this situation, it would be impossible for Philip to protect Wynn and Mila with all his heart.

Philip was like a weed now. No one would bother him.

However, this weed could still grow into a huge tree. As such, everyone would step on this weed with no mercy.

time to make himself stronger—so strong until he was not afraid of anyone or any authorities out there. Then, finally, he could announce it

and rolled her eyes at Philip. She said, "Aunt Giada told me that

frowned and asked hurriedly, "Did she

to ask you. I'm your wife, so

how big is your family

a sigh of relief internally. Then, he pretended to look

Thud!

was

door, and her eyes went wide.

see you for a bit.

at them and left while swaying her fat

looked at each other helplessly. They

up and said, "I'll go downstairs for a

went out of the room and headed to the living room. Then, she saw

had heard Philip and Wynn's

he hide so

A restaurant owner?

franchise if he had

do you

walked over. She did

sit down quickly. She looked at the second floor and asked with a low voice, "Wynnie, tell me, what does said, "Yeah, his family owns restaurants. I only found out about this recently. If

leave. Martha was frantic. She grabbed Wynn and said, "You stupid girl, why did you only tell

are you

was speechless. She knew her mother was

tell you sooner? Say, do you think he has some ulterior motives? I'm telling

Martha said firmly.

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Martha could not bring herself to fight back and be unreasonable in front of Giada. This woman was too overbearing!

She was only ferocious in her own territory. She would only be aggressive toward Philip.

If she was with an outsider, she would be so cowardly that she would not even dare to let out a fart.

Martha was petrified, especially when she was faced with an overbearing woman like Giada.

"---"

Martha stammered and clutched her face. She did not know what to say.

Slap!

Giada slapped her again. She said sternly, "Martha Yates, I'm warning you. Get rid of all of your little tricks. Do you think the Clarkes are weak? Did you forget what I warned you the last time?"

Martha was such a commoner. She really forgot about the pain once the scar was healed.

She was the most shameless kind of person on earth.

"I-I didn't..."

Martha clutched her face and lowered her head. Her entire body was trembling. She did not dare to look Giada in the eye.

Giada peered at her coldly and walked into the villa. After looking around, she sat down on the sofa in the living room.

Martha ran over to pour her a cup of tea. She handed it to Giada flatteringly and in fear. She said, "Um, Madam Wallis, please have some tea."

Giada did not take it, so Martha could only place it on the coffee table. She was about to sit down.

you to

sudden words caused Martha to stand up straight. Her entire back was drenched

eight bodyguards behind Giada from the corner of her eyes, and her heart was pounding in her chest. If these people were to beat her up,

She began to beg. "Madam Wallis, please don't hit me. I was wrong. I won't do it again. I'll

However,

that someone

heir and bloodline of the Clarkes, you would go as far as to let this commoner bully you

'What a spineless fool.'

a cat on a hot tin roof. She kept kowtowing and slapping herself. She apologized. "Madam Wallis, I-I'm

Finally, Martha started bawling.

up and said, "Martha Yates, you better watch yourself. If I catch wind that you still hold malicious intentions against him, I'll break all of your nerves, skin you, then throw you into the river to feed

out a sigh of relief when she watched Giada walk away. Her

"You damn b*tch! B*tch!"

yelled. She had never suffered this kind of grievance

his way to Beacon. Then, he got

It was Theo's daughter.

do you

soft and sweet voice, goosebumps started

she get

Zander, why are you looking for

There was an icy tone in her voice as

be something wrong when a pretty girl

"No, I'm not."

Philip rejected.

Melody giggled and said, "Alright then, I'll pick

what do you mean? Don't do anything

call was

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"Philip, why are you here?"

There was a smirk on Houston's face. He stood at the door and looked at Philip with a mocking look on his face. "And you too Mindy, what are you doing? You're always loitering and not doing work! Do you want to be fired?"

"No, Sir, I'm..."

Mindy was scared. She wanted to explain, but she was interrupted by Houston.

"What do you mean no? I think you don't want this job anymore."

Houston's eyes turned dark. "You're always running around during office hours and not doing any work. You're fired!"

Philip's face fell as he yelled, "Mr. Michaels, you don't have to target other people because of me, right? If you want to come for me, you can come for me. This has nothing to do with Mindy."

"Philip..."

Mindy was touched. She wiped away the tears in her eyes.

