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“Damn, they’re out!”

The appearance of Jasper and Celine caused a commotion among the thugs who were embarrassed by Julian but still did not dare to rush up to him.

The thugs were very arrogant when they first came, but right now, they were embarrassed. The most embarrassed one among them was their boss, Machino.

He thought that since his men had been beaten, the matter would just lead to an ordinary gang fight. Machino would easily take care of this kind of small problem. As usual, he immediately called all his men who could come over. In the end, more than twenty of them arrived.

Under normal circumstances, after so many people arrived at the scene and the bosses of the two parties negotiated, the matter would be resolved after they agreed to pay some medical fees and get some benefits.

However, when he brought his men to the scene, he only saw Julian.

Machino naturally did not think that such a person was his opponent, so he immediately asked his men to do something.

After this, the situation developed to become what Jasper saw when he walked Celine out.

“Are you his boss?” Machino stood several meters away from Julian. Obviously, he was quite afraid of Julian’s strength.

Even so, he still spoke harshly to Jasper.

“Boss?”

This was the first time someone gave him such a title.

Jasper glanced at Julian with a smile, and then said to Machino, “I guess so.”

“Are you also the boss of those thugs behind you?”

Proper behavior was dependent on reciprocