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Chapter 1271 Expanding the Influence of the Quillen Family

Gautier's expression grew increasingly grim.

He knew it was true, but it was still very harsh for Hattie to say it so directly!

Magnus had never spoken such words to the Verkade family, before!

"Kneel!"

Hattie suddenly commanded. She didn't show her proud expression intentionally, but her facial

expression was already filled with extreme pride.

"!... !!"

Alani could hardly believe what she heard. In her mind, Gautier had always been superior and known

as the untouchable Prince of Yeringham!

She did not expect Gautier actually to kneel the next moment. Due to the intensity of the movement,

the wound on his left arm reopened, and the sight of blood was shocking!

This scene completely stunned Alani, as if witnessing the collapse of a mountain!

No. Her whole world collapsed!

Gautier had no other choice!

He truly had no other choice.

This time, it was a major gamble to join forces with the Quillen family. If he won, the Verkade family could use the Quillen family to break free from the control of the Zelinsky family and dominate Yeringham, establishing a new order.

Unfortunately, he lost the bet!

He failed to seize the lifeline offered by the Quillen family in the Zelinsky family's business domain, and now he could only be at the mercy of the Zelinsky family.

He was well aware that he was now a loser!

Therefore, he took the initiative and said, "Please, Ms. Zelinsky. Give me a chance to redeem myself!"

Hattie stared at him until he felt a tingling sensation on his scalp. Then, the stunningly beautiful Hattie suddenly smiled and said, "Since you have sincerely apologized, I will give you a chance. As long as you do as I say obediently, I might even help you win the heart of your crush."

Gautier was secretly surprised and wondered what this woman would do next.

He was one of the few who knew that Hattie's strategies and methods were no less than those of

Magnus!

The next day, Emmanuel drove to work with his wife as usual and discussed business matters along the way.

It was clear that cooperation with the Verkade family was no longer possible. In order to enhance their reputation and influence, Mackenzie planned to sign up for the Nuthana Grand Martial Showdown, and today happened to be the registration deadline.

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“Thirty years ago. Alfred won the championship for the Quillen family. Although the current rules of the competition. are completely different from before, Alfred, as a Nuthana martial arts master, is

recognized by many forces and families! If Alfred can still fight for the Quillen family, we will definitely be one of the favorites to win the

championship, and we will surely attract attention from all sides!”

Mackenzie shared some anecdotes of the Quillen family tirelessly and the grand martial showdown with Emmanuel.

It was clear that she was determined!

Terence was right. If the Quillen family fell into her hands, and she, being so young, didn't strive for further progress, what would be the difference between her and a loser?

Only by entering the National Chamber of Commerce and becoming a game changer in the business world could the Quillen family break free from Yeringham and expand their influence.

To join the National Chamber of Commerce, Yeringham, as a city in Nuthana, needed to apply through the Nuthana Chamber of Commerce. To join the Nuthana Chamber of Commerce, one must obtain the support of various parties in Nuthana, with at least the support of over half of the members of the Nuthana Chamber of Commerce.

The influence of the Quillen family in Nuthana was limited to the surrounding area of Yeringham.

Although they had some influence in Onza as well, the current situation was far from enough for the Quillen family to join the chamber of commerce unless both the president and vice president of the Nuthana Chamber of Commerce, the Silverbane family, and the Summerton family support them!

"Emmanuel, please come to my office later so we can continue our discussion!" Mackenzie said directly

as the car arrived at the Terence Group.

“All right!” Emmanuel smiled faintly and nodded. At home, he and Mackenzie were equals, but at the company, she was his boss.

If the president summoned the deputy executive of the business department, he definitely had to go then.

The couple continued their conversation in the president’s office. They discussed the matter of joining the chamber of commerce, and Emmanuel naturally had to report on the affairs of Diamond Titan Military Technologies to his superior.

Just as they were chatting, Lexi knocked on the door and interrupted them.

“Ms. Quillen, Frederick is waiting outside!”

Mackenzie looked at the time and realized it was already 10.00AM. She had asked Frederick to report to her at this time.

“Invite him in!”

“All right, Ms. Quillen!”

After Lexi left, Frederick immediately entered the room. He was slightly surprised to see Emmanuel

there.

Chapter 1272 A Defined Identity

“Report on the recent work immediately!”

Although Mackenzie’s tone was authoritative, it wasn’t as cold as usual. After all, Frederick was

appointed not only by her as a supervisor but also as a close friend of her husband.

“Yes, Ms. Quillen!”

Frederick promptly respectfully began his report.

In addition to the usual data provided by Lara from the R&D department to Gautier, there was also an

issue with the manager from the finance department.

As for the other departments, he was certain that there were no spies, or at least none had been

discovered yet.

