## Chapter 2581

At present, no one else could figure out to whom the long sword exactly belonged.

It looked quite broken, and didn't seem to hold much value as a collection item either.

After taking a closer look, many of the wealthy customers felt that the long sword wasn't worth bidding.

Especially when the starting price was 1.5 million dollars.

Right then, Harvey could feel Sharon trembling in her seat. She was looking at the long sword with a passionate gaze, as if she was looking at her own father.

Harvey immediately understood: she knew full well whom the long sword belonged to.

In the end, this was to be expected. If anyone knew that Country H's living legend used this sword before, countless people would stop at nothing to get their hands on it.

It'd be better if the long sword didn't end up with anyone else.

Without hesitating, Harvey tapped on Leslie's shoulder.

"We'll buy this."

Leslie glanced at Harvey, full of curiosity. She didn't know why Harvey wanted the item, but she wasted no time to raise her sign.

"One hundred and fifty million dollars."

The relaxed environment immediately froze.

Many customers exchanged doubtful glances. They didn't understand why anyone would pay such a huge price for a broken long sword. A hundred and fifty million dollars on the line, after all!

Sharon and Murphy froze as well, before turning to shoot furious glares at Leslie.

Sharon was determined to get the long sword by hook or by crook. Yet, Leslie had already bid at such a high price before Sharon could say anything.

Was Leslie just as determined as her? Or was this woman simply stirring up trouble for no reason?

Sharon's gaze turned ice-cold. She wanted nothing more than to strangle Leslie.

It was a shame that Leslie was the first one to name a price. Her actions proved her resolve in acquiring the sword.

Everyone in the hall assumed that the distinguished lady of the Clarke family must be

fond of the sword, since she was bidding so eagerly.

Or perhaps, she knew who the sword belonged to.

If that was the case, it explained why she bid at such a high price.

The implication was obvious. Bidding against her at this moment would mean going against her!

"The item's not introduced yet. You're breaking the rules for naming a price before the auction even begins. Hereby, I declare your right to auction revoked..."

Right when everyone was sure that the long sword would end up in Leslie's hands...

A distant yet soothing voice echoed from the back of the auction hall, the sound so low it resembled a soft whisper. It was a voice that seemed detached from worldly pleasures.

Judging from the words spoken, it was as if that person was blatantly insulting the sword.

Leslie's expression worsened immediately.

Harvey frowned, turning to look behind him.

Without giving others any time to react, the distant voice echoed once again.

"The owner of this broken long sword was the legendary Head Coach of Sword Camp, a living legend of the military force."

"The sword is worth much, but there is something even more valuable than it."

"Whoever who possesses it will be able to request anything from the legendary Head Coach."

"You all should know how priceless that request alone is!"

"Since the starting bid of this sword is 1.5 million, the subsequent bids cannot be any lower than that amount! You may begin!"

The crowd went wild after hearing those words.

Harvey was the only one with a dumbfounded expression.

'Who on earth decided that this thing can be traded for a request?'

Back during the war, he had snapped the sword in half and tossed it aside on the battlefield.

Who knew that it would be found again, and be given such an immense worth at that?

What a joke!

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In less than minutes, an intense auction took place. Now, everyone knew exactly how much the sword was worth.

Several rounds of bidding later, Sharon stood up with clenched teeth.

"Three hundred million dollars! I'll buy it with three hundred million dollars!"

"Whoever dares to fight me for it will be going against The Empire of the Sun that Never Sets!"

When everyone heard that name, the entire crowd fell dead silent.

The tycoons from the middle east and the Northern Europe princes who were among the crowd frowned.

If Sharon only represented herself in the

auction, it would've been fine to bid against her.

But if she came in place of the royal family from The Empire of the Sun that Never Set, then doing so would land them in hot water.

Everyone was aware how troublesome the eldest princess of the family could be.

Forming a grudge against The Empire of the Sun that Never Sets for some broken saber wasn't worth the effort, even if it was the weapon that once belonged to the Head Coach.

"Only we can have the Head Coach's saber!"

"With this, we'll request the Head Coach to join our royal family!"

"Only we have the right to have him!"

"Country H isn't fit to have such a godly man!"

Sharon, thinking that her bid was set in stone, began flaunting her arrogance.

Upon her smug remarks, several local businessmen couldn't hold back their anger and shouted dissatisfied rebuttals.

"Lady Pearl, everyone here knows you're determined to have the sword. We refrained from bidding against you because you are part of the royal family from The Empire of the Sun that Never Sets."

