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Mrs. Kemp, together with Dale and the rest of the people, looked at Nathan Cross as though he was a lunatic.

He expected the Chairman of Channing's top real estate group, Derek Harvey, to show up in just 10 minutes?

He must be out of his mind to say that.

In Channing, who would dare talk to Mr. Harvey like this? He must be insane to even pretend that he knew Mr. Harvey.

Dale sneered at him, "Young man, stop pretending like you know Mr. Harvey. Don't even think about using Mr. Harvey's name to scare me."

"I will give you 10 minutes to think about it. If you do not kneel down before Mrs. Kemp and beg her for forgiveness, it will be the end of you today!"

A smirk broke out on Nathan Cross's face. "Well, we shall see about that," he said.

Time was ticking fast. Dale looked at his



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Rolex and started grinning, "All right, time is up. Come on everyone, if this punk refuses to get down on his knees, we will have to help him with it!"

"Yes, Mr. Dale!"

Then entered a group of fierce-looking and well-built security guards who were getting ready to force Nathan Cross down on his knees.

Suddenly, a helicopter appeared above the skies with a loud roar.

"Oh my, it looks like Mr. Harvey's personal helicopter!" someone exclaimed.

Much to everyone's shock, the helicopter landed gradually.

Just when the helicopter landed, Derek Harvey, who was in his 50's or 60's jumped off the helicopter hastily.

Everyone greeted Derek Harvey profusely when they saw him.



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Just like a dog that saw its master, Dale could not stop beaming and took a few quick steps toward Derek Harvey. “What brought you here Mr. Harvey?” He asked.

Before Dale could react, Derek Harvey gave him a hard slap on his face and yelled, “You blind fool, Mr. Cross is the person whom I respect the most, how dare you threaten Mr. Cross? Do you want to be thrown out of Channing?”

Dale held his face in disbelief. The excruciating pain on his face was nothing compared to what he had just heard.

Even Mrs. Kemp, Ben Mason, and the rest of the security guards from the real estate firm were utterly dumbfounded.

Derek Harvey was still fuming and could not hold back his anger. “What are all of you standing there for? Apologize to Mr. Cross this instance!”

Dale shivered in fear and spoke with a shaky voice, “So-so-sorry... Mr. Cross...” The guards who were standing behind

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Dale apologized to Nathan Cross as well.

Nathan Cross turned to Derek Harvey and spoke in a cold voice, "Derek, oh, Derek... You keep telling people that the villas here in Riverside Garden are 5-star homes, but I don't feel home at all here."

Nathan continued, "Those who were clueless would think that they have just entered a thieves' den!"

It was like a bombshell to Derek Harvey when he heard that, and his heart couldn't stop pounding. "I regret not choosing the right property management firm, and I am sorry for such atrocious service provided by the firm. I will make right what is wrong straight away."

Just as he finished his words, Derek Harvey turned around and spoke to Dale with a cold voice, "Get out now, you and your firm. We no longer need your services anymore."

Feeling weak in his body and his face as pale as death, Dale fell to his knees with a



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thud.

With his firm removed from all of Mr. Harvey's properties, he knew that it was the end of the firm. He would be stripped of his position as the General Manager, and his boss would definitely not let him off the hook so easily.

Derek Harvey could not be bothered with Dale and turned to look at Mrs. Kemp. She started trembling!

Derek Harvey spoke coldly, "Mrs. Kemp, you have been found guilty of keeping a dog that got out of control and caused injuries to others. You have violated the rules and regulations of our agreement, and your words have badly tarnished the image of Riverside Garden."

"I will buy back your house at the same price, so please get out of Riverside Garden now. You are no longer welcome here."



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Mrs. Kemp was furious because it was in fact inappropriate for Derek Harvey to take her house back and drive her out of the place.

But Derek Harvey was not one to mess around with. He was the king of real estate in Channing!

Mrs. Kemp's husband might be rich, but he was nowhere near Derek Harvey's status. Derek Harvey could destroy her husband in seconds.

If she did not accept Derek Harvey's suggestion, Derek Harvey would find more ways to torment her. She was afraid of him and did not object to his demand.

She stared at Nathan Cross with extreme hatred and left hurriedly.

Derek Harvey smiled at Nathan Cross and inquired, "Mr. Cross, are you happy with how the situation was handled?"