Mackenzie, being an efficient decision-making manager, was accustomed to listening to subordinates’

reports while simultaneously dealing with other matters.

After Frederick finished his report, she didn’t respond immediately.

He didn’t dare to interrupt her and could only exchange glances with Emmanuel, communicating

silently with their eyes for a while.

Just when Frederick was concerned that Mackenzie hadn't heard his report clearly and was

contemplating whether he should repeat it later, Mackenzie called out directly, "Lexi!"

Lexi promptly entered from outside and asked, "Ms. Quillen, how can I assist you?"

"Find a reason to terminate the manager from the finance department!"

"Understood!" Lexi acknowledged.

Since the father and son from the Blue family were expelled from the board of directors and the

mysterious second shareholder hadn't appeared for a long time, Mackenzie's words now held absolute

authority in the Terence Group.

Even if Lexi were to give an absurd reason to fire the manager from the finance department, it would be

completely acceptable to dismiss him!

Frederick overheard their conversation and shivered slightly. He felt the immense power he now

possessed. Just a small report and he could make a manager from a key department leave.

He felt a sense of being valued.

He now felt even more overwhelmed by a sense of devotion to Mackenzie

“Oh, by the way, Ms. Quillen, Ms. Beatrix is waiting outside!”

“Let her in!”

“All right, Ms. Quillen!”

After Lexi left, Beatrix entered happily.

“Hello, Ms. Beatrix!”

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Frederick greeted her proactively.

“Hey! Hello to you too!”

Beatrix greeted him back casually. She had been waiting outside and overheard a bit of the conversation inside. She felt that her sister valued Frederick quite a bit.

Not only that, when she entered, Mackenzie didn't ask Frederick to leave but instead said directly,

“Beatrix, the business department has successfully negotiated a 75 million project with Diamond Titan Military Technologies. We have also secured the initial order. You will be in charge of this project from now on!”

“Ah? Really?”

Beatrix was ecstatic. Her sister was entrusting her with such an important task!

“Yes. This project is crucial. You must give it your all and report to me every day. Understood?”

Mackenzie’s expression turned serious..

She knew that Beatrix had limited work experience and might struggle with such a big project.

However, she could only appoint her most trusted person to take charge because of its significance.

“All right, Mackenzie! I will definitely do my best!”

Beatrix patted her chest to assure Mackenzie.

Despite being only 1.6 meters tall, Beatrix had quite a good figure.

Frederick stood beside her. His heart raced when he caught her patting her chest, and her chest

bounced slightly.

In Frederick’s eyes, the most beautiful woman in the Terence Group was undoubtedly Mackenzie.

However, Beatrix was like a fairy tale princess to an ordinary man like him and even more down-to-

earth.

Just then, Mackenzie spoke up again. “By the way, since you’re in charge of this project, you’ll need to

assemble a team. Take Frederick with you!”

“Huh? What is this-”

Frederick was taken aback. He had been thinking of Beatrix, but he never anticipated that he would be collaborating with her in the next moment.

Mackenzie glanced at him and remarked nonchalantly, “Your undercover role is that of a supervisor at Terence Group, but you also require a public persona. Beatrix will accompany you there to avoid arousing suspicion from others.”

Considering that she had recently dismissed a manager, many people would be skeptical. Frederick needed a clearly defined identity.

Furthermore, he had previously collaborated with Ryder to ensure her safety, and she highly valued this employee.

“Yes!”

Frederick agreed promptly, then addressed Beatrix respectfully, “Please guide me more in the future,

Ms. Beatrix!”

Chapter 1273 Heated Argument

“Hey, don’t worry! I will take good care of you!”

Beatrix was not a scheming woman. She immediately patted Frederick on the shoulder affectionately with her small hand.

Frederick’s heart raced, but he forced himself to hold back before warning himself silently not to blush or show any signs of embarrassment.

“Frederick, you can leave now!”

“Yes, Ms. Quillen!”

After nodding, Frederick left. Beatrix was too enthusiastic and lively. He was afraid that he wouldn’t be able to handle this beautiful young lady if he walked too slowly.

“Emmanuel, what kind of person is Frederick?”

After Frederick left, Beatrix asked curiously. After all, Frederick was Emmanuel’s close friend.

“Well...”

Emmanuel thought for a moment and immediately said, “Although Frederick is a bit introverted, he is absolutely honest and trustworthy. It’s pleasant to be friends with him, and he’s the type who would go to great lengths for his friends!”

Upon hearing Emmanuel's evaluation of Frederick, Beatrix had a good impression of Frederick. She felt that she should nurture this subordinate well.

After all, as a manager, who wouldn't want to have some trusted allies?

Moreover, if she wanted to compete with Lara in the company in the future, she would definitely need more help!

Unexpectedly, just as she was thinking this, Mackenzie's office door was knocked.

In the next moment, Lara disregarded Lexi's obstruction and burst in with an aggressive demeanor!

"Lara, do you have something to say?"

Mackenzie looked at her sister with a cold and displeased expression.

She disliked it when people barged into her office without permission!

"Mackenzie, I'm sorry! But Lexi stopped me, and I had to come in!"

Lara still spoke respectfully to Mackenzie, but in the next moment, she pointed at Beatrix and shouted,

"Why did you entrust a woman like her with a 75 million project? Does she have the capability? She doesn't!"

“Lara, don’t... don’t underestimate me!” Beatrix became furious instantly and stood her ground. “I lack the capability? Do you have it, then? You traitor! You have no right to say that about me!”

“Me, a traitor? Everything I do is for the Quillen family! You’re the one causing trouble for the Quillen family!”

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Upon seeing the situation, Emmanuel quickly tried to intervene, but unexpectedly Frederick, who had just walked out heard the commotion and rushed back. He opened his arms to protect Beatrix and said loudly Ms. Lare, this is a civilized society: Please refrain from physical aggression

“Who do you think you are? What business do you have interfering in the Quillen family’s affairs?”

“Shut up, Lara

Mackenzie finally reached her limit and reprimanded directly, “I am the decision-maker of Terence Group, and I have entrusted this project to Beatrix! If she falls, you can criticize her and even me, but I won’t allow you to speak like this right now. Focus on your own responsibilities and stop thinking you know better and causing trouble!”

If Lara wasn’t her sister, Mackenzie would have fired her directly, but in order to avoid family turmoil, she wanted to give Lara another chance.

“Mackenzie! When will you come to your senses?”

Lara was still agitated and continued to argue.

“Frederick, escort her out!”

Mackenzie didn’t want to hear another word from Lara and immediately instructed Frederick.

“Yes, Ms. Quillen!”

Frederick turned his gaze toward Lara and said, “Ms. Lara, please!”

“Mackenzie-”

“Lara, control yourself!”

Mackenzie noticed that Lara still hadn't realized her mistake and finally became angry. She raised her voice unusually, and her icy stare pierced through Lara, causing her to tremble as if she had been frozen solid!

“Listen! If you dare to cause trouble on behalf of the Terence Group again or intrude into the superior's office without authorization, I will fire you! I mean it!”

Mackenzie's presence was fully unleashed.

Lara swallowed instinctively and finally lowered her head before apologizing. “Mackenzie, I... I understand! I'm sorry...”

“Whatever...”

Beatrix noticed Lara's defeated expression and secretly mocked her.

Although Lara was furious, she had no choice but to storm off.

Chapter 1274 Misunderstanding

Mackenzie couldn't help but sigh slightly when she realized that Lara was truly causing her a lot of trouble!

However, as the eldest daughter and head of the Quillen family, she couldn't simply ignore Lara's

behavior. especially with their parents not around. She had to find a way to discipline Lara, which was proving to be quite a challenge!

Meanwhile, Shane returned to M&L Group with the Diamond Titan Military Technologies contract and received a hundred thousand bonus. Not only that, but he also received a promotion and a raise!

His male colleagues were envious of him, his female colleagues flattered him, his superiors valued him, and his subordinates fawned over him. Needless to say, he was feeling quite satisfied with himself!

After he transferred 45,000 to Santiago to buy alcohol, Santiago immediately called him in a panic!

“Shane, be honest with me! Just how many illegal things did you do to earn this money? I like to drink, but I never drink tainted alcohol!”

“Oh, Master! How many times do I have to tell you? I earned all this money with my skills. Do look like someone who would dare to break the law with such a timid personality?”

“That’s true, but you only have a junior high school education

“What’s wrong with a junior high school education? Did Bill Gate, Steve Job, or Tom Edison have a higher education? If you add up our net worth, it would still be several billion! Don’t underestimate me!”

“But they are all more successful than you!”

“What does success have to do with height? How much taller is Jeff Besoz compared to me? Kevin

Heart is not taller than me either, but they still make a lot of money, don’t they? In any case, my money

is absolutely legal and earned through my skills. You can rest assured!”

Shane hung up the phone in a hurry and headed straight to Terence Group after leaving the company.

Today, as the project manager of M&L Group, he was going to meet with Terence Group to discuss cooperation.

Upon arriving at the branch of Terence Group and announcing his name, an assistant led him to

Beatrix’s office

“What’s that you have there?” Shane couldn’t help but strike up a conversation with the assistant, who

looked quite adorable.

“This is the lunch takeout for Ms. Beatrix. I brought it along for her!

“Can I help you bring it in?” Shane eagerly offered

“But you’re a guest. How can I be so impolite?”