"Be that as it may, that doesn't mean you're allowed to insult our country!"

"A great man like the Head Coach isn't someone you can own, either!"

"You best perish that thought! The Head Coach belongs to Country H! He has nothing to do with your country at all"

"Enough with your wishful thinking!"

Sharon burst out laughing.

"Wishful thinking, you say?"

"You heard the organizer! The person with this broken long sword can request anything from the Head Coach!"

"The Empire of the Sun that Never Sets only has one request, and that is for him to join Our royalty!"

"Is there a problem?"

"Even children understand that what's said cannot be taken back!"

"You think the Head Coach, whom you all admire greatly, can't even fulfill such a simple request?"

"He's the man who represents all men from your country!"

"If he can't even comply with this request, that can only mean one thing..."

"That you all Country H are just a bunch of untrustworthy fools!"

The businessmen seethed in anger at her hateful insults, their faces scrunched up in fury.

Everyone there knew that the Head Coach would be in a tough spot if the saber did end up in the hands of The Empire of the Sun that Never Sets, for he would be forced to fulfill a shameless request.

The businessmen stood up at this very moment, about to increase the bid.

"Four hundred and fifty million dollars," Harvey suddenly said.

# Chapter 2583

Everyone gasped.

Even if the owner of the broken sword would be given the right to request anything from the Head Coach, three hundred million dollars was a steep price.

With The Empire of the Sun that Never Sets backing Sharon, who would dare compete against her?

Even if they had a lot of money, they feared the nation would take revenge and hurt them.

Despite this, someone was actually brave enough to increase the bid all of a sudden.

At four hundred and fifty million dollars, no less!

The unexpected turn of events had everyone bewildered.

'This kid who came out of nowhere is a little too bold, isn't he?!'

"Harvey, you bastard!"

Murphy glared at Harvey, furious.

"Are you screwing with us?! Do you even have this much money?!"

"If you don't, you're ruining the organizer's interests by raising the bid for no reason!"

"Someone! Throw this man out of this place!"

Sharon too glared at Harvey, her face twisted with hatred.

"Don't do anything stupid just because you want to harm others, Harvey."

"What do you mean, screwing with you?"

"Raising the bid?"

"Harming others?"

Harvey was calm, his face bearing a righteous look.

"You speak like this sword already belongs to you."

"Since you're that confident, why don't you increase the bid?"

"Get out of here if you don't have money. Stop showing off!"

"Quit using your royalty status to scare people!"

"We're not children! Here, you can't do anything!"

"You're still showing off as royalty when you were already expelled from the royal family this afternoon? Don't you know that doing so constitutes a felony?"

Harvey then calmly glanced at the crowd.

"If you don't believe me, look at the latest news from The Empire of the Sun that Never Sets.

Lady Pearl over here has been expelled from her royal status. It's definitely the front-page headline!"

Everyone exchanged curious glances at Harvey's words. They quickly whipped out their phones to have a look, since they usually didn't follow trending news.

Soon after, waves of gasps filled the air.

"He's right! The Empire of the Sun that Never Sets made an announcement saying that the forty-ninth successor, Sharon Pearl, will be expelled from the royal family!"

"If there are any instances of her using the royalty's name, she'd have to be sent to court!"

"Great! So she's just a fake showing off!"

The crowd was excited by the news. At the same time, they let out furious screams.

'We almost got fooled by a little girl!'

'This is unforgivable!'

Sharon's scandal was dug up so easily. If it were any other occasion, she would've choked Harvey to death right there and then.

"This is an auction hall, not a wet market. Go outside and talk about your grudges if you still have any. Speak nonsense in here again, and I'll throw you out!"

The middle-aged priestess looked like she had been given a new instruction. She glared coldly at Harvey before saying, "Four hundred and fifty million dollars, going once. Going twice..."

The crowd was exhilarated.

Harvey frowned. Even though it wasn't that obvious, he could sense the Five Virtues Temple supporting Sharon.

But since they were quite discreet about it,

Harvey couldn't be bothered to expose them at
the moment.

"Six hundred million! Six hundred million!" Sharon yelled with all her might.

Her eyes reddened. This was all the money she had!

If she could bring the broken sword back home, perhaps she would have a chance to rejoin the royal family again.

If she failed, she would lose that opportunity forever!

### Chapter 2584

"Sold!"

Just as Harvey was about to increase his bid, the distant voice echoed once again, carrying obvious arrogance.

"Six hundred million dollars, sold to Ms. Pearl!"

The sound of the gavel was heard immediately after.