The corner of his lips upturned as he said, "Mr. Michaels, I forgot to tell you. From now on, I'm also an employee at Beacon."

Beep!

the office

their colleague

Johnston

said angrily, "What are you talking about? I'm the vice-chairman of this company. When did you become one of our employees? Why

that you're only the vice-chairman, huh? It's not surprising that

"What did you say?"

Philip and yelled, "You unbridled fool! Even if I'm the vice-chairman, I still have control over you. Beacon can't have an employee who disrespects their superiors! I'm

He was sure that Philip only got in here because of his relationship

that you'll go as far as bending the rules

you think your family owns this

would have laughed and said, 'Yeah, it's owned by her family.

argument could be heard in the

"They're acting like children!"

brows and walked over to the marketing department while her high heels

what she saw

swinging his fist at Houston's

it!" Wynn

too horrifying to imagine what would happen if

what are

over to the two

"Well, well..."

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Philip touched her nose and said, "Your husband is still capable, okay? From now on, I'm your knight."

Wynn rolled her eyes at him shyly.

Over here, Houston was gritting his teeth in anger. He looked at the couple who were walking over and yelled, "Madam Johnston, you have to give me an explanation for what happened today. If not, I'll report you to the board of directors!"

Wynn walked over with a cold expression on her face. She said, "Everyone, this is our new colleague, Philip Clarke. From now on, he's my assistant."

Clap, clap, clap!

The thunderous claps drowned out Houston's protest instantly.

Everyone had their opinions about what happened.

Philip really led his life while depending on women. He became the chairwoman's assistant just like that.

How shameless it was to depend on a woman to climb the corporate ladder.

However, Philip did not care. He would only stay for a few days.

"Alright, just you wait!"

Houston knew he would not achieve his goal today, so he left with his assistant angrily.

Philip smiled and waved. "Mr. Michaels, I'll be waiting for your arrival at the chairwoman's office."

he said that, Wynn pulled his ear and dragged

end of the door, everyone could hear all kinds of chatter and sounds of amusement in the

tire yourself out. It's not good if you tire the

on the floor while listening to

him away. She laughed and scolded. "What are you listening to? It hasn't even been that

laughed and ran behind Wynn

At the same time.

District, inside the branch of Anderson Group, Noah slammed down on his desk in the general manager's office. He pushed a stack of documents to the

"Useless swines! Is it so hard to catch

"Good-for-nothing! Pieces of trash!"

was fuming. He went over and kicked the two of

He looked at the caller ID of his phone and frowned. He tugged his tie and composed his breathing. He said,

angry yells from the

do things? You promised to take down Wynn that

his voice, Houston was also

together and controlled the anger in his heart. He said, "Mr. Michaels, don't worry. There's a minor hiccup. I'll

hiccup? What minor

invited Wynn to dinner alone. I was planning to take her down on the spot. Who knew she brought

lingering fears. He did not expect Philip to have such

there someone else who can drink more than you?

her useless

mentioned this name, he gritted

to hear your explanation. Remember your promise to me! If not, all our previous promises will

"Mr. Michaels, Mr. Michaels..."

hang up on me? Does he f*cking think he's all that? He's just one of the useless Michales who doesn't know anything! Houston, do you really think I'm

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When Melody was near, Philip finally came back to his senses. He asked in confusion, "Can I help you?"

Melody was too good-looking. Her face was dainty, and even though she was bare-faced, her skin was flawless and smooth. She was a natural beauty.

"Did you forget? I told you I'll come to pick you up."

Melody was slightly annoyed, but she did not display it.

Was this guy trying to play dumb?

Philip had no choice. He turned his head and said, "I don't have time. I need to go to visit my daughter in the hospital."

Melody was taken aback. What was up with this guy? She came all the way to pick him up, but he was not appreciative of her kind gesture.

Did he not know how many guys were dreaming and yearning of going on a date with her?

How could he not know what was good for him?

This was her first time asking a man out!

It did not matter if he was married!

Melody was a girl who was not afraid to love or hate. She wanted to ask Philip out to tell him how she felt.

Even if she became a despicable mistress, she would not mind at all.

you have to come with

not care. She pulled Philip into

reservations at a western restaurant. The two of them sat opposite each

did you take me

things to

just want to

Melody giggled and said.