“It’s all right. As a hero from Hero’s Village, I enjoy helping others!” Shane said before taking the takeout from the assistant’s hand.

The assistant could only express her gratitude and leave

Meanwhile, Beatrix was on the phone with Frederick. She had expressed her gratitude for his protection earlier when Lara had tried to harm her. She planned to invite him to have lunch together as a way of showing their appreciation

Not only did Frederick help her eliminate the traitor, but even Emmanuel said that Frederick was a loyal man. She had a favorable impression of him and decided to focus on his development in the future.

However, just as the call connected, she heard someone knocking on her office door.

“Come in!” Beatrix called out casually, and her attention was focused on the computer screen as she dealt with work. She was wearing a Bluetooth earpiece in preparation for the call.

“Ms. Beatrix, here’s your takeout!”

“Okay. Just put it on the desk!” Beatrix, who was unaware that it was a representative from M&L Group, assumed it was one of her subordinates and didn’t bother looking up. Her attention was still on other matters.

Shane felt disappointed by Beatrix's indifferent attitude. Just as he was about to speak up, he heard

Beatrix suddenly say, "Hey, have you had lunch?"

"Uh... Not yet!" Shane thought she was talking to him and replied quickly.

"Let's have lunch together then!"

Beatrix continued without looking at him.

"Oh? Really?"

Shane felt embarrassed and couldn't help but salivate at the delicious aroma of the takeout.

"What's there to be embarrassed about? We're all friends here?"

"Well..."

Shane was utterly surprised and felt like he was being treated like royalty. He couldn't help but wonder

if this person's charm was just too overwhelming. It was fine that Lola and Lily, the ordinary female

employees, showed interest in him. Could it be that even the esteemed third young lady from the

Quillen family had taken a liking to him?

Alas. If being handsome was a flaw, he must be irredeemably flawed then!

“Since you’re so enthusiastic, I’d be impolite to refuse!”

Shane was not one to be excessively polite. If Beatrix invited him to dinner, he wouldn’t hesitate. He

opened a lunch box and began to savor the meal!

Beatrix sensed the commotion and was startled when she looked up!

What was happening?

Where did this fat guy come from? Why was he so impolite by casually eating her food?

“Ms. Beatrix, what’s wrong?”

Chapter 1275 Discussing the Agreement

Frederick asked on the other end of the phone.

“Oh, it’s okay! We don’t have to eat if you’re busy.”

Beatrix hung up the phone and glared at this young man angrily.

But suddenly, she found him somewhat familiar. Wasn’t he Emmanuel’s junior? How could he be in her

office?

Only when she looked at his work badge did she realize that he was actually the person in charge of

M&L Group

Well, for the sake of Emmanuel and the project, she wouldn’t argue with him!

“Ms. Beatrix, aren’t you eating?”

Shane looked surprised as Beatrix kept gazing at him affectionately.

Just now, he thought it was an illusion, but now it couldn’t be wrong, could it? Could it be that Beatrix really had feelings for him?

“I’m not eating. You eat more! See you later!”

Beatrix smiled slightly, stood up, and left the office. She had to find something else to eat. She would consider this takeout as a gift for this young man.

“She’s so gentle and so considerate!”

Shane looked at Beatrix’s figure and was moved to the point of almost shedding tears. She must have known that he had a big appetite, so she let him have it all.

It was so hard to find such a beautiful, lovely, and considerate girl!

Over an hour later, Beatrix finally returned to her office after eating her fill, only to find Shane using a power bank to charge his phone and play games.

She was speechless about this young man. How did someone like him become the person in charge of

M&L Group?

She wanted to discuss business with him, but she didn't know how to remind him. Coincidentally, she noticed that her phone was running out of battery, so she took the initiative to walk over and said, "My phone is out of battery. Can I borrow your power bank?"

Shane was happily playing a game when he suddenly heard Beatrix speaking next to him. He trembled and couldn't hear clearly for a moment as his mind desperately tried to recall.

Borrow my power bank?

Good gracious! Beatrix not only had a good impression of him, but she was also clearly trying to pursue him!

She even called out to him affectionately!

After hesitating for a while, Shane mustered up the courage to respond, "All right... All right... Baby!"

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power bank for her: He didn't dare to look at the charming Beatrix for a moment speechless

She can't know that Shane was the bibe to overthink things. She wondered if this young man was

Oh well. She would discuss business with him quick

Share Uh, Mr. Murphy, Can you show me your contract ag

"Sure

Shane quickly took out a document from his briefcase and handed over

Thank your

Beatrix took it casually but accidentally touched the back of his hand with her fingertips, ig

It tickled

It felt smooth!

it was so comfortable

Shane closed his eyes and enjoyed it. His expression was intoxicated. He never expected that Beatrix

would also

be interested in him!