Harvey didn't even have the chance to react.

At this point, the Five Virtues Temple was no longer supporting Sharon in secret. They were blatantly standing by her side!

Harvey's gaze turned cold instantly.

"This is improper!" he shouted, scornful.

"I haven't even called my bid!"

"I'll buy it for seven hundred and fifty million!"

"The Maiden has already decided that Ms. Pearl is the winner."

The middle-aged priestess glanced at Harvey without even bothering to explain any further. She smiled at Sharon and said, "Please head backstage and pay first before you take the Head Coach's broken sword, Ms. Pearl."

"As the representative of the Five Virtues Temple, I congratulate you."

Sharon and Murphy froze, rather stunned.

They thought Harvey would keep going and increase the bid, giving them the opportunity to buy the Head Coach's broken sword.

They didn't expect the legendary Maiden, Teal Leithold, to show up and call the shots herself!

With Teal's powerful status and identity, she

could sell the item to whomever she wished.

She was the one who came up with the rules of the auction, anyway.

Nobody could stop Teal, even if she changed the rules at the drop of a hat.

For Sharon, the astronomical price was a complete rip-off.

In spite of that, she was able to accept that fact. She stood up happily before taking the Head Coach's broken sword.

The middle-aged priestess did not stop Sharon, either.

Even though Sharon wasn't really following the rules, it didn't matter that much since the Maiden herself was the one who broke them first.

"This isn't right!"

Harvey rose from his seat, his expression ice.

"What right do you have for doing something like that?!"

"Since I'm sitting here, I have the right to bid!"

"It's none of my business if you aren't willing to auction this sword and wish to give it to another party in private."

"But since you've already put it out here and established the auction rules, you should at least act accordingly, no?"

"It doesn't matter who you are. Not only are you disrespecting the guests by breaking the rules willy-nilly..."

"But your actions also smear the Five Virtues Temple as a whole!"

"I heard this place is a sacred martial art training ground for South Light! I thought your words carry weight, but I didn't know you'd be this shameless over a mere auction item."

"Forget it, Harvey."

Leslie never imagined that Harvey would be this impulsive.

"That woman who just spoke is the Maiden of the Five Virtues Temple, Teal Leithold!" she whispered in hushed tones.

"Her status and identity are too powerful! We have no chance against her!"

"Even Vince York must yield to her and respect her wishes!"

"We can't reason with her here!"

"We need to put up with this."

Leslie was resentful, but being a woman from Hong Kong, she was more than aware of Teal's status. Since Teal had already spoken, no one could defy her wishes.

While Leslie knew that Harvey had an extraordinary identity as well as impressive fighting skills, even she didn't think he had the right to challenge Teal.

After all, she belonged to the Five Virtues Temple.

"You want me to forget about this?! Not a chance!"

Harvey snarled, his sharp eyes glaring coldly at the backseat.

## Chapter 2585

"That item is mine! I'm buying it for seven hundred and fifty million right now!"

"According to the auction hall's rules, the highest bidder always wins."

"Even if you're confirming the bid, you need to call three times before slamming the gavel!"

"But you locked in on the lower bid without giving the others any chance to bid?"

"What's the meaning of this?!"

"Are you conspiring with The Empire of the Sun that Never Sets to sell them something that belongs to the people of Country H?!"

"You people should know what this item represents!"

"This belonged to the Head Coach!"

"You're already disrespecting him enough to auction something like this..."

"But now, you're even deciding who gets to buy it?! Are you insulting the Head Coach?!"

"How dare you, you brat?!" The middle-aged priestess screeched back, livid.

"Do you know the consequences of smearing the Five Virtues Temple?!"

Young priestesses of the Five Virtues Temple appeared from all directions, all shooting Harvey cold glares.

If Harvey were to spout any more slander, they would take action with haste.

"Smearing you, you say?" Harvey scoffed, repulsed.

"Do you honestly think others would go through the trouble when you're already doing that on your own?"

"Give me a good explanation, then. If it's good enough, I'll turn around and leave right this instant!"

"Of course... I am not the only one who has to be satisfied with your explanation. The same goes to all the participants here! Am I right, everyone?!"

Harvey tried to use the crowd in his favor.

But since the Five Virtues Temple was involved in the situation, nobody dared voice their support.

Harvey's name had become quite well-known at this point. Everyone knew of his achievements during his stay in Hong Kong and Las Vega. They were sure he wasn't just an ordinary man.

Yet... Despite his status and identity, there was no way he could even be close to challenging the Five Virtues Temple.