Nathan Cross nodded his head and said, "Not bad, at least you owned up to your



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mistake and got things fixed!”

Derek Harvey became exceptionally happy when Nathan Cross praised him.

Standing not far away were Ben Mason and the security guards who wanted to speak but held their tongues. Nathan Cross saw them and laughed, “Derek, these security guards were just doing their job, but they lost their job because of this dispute, so just help them out, will you?”

Derek Harvey for sure would do anything that Nathan Cross asked him to.

Derek Harvey looked at Ben Mason and said, “I have gotten rid of the real estate firm from my community, would you be able to help me find a new group of people to form a real estate team here?”

Ben Mason and the rest of them were surprised and said, “Mr. Harvey, we are all ex-soldiers.”

“We have a few other comrades who are ex-soldiers as well, and they have been

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jobless for quite some time now. We can always gather them here and form a new team,” suggested Ben Mason.

But he hesitated for a moment and said, “Well, it is just that we may not have the money to pay upfront for the business...”

Derek Harvey waved his hand and said, “Our company will support you with the money, and we will start by deducting from your real estate fee. But not to worry so much because if you are able to perform well, your real estate team can easily earn up to millions in just a year!”



It was indeed a blessing in disguise for Ben Mason. Transforming from a captain of the security team into an owner of a real estate firm overnight was surreal for him.

“Thank you so much, Mr. Harvey,” said Ben Mason in excitement.

Mr. Harvey chuckled and said, “You should thank Mr. Cross, not me!”

Without wasting a minute, Ben Mason and

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the rest of the security guards immediately went over to Nathan Cross to thank him.

Nathan Cross smiled and said, “Well, all of you did no wrong as you were just carrying out your duties. Furthermore, you are ex-soldiers, so I trust that you will be able to manage this business well. Good luck!”

Ben Mason could not contain his excitement and responded, “Absolutely, I will not let you and Mr. Harvey down!”

When everything was finally over, everyone left.

The next day, Penny Smith brought Nathan Cross with her for her business meetings.

Ever since completing a new round of financing and acquiring Blue Sky Corporation, Cross Group turned from a company with a market value of millions into a magnificent company with a market value worth billions.

The office which was occupied by Cross Group could no longer cater to their needs.



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Penny Smith felt that it was time to move into a new office building instead of renting an office floor.

She wanted to rent an entire office building for Cross Group.

Not long ago, she came across a building in the commercial district called TN Tower.

The entire tower was up for rent, and it was situated at a strategic place. It was an ideal tower for office use.

The only problem was that the tower was owned by Colton Kemp. They had previously asked for a very high price, and Cross Group could not afford to rent the place with that price.

Today, Penny Smith decided to meet Colton Kemp personally to discuss the price. She even brought Nathan Cross with her to see Colton Kemp.

Since Nathan Cross had nothing to do, he tagged along with Penny Smith to meet Colton Kemp at his office.

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Colton Kemp could be heard in his room comforting his wife over the phone, “It’s ok, honey, we are not short of houses. If that old rogue Derek Harvey wants the house back, then we should just forget about that place!”

“You should have seen how they mocked us last night, especially that two nuisances - Nathan Cross and Penny Smith. I want them to be sorry for what they did!” Mrs. Kemp sobbed.

Colton Kemp squinted his eyes and scorned, “I just found out that Penny Smith is the President of Cross Group. This might be the reason Mr. Harvey took her side, as he knows that she was the head of the group.”

“And coincidentally, she had asked to see me today to discuss about renting TN Tower.”

“Don’t worry, honey, leave it to me. I will teach her a lesson,” said Colton Kemp.

Upon hearing that, Mrs. Kemp got

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infuriated and snapped, “Teach her a lesson? Or are you thinking of teaching her a lesson in bed?”



“You dirty old man, how could you still think of going to bed with another woman when your wife had been ill-treated!”

Colton Kemp said quickly, “Of course not, honey. Don’t overthink this. I was just thinking of raising the price and making her pay through the nose. Anyway, she will be here any minute now, talk later.”

Colton Kemp hung up on her immediately after he ended the conversation.

His tiny eyes lit up with malicious intent. He murmured to himself with a sly grin on his face, “How dare you disrespect my wife. I will make you pay for what you did - with both your money and your body!”