After he thought about it, it was also normal for him to be liked by her considering that he became a

millionaire in my early twenties solely based on his own abilities. He was young and promising

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Chapter 1276 Kissing Beatrix

Shane rushed over to her side hurriedly.

Ah! Beatrix smells so good! This fragrance is much better than Lola's. It's even fresher and more comfortable than Miss Zora's!

"Here. I hope you can accept-" Beatrix said. She wanted to look at the other party out of business etiquette, but in the blink of an eye, she noticed food residue at the corner of Shane's mouth and couldn't help but point to her own mouth, giving him a hint.

That is too sloppy!

"Huh?" Shane was momentarily stunned and did not understand what Beatrix meant.

Upon seeing Beatrix continue to point to her own mouth, his heart suddenly felt like it had been

pierced, and it was pounding rapidly.

Oh, my goodness!

Does Beatrix want me to kiss her?

It... It is too wild, isn't it? The progress is too fast, right?

Upon seeing that he was still indifferent, Beatrix became a little anxious. She had obsessive-compulsive disorder and couldn't have a conversation with someone who had food residue in their mouth.

So, she pointed to her own mouth again impatiently.

Oh, my goodness!

Shane couldn't ignore it any longer when he saw her anxious expression. How could he, who loved to help others, not fulfill the request of a cute and beautiful girl who was eager?

So...

Mwah!

He kissed Beatrix's cheek lightly, then blushed and twisted into a pretzel while feeling shy.

This was his first time kissing a girl!

It was so thrilling and so wonderful!

This unexpected love came too suddenly, leaving him completely unprepared.

However, Beatrix was utterly confused, and her mind went blank.

What is happening?

Is Shane out of his mind?

“Ahh!!”

After a while, she stomped her foot in anger and slapped him hard.

Shane was almost knocked unconscious by the blow.

Who would have thought that this adorable and beautiful lady would be so fierce when slapping

someone?

“You scoundrel, get out of here!!”

Beatrix was furious and didn't care about anything else. She slapped him two more times before driving

him away angrily.

Shane was kicked out with a bewildered expression. He clutched his burning cheek and did not know

what to do.

Didn't she ask me to kiss her? Why is she angry now?

This shouldn't be happening!

Shane quickly tried to recall what had gone wrong.

But no matter how he thought about it, Beatrix should like him. Otherwise, why would they invite him to dinner, call him "darling," and remind him several times to kiss her?

"Oh, I understand now!" Shane suddenly clapped his hands and said, "Luckily, I've read Odyssey! She slapped me three times, so does that mean I should come find her again next Wednesday? Is it a special holiday that day?"

Shane was puzzled as he walked out of the Terence Group branch office in a daze. Little did he know that he accidentally bumped into someone at the entrance!

"Ah, I'm sorry!" He apologized instinctively, but then his eyes lit up.

"Fred?"

"Well, well... It's Shane here, isn't it? What are you doing here?"

Two men from Hero's Village met again here unexpectedly.

"Haha! It's a long story. Come on. I'll treat you to a meal!"

Shane patted his chest and pulled Frederick along as they walked away.

"Oh, have you had a change of heart? Why are you so generous now? If I asked you to treat me to a meal in the past, it was like asking for your life!"

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“D*mn it! Are you trying to start an argument? If you insist on paying the bill, I won’t be happy!”

“Let’s settle it then. Who’s afraid of you? Besides, I’m the one treating. I’m your elder...”

The two of them were tough with their words, but their relationship was ironclad. They might talk about fighting, but they would never actually come to blows.

In the end, they had a meal together, drank a lot of alcohol, and even decided to rent a house together.

They were the most compatible neighbors in the village and would be the best roommates outside!

Chapter 1277 Entrusting Responsibilities

“Hehe... Shane, I can be good buddies with you now, but I reckon I’ll be out of the single club soon!

Don’t accuse me of betraying you when that happens!”

The two of them walked out of the restaurant side by side while still boasting.

“Haha, you might not beat me to it! When it comes to betraying a buddy, I can handle that!”

Shane, a man from Hero’s Village, could lose at anything, except when it came to finding a partner and getting married. He couldn’t afford to fall behind in those two areas.

“Come on... How can girls easily fall for you with your height and looks? Let me tell you. There’s a cute and beautiful girl who’s been treating me well lately. It seems like she’s interested in me!”

As Frederick spoke, all he could think about was Beatrix’s face.

Today, Beatrix not only smiled at him but also invited him to have a meal together. It was obvious that she had feelings for him!

Little did he know, Shane laughed heartily. “What a coincidence! There’s also a beautiful and lovely girl who has fallen for me. She’s even a wealthy young lady. We’ve even kissed. I’m way quicker than you!”

“Don’t boast!”

