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Briana frowned, wondering how a perfectly sane person could suddenly go mad.

“Was the reason for his madness found?”

Maxim shook his head, “Not yet, but judging from the video sent by my subordinates, we probably won’t be able to get any information.”

“You show me the video.”

After watching the video, Briana remained silent, not uttering a word. It was impossible for an adult man to suddenly become so foolish. He was either pretending to be foolish, or it was deliberate.

Regardless of either of these two possibilities, it suggested that someone wanted to cover up the fact of Isaac’s parents’ death.

The two didn’t discuss the matter further. After breakfast, Briana took Maxim to work at MY Corporation.

Seeing Maxim and Briana come to the company together, Melody was shocked and quickly pulled Briana aside.

“Why did you bring Maxim to MY Corporation?”

Briana raised her eyebrows and smiled. “He has a lot of experience in running companies and managing people, so I asked him to help me at MY Corporation for a while.”

Melody frowned and whispered, “Briana, do you know that there’s been a lot of talk about Maxim sexually harassing Jennifer and hitting Isaac in public, and everyone is talking about him like he doesn’t want

to be there, and if you bring him into the company now, it’s going to be bad for the company.”

The smile on Briana’s face gradually faded as she looked at Melody and said word by word, “Do you also think he is the person others say would sexually harass Jennifer and hit Isaac for no reason?”

Sensing that Briana was upset, Melody sighed.

“No, it’s just that I am a shareholder of MY Corporation, and I have to consider the image of the company.”

After a few seconds of silence, Briana pursed her lips and said, “He didn’t do anything wrong, and he doesn’t need to worry about the rumors. If there’s a problem, I’ll take it on myself.”

Seeing Briana look firm, Melody did not persuade again, and probably could not persuade.

Word soon spread that Briana had hired Maxim as her personal assistant, and some of her partners immediately sent people over to cut their contracts with MY Corporation in order to curry favor with Isaac.

Ironically, some of them were people who had previously collaborated with the Yoder Group and benefited from it.

William had come to look for Briana several times in the afternoon, his expression gradually becoming anxious. However, he didn't feel comfortable saying it directly in front of Maxim, so he could only secretly send an email to Briana, telling her that another partner wanted to terminate the contract.

Maxim was such a perceptive person, noticing William's occasional glances and knowing that what he was discussing with Briana was related to him.

The next time William came in, Maxim said indifferently, "William, is there a problem with me working at MY Corporation?"

No sooner had the words fallen than Briana spoke up before William could respond, "You just keep working, don't worry about anything else."

Maxim stood up, walked over to Briana's desk, and looked down at her, saying, "I came to help you. If I'm causing trouble for MY Corporation, it would be better if I leave now."

Briana frowned, knowing that if she didn't tell the truth, Maxim would definitely turn around and leave immediately.

She glared at William, "You go out first."

William also felt wronged, who knew there would be so many partners clamoring to terminate the contract.

After the office was left with only two people, Briana finally turned to him and said. "Several partners want to terminate their contracts with MY Corporation."

"Because of me?"

"Yes and no, some of these partners didn't want to continue working with MY Corporation in the first place, and some of them were just trying to please Isaac, and it's a good thing that this kind of wall player got rid of his contract early."

Maxim frowned, saying in a deep voice, "The main reason is that I'm working at MY Corporation, I'll pack up and leave later."

"No!"

Briana rose to her feet with an excited expression, walked over to him and grabbed his wrist, "You're not allowed to leave!"

Seeing the stubbornness on Briana's face, Maxim was taken aback. He had rarely seen her act so childishly.

"Briana, my departure was a good thing for both you and MY Corporation."

His reputation was not good at the time, and their continued association in public would have an impact on both her and MY Corporation.

Briana looked at him seriously and said, "If I draw a line with you at this time, what is the difference between me and those who do not know the truth and have wronged you?" You are innocent, and I will endure the scandal alone with you until the truth comes out!"

No sooner had the words left her mouth than she was suddenly embraced by Maxim.

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After a good while, he finally let her go, looking down at her and said, "I came to MY Corporation to help you, not to cause you trouble."

"For me, you were never a bother."

Maxim looked somewhat helpless, murmuring, "I know, besides coming to MY Corporation, I have other things to do. I'm not that fragile."

Briana pursed her lips, remaining silent for a moment before nodding and saying, "Alright then."

"Um, I'll leave soon, and I'll wait for you at home tonight."

"Good."

After Maxim left, Briana picked up the documents to continue reading, but she was so agitated that she couldn't absorb anything.

The feeling of being able to do nothing but watch as others misunderstood and slandered him was truly terrible!

"Buzz, buzz, buzz!"

The phone on the table rang.

However, after Jaxon's reminder, she remembered that there seemed to be not much medicine left..

"Master, is Norma almost well now?"

Jaxon's voice was angry. "Have you forgotten that a month is almost up and you're running out of all the medicine I gave you?"

During this time, because Briana takes medicine every day, the pain every night is also bearable.