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Knock knock.

Just then, the sounds of knocking came from the door.

The secretary walked in and respectfully said, “Mr. Kemp, Ms. Smith from the Cross Group is here.

Colton’s eyes lit up. “Bring her in.”

Soon, the tall Nathan and the beautiful Penny entered the office.

Colton stared at Penny, who was in her office clothes, with narrowed, lustful eyes.

However, when he saw Nathan, his expression turned grim and unhappy.

Penny introduced herself, “Hello, Mr. Kemp. I’m Penny Smith from Cross Group. This is my husband, Nathan Cross.”

Nathan smiled. “We’re here to discuss the matters about Concord.”

Colton leaned back on his chair as he



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placed his feet on the office table. Under the artificial lights, his polished shoes shone.

With an upset look, he huffed, "I'm sorry. I'm not in a good mood right now. I don't want to discuss such a thing with you."

Upon hearing this, Penny panicked.

The lease term of the Cross Group's building was coming to an end. She had to look for a new office building to move their headquarters as soon as possible.

She asked anxiously, "Mr. Kemp, didn't we agree two days ago on the phone to meet today for the discussion?"

Penny hurriedly asked, "Is it because of the lease? You wanted 170 million for Concord's yearly lease, but our offer earlier was 100 million. Mr. Kemp, if you think our offer is too low, we can increase it."

Colton raised his brows. "I said, I'm not in a good mood now, but you're insisting on continuing this. Fine. I'll give you a price



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that shows how upset I am now. One billion for a year and ten billion for ten years. If you still want it, I'll sign the contract immediately."

Penny gasped when she heard his words.

"You only wanted 100 million back then. Now, you're asking for a billion for a year's lease. This is cruel!"

Colton simply smiled. "That's the price I'm offering now. If you can improve my mood, perhaps we can negotiate the price then."

Penny frowned. "Mr. Kemp, I'm not sure I understand what you mean."

Colton glanced at Nathan and casually answered, "I hate having other men around when I'm in a business-related talk with a woman. If you would kindly let your husband wait outside the room, my mood might improve. When that happens, the price will lower."

At that, he stared at Penny's slim figure and murmured, "If our talk goes well, and if

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both of us are ecstatic during our talk... Hehe. It won't matter to me even if I charge the Cross Group only 100 million a year."

Colton's thoughts were obvious in his words.

Penny was not a fool. She knew what the perverted Colton meant.

With an icy expression, she uttered, "Mr. Kemp, please have some respect. I am not that kind of woman, and you shouldn't make me look down on you."

Colton shrugged. "I've told you about the condition. It's your choice whether to agree to it or not, but I can tell you this. Concord is the best office building you can have. You won't find any other office building as good as it. Moreover, Derek Harvey can claim to rule over the residential real estate, but I'm the king in terms of office buildings. If I spread the news, my peers will not lease any office building to you."

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Penny was furious and in shock. “Mr. Kemp, although our negotiation might not succeed, you can’t burn your bridges. How can you blacklist the Cross Group from future leasing for this? You’re crossing the line!”

Colton sneered, “Crossing the line? You made Derek chase my wife out from Riverside Garden. Did you not cross the line then?”

Nathan and Penny knew what was going on then.

It turns out that Colton was the husband of the rich woman from yesterday.

Penny was still furious, but she was now in a panic as well. Although Colton was one of the more powerful men in the field of office buildings, she was sure he would not be able to truly stop her from leasing another office building. Perhaps all she needed was to pay more when leasing from someone else.

However, she was in a hurry to move the



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headquarters of Cross Group. If this were not solved soon, it would become a major issue.

She seethed, “Since Mr. Kemp does not seem to be interested in this, I’ll take my leave now. Darling, let’s go.”

However, instead of leaving, Nathan smiled. “Honey, I think he’s right. There won’t be any building better than Concord in Channing.”

Penny froze. “What do you mean?”

Nathan continued smiling. “I mean, Concord is a good catch. We shouldn’t give up on it. Why don’t you leave the room for a moment while I discuss it with him? Maybe he’ll lower the lease for us.”

The moment the words left Nathan’s lips, Penny was dumbfounded. On the other, a sneer emerged on Colton’s lips.