Frederick didn’t even believe a word Shane said. “I used the words ‘beautiful and lovely, and you also used the same words. You didn’t even bother changing the adjectives, huh?”

“I’m not boasting! It’s true!”

Shane was instantly agitated. “So, you’re allowed to have a beautiful and lovely girl, but I’m not allowed to have a beautiful and lovely woman? Let me tell you. I’ll win her over next week!”

“All right. All right. I’ll wait and see! Let’s see who can win over the beautiful and lovely one quicker!”

“Bring it on! I’m not afraid of you. The loser will go back to the village and announce that they lost in the search for a wife!”

“Great! Do you think I’m afraid of you?”

These two slightly intoxicated guys made a bet and were convinced that they would definitely win!

On the other hand, Beatrix had no idea that the two men were overthinking because of her. When she

returned home after working overtime, she found that almost everyone in the Quillen family was in the meeting room, discussing something important.

“Dad, do you really have to travel around the world?”

“How about I accompany you?”

“Can’t you just not go? Dad, where haven’t you been? I just don’t understand!”

Samantha and her sisters had been persistently urging Terence to talk.

Mackenzie sat quietly on the side and listened without interrupting.

“You don’t have to go, but I want to!” Terence smiled as he said. “I’m getting old, and I want to see more

of the

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“How about I accompany you?”

“Can’t you just not go? Dad, where haven’t you been? I just don’t understand!”

Samantha and her sisters had been persistently urging Terence to talk.

Mackenzie sat quietly on the side and listened without interrupting.

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Upon hearing Terence's words, his daughters naturally had displeased expressions.

Marilyn stood behind Terence and always behaved very humbly. Now, she lowered her head even

more and stood in the corner when she felt everyone's gaze. She did not dare to breathe heavily.

Emmanuel was the first to meet Marilyn and had the most contact with her. He knew that this girl was

not always so timid and submissive. Her current behavior could only be explained by two possibilities.

Either she became more reserved after entering the Quillen family due to her humble background and

resulting insecurity, or she was pretending.

Emmanuel leaned toward the latter. He had always felt that Marilyn was not like Red, who was

innocent, and he feared that Marilyn had some hidden motive.

"Grandpa, should I accompany you?" Emmanuel volunteered tentatively. Of course, if Terence agreed,

he would also go to protect Terence. After all, traveling the world was quite risky.

"Haha. No need. I have Alfred to protect me and Marilyn to take care of me! You stay behind and

protect Mackenzie and my future great-grandchild!" Terence said with a laugh.

The other women were puzzled by the second half of his statement. Where did he come up with the idea of a great-grandchild? Did Terence have dementia?

Mackenzie blushed slightly but quickly composed herself and said, "Grandpa, don't talk nonsense. If Alfred goes with you, what about the Nuthana Grand Martial Showdown? We just registered!"

"Didn't I mention that we have Emmanuel?" Terence continued to smile warmly. "I entrust the Quillen family's business to you and the responsibility of protecting the Quillen family to him!"

Chapter 1278 Facing the Challenge Head-on

Upon hearing Terence's words, Emmanuel smiled bitterly and immediately felt immense pressure.

However, as Mackenzie's husband, it was his duty to take on this responsibility.

"Emmanuel, I have faith in you!" Alfred, who usually refrained from meddling in the affairs of the master's family, rarely spoke up in front of everyone to address Emmanuel.

"I will definitely protect Mackenzie and do my best for the Quillen family," Emmanuel promised the two elders.

Mackenzie was increasingly satisfied with this fool's performance. Compared to his previous foolish and straightforward personality, he had changed a lot in the six months since their marriage!

It was unusual for Hannah and Sophie to not interject or voice any objections this time. Although they

still didn't quite like Emmanuel, they remained silent.

Samantha even encouraged him by saying, "Emmanuel, don't disappoint Grandpa. In the upcoming Nuthana Grand Martial Showdown, you have to fight for more reputation and glory for our Quillen family. This will help the Quillen family join the Nuthana Chamber of Commerce smoothly and reach new heights!"

"Aunt Samantha, I will do my best." Emmanuel could only respond with a smile while feeling a bit bitter inside. He worried about what would happen if he ended up fighting for both families and got into an accident.

But at this point, he had no choice but to face it head-on!

After all, helping the Quillen family join the Chamber of Commerce was the first step in his plan to defeat Teddy.

After finishing their discussion in the chamber, the couple returned to their room and continued to have private conversations.

Gradually, this became a habit for the two of them.

Neither of them had ever thought that life would come to this point. They had only wanted to live together, but in the end, they became indispensable and intimate to each other.

Mackenzie often had this thought, or rather, recalled a classic saying, "Everything could be played with, except for emotions!"

Playing with emotions would eventually lead to self-destruction.