But after Jaxon reminded her, she didn't seem to have much medicine left.

"Master, isn't Norma all right?"

"Still have the leisure to worry about others? You'd better think about yourself. In this lifetime, you have to endure heart-wrenching pain every night, and even if you regret it in the future, it will be of no avail."

Hearing this, Briana chuckled and said casually, "Don't I still have my master? After taking that medicine, I've been able to bear the pain during my bouts of illness these past few days."

There was silence on the phone for a few seconds before Jaxon finally said angrily, "You paid such a high price to save Maxim's

grandmother. If he ever treats you badly in the future, I swear I'll turn the Yoder family upside down!"

Briana also strongly agreed, "Yes, it can."

Jaxon: "....."

"When could I have gone to pick up Norma?"

"No need to come over, I had your senior brother take her home these past two days. Also, the medicine and prescription for you, I had him bring them as well."

"Well, thank you, master, I know master hurts me the most!"

Jaxon snorted and hung up the phone.

Briana put down her phone, unable to help but laugh.

Regarding the Myriad Poison Pill, she was not that desperate. As long as the poison was artificially created by humans, there would definitely be an antidote.

At this moment, Medical Valley.

Jaxon handed a box to Wyatt, his voice deep as he said, "Inside is medicine and a prescription to alleviate the pain of the Myriad Poison Pill for three months. Take it to Bridenville and give it to Briana."

Wyatt carefully took it, nodding and said, "Master, rest assured, I will definitely deliver it to Briana personally."

"Right, remember to remind her, she must remember to take this medicine every day, not missing a single day, otherwise the toxicity that was previously alleviated by the medicine will completely erupt once, causing unbearable pain."

"Alright, I understood."

In the evening, when she returned to the villa, Briana told Maxim that Norma had been treated and would be back in a few days. However, he was not as happy as she had expected.

Briana frowned, "What's wrong? Don't you want grandma to come back?"

"Isaac had intended to harm grandma by poisoning her before. If grandma comes back now, I don't know what he might do to her. So, I want to wait until Isaac is completely dealt with before bringing grandma back."

Upon hearing this, Briana looked somewhat troubled, "But the place where grandma is being treated can't accommodate her for a long term."

Maxim fell silent for a few seconds, then said in a deep voice, "After Grandma returns to Bridenville, I'll arrange it."

Hearing him say this, Briana nodded and said, "Okay."

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Soon, Wyatt had taken Norma back to Bridenville.

Maxim personally sent someone to pick them up and directly took them to a private club in Bridenville.

Although he had heard Norma's voice before, it was not until he actually saw Norma standing in front of him that Maxim's hanging heart finally fell.

Wyatt had other matters to attend to, and said, "I have something to do later, so I won't be joining you for dinner tonight. Ms. Schneider, could you come with me for a moment? I have a few words to share with you."

Briana looked at Maxim, "You talk with grandma, I'll see Dr. Waylon out."

Maxim's gaze deepened, he nodded and said, "Okay."

The two of them stepped out of the private room. Seeing no one around, Wyatt took the box out of the bag and handed it to Briana.

"The master said that there were three months' worth of medicine and a prescription inside. He had improved the prescription, so it should be more effective than before," he said.

Briana took the box, her voice somewhat low, "Hmm, I understand."

Seeing her looking somewhat downcast, Wyatt thought she was upset about the prospect of suffering for a lifetime. He comforted her in a low voice, "Medical advancements are happening rapidly. There might be a way to completely eliminate the toxins in your body someday.

Don't despair too much."

Briana shook her head, her eyes slightly red.

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"No, I was thinking that I still have to trouble my master now, feel guilty towards him."

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Wyatt paused for a moment, then patted her shoulder and said, "You know as well as I do that out of all his apprentices, the master cared for you the most. If you truly feel guilty, don't abandon the medical skills he passed on to you. Carry on his legacy in the future."

"Um, it definitely won't."

One day, she would pick up the silver needle and continue to be a doctor.

"Right, the master also instructed, this medicine must be taken every day without fail. If you miss even a single day, the toxicity that was previously alleviated by the medicine will erupt completely, causing unbearable pain."

No sooner had the words fallen than the door of the box not far away opened.

Maxim came out from inside, his face darkened when he saw Briana and Wyatt talking closely.

“Briana, what were you talking about with Dr. Waylon?”

“It’s nothing, Dr. Waylon instructed me on some things to pay attention to for the subsequent care of grandma.”

Maxim’s eyes deepened a bit, saying, “Do you need to get this close to discuss the precautions?”

However, Briana didn’t even give him a glance, she looked at Wyatt

and said, “Dr. Waylon, I’ve remembered everything you said. I will never forget the favor you did by saving my grandmother this time. I will thank you properly another day.”

“Good.”

Wyatt turned to glance at Maxim, gave a slight nod, and then turned away to leave.

It was not until his figure disappeared around the corner that Briana turned to walk towards Maxim.

