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Lucy was momentarily stunned when she heard that.

“Oh, Gwen, are you two okay?”

Gwendolyn glanced at the woman who was staring at her from the side.

“I'm fine. They are just after the money. We can leave once we repay the debt. I'm sorry for causing trouble for you, Luce.”

It was already bad enough that Melanie was sick. Now, this thing happened.

Gwendolyn was feeling very guilty. She blamed herself for being ignorant and for causing trouble even though she had good intentions.

Of course, she would not ask Lucy for more than five hundred thousand. Not even a cent more.

“It's all my fault, Gwen. You did it to help me, didn't you? I'll take a loan and borrow some money. Don't worry. I'll gather enough money for you.”

Gwendolyn did not dare tell her that she was still short of one million seven hundred and thirty thousand. Any amount, no matter how small, was good enough.

As long as Juliette was safe and by her side, she would face the future one day at a time.

Lucy's expression was grim after she hung up.

situation, she was left with no

would sign the contract tomorrow and sell the house

in her hand, Lucy thought about who she could ask a favor. However, no one

far lesser than the five hundred thousand

lit up, and she dialed

the

his voice, she remembered the devilish man

Gomez, can you lend me six hundred

and now, she was asking for his money.

and said whatever she wanted. As long as she

it to you right now. Remember to come on time tomorrow

long lashes quivered as her heart skipped a

the thought of what would happen the following

immediately agreed to transfer her the money. He was the moment, her phone

was transferred into her account. Her

you can always tell me. You're not

Lucy's face when she saw the message. Lucas was

sent a message in reply: Thank you, Mr.

the message, she looked up at the sky. It was pitch black, as though it was about to snow. She drew her clothes together. She

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Gwendolyn received the money that was transferred into her account. She pursed her lips after hearing Lucy's voice message.

Luce is such a loyal friend. She transferred six hundred thousand.

Gwendolyn sighed. This amount of money was more than she could ask for. She would not let Lucy worry about her anymore.

Andrea glanced at Gwendolyn's phone and asked, "Has the money been transferred?"

Gwendolyn looked up at her and hesitated for a moment.

"My friend transferred six hundred thousand. Adding it with the five hundred thousand I have, it will amount to one million one hundred thousand. Can you let us go?"

Even loan sharks have sympathy, right? Giving them an additional six hundred thousand should be more than enough. It is already more than the principal amount.

Andrea waved a finger at her.

"Ms. Ashton, maybe you aren't sure about the rules of our business. Pay as much as you have? If you don't pay it all, there'll be interest tomorrow. I suggest that you pay it all by today."

She raised her eyebrows and sneered, "Otherwise, I'll have to feed you and your daughter to the fishes in the river."

Gwendolyn felt her heart ache at the thought of giving them so much money.

However, after hearing those words, there was nothing else she could do.

tried calling the police but was unable to. It was likely that the signal had been tampered

tired but still have

she opened

sleeping daughter. With her here, Juliette's emotions
pay them the remaining six hundred thousand and negotiate a little. She believed that they would agree
to let
as she thought about how she
long later, Andrea entered the room with several
sleepy that
If you don't pay up, they'll send you and your daughter
approached the bed, looking as though
give you six hundred thousand now. Please let me and my
head with a smile. "I already told you. Not
gestured to the men to take
want
face darkened. "Ms. Ashton, if you're thinking of seducing him, you better
face. Look at that puffy military jacket she is wearing. Her face is so
my looks compare to yours? I won't seduce Samuel. I simply want to speak
She really doesn't know when
the men to

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Juliette had just lain down when Samuel opened the door and entered the room.
He was dressed in black from top to toe, and he looked at Gwendolyn and Juliette with a cold, vicious
gaze.
"What do you want?" he asked.
Gwendolyn smiled at him. "Let's sit down and have a chat, Samuel."
She mustered her courage to approach him and lead him to the bedside. Then, she spoke sweetly.
"Look, Samuel. I only have one million one hundred thousand with me right now. Is it fine if I return this
amount of money first?"
As soon as her words fell, Samuel's face darkened instantly.
"That's not possible," he said.
After that, he was about to call someone in to take over the matter. Quickly, Gwendolyn ejected the
needle from her ring and hooked her arms around his neck. Next, she pressed the needle against his
skin.

"I'm sorry, Samuel. We can only let you take us outside," she said.

Samuel was fuming with rage. He never expected the woman to be so cunning.