Her icy heart was ignited by Emmanuel's fiery passion.

"Emmanuel, I originally planned for you and Logan to follow Alfred into battle, but now that Alfred is not participating, my plans have been disrupted. I'm afraid you will be under immense pressure. If it's not possible, let's just abstain!"

Mackenzie confessed her concerns.

She knew Emmanuel was skilled in martial arts, but having someone lead the team would alleviate much of his pressure. Now, by having him lead the charge at the forefront, she was afraid he would forcefully endure and get hurt.

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Mackenzie sighed softly.

As an intelligent woman, how could she not know that everyone in the Quillen family wanted to join the Chamber of Commerce? Since the burden was not on them, they naturally wanted the Quillen family to continue to grow and prosper!

“Mackenzie! Listen to me!” Emmanuel gently supported her fragrant shoulder, and his smile was full of

healing power. "Since you have admitted that I am your husband, I should support the Quillen family with you, shouldn't I?"

Mackenzie trembled slightly as his foolish words once again pierced her heart.

"I will do my best!" he said determinedly.

He didn't want to get involved in the conflict, but as her husband and in order to avenge his fallen Wolf Warrior subordinates, he had no choice but to face the challenge head-on.

Wolf Warriors never backed down in the face of difficulties!

"Okay. No matter what happens next, I will fight alongside you." Mackenzie nodded before leaning her pretty face gently on his shoulder.

Emmanuel was pleasantly surprised. He felt a delightful and even exhilarating sensation in his heart.

He couldn't pinpoint when it started, but he knew that Mackenzie was becoming more and more like his wife.

He used to perceive her as too strong-willed, detached from worldly matters, and far from being the type of wife who would rely on him like a typical woman!

However, Emmanuel gradually realized that Mackenzie not only had the ability to be like an ordinary

wife, but she could also provide him with things that an ordinary wife couldn't.

How fortunate he was to have such an impeccable wife!

"By the way, Emmanuel, there are two matters I'd like to discuss with you." Mackenzie, who never enjoyed being dependent, moved away from Emmanuel's shoulder after a while and resumed her usual demeanor.

"Now that we've decided to participate in the Nuthana Grand Martial Showdown, let's head to Onza next will have Lexi arrange for a leased office building there as a branch, and I also intend to establish a new p line in Onza to collaborate with Diamond Titan Military Technologies!"

Chapter 1279 Taking Tommy Out to Play

Emmanuel nodded and was about to remind Mackenzie of something.

Unexpectedly, Mackenzie immediately said what he wanted to say. "Although we have repelled the Holy Fire organization for a while, and you have taken down Magnus, there are still many forces coveting the Heart of the Sun. We don't know when the enemy will reappear. The new energy products need to utilize the Heart of the Sun, and our production factory must not be made public. The production line in Onza is only used to deceive the outside world."

Emmanuel could only give a thumbs up and remained silent for a moment.

Little did he know that Mackenzie then asked, "Where should the real production base be established?

Do you have any suggestions?"

He frowned immediately.

He didn't know how much time it would take for a new production base to be built. As for an existing and secret production base, he couldn't think of one at the moment.

However, he did think of someone who might be able to help with this matter, and that was Sage and

Eve! If all else failed, there was always Nathan!

"Mackenzie, let's first develop in Onza. I will give you suggestions or implement a secret production base as soon as possible!" Emmanuel said.

Mackenzie remained calm and made a noncommittal sound.

She was actually just asking this man subconsciously and didn't expect a definite answer. But now, looking at his appearance, he seemed quite confident.

How much was this man hiding?

She must find out the truth about this man!

“Mackenzie, what is the second matter?” Emmanuel suddenly asked proactively.

Mackenzie was taken aback and immediately said, “Since we’re going to Onza next week, I want to go back to Yociam Residence for the next two days of the weekend.”

In fact, she just wanted to have some peaceful time together as a couple.

After returning to the Quillen family, she felt exhausted every day, and life was more comfortable when it was just the two of them.

Moreover, Emmanuel had protected her so many times recently, so as his wife, she wanted to reward her brave husband!

“Great!”

He didn’t know what she was thinking, but he was tired of the power struggles in high society and also wanted some alone time with her.

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Marianne initially couldn't regard Tommy as her own grandson. After all, they had no blood relation, and

it was purely for the money that she agreed to take care of Tommy.

But after spending two or three days together, she realized that Tommy was a well-behaved child, unlike other children who were mischievous, and he was very polite. So, she gradually developed some fondness for him.

Today, she even suggested taking Tommy out to play!

Tommy was happy, but when they were about to get into the car on the side of the road, they were suddenly stopped by someone!

"Tommy! Tommy!"

A woman dressed in luxury but lacking the demeanor of a noblewoman ran toward them with excitement, and an unattractive man followed behind her.