Just as I walked by his side, I noticed a chill emanating from him, which surprised me a bit, “What’s wrong? Who upset you?”

“Stay away from Wyatt in the future!”

Seeing his serious expression, Briana knew he was jealous again. She couldn’t help but laugh and say, “My relationship with... Dr. Waylon is purely professional. You’re even jealous of that.”

“I didn’t like you talking to other men.”

Briana looked at him somewhat speechlessly, “Unless you’re the only man in the world, how could I possibly not talk to other men? Alright, just go in.”

“Was the box in your hand given to you by Wyatt? What was inside?”

Briana subconsciously moved the box to her side, an action that caused another wave of displeasure in Maxim, but he held it in.

“It’s nothing, Dr. Waylon said I was weak, these are some tonics he gave me.”

A flicker of doubt passed through Maxim’s eyes, but he didn’t press further.

The two walked into the private room, and Briana carefully asked Norma about her treatment process during this period. Norma explained everything and also praised Jaxon’s medical skills.

After chatting for a while longer, Maxim finally got to the point, “Grandma, I plan to tell you something, please prepare yourself mentally.”

Seeing Maxim’s serious expression, Norma also wiped the smile off her face.

“Alright, you speak.”

“My mom was set up by Isaac in a car accident a few days ago, and she is still in a coma now.”

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Norma's face suddenly turned pale, and her hand on the table began to tremble unconsciously.

"What a misfortune for our family... I used to feel sorry for him

because his parents had passed away. I even thought about giving him the Harmony Villa and half of the shares I held. I never expected that he would not only drug me maliciously, but also try to kill your mother!"

Although Norma had never been particularly fond of Kendra, what Isaac had done was simply unconscionable!

Maxim's expression was icy, "He always believed that my parents killed my uncle and aunt. You helped cover up the truth, so he hates us and hates you."

Norma's eyes widened, filled with shock and disbelief.

"Has...has he gone mad? If your parents really did kill your uncle and aunt, I would be the first one not to spare them. He still believes those old rumors!"

Maxim's expression was icy, "Not long after my uncle and aunt's car accident years ago, one of my father's former subordinates hastily left the country. Perhaps the accident had something to do with him. We've found him now, but unfortunately, he's gone mad and we can't get any information out of him."

Norma gritted her teeth, "How could a perfectly sane adult suddenly go mad?!"

There might have been some hidden circumstances in this.

"I had already sent someone to bring him back to the country. Whether he is truly insane or just pretending, we will know then."

Norma sighed, saying with a hint of heartache, "Maxim, before I came back, I wanted to ask you to spare him for the sake of brotherly love. But now, the things he has done have crossed the line of the law. From now on, you don't have to consider him as your cousin anymore. Whatever his end will be, it's all his own doing."

This statement clearly indicated that they didn't want to deal with Isaac anymore.

Maxim nodded, "Grandma, I knew what to do."

During this meal, Norma ate with a face full of worry. She didn't understand how Isaac, who had been obedient and sensible since childhood, could have changed like this.

After finishing their meal, Maxim and Briana took Norma to the villa that Maxim had prepared for her. They instructed people to guard the surroundings and then left.

On the way back, Maxim remained silent, still thinking about the box Wyatt had given to Briana.

Why did she need to take supplements when she was perfectly fine?

Back at the villa, Maxim finally couldn't help but ask, "Why are you taking supplements? Is there something wrong with your health?"

Briana paused for a moment, looking at him calmly, "When Dr. Waylon was treating my grandmother, he took my pulse as well and said I was weak. So, he gave me some tonics to bring back."

Maxim pursed his lips, saying in a deep voice, "If you're not feeling well, tell me. I'll get a doctor to check on you. Medicine is a double-edged sword, don't take it indiscriminately."

Briana nodded, and the two of them each returned to their rooms.

After closing the door, Briana opened the box, took out the prescription inside, and after noting down the types and amounts of medicinal herbs, she neatly folded the prescription and put it in the innermost drawer of the vanity. She then took a pill from the box and swallowed it.

With the medicine from the master, the pain she endured every day was within a bearable range. Therefore, on the day Kendra was being rescued, she was able to stand outside with Maxim all night.

During the time when she was in severe pain, she told Maxim she was going to the bathroom, which did not attract Maxim's attention.

Once Isaac's issue was resolved, she was going to start looking for the antidote to the Myriad Poison Pill.

On the other side, Isaac's villa.

He had long found the one who was watching Maxim's every move, so he quickly knew the news when Norma came back.

Knowing that Maxim had arranged for Norma to stay in one of his villas, and had even sent people to surround the villa inside and out, Isaac sneered. Did he really think that this could stop him?

However, Isaac had no intention of touching Norma at the moment. After dealing with Maxim and Reese, wouldn't Norma be at his mercy?

Thinking of this, he dialed Jennifer's number.

"How did your progress go with telling Maxim?"

There was a moment of silence on the other end of the phone before Jennifer's slightly icy voice came through.