Penny felt that it was a waste of their time, so whispered, “Darling, don’t you understand his words? He’s not interested



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in leasing the building to us. He's just toying with us. Even if you try to talk to him about it, he'll never lease Concord to us."

Nathan chuckled. "What's wrong, honey? You don't trust me?"

Penny stared into Nathan's determined eyes. Finally, she nodded. "Okay. I'll wait for you outside. But if he doesn't agree on leasing us Concord, don't insist any further. We'll look for other buildings."

Nathan nodded. "Okay."

Penny walked out and closed the door behind her.

Now, the only ones left in the office were Nathan and Colton.

With folded arms, Colton sneered at Nathan, "Are you going to beg me to lease Concord to you? Ha! If you get on your knees and lick my shoes, I might give it a thought. But I hope you do realize it's just a consideration. Hahaha!"



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Nathan turned his cold look at the other man. “Congratulations. You’ve made me angry.”

Colton noticed the change in the man’s attitude. With a fearful look, he warned, “What are you trying to do? Have you heard of my name in Channing? Even Russell Crow knows me. If you dare lay a finger on me, I’ll make sure you’ll be in hot water.”

Nathan’s footsteps faltered. “The mayor?”

Assuming Nathan was starting to be afraid, Colton smugly replied, “That’s right. I always treat the mayor to meals. I’m close to him. If you dare to lay a finger on me, there will be no place for you in Channing.”

Colton thought his words would frighten the living daylights out of Nathan.

Unexpectedly, Nathan took out his phone, seemingly about to make a call.

Confused by the situation, Colton shouted, “Didn’t you hear my warning?”



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By now, Nathan was already on a video call with Russell Crow, the mayor.

When the call went through, Nathan handed the phone to Colton. "Your supposed support, the mayor, is here. Why don't you greet him?"



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Instinctively, Colton took the phone. On the screen was the man none other than Russell Crow.

When the call connected, Russell was in a meeting with the other officials of Channing. Even Francis Talbot was present.

Colton's heart was pounding as he mumbled his greetings, "Mr. Crow, Mr. Talbot, a pleasure to see you."

Russell Crow was confused. Nathan was the one who had called him, but Colton was the one who appeared on the screen.

Right now, Colton was holding onto the other man's phone as if he were holding onto God-given's sacred scroll. He was continuously bowing and smiling politely at Russell and the rest.

It was then Nathan picked up the ashtray from the table and slammed it down Colton's head.

"Ouch!"



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After a loud howl, blood streamed down Colton's head.

Fury still burned bright in Nathan. He kept slamming the ashtray onto his head until it broke apart. By now, the only color on Colton's head was red. Only then, Nathan stopped. Russell and the rest on the other end of the call were astounded.

In a placid tone, Nathan asked, "Can we talk about the office building now?"

Colton, whose head was bleeding profusely, picked up the phone and wailed, "He's hitting me! The lunatic's hitting me! Mr. Crow, you've seen him hitting me. Hurry up and send someone to take him to jail!"

Russell, Jerry, and the rest were shaking their heads.

Russell said, "Colton, don't make false accusations. All of us were watching earlier. You were the one who could not keep your balance. That's why you hit your head on the table. It has nothing to do with



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Mr. Cross.”

Jerry added, “Colton, please focus while you’re in business talks with Mr. Cross. Don’t try to stir trouble while you’re doing it. If you dare disrespect him, don’t beg for our mercies when we coming after you.”

Colton’s eyes were wide in disbelief.

He raised his head to look at Nathan with fear in his eyes.

After noticing the men’s attitudes toward him, Colton finally realized that Nathan was not someone he should offend.

Nathan indifferently repeated his question, “Can we talk about it now?”

Colton squeezed out an ugly smile. “Of course, Mr. Cross, we can talk about anything.”

Penny was waiting anxiously outside the door. When Nathan did not come out after a while, her anxiety heightened.



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Did something happen to him?

However, Colton's office was soundproof. She had not heard a single noise from the inside of the office.

Just as she was about to knock on the door, Nathan came out of the office.

Penny swiftly asked, "How was it, Nathan?"

Nathan smiled as he handed her the contract. "It went well. Mr. Kemp is a man who's good at negotiations. He's agreed to leasing us Concord for 50 million a year. Our lease term is ten years."

