

Chapter 536 Bargaining Chip

With that, Melissa went over and knocked on the door. "Hey! Anyone around?"

"Miss Sherman!" Mustering the last of her strength, Mona shouted at Melissa, "If you gave them the jade pendant, then all my suffering would have been in vain! We can't give the jade pendant to those crooks! If they get their hands on it, many people will suffer!"

Melissa clenched her fists. "But you are also a victim here. I'm not giving the jade pendant to them now, but I have to use it to our advantage!"

Melissa made up her mind to protect Mona and herself. After all, they could always get their revenge later as long as they could escape with their lives.

If she was alone, she would rather die than ask for help. However, Mona, who was merely an innocent bystander, was locked up together with her.

Protecting the world was far from her mind. The most important thing for her now was to protect the people around her. She didn't want to have any regrets.

"What are you knocking for? Dr. Sherman, didn't you hear what Mrs. Carter said? She will lock you in the basement forever. So, forget about escaping!"

Elin opened the door impatiently with a dark face.

"I know she won't let me out unless I give her information about the jade pendant," Melissa said.

"Oh? So you have finally made up your mind to tell us about the jade pendant."

Elin straightened her back and leaned in closer, hoping to obtain some information.

"Yes, I have realized that nothing is more important than my life, so I will tell you the whereabouts of the jade pendant."

Elin grinned when she heard those words.

"Why did you remain stubborn just now? We both know that it's just a matter of time before you leak the information. You wouldn't have been beaten so many times if you cooperated just now. Mrs. Carter is your grandmother, so you guys are related by blood. How could she not care about you?"

Care about her?

When she heard those three words, Melissa wanted to laugh all of a sudden. Under normal circumstances, no grandmother would let her subordinates beat her own granddaughter, lock her in the basement, and forbid anyone to bring her food.

Melissa couldn't help but sneer.

"You are right. Can I see her now?"

"Yes, you can. Mrs. Carter has reminded us that as long as you cooperate with us, we can take you to see her at any time."

As Elin spoke, she opened the door of the basement. Rays of bright light streamed into the small room, illuminating the inside of the basement. Subconsciously, Melissa had to shield her eyes with her arm.

"Dr. Sherman, please follow me. Mrs. Carter is in the living room now."

However, Melissa stood still with an incomprehensible expression on her face.

Elin's joyful expression faded little by little. She asked in a low voice, "Dr. Sherman, didn't you say that you would tell Mrs. Carter the whereabouts of the jade pendant? Why aren't you following me? Or... do you plan to go back on your words?"

"How is that possible?" Raising her eyelids, Melissa said, "Since I've made up my mind, I won't go back on my words. But before that, I want you to release my assistant."

"That arrogant girl?" Elin folded her arms and sneered. "That girl is so bold. She fought against so many bodyguards alone and even injured their arms. Hanging her on the ceiling now is just a small punishment for her. She should do well to remember that the Carter family's authority will not be challenged!"

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