"It was being handled, but there was no evidence. At most, he would be detained for a few days. You didn't really think he could be convicted, did you?"

Isaac chuckled lightly, "Of course not, all you need to do is ruin his reputation, leave the rest to me."

Jennifer was somewhat skeptical of Isaac's abilities, gritting her teeth and saying, "Isaac, you'd better really be able to help me get my

revenge, otherwise both the Yang family and the Ponce family won't let you off!"

Upon hearing this, Isaac's eyes turned icy cold, yet his voice remained gentle, "Don't worry, I will definitely fulfill what I promised you."

After hanging up the phone, a cold smirk appeared at the corner of Isaac's mouth.

A mere Yang family and the Ponce family, he didn't even take them seriously.

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Moreover, he knew about the affair between Jennifer and senior Mr. Ponce. If this matter were to be exposed, the Yang family and the Ponce family would probably be too ashamed to stay in Bridenville. The people of Bridenville could drown them in their spit.

He also didn't expect that Jennifer would have such a strong taste, even being able to stomach senior Mr. Ponce.

After instructing his subordinates to keep a close watch on Kendra and report any situation promptly, Isaac finally got up and left the study to go back to his bedroom to sleep.

Early the next morning, as soon as Briana came downstairs, she saw Maxim sitting on the sofa with a cold expression, clutching a document in his hand.

"Maxim, what's wrong? What's that in your hand?"

Maxim looked up at her, "The court's subpoena."

Briana frowned, quickly walked to his side, and after taking a glance, she scoffed.

"She really dared to sue you!"

Maxim's expression was icy, "Don't bother about her."

Briana's hand unconsciously tightened around the subpoena, she said word by word, "Since she dared to do this, let her learn a good lesson!"

"Briana, you don't need to worry about this, I'll handle it myself."

Briana looked at him in surprise, "You're worried about me being taken advantage of?"

"No, you've already been tired from managing the company, I don't want you to worry about my matters anymore."

Moreover, he had already decided to simply let the Yang family disappear in Bridenville, he didn't want to waste his energy on this matter.

As long as Briana believed in him, he didn't care at all about what others said.

"As long as it's about you, I won't find it bothersome. Alright, leave this matter to me."

Seeing her persistence, Maxim had no choice but to nod.

If she couldn't handle it, he could step in.

After finishing breakfast, Briana left the villa.

However, she didn't go to MY Corporation, but went directly to find Jennifer.

Jennifer had a smirk on her face when she saw her.

“Briana, did you come to me asking to spare Maxim?”

She hasn’t forgotten the day she and Maxim humiliated her at senior Mr. Ponce’s birthday party!

Briana looked indifferent, and began by saying, “If you don’t want to make your affair with senior Mr. Ponce known to Bridenville, drop the charges in one day, and hold a press conference to explain whether Maxim harassed you or not!”

The color quickly faded from Jennifer’s face and she was suddenly as pale as paper.

“What... What nonsense are you talking about?! Briana, I’m going to accuse you of spreading rumors... defamation, and I’ll tear your mouth apart!”

Jennifer looked excited, raising her hand to slap Briana.

Briana took her hand and smiled as she shoved several photos into hers.

“Why not take a look at these photos first.”

Just a glance at the photo was enough to drain all color from her face.

After several seconds of silence, Jennifer gritted her teeth and said, “How am I supposed to know if you’re lying to me? What if I clarify things and you release these photos anyway?”

Briana chuckled lightly, “Do you have any other choice?”

Jennifer’s face turned even more unpleasant, her newly done nails digging harshly into her palm. She despised Briana with all her heart, yet she was helpless.

“Alright, I agreed with you!”

Briana rose to her feet with a smile, “Ms. Hudson, I’ll be waiting for your good news.”

After Briana left, Jennifer gritted her teeth and dialed Senior Mr. Ponce’s number.

“That bitch Briana found out about us!”

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“What?! How did she know?”

Jennifer gritted her teeth and said coldly, “I don’t know either, but she threatened me, saying that if I didn’t drop the charges, she would expose our affairs!”

There was a two-second silence on the phone, then the angry voice of senior Mr. Ponce came through, “What does she think she is? Does she still think she’s the wife of the Yoder Group’s president?! The Ponce family could crush her as easily as you would an ant, leave this matter to me!”

Jennifer still seemed a bit worried, saying in a low voice, “I’m afraid she might lash out in desperation.”

If her affair with senior Mr. Ponce were to be exposed, it wouldn’t just be her and senior Mr. Ponce, both the Yang family and the Ponce family would have lost face and couldn’t stay in Bridenville any longer..

“Don’t worry, I would make her disappear without a trace.”

“Alright, then I’ll wait for your message.”

After hanging up the phone, Jennifer’s heavy mood finally lightened a bit.

As soon as Briana died, no one dared to threaten her anymore!

However, just to be safe, Jennifer went ahead and withdrew the Jawsuit first.