Penny's eyes were saucer-wide. She asked in shock, "What? 50 million a year?"

Nathan laughed, "That's right. How's the price?"

It's amazing!

It's fantastic!

In the past, the Cross Group had contacted



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Colton several times. Every time, Colton insisted on an annual lease of 170 million. The Cross Group had offered 100 million, but he had refused it.

Furthermore, not only did Colton request an extravagant lease, but he also threatened that they would never be able to lease another office building.

Why did Colton change his mind and decide to lease us an annual lease of 50 million after a brief talk with Nathan alone?

Penny had the urge to enter the office. She wanted to ask what Colton was trying to do.

However, Nathan grabbed her arms and started walking toward the elevators.

“Mr. Kemp isn’t toying with us. Honey, don’t worry. He’s not feeling too well now, so let’s not disturb him any longer. Let’s leave.”

After leaving Colton’s office, Penny handed the contract to the company’s legal



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department when they returned to the Cross Group's office.

She was in disbelief the entire time. She narrowed her eyes and questioned Nathan suspiciously, "How did you convince him?"

The smile was still on Nathan's face as he answered, "With logos and pathos. When Mr. Kemp realized my words were logical and that I was sincere, he easily leased us Concord with a lowered lease."

Penny rolled her eyes and huffed, "As if!"



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Penny thought to herself, *Nathan must have asked a favor from someone.*

Maybe he asked Derek to give him a hand. Maybe he contacted Thomas to threaten Colton.

In fact, she was starting to wonder if Nathan had beaten up Colton.

Regardless, she was glad that the matter had been settled.

Moreover, a pervert like Colton had a beating coming. He only had himself to blame if he was beaten up Nathan.

Meanwhile, Schulz was exploding in rage in his home while Nathan and Penny were in a good mood.

In the intricately decorated living room, Schulz's face was grim. He looked as terrifying as the zombies in movies.

There were a group of people in the living room, including the followers of the Schulz family. None dared to raise their heads nor



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make a sound.

A while ago, Dip Turner of the Schulz family had escaped, and the money of Schulz family he had been in charge of handling had gone missing.

Although Patrick Ward had sent 50 billion of the assets back, Ocean Corporation, which was worth tens of billions, was now in Zach Hill's hands.

The Schulz family could not do anything as Zach blackmailed them.

However, even the Blue Sky Corporation was taken away by the Cross Group. That was something the Schulz family could not endure.

Yet, the Schulz family had not expected what happened next.

The oldest grandson, Freddie, had been sent to Channing to take back Blue Sky Corporation.

He ended up coming back castrated with



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no functional hands nor feet.

It made the Schulz family fly into a rage.

This is absurd!

Schulz sat on the armchair with a grim look on his face. After sweeping his gaze across the crowd, he slowly muttered, "I don't know how to describe what I feel right now. Perhaps the word, anger, would come close to what I'm feeling. Now, I'll only ask one question. Who will be the one to take the life of Nathan Cross in Channing?"

The moment the words left Schulz's lips, the crowd was competing with each other to get the chance to get rid of Nathan.

However, a loud voice shouted, "Sir, I'm willing to go to Channing to take Nathan's life in revenge for Freddie."

Immediately, everyone's gazes, including Schulz, landed on that man.

That man was none other than Schulz's



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disciple. The head of the Smiths from Alberesque—Louie Smith.

Louie was relatively young; he was only forty, but he was already an esteemed figure in the Smith Family.

Louie was a six-foot-tall man with sharp features and electric eyes.

He was an imposing figure when he stood up. One glance at him, and one could tell he was an impressive person.

Schulz slowly scraped away the tea form as he calmly said, “Louie, it’s not that I do not allow you to take Nathan’s life, but if my memory serves me well, Nathan’s wife is Penny Smith. She is part of the Smith Family in Channing. Will you be able to deal the final blow when you go after Nathan?”

Louie nodded firmly and assured, “I will kill Nathan in seven days.”

Schulz sipped his tea and hummed, “Seven days is too long. I’ll give you three days.



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Furthermore, I'll notify the people of the underworld and normal society in the South. No one will be allowed to help Nathan. If you can deal with Nathan in three days, and if you can get the Cross Group back as well, I'll give 20 percent of the Cross Group's shares."

Louie's eyes lit up as he answered, "Yes, sir!"