"Mom?"

Tommy saw Abellyn and surprisingly didn't show the excitement that a child would have when seeing their own mother. Instead, there was a hint of panic in his eyes.

"Tommy, you finally came out! I have been waiting for you for so long!"

Abellyn walked over and hugged Tommy before burying his head in her chest. She showed a deep affection like a cow licking her calf.

Tommy was not used to it. As far as he could remember, his mother had never been so intimate with him.

"It's you!"

Marianne was acquainted with Abellyn and knew that she used to be Ryder's wife. They had even shared a meal together, but it ended on bad terms.

"Where are you taking my son?" Abellyn inquired.

"I'm just taking him out to play. He's not in your custody anymore!" Marianne replied with a fierce gaze.

After all, her relationship with Tommy was distant, whereas Abellyn was Tommy's biological mother.

"Haha. Madam, we're taking Tommy out to play today. You can have your own activities, like playing

poker or dancing!" Blake approached with a smile and attempted to persuade Marianne, but there was

a hint of strangeness in his eyes.

“That’s not possible!” Marianne immediately refused while holding Tommy’s hand tightly.

Although she wasn’t Tommy’s biological grandmother, she still felt a sense of responsibility. If Tommy

was taken away by these two individuals, how could she explain it to Ryder when she returned?

Chapter 1280 Grocery Shopping

“Is this all right?” Blake pulled out a thick wad of cash and waved it in front of Marianne.

“Well... I’m not entirely sure.” Marianne’s eyes brightened, but she still shook her head.

“What’s the matter? We are Tommy’s biological parents. Is there a problem with us taking him out to

play? We promise to bring him back home by 5 p.m., okay?” Abellyn said fiercely.

Marianne was a stubborn woman, but she couldn’t help but think of the saying, “Even cruel tigers

wouldn’t devour their young.” Abellyn was Tommy’s biological mother, so Abellyn wouldn’t do anything

to harm her son, right?

“Well... you better keep your word!” Marianne warned them symbolically after taking the money.

Blake and Abellyn quickly took Tommy to the car, even though Tommy wasn’t very willing. Along the

way, he kept saying he wanted Ryder and Tia.

Marianne took the money and didn't have the heart to stop them, but after Abellyn took Tommy away, she realized that the stack of money in her hand was counterfeit!!

"D*mn it! How dare those deceitful individuals trick me? Don't think I won't call the police!"

Marianne was furious and immediately picked up the phone to report the incident. She would accuse them of child trafficking if they didn't return Tommy and see what they would do.

On the other side, at Yociam Residence, Mackenzie had already mentioned that she wanted to go out alone to buy groceries early in the morning, which startled Emmanuel and almost made him fall off the couch.

"Mackenzie, let me handle this kind of thing!"

Emmanuel tried to dissuade her. He still remembered the last time he went to the market with her to buy groceries, which almost caused a traffic jam.

She glared at him and warned him in a cold voice. "I'll cook today, so you better behave!"

"Why?" he asked in surprise, filled with confusion.

"As a way of repaying you for saving me twice before. I dislike owing people favors the most!"

Mackenzie replied seriously.

“Must a married couple keep such meticulous accounts?” He chuckled bitterly. “Shouldn’t a husband take care of his wife?”

She glared at him again. Although she didn’t say anything, she secretly thought that one-sided emotional investment was destined not to last!

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Hopefully, she wouldn't burn the food!

Soon, a multi-million-dollar Bentley parked at the entrance of the farmer's market, instantly attracting a large crowd's attention.

"Ms. Mackenzie, do you need us to accompany you?" Wally opened the car door for Mackenzie and

asked.

“You can help me carry the groceries then.” Mackenzie gave orders effortlessly.

“Yes, Ms. Mackenzie!” Wally quickly followed behind Mackenzie with two bodyguards.

Wherever they went, people would make way for them. Even the stubborn bargain-hunting old ladies,

who usually wouldn't budge an inch, were intimidated by Mackenzie's icy aura!

After Mackenzie passed by, a few of the older women straightened their backs proudly and scoffed.

“She's just young. Hmph! Back when I was young, I was just as impressive, if not more. My figure was

even more attractive!”

Mackenzie didn't have a curvaceous and sexy figure, but her physique was excellent, and she radiated

a captivating charm. Men who caught a glimpse of her would be instantly captivated. As she walked

past, men seemed to be under a spell, some even dropping whatever they were holding without

realizing it!

To put it simply, some men who frequently watched adult films would no longer be easily aroused by a

woman's body. However, when they saw Mackenzie passing by, even if she was dressed modestly,

they still felt a strong curiosity and wondered what she was wearing underneath. The sight of her

bending over would instantly make their entire body tense up!