Once Briana was dealt with, they could re-prosecute Maxim. She was the victim, and now the initiative was in her hands.

In the evening, before leaving work, William knocked on the door and entered Briana’s office.

“A client wanted to meet with you tonight.”

Briana frowned, “Because of what?”

She had originally planned to go out for dinner with Maxim tonight, to celebrate Jennifer dropping the lawsuit.

According to the client, several clothing companies recently gave him new quotes, all of which were lower than MY Corporation, but he still wanted to talk to you first before deciding whether to terminate the cooperation.

After a two-second silence, Briana stood up and said, “Alright, send the time and location to my email.”

“Alright, Ms. Schneider.”

After William left, Briana called Maxim and told him that they couldn’t have dinner together that night.

Soon, William had sent the address to her email. Briana opened it to take a look, then got up and left the company.

When she arrived at the agreed-upon location, it was not the client who was waiting there, but senior Mr. Ponce and a dozen skilled bodyguards.

Senior Mr. Ponce had a chilling smile on his face, his gaze was incredibly intimidating.

“We met again.”

Even if she was foolish, Briana knew she had been deceived.

A glint of coldness flashed in her eyes as she sat down opposite senior Mr. Ponce.

“Do you want those photos of you and Jennifer from my hand?”

Senior Mr. Ponce’s laugh grew a few degrees colder, “Ms. Schneider, you are a smart woman. As long as you hand over those evidences, I will let you go.”

Briana chuckled lightly, speaking unhurriedly, “If I were to give you the photo now, you would immediately have your men kill me, wouldn’t you?”

Having his thoughts guessed, Senior Mr. Ponce didn't get angry, the smile on his face deepened a bit more.

"We, the Ponce family, have always abided by the law. How could we possibly commit illegal crimes?"

There was no warmth in Briana's eyes as she said coldly, "The person I made the deal with was Jennifer. If you want the photos, Senior Mr. Ponce, you should call Jennifer over."

Senior Mr. Ponce's eyes narrowed, radiating an intimidating chill all around him.

"I wouldn't let you meet Jennifer again, you'd better not refuse the toast only to drink a forfeit!"

Briana looked indifferent, got up and left directly.

Before even reaching the door, he was stopped by four bodyguards dressed in black.

"I gave you a chance, but you didn't cherish it. Go ahead!"

The moment the words fell, four black-clad bodyguards lunged at Briana, their faces all cold.

Senior Mr. Ponce chuckled coldly, already envisioning the scene where Briana would be begging him for mercy in tears later.

However, the next second, his eyes widened dramatically, and his aged hand pointed at Briana involuntarily.

"You... how could you..."

Seeing Briana effortlessly knock down his four subordinates, senior Mr. Ponce was filled with shock and disbelief, but.....

He squinted his eyes and gritted his teeth, saying. "All of you, go! As long as you can catch him, life or death doesn't matter!"

The remaining bodyguards rushed forward, and Briana was instantly surrounded.

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Senior Mr. Ponce sneered as he began to speak, "Briana, even if you have some skills, it's impossible..."

Before he could finish speaking, a bodyguard heavily fell in front of him. He was instantly scared pale, trembling lips unable to utter a single word.

In less than five minutes, all the bodyguards he brought were sprawled haphazardly around the room, wailing in pain, their faces contorted in agony.

Senior Mr. Ponce was filled with panic. Seeing Briana slowly approaching him, he backed away in terror, exclaiming, "You...you stay away!"

Briana sneered, "Weren't you very arrogant just now, wanting to kill me?"

She was certain that senior Mr. Ponce had murderous intent just now.

If it had been someone else today, they might have already died at the hands of senior Mr. Ponce.

“No...no, you misunderstood...I know I was wrong... Ouch, don’t hit me...”

When Maxim burst into the private room, he saw bodyguards scattered all over the floor, with Briana beating up senior Mr. Ponce.

Maxim: “.....”

Subordinate: “.....”

Upon seeing Maxim, the battered and bruised senior Mr. Ponce, who looked as if he had seen his savior, hurriedly ran towards Maxim during the moment Briana was stunned.

“Maxim... no, Mr. Yoder, please save me, I was about to be killed by Ms. Schneider...”

Maxim’s icy gaze swept over him, and he said coldly, “It seems the Ponce family no longer wishes to stay in Bridenville. Dare to scheme against my woman, I’ll show you what regret means!”

Feeling the pressure from him, senior Mr. Ponce’s legs went weak, but then he remembered that he was no longer the president of the Yoder Group, and a glimmer of hope rose in his heart.

“Maxim, we, the Ponce family, are now closely cooperating with the Yoder Group. If you mess with the Ponce family, Mr. Yoder won’t let you off the hook!”

A hint of disdain flickered in his eyes, mixed with some regret for having pleaded with Maxim earlier. He knew that bringing up Isaac would surely make Maxim wary.

Maxim sneered, speaking deliberately, “Senior Mr. Ponce, were you threatening me just now?”