It was his first time getting outsmarted by a woman. He began to struggle.

ninety-nine types of snake venom.

as he heard her words, Samuel's face turned even darker. Still, he believed her and dared

was pissed. Moreover, he was terrified of

into situations like this, she had to learn

support her and no family members to rely on. When such circumstances occurred,

even call the police.

"Juliette..." she called.

voice. Then, she slid out

pursed her lips and spoke

daughter and grinned

When the rest of the people

were pointed at them. Juliette's

Gwendolyn's military jacket tightly,

"Samuel..."

Samuel growled, "Lower your guns and get a car

seduce Samuel with

of this, she felt a sudden sense of admiration

watched by so many people, Gwendolyn was still bold enough to pull this

better of Samuel, who was the most intelligent member of the gang. Indeed, she was

voice. "Haven't you heard what Samuel said? Lower your guns and prepare a

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Gwendolyn could not help but laugh when she heard Juliette's remark.

"Okay, I'll certainly poke him," she said.

Samuel broke out in a cold sweat out of terror, and a grimace gradually formed on his face.

He breathed heavily and stared at the needle, fearing it would touch him.

Moreover, the woman and her daughter were unlike other people. Under such circumstances, they still discussed whether or not to poke him.

Samuel's gaze began to harden. People like him had been through many kinds of situations.

No matter how scary the situation got, he was able to tough it out. Therefore, he would not be afraid of the minor screw-up that happened on this day.

A wicked smile flashed across his face. Only time would tell whether the mother-daughter duo could escape.

Once the door was locked, the people inside the building could not get out, and Gwendolyn felt a lot safer. The only thing left to do was to head downstairs and get inside the car.

Her plan was to subdue Samuel, head home, and relocate to another place.

She had already planned everything down to the last detail.

"Let's go," Gwendolyn said sternly and nudged the man before her.

walk, and the three of

look at Juliette and reminded her, "Be careful,

to tug at Gwendolyn's clothes anymore. She

the stairwell was very dark due

her mother fearfully

the dark. Little girls, in particular,

hold her daughter's hand

she must keep the man in front of her under control. Otherwise, it

Juliette screamed, "Ah..."

the stairs. A horrified Gwendolyn released her grip on Samuel and called Juliette

that point. As long as Juliette was fine, it did not matter whether they managed to

her phone and turned on the flashlight. She ran down the stairs and

frightened and tried to

out his gun

for holding me hostage!"

Gwendolyn's cheeks as she kept calling Juliette,

hear Samuel's

Gwendolyn raised her head and said, "Juliette, I'll

carried Juliette and was about to leave when Samuel
stairs as blood continued to trickle down the little girl's forehead. Gwendolyn

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The three men ran over hurriedly. Patrick grabbed both her hands.

“Gwendolyn, where are you hurt?”

His gaze scanned both the girls from head to toe. Even Justin and Julian were shocked.

Simultaneously, they asked, “Mommy, you and Juliette are hurt.”

Gwendolyn's gaze was empty. She had already lost her senses after Juliette fell down the stairs. Not only that, Samuel had earlier refused to let her take Juliette to the hospital.

Therefore, like a madwoman, she frantically beat that man to the point he could no longer stand. Only then did she carry Juliette downstairs.

Right now, the only thought on her mind was to get to the hospital. Upon hearing that familiar voice, she finally snapped back into reality.

Patrick wanted to carry Juliette, but Gwendolyn held onto her tightly without letting go.

He gently held onto her shoulder. “Gwendolyn, it's me, Patrick. Hand Juliette to me. I'll take her to the hospital.”

When she heard the word “hospital,” Gwendolyn's eyes flickered slightly. She nodded.

“Get to the hospital quick.”

As she spoke, tears flowed down from her eyes. Patrick's subordinate took Juliette over and ran toward the car.

body had gone weak.

Juliette. Help me take care

From what they could see, Juliette

her. They ran over to the car and

and Gwendolyn were in, his heart ached to the point that he couldn't breathe. It was a very suffocating
over

voice, he ordered, “Round all those people up. I'll deal with

“Yes, Mr. Lowen.”

into the car, Patrick ordered,

replied,

as hard as he could on the gas pedal. Seeing the look in Patrick's eyes, he knew that if he went slow that night, he probably

lit up.

deeply into her clear and

cried countless times that night, he could

the way to the hospital. Don't worry. I will make sure she gets the best

were headed to his private hospital. That hospital was equipped with the best

tightly with both hands as she sobbed

save Juliette. Please. I'm begging

thought of her daughter's condition, she felt

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Gwendolyn could slowly feel her legs starting to regain warmth. She could also feel the temperature of the man's palms.