He chuckled and crossed his arms across his

little girl has so many tricks up

you didn't educate

was here now, he would

this, she panicked. She grabbed Philip who was about to leave and explained. "Not so

waited for her

sip of her iced drink and supported her chin with her hands. Then, she looked at Philip with an infatuated gaze

finally understood. This little brat indeed had

and said, "Little girl, I know I'm charming, but I'm married and I already have a cute daughter. Do

know, but I

Hmm?

Was Melody deaf?

like her caused

I don't like you. I only love my wife and daughter. If there's nothing else, I'm

in regret, "Do you really not like me? I can stay with you every day. As long as you want to, I can fly

are

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Melody was not happy with Simon's attitude. She got up and said angrily, "Enough, Simon! Stop trying to terrorize everyone just because you're a young master. Philip's my boyfriend and I won't allow anyone to hurt him!"

It would be fine if Melody just kept quiet. Now that she said that, Simon was even angrier. He pointed at Philip's face and asked furiously, "Mel, how dare you blame me for the sake of this manwh*re!"

Simon was not happy. How dare Melody treat him like this?

Right, it was all because of this man named Philip. It was him! It was all because of him!

If he had not shown up, Melody would not be treating him like this!

"It was all because of you!"

Simon was releasing all of his anger on Philip. He took the wine bottle to smash it down on Philip's head.

"Ah!"

Melody was terror-stricken. She covered her mouth and screamed.

If the hit landed, Philip's head would definitely split open!

Simon was smirking. He believed that this guy would definitely beg for his mercy once he smashed this bottle on his head.

moment, Melody would know who was the

blur. Then, Philip was suddenly holding the bottle that was in Simon's hand with his right hand and his left hand was

happened in just a split

by

neck, he exuded an imposing manner. His eyes were cold as he said two

voice was not too loud, but it took over Simon's

man. The extremely piercing aura was even more valiant

cold. He could not

Philip here.

pushed Simon away. He smiled and said, "Why? Do you need me to

felt like he had just gotten an amnesty. He did not care about embarrassing himself in front of Melody. He quickly wiped his cold

that statement, Simon left the restaurant with

lifted their thumbs at Philip.

his cronies did not run far. Then, his cronies asked hurriedly, "Are

was huffing and puffing. He finally regained himself from that terrifying situation. He

Master, what should we do now? Do you need me to call

face was extremely dark. He clenched his fists and gritted his teeth. Then, he looked at Philip and Melody who

simple as he looks." There was malice on Simon's face. He said, "Call for backup! Call Four

...

not bothered by the minor interruption. He looked at Melody who was still feeling uneasy and laughed. He said, "Miss Zander, it's so dangerous coming out

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However, the tough, tattooed man immediately blocked their way. He squeezed his chin and said in wonder, "Hey pretty lady, there's no need to be anxious. I heard from Young Master Luther that this guy's looking for trouble, so the few of us came to take a look at the situation.

"How about this, pretty lady, you accompany me and my boys for a little fun. There's a hotel just at the side. As long as you keep us company, I won't make things difficult for your little boyfriend. How about it?"

"Brother Four, don't trouble Mel. It's this guy, it's him who..."

Simon who was on the side also saw that something was not right.

"F*ck you! Since when is it your turn to speak when I'm talking? Move aside!"

Four slapped Simon's face and kicked him aside, yelling, "So what? You gonna f*cking accompany us guys to the hotel?"

"I will, I will accompany you!"

Simon was true toward Melody, so he pulled his face and squeezed out a smile at the moment.

"Oh, damn it! Aren't you being disgusting!"

Four grabbed a handful of hair and kicked Simon into the corner.

that you get to

not pay any heed to Simon. Before Four came, he had been

Four decided that he wanted

lady, have you

staring at Melody, especially

"It's nothing great, idiot!"

a discordant voice rang in

is it?

around with his sharp eyes and started searching, finally fixing his

but it could not be helped. This was Theo's

doing anything. I've heard it hundreds of times, yet I'm

his face, completely unafraid of

okay, okay. I see you actually have

planning something in

let's cut him! How dare he

appreciation. Let's break both

lively as if they had decided on Philip's coming

before saying, "Boy, don't say that I, your Brother Four, am bullying you. I'll give you two choices. First, crawl over and call out 'Dad' and I may forgive you. Second, these guys will help you

street. He had done many things like fighting and collecting protection fees. He had been in