“It’s good that Maxim knew, you are nothing but a waste now.

Before the word could be spoken, it was suddenly kicked away by someone.

“Bang!”

Senior Mr. Ponce’s body, like a kite with its string cut, slammed violently against the wall, then fell to the ground. He spat out a mouthful of fresh blood and his eyes rolled back as he passed out.

Briana frowned, listening to that sound, she guessed that senior Mr. Ponce had probably broken a few ribs just now.

Just now, when she was hitting senior Mr. Ponce, she deliberately avoided his vital parts, intending only to teach senior Mr. Ponce a lesson. Unexpectedly, Maxim’s move was so ruthless.

Just as she was pondering how to handle this matter, Maxim had already walked up to her.

“Briana, were you okay?”

Briana nodded, lifting her eyes to meet his concerned gaze, "I'm fine, but you hit senior Mr. Ponce, the Ponce family will definitely not let it go, what if the Ponce family wants to sue you..."

Maxim's expression was icy, a cold smirk playing at the corners of his mouth.

"They were too busy taking care of themselves to bother me."

"What about that senior Mr. Ponce?"

Maxim held her hand, whispering, "I'll handle this."

He naturally wouldn't let off anyone who dared to harbor murderous intentions towards Briana.

Briana was silent for a few seconds, then looked at Maxim and said, "Maybe I should do it. If people find out you hit senior Mr. Ponce, Isaac will definitely use this opportunity to tarnish your reputation in front of others."

"No need, I can handle it, I won't give him another chance," Maxim said with a cold expression.

Seeing his calm expression, Briana could only nod, "Alright."

"I had someone take you home first, as I had some matters to attend to later."

After Briana left, a subordinate stepped forward and asked, "Mr. Yoder, what should we do about senior Mr. Ponce now?"

"Sent to the hospital, notified Jennifer and the Ponce family, and arranged for some reporters on the side."

His subordinate immediately understood and nodded, saying, "Don't worry Mr. Yoder, I will definitely handle this matter well!"

Half an hour later, Jennifer hurried into Bridenville General Hospital.

Another ten minutes passed, and the Ponce family also hurried to the hospital.

Just as she arrived at the door of Senior Mr. Ponce's ward, Natalia sharply spotted Jennifer leaning into Senior Mr. Ponce's arms through the glass of the ward door, her eyes flashing with shock.

She forcefully pushed the door open and shouted, "What are you doing?!"

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The two people in the ward were startled, and Jennifer quickly withdrew from the embrace of senior Mr. Ponce.

Charles saw the two people hugging and cuddling, his face looking very unpleasant.

"Dad, you and Jennifer..."

A guilty look flashed in Senior Mr. Ponce's eyes, and he quickly changed the subject.

"Charles, let's not talk about that for now. Look at what Briana and

Maxim have done to me?! The doctor said I've broken two ribs. You must help me deal with them properly!"

Indeed, it was a pitiful sight for senior Mr. Ponce. His face was covered in wounds, and his body was wrapped in gauze. It was clear that his injuries were severe.

However, Charles was not in the mood to deal with him, gritting his teeth and saying, "Dad, where is the time to seek revenge now, the Ponce Group is in trouble!"

"What?!"

Senior Mr. Ponce's eyes widened instantly, "What's going on?! You better tell me!"

The Ponce Group was the fruit of his lifetime's work, it absolutely could not fail!

Someone reported that the Ponce Group was withholding employees'

wages and even producing illegally. Now, the Ponce Group is in total chaos. When I received your call about being hospitalized, I was still dealing with matters at the company.

Upon hearing this, Senior Mr. Ponce's face was filled with anger, "Then what are you doing here?! Hurry back and deal with the company's affairs!"

Charles didn't move, looking at him with a troubled expression.

Senior Mr. Ponce frowned, coldly saying, "Did you come to the hospital with another purpose?!"

Charles nodded, "Yes, Dad, I know you still have another company, and a villa in the south of the city worth hundreds of millions. I want you to sell the company and the villa to save the Ponce Group first. Once the Ponce Group gets through this crisis, I will find a way to buy back that company and villa."

No sooner had the words been spoken than Jennifer abruptly stood up, exclaiming angrily, "Impossible!"

Charles and Jennifer both couldn't help but frown, especially Natalia, who was looking at Jennifer with a face full of disgust.

"We, the Ponce family, are speaking. What business do you have here?!"

When senior Mr. Ponce previously considered Jennifer as his

goddaughter, Natalia found it strange. He had his own granddaughter, yet he was eager to recognize someone else's child as his goddaughter. It was simply idle.

Now I know, they didn't recognize her as a goddaughter, but as a lover!

Jennifer, an unmarried woman, was constantly visiting the Ponce family, which was not proper. But if she were the great-granddaughter

of senior Mr. Ponce, she would have an excuse.

Thinking about all the dirty things the two must have done in secret, Natalia felt a wave of nausea.