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The rest of the crowd revealed looks of jealousy.

The Cross Group was worth a hundred billion now.

20 percent of the shares meant 20 billion.

They were all remorseful. If they had been any quicker, the 20 billion would have been theirs.

Louie was more than excited; he was eager to return and gather his men to head to Channing right away.

However, Schulz stopped him. "Hold on."

Louie asked respectfully, "Sir, is there something else?"

Schulz put his cup on the side table and uttered, "Nathan hurt my precious grandson and castrated him. It would be difficult for him to look for a wife now."

Louie frowned, not quite understanding what Schulz meant.



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However, he was not in a hurry to ask because he knew Schulz would explain.

Indeed, after a moment, Schulz continued, "I heard Penny Smith of Cross Group is a beautiful, elegant, and capable woman. Once Nathan is dead, she can be married to my grandson."

The crowd gasped.

He's vicious!

He's asking Louie to kill Nathan and force the widowed Penny to marry Freddie...

In other words, he's asking Louie to kill a man, take his wife, and beat up his children!

Moreover, not only will the Schulz family exact their revenge, but they will also legally get the Cross Group once Freddie married Penny. It was killing two birds with one stone.

The older the man, the wiser he was. That was how cunning Schulz was.



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Stunned, Louie looked at Schulz, who was calmly seated. Finally, he returned to his senses.

With another firm nod, he reassured, "Sir, I know what to do."

Louie came out of the Schulz family's estate and was about to enter his car when a young man with his men following behind him came toward him in a rush.

He shouted, "Mr. Smith, please give me a second."

Louie turned. When he saw the young man, he frowned. However, he remained polite as he asked, "Mr. Javion. Is there anything I can help you with?"

As it turned out, this young man was Javion Schulz.

He was one of Schulz's grandsons, but he was not like Freddie.

Freddie was one of Schulz's favorite, unlike Javion.



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Therefore, Javion’s status in the Schulz family could never compare with Freddie’s; he was not as important as Freddie was.

However, Javion was no simple man. He was young but cunning and ambitious.

Without any support from the Schulz family, he managed to open more than a dozen entertainment clubs. He owned billions, and he was known as the king of casinos in the South.

Javion had started from scratch and gained a reputation as the king of casinos.

For the average person, it was already an achievement. Moreover, Javion was only twenty-seven this year. He was just a young man.

Yet, Javion was unsatisfied.

The reason behind that was simple—he was part of the Schulz family.

For an average person, one billion was a number they would never dream of getting.



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However, for a wealthy family like the Schulz's, it was a small change.

All these years, Javion had been hoping for a chance to become a core member of the family.

The only way he could enter the prime of his life was to become a core member of the Schulz family.

Today, he sensed that his opportunity had come.

He shot a faint smile at Louie and said, "Mr. Smith, I wish to go to Channing with you."

Louie frowned. "You don't need to be involved in a minor matter like killing Nathan. I'll deal with it myself. You don't need to dirty your hands, Mr. Javion."

Javion chortled, "Mr. Smith, you've misunderstood my words. I'm not going to Channing to compete with you for Nathan's killing. I just like Penny."



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Upon hearing that, Louie looked at Javion in shock. “Mr. Javion, I don’t understand what you’re trying to tell me.”

With smiling eyes, Javion explained, “My darling brother, Freddie Schulz, has been castrated. It will be a pity for Penny to marry him, so I’d like to marry her instead.”

Louie stared at the polite-looking Javion and thought, *You don’t want to marry Penny. You want to use her to climb up the ranks. Once you marry Penny, you’ll get to handle Cross Group on behalf of the Schulz family. When that happens, it’ll be the prime of your life.*

Louie could not tear his eyes off Javion.

He’s cunning. For his career, he’s willing to sacrifice his marriage.

Yet, cunning men like him were usually the ones who achieved the greatest.

Louie chuckled, “I don’t mind you following me to Channing, and neither do I have an opinion about you wanting to marry Penny.



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However, I'm not sure Sir will agree with it."

Javion's smile widened. "I'm planning to marry Penny before telling others about it. After the marriage, I'll personally tell my grandfather about it."

Louie nodded. "Alright then, we'll go to Channing together. I'll deal with Nathan while you deal with Penny."