He didn't have the right to do this.

Murphy and Sharon laughed derisively at Harvey's bold words.

'Has this man lost it?'

'He's demanding an explanation from the Five Virtues Temple?'

The Five Virtues Temple would always do as their hearts desired. Everyone could only abide by their rules, and the temple had never needed to explain anything to anyone.

"Forget it, Sir York! We can't go against them!"

Leslie was getting anxious. She was worried that Harvey would try to challenge someone way out of his league.

"We have no need to explain anything to anyone."

The distant voice could be heard once again.

"But seeing as you're Mordu's Longmen branch leader and the prince of South Light, I'll make it an exception!"

Teal's cold tone lost its composed quality and was brimming with anger.

"Number one, you didn't come here to buy anything from the auction. You're here to cause Murphy and Sharon trouble!"

"You bought absolutely nothing since the beginning, and you got Leslie Clarke to speak for you only after Sharon made sure that the item belonged to the Head Coach."

"Only after Leslie's rights were revoked did you start bidding!"

"As a man, you wouldn't even dare do it yourself when you're scheming others. Yet, you're fine with standing behind a woman!"

"As one of the Yorks, you lot really are just as the rumors say: a family filled with kept men!"

"I don't like you, nor do I want to see you succeed with your pathetic tricks!"

"We'll sell our items to whoever we want, regardless of the price!"

"I won't allow a kept man like you to buy anything here!"

"Now, are you satisfied with my explanation?!"

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"Of course not," Harvey shot back icily, his face scornful.

"You don't have to participate if you're not satisfied," Teal replied calmly, indifferent to his rage.

"If you're here, you'll have to abide by my rules."

"I have the final say in my territory, after all!"

"Alright, that's enough talk. Take Sir York and leave, Ms. Clarke."

"I won't argue with you. For your family's sake, I won't put you two on the blacklist."

"But there will be no next time."

Teal's words returned to its cold and distant tone

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As if she was the golden rule.

"This is your explanation?"

"These are the Five Virtues Temple's rules?"

Harvey chuckled calmly.

"How domineering! You must be really confident in yourselves!"

It seemed Teal didn't hear Harvey's words, or perhaps she just couldn't be bothered to answer him. Either way, there was no reply.

The middle-aged priestess hissed, "Come! Send them off!"

Several Five Virtues Temple disciples closed in slowly, disdain evident on their faces.

"Let's go back, Sir York."

Harvey was ready to take action and retaliate,

but Leslie held onto his hand pleadingly.

"Don't! Don't do it!" she begged quietly.

"The Five Virtues Temple isn't as simple as you think!"

"Stop causing more trouble for my sake, please?"

"The Clarke family worked hard to get to where we are today!"

Staring at Leslie's earnest look, Harvey sighed and relented.

"Fine. I'll go with you."

He could take the stand for himself, but he still had to consider Leslie and the Clarke family's feelings.

He didn't mind Leslie's fear toward the Five Virtues Temple, either. In everyone's eyes, the temple was South Light's sacred martial art training ground. Naturally, nobody would dare to offend them.

"Right. Let's get out of here."

Harvey tapped Leslie's shoulder before turning around.

Leslie let out a sigh of relief.

The crowd, too, was at ease.

Everyone wanted to watch a big show unfold, but they would inevitably get dragged into the situation if Harvey really fought against the Five Virtues Temple.

He had shown terrible assertiveness in Hong Kong and Las Vegas for the past few days, so it was best for him to show some compromise in return.

Sharon glanced at Harvey and Leslie, crossing

her arms.

"You people are real good at giving up, huh?!" she said, chuckling scornfully.

"But that's normal. You're just scum who take advantage of the weak!"

"Harvey York! if you don't take this out right now, the Five Virtues Temple will immediately make you pay!"

Murphy chuckled along.

"What a clown! Do you not know your own limits, you ignorant fool?!"

Harvey turned to glance at Sharon and Murphy, whose faces were the epitome of pride.

"I didn't want to say anything so that you'll at least have peace of mind," he said.

"But since you want to die so badly, I'll let you in on something." "This sword does indeed belong to the Head Coach."

The crowd's eyes lit up at those words.

Anything related to the Head Coach would surely hold a significant worth!

Everyone was still in disbelief moments ago. But after listening to Harvey's claims, they were certain of the truth and started to believe. After all, Harvey had been desperately bidding for the same item.

Several tycoons who had refrained from bidding out of fear for Sharon's authority were now greatly regretting their decisions.