Jennifer sneered, “I’m carrying the old man’s child. He had promised me before that the company and the villa in the south of the city would belong to my child in the future. You’ve already got the Ponce Group, don’t even think about getting that company and villa!”

This statement struck like a muffled thunderbolt, instantly leaving Charles and Natalia frozen in place.

The relationship between Jennifer and senior Mr. Ponce was so unbelievable that they were shocked to find out Jennifer was actually pregnant with senior Mr. Ponce’s child!

Natalia was the first to react, stepping forward and slapping Jennifer hard, “You bitch, have you no shame! You’re about the same age as my daughter, how could you do such a disgusting thing!”

No sooner had the words fallen than the angry voice of senior Mr. Ponce rang out.

“Natalia, shut up!”

The word “disgusting” clearly provoked senior Mr. Ponce, who glared at Natalia and Charles angrily, gritting his teeth and saying, “Get out, all of you! I don’t want to see you!”

Charles was, after all, a man. Although he couldn’t accept the fact that Jennifer was carrying Senior, Mr. Ponce’s child, he quickly calmed down.

“Dad, what matters most now is what to do with the Ponce Group? Can you really bear to watch the Ponce Group, which you built with your own hands, just fall like this?”

Jennifer lowered her gaze, her hand at her side unconsciously tightening

Charles knew that senior Mr. Ponce was fond of the Ponce Group, and might indeed soften for a moment, truly selling off the company and the mansion.

That was her stuff, and she absolutely wouldn’t let anyone touch it!

Indeed, the elder Mr. Ponce was somewhat shaken, he truly had feelings for the Ponce Group:

He was about to speak when Jennifer, with a face full of grievance, said, “If you really want to give the company and the villa to Mr. Ponce, I have nothing to say. I’ll go abort the baby later!”

Senior Mr. Ponce’s face changed, “No, this child must be born!”

Jennifer had just become pregnant when he had it checked. The baby in Jennifer’s belly was a boy, and he was determined to have Jennifer give birth to him!

“Hehe, born with nothing, why bother giving birth?! Charles is your son, isn’t the one in my belly also yours?!”

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“Jennifer, you bitch, I’m going to tear your mouth apart!”

Natalia lunged and started fighting with Jennifer, Charles made a show of stopping them a few times, after all, he didn’t want the child in Jennifer’s belly to be born either.

However, just when the situation was getting out of hand, a group of journalists suddenly barged in.

Early the next morning, as Briana was having breakfast, she saw the news that Jennifer, who was pregnant with Senior Mr. Ponce's child, had a miscarriage due to being pushed by Natalia.

She put down her phone, looking at Maxim with a somewhat complex expression.

"Did you already know about this?"

Maxim peeled a tea egg for her, nodding without any expression.

"When Jennifer initially accused you of sexually harassing her, why didn't you expose the truth?"

Maxim fell silent for a few seconds, then said in a deep voice, "At that time, I was planning to give Isaac another chance."

Seeing the coldness in Maxim's eyes, Briana pursed her lips and didn't speak anymore.

Before Isaac attacked Kendra, Maxim probably still considered him as family. It was he himself who severed their familial ties.

After breakfast, Maxim dropped Briana off at work and then returned to the villa.

Soon, a call from Rayan came.

"Mr. Yoder, both the Ponce family and the Yang family wanted to see you."

Maxim stood by the window, his eyes devoid of any warmth.

"Tell them to first do what they should do, then come to ask me."

The Yang family received the news and immediately went to the hospital to find Jennifer.

Jennifer, who had just undergone a hysterectomy, was pale and weak. Yet, she was dragged out of bed by the bodyguards sent by the Yang family and tied up in front of Elm Bay. She was forced to kneel at the villa's entrance and beg Maxim for forgiveness.

However, soon after receiving a phone call, they brought Jennifer back to the Yang family.

Just as I walked in the door, I was immediately met with a slap in the face.

Jennifer, already frail, was hit and fell directly to the ground, her vision going black as she passed out.

When she woke up again, she was locked in her own room, with iron chains around her wrists and ankles.

A servant sat not far from the bed, and upon seeing her awake, a cold smirk appeared at the corner of his mouth.

"Miss Second, the lady said that I should watch over you here. From now on, you can only stay in this room,"

Jennifer's face turned pale, she gritted her teeth and said, "She dares to treat me like this?! Neither the Ponce family nor the Yoder Group will let her off!"

The lady the servant referred to was Jennifer's great-aunt. Ever since her father and Riley were forced to leave Bridenville, her great-aunt had been displeased with her at every turn, believing that it was her father who had ruined Riley.'

The servant sneered, "Miss Second, the Ponce family is now on the verge of collapse, and your scandal with senior Mr. Ponce is known to all. Who has the time to care about you? As for Mr. Yoder, he can't distance himself from you fast enough. You don't really think he would help you, do you?"

Jennifer's face turned even paler, as if all her strength had been drained, she collapsed onto the bed.

Seeing that she seemed to have resigned herself to her fate, the servant laughed and said, "I advise you to behave better, otherwise you're the one who will suffer."