An ambitious smile appeared on Javion's gentle face. "To our success."

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At the Cross Group's office in Channing.

The Smith Family and May were in the lobby of the Cross Group's office.

The new team leader of the security team, Ryan Day, stopped Sean and his family in their tracks with his men.

Ryan said, "I'm sorry, the receptionist has explained that President Smith has been very busy recently. She has notified us that



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she will not be meeting with any guests without a prior appointment. Please leave.”

Sean’s family was furious as Sean huffed, “Do you know who I am? I’m her grandfather. How dare you block my way!”

As it turned out, the head of the Smith Family in Alberesque, Louie, had also arrived in Channing.

Moreover, he had sent someone to tell Sean and his family that Nathan had crossed the Smith Family. Nathan’s days were numbered, and he will not live past the third day.

Louie had told Sean to persuade Penny to marry Javion from the Schulz family instead.

Sean had then called his granddaughter to tell her that Nathan had crossed the Schulz family. He did not have many days left, so he tried to convince Penny to marry Javion instead.

Upon hearing her grandfather’s words,



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Penny was baffled. Feeling that it was absurd, she hung up on his call.

Refusing to admit defeat, Sean took his family to the Cross Group but was stopped by Ryan and the other security guards.

Ryan knew these people were the company president's elders, so he was fearful of disrespecting them. All he could do was steel himself to say, "I don't care who you are. Without a prior appointment, you're not allowed to meet President Smith."

After hearing Ryan's words, Samuel slapped Ryan and seethed, "Who the f*** you think you are? You're just a guard. Believe it or not, I'll get Penny to fire all you idiots!"

If they were someone else, Ryan would have dealt with them the moment they started making a fuss.

However, they were Penny's relatives, and many within the group of people were Penny's elders.



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In fear of offending them, Ryan could only hold his sore cheek and fume silently.

Several other surrounding staff, including the guards and lobby managers, tried to persuade them. “Speak with your mouth, not your fists.”

Samuel cursed, “Speaking with guard dogs like you requires the usage of fists. Even your president has to respect us, so who do you think you are? Get lost, all of you!”

Right then, a voice sounded out. “How impressive!”

Everyone turned to look in the direction of the voice to see Nathan walking toward them. A grim look was plastered on his face.



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When Samuel saw Nathan, he shouted, “Nathan, you short-life bastard, you’re here! Did you know you’ve crossed the Schulz family? The Schulz’s have announced that you have less than three days to live. If you have some brains left, divorce Penny now. Javion from the Schulz family is interested in Penny. We’re going to convince her to marry Javion instead!”

The Schulz family again!

A dangerous glint flashed past Nathan’s eyes.

Without sparing another glance at Samuel, he turned to Ryan. When he saw the red handprint on Ryan’s face, he coldly asked, “What’s wrong with you? How can you not deal with such a simple matter?”

Ryan weakly replied, “Mr. Cross, they’re...”

Nathan muttered, “Who hit you earlier? Hit them back with twice the force.”

The crowd was bewildered by Nathan’s words.



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That included Ryan.

Samuel sneered, "Nathan, I'm your president's uncle. How dare you tell a guard dog of the Cross Group to hit me? He won't have the guts to even if he ate a lion's heart."

Some people within the Smiths started to laugh quietly.

They, too, did not believe that a mere security guard would dare hit the president's uncle.

Samuel's gaze landed on Ryan as he leaned his face closer toward the other man. He provoked, "Come. My face is right here. Why don't you try hitting me?"

Ryan hesitated, fearing to make a move.

Nathan scoffed, "Ryan, as the security team's leader, you're useless."

Ryan's heart skipped a beat. If he did not listen to Nathan, he might be fired on the spot.



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He had been infuriated by Samuel's slap earlier. It was just that he did not dare to do anything about it other than seethe about it quietly.

Moreover, Samuel had leaned his face over to provoke him.

*F***. If I don't slap him, I can't say that I used to be a part of Thomas' men.*

Forget it. It's now or never!

With that thought in his mind, Ryan's gaze turned ruthless.

Slap!

A hard slap landed on Samuel's face. The force had been so strong that it stunned Samuel.

Before he could return to his senses, Ryan slapped him again.

Slap!

With a slap on each cheek, Samuel's face



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was starting to swell. Even his hair was in a mess.