When he saw that she was still shivering from the cold, he set her down on the seat.

Then, he grabbed her feet and placed them under his shirt. Gwendolyn raised her head.

"Patrick, it's really cold."

She wanted to retract her legs. She didn't even dare to think about the condition of her feet.

Even if she ignored the fact that they were icy, they were still really dirty. Isn't he a clean freak? She didn't want to make him feel uncomfortable.

Patrick grabbed tightly onto her feet. "Don't move."

Gwendolyn stuck her feet closely to his defined abdomen. It was very warm.

Her face blushed red, and her heart started to beat faster.

She stole a glance at his face. In the dim light, his side profile was sharp and defined.

All of a sudden, she felt like not only was this man handsome, but he was also really nice.

More than warming her feet, he was also warming her heart.

Twenty minutes later, the car pulled up to the hospital entrance.

Gwendolyn took a look at the building. It was a very famous private hospital in Avenport. More accurately, it was known for being expensive. However, it contained the most modern medical equipment and the best medical professionals in the world.

the best possible treatments. Hence,
was no way she could
for a short moment when Liam handed a pair of shoes through
said sweetly, "Thank
over at Patrick, who was hugging
Patrick was really admirable when
thank Mr. Lowen. He's the one who
her lips together lightly as
"Thank you, Mr. Lowen!"
so that Patrick would let
and put on
"Are you hurt anywhere?"
blood all over her body
shook her head.
first thing she wanted to
too. The duo headed
Patrick walk
"Mr. Lowen."
little girl who came
did
politely responded, "She's been admitted into a ward.
moment. "Doesn't she need any emergency
looked back at the
injury. We've already bandaged her up. She should be receiving an IV drip

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His attitude toward Patrick was as cold as always. It was clear that he was trying to chase the man away.
Patrick swept a glance at him. Admittedly, Justin's indifferent gaze was very handsome.

Patrick narrowed his eyes. "No problem. I like your mommy. Hence, I do not intend to leave. I will make sure to see her matter to the end," he replied straightforwardly.

Then, he strode over to the bedside.

Justin watched as Patrick's tall figure went over to his mother. Then, the man laid his hands on Gwendolyn's shoulder as an act of comfort.

Gwendolyn leaned her head on him. Looking at them now, they did look like a parental couple.

Justin pursed his lips together slightly. For every day that their mother didn't give her approval, they would be sure to watch over her. They would never let her suffer.

The next day, at the Lowen residence.

Alice was sitting in the dining room having her breakfast. The sunlight shone in through the long windows and cascaded over her.

She elegantly took a sip of her coffee before turning to look at the door.

"Is Old Mr. Lowen still asleep?"

housekeeper walked in and answered, "Old Mrs.

a good sleep. He often woke up in the middle of the

in the morning that day, it seemed like

the night before. Many of

wasn't sure either. The engagement banquet was just about to begin; how could Pat just

moment, a housekeeper came in and reported, "Old Mrs.

come to stir up trouble. She had

didn't understand why her grandson would

dressed in a pale

her out of the dining room and into the living

members of the Ashton family were sitting down in the living

at Candace's hand. "Mom, let's go home!

relatives had questioned her about what was going on. Seeing

up trouble at the Lowen residence. After all, the engagement between her and Patrick was nothing more than an

know about this matter, and neither did

afraid. What the Lowen family did isn't right. How can you just accept it like that? We

her lips. She glanced over at her father,
that as long as

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Alice's face was calm. Up until now, Patrick had yet to return.

Thus, she had no choice but to handle this matter.

In a light voice, she answered, "Love is not something we elders have control over. What century are we living in? If the kids are unwilling, then forcing them to marry would only make them miserable. Don't you think so, Mr. Ashton?"

Zachary was rendered speechless. He looked over at Felicia.

"Fel, is your relationship with Patrick going well?"

After Felicia heard her father's question, a trace of panic flashed across her eyes.

There was no love or relationship between her and Patrick at all. She wished there was, but he only ever spoke to her about contracts. He was only ever willing to give her money.

Her gaze shifted around. She wasn't sure what to say.

Even though Patrick wasn't around, she didn't dare to speak out of turn.

"Dad, this is between Patrick and me. You guys shouldn't try to interfere."