After speaking, the servant left directly.

After the room had returned to silence, Jennifer took out her spare phone from between the bed seams and dialed Isaac's number.

"Isaac, I was locked in the house by my great aunt, you must rescue me!"

A soft laugh came from the other end of the phone, "Ms. Hudson, you are no longer of any use to me. Those who have no value to me are not worth my effort."

After speaking, Isaac hung up the phone.

Jennifer tried calling again, but it kept showing that the line was busy. It was clear that Isaac had already blocked her.

A heart slowly sank to the bottom, hatred and resentment gradually filled her eyes.

Yang's family and Isaac treated her like this, she wouldn't let them off easily!

Thinking of this, a hint of madness gradually filled Jennifer's eyes!

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She dialed Briana's number, her voice cold as she said, "I can step forward to clarify that Maxim has never done anything to me, and I can even drag Isaac into this; but I have one condition!"

Three days later, at the press conference of the Yoder Group.

Isaac was sitting in the main seat, answering the questions from the reporters.

Due to Maxim's sexual harassment of Jennifer and Isaac's previous public statement that their parents were killed by Maxim's parents, the stock price of the Yoder Group has been falling recently. After discussions among the shareholders, it was decided to hold a press conference to clarify the relationship between Maxim and the Yoder Group.

Isaac was more than eager for more opportunities to disparage Maxim, so he naturally agreed with great pleasure.

"Mr. Yoder, what is your view on the former president of the Yoder Group, Maxim, sexually harassing customers?"

Isaac looked pained and said solemnly, “Publicly, Maxim is a shareholder of the Yoder Group, and his actions have impacted our company’s image. We, the Yoder Group, strongly condemn such behavior. Privately, he is my cousin. I feel guilty about Ms. Hudson’s ordeal. Here, I apologize to Ms. Hudson on behalf of the Yoder family. As for Maxim, I hope he can mend his ways as soon as possible.”

No sooner had the words fallen, than another reporter continued, “Mr. Yoder, didn’t you previously say that Maxim’s parents killed your parents? Why would you apologize to him?”

Isaac was silent for a few seconds, then spoke sincerely, “This has nothing to do with Maxim, as long as he doesn’t cover for his parents, he will always be my cousin!”

“Mr. Yoder, currently Ms. Hudson is with senior Mr. Ponce and there’s a lot of buzz about her being pregnant with senior Mr. Ponce’s child. What’s your take on this?”

Isaac glanced at the reporter and said calmly, “This is Ms. Hudson’s private life, I have no right to judge. But no matter what kind of person Ms. Hudson is in private, it is not an excuse or reason for Maxim to sexually harass her. Wrong is wrong, we should discuss the matter itself, not add some other conditions to discuss it, it’s too unfair to Ms. Hudson!”

As soon as these words were spoken, the scene erupted, and all the journalists looked at Isaac with a certain admiration.

The fact that Isaac could say such a thing showed that he was truly an upright person.

The reporter asked a few more questions afterwards, and Isaac answered them all without missing a beat. The reporters present all felt that Isaac taking over the Yoder Group was a good thing.

Since the press conference was conducted in a live broadcast format, the barrage was full of praise.

Isaac was the one who truly had integrity. As for scum like Maxim who sexually harassed women, he should have been locked up in jail immediately!

“Hehe, speaking of which, since the incident happened, Maxim hasn’t apologized to Jennifer yet. Instead, it was Isaac who apologized on his behalf at the press conference. There’s no need to mention what kind of person Maxim is!”

I used to think Maxim was a formidable entrepreneur, but I didn’t expect him to be so despicable behind the scenes. Indeed, men are no good!

“Hey, you up front, could you not tar all men with the same brush? Are you trying to incite a gender conflict?!”

The screen in front of Isaac was broadcasting the live press conference. Seeing those bullet–screen comments belittling Maxim, a slow smile crept up the corners of his mouth.

Maxim’s reputation would continue to deteriorate, and people would only remember him as a terrible person in the future, not recalling that he was once the illustrious president of the Yoder Group.

Soon, the press conference came to an end, and Isaac stood up to make the final summary.

“Although Maxim made a mistake, I hope everyone can still give him a chance to correct it. After all, everyone has times when they make mistakes. As for Ms. Hudson, I will also strive to seek her forgiveness. If any compensation is needed, we will not have any complaints. Thank you very much...”

Before he could finish his sentence, the doors of the press conference were suddenly pushed open, and a slender woman in a white dress walked in.

“Isaac, stop talking nonsense!”

The moment she spoke, all the journalists present turned around simultaneously.

Seeing the woman standing at the door was the woman involved in the sexual harassment and grandmother–grandson love affairs, their eyes immediately lit up, each filled with gossip.

Isaac narrowed his eyes, his expression icy as he quietly ordered the secretary beside him, “Take her away!”

After the secretary nodded and left, Isaac turned his gaze to Jennifer.