A disgrace!

It was a disgrace as never before.

Samuel bellowed, "How dare you hit me?"

Ryan no longer cared about the consequences. He scoffed, "I'm following Mr. Cross' orders. You're the one I am meant to hit."

The rest of Samuel's family was dumbfounded by the scene. It took them a long while before they recovered.

Sean slammed his cane on the ground repetitively as he flew into a rage. "You rebellious short-lived brat! This is absurd!"

Nathan ordered the guards, "Take them out of here."

Instantly, they acted on his instructions and chased Sean and his family out of the building.



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Samuel hissed, “Dad, Nathan is acting too arrogantly, and Penny’s too ignorant. What should we do now?”

Sean sneered, “We’ll meet with Mr. Louie Smith and Mr. Javion first. We’ll tell them that we’ve tried our best to persuade them. It’s time for them to utilize a harsher method.”

The rest were gloating as they chorused, “Good. Let’s see how Nathan dies. Let’s see how that b***h Penny will become a widow.”

In the evening, when the working hours were almost over.

Nathan suddenly received a call from Kylie, who anxiously said, “Bad news, Nathan. Benson’s about to jump off the building.”

Benson is about to jump off the building?

Nathan was stupefied by Kylie’s words. He hurriedly queried, “What’s going on?”



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Kylie replied, "I just found out about it. Benson lost a lot of money at Royal Entertainment Club, around ten billion. He's at the rooftop of The Regal, and he's about to jump!"

In the afternoon, Sean and his family had met with Benson, claiming to have important news to tell him.

The location of their meeting was at Royal Entertainment Club.

After sharing a meal, the Smiths brought Benson, who was tipsy, to the other floors for entertainment.

The games he played were Baccarat, Texas Hold'em, and other gambling games.

In the end, Benson had lost ten billion.

The moment he was sober, Benson went straight to the rooftop with plans to jump off the building.

After hearing Kylie's words, Nathan



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instructed, “Think of a way to convince Dad not to jump for now. I’m coming right away.”

At that, without telling Penny about it, Nathan left the office to drive to The Regal.

Soon, Nathan reached The Regal’s rooftop.

Kylie and the Smiths were all present; they were trying to persuade Benson not to jump.

Kylie’s persuasion was naturally sincere. However, the rest of the Smiths’ sincerity was questionable.

When Nathan arrived, Benson was about to jump from the 88-floor-high building.

Kylie and the rest shrieked in fear.

Right then, Nathan picked up a rope on the floor and rushed over in a whoosh.

Before he could go near him, the rope had left his hands.



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Like a cobra, it snaked around Benson's body.

With a strong tug, Nathan pulled Benson's body back toward the safety of the rooftop.

When Kylie and the rest saw Nathan's appearance and quick save, they let out a sigh of relief.

Nathan put his hand on Benson's shoulders and smiled at him. "Dad, what's so serious that you don't even want to tell me? If you jump without thinking, Mom, Penn, and Queenie will be really upset."

Having experienced a life-and-death situation just a second ago, Benson broke down.

Tears escaped his eyes as he looked at Nathan Cross. He sobbed, "Nathan, I've done you wrong. I was fooled by my dad at the Royal Entertainment Club. I drank too much, and I lost so much money! Although I'm losing all my money in every round, the owner of the club always agrees to let me



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have another round. My brothers and my dad kept telling me to try and win the money back. In the end... In the end, when I realized what was going on, I've already lost ten billion. I deserve to die."

After hearing Benson's words, Nathan realized that his father-in-law had been fooled by both Sean's family and the owner of the club.

Otherwise, Benson would not have gone to a place like Royal Entertainment Club. He would not have gambled.

If not for the trap, Benson would not have lost ten billion even if he did gamble.

Nathan glared at Sean and his family.

Feeling a tinge of fear, Sean and his family started shouting.

"Benson, don't spout nonsense! It's true that we took you to Royal Entertainment Club, but you were the one who couldn't stop gambling."



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“That’s right. When Mr. Javion agreed to lend you money, you were the one who took it.”

“Hear, hear. You lay in the bed you make. You can’t possibly blame others for losing. That’s tasteless of you to do so!”

Benson’s face was ashen, and he was at a loss for words to refute them.

A huff from Nathan made everyone zip their mouths.



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