With that, she got up to leave.

couldn't lie anymore. Furthermore, she had no idea what was the reason behind

laughing stock of everyone in Avenport. Everyone

was mad, but she had no right to ask Patrick for an explanation. After all, they were nothing but parties to a contract. It

Candace was in a tough position as

stood beside her parents and demanded an explanation from the

let's go home for now. We'll let Fel deal

an icy glance over at Alice. Despite her desire to get closer to the Lowen

no idea how to explain this to

the trio leave, Alice let out a sigh as her gaze

you've made this decision,

hospitalized for the night for observation. Hence, not a single one of

bed inside the ward. Both Justin and Julian slept on it together. Meanwhile, Gwendolyn slept

was already six o'clock in the morning. Both Justin and Julian had fallen asleep earlier. Gwendolyn had stayed

receiving her IV drip as well. However, he had to sleep on the couch. Due to his tall figure, he was not able

first thing she noticed was the man curled up on

to one

to put a thin quilt over

at his handsome face, she couldn't help but think of what had happened the night before. In her

her legs to keep her warm still

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The lady experienced embarrassment due to a person of the opposite gender for the first time in her life. She wanted to distance herself from the man.

However, Patrick did not allow her to do so. He held on to her narrow waist. Faint amusement flickered in his deep-set eyes.

“Was Zayden the one who sent you this set of clothes?” he murmured.

It suited her and accentuated her figure perfectly. She was so pretty that she captivated many.

Gwendolyn knew that she was not as strong as him and that it was impossible to fight with him.

Thus, she no longer struggled pointlessly and nodded.

“Yes. I was going to be his female partner yesterday night and attend the event with him.”

Yet, she had to go to work. She wanted to apologize to Zayden. I'll treat him to a meal soon!

It was as if she could cast Zayden aside at the mention of money.

Luckily, Zayden was already used to it. Otherwise, he would not be friends with her.

Patrick went into a daze after she finished speaking. He was a little angry, so he leaned forward and bit her lips.

Gwendolyn was hurt by his bite. She furrowed her brows and glanced at him.

“Mr. Lowen, what are you doing?”

action was a little overboard and too intimate, but it was

think of other men when you

duo stared at each other. Patrick's handsome face was merely an inch away from hers. His stern expression caused

to make people believe and be subdued
but laugh. "Mr. Lowen, it must be tiring to be your girlfriend. You
if you are my girlfriend, as I'm very capable
understood the meaning behind
red. What does that have to do with me? Men sure love
when she thought of a certain body part of his, she recalled that it was frighteningly huge. She imagined
that
a loss for
why she went off-topic because of him. Her
stumbled, she landed on the floor. Patrick frowned mildly
you behaving like
to sit on my laps? Their amicable conversation made
couch that he had slept
see her once he woke up.
shook her head. "Mr. Lowen, I'll go and buy breakfast. You should rest for
two sons were already awake. They sat up and called
"Mommy!"
glanced at Patrick and walked to
still early. Both of you can
putting on his clothes while Julian still wanted

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Justin understood her worries and took out a card.

"Don't worry, Mommy. We have money."

The money in the card was earned by him and his brother after they made a few defense systems for some companies.

Although they were not recognized on the hackers' list, they were very interested in hacking. Thus, they left their contact details on the black market and offered to work for a small fee. Thus, many small companies got them to install systems for them.

They had earned a considerable sum of money from it.

Gwendolyn stretched out a hand to caress his face. "You're flipping stocks with Zayden again? As I've said, you can't touch that. Don't worry about money. I'll settle it."

Justin shook his head. "Mommy, since you've forbidden us from doing that, we won't do so. We've earned this money from writing codes. It's legal."

Gwendolyn knew that the two boys loved computer programming and had been learning it recently. She did not think that they could earn money from it.

She chuckled. "I see! I've misunderstood. Thank you. I'll work hard to earn money in the future and not let you worry about money anymore."

The duo went to ask the nurse about the bill and went to the first level to pay the medical fee.

It was not cheap. They merely paid for a night's stay at the hospital and simple procedures, but it already cost twenty thousand.

so much, she

we'll give this card to you to manage in the future. If you want to purchase a house, you can apartment so that they would have a place to stay in. That way, they no longer needed to worry about losing their house and being

eyes lit up. "How much money is in this substantial amount of money to purchase

"Around two million. We can get a small eyes widened when she heard his

"So much?"

can't believe that they

exclaimed, "We'll have a house of our own

his mother's face, he flashed a

as a child, but Justin was as calm and composed as

with your relationship. You don't have to think that you owe him anything and become his girlfriend or reimburse him in any form. I'll thank

before. Yet, he canceled the engagement at his whim and fancy and had no sense of

longer trusted him. Naturally, they hoped that their mother would

and subordinate

just five. You're still a

behaved increasingly like adults and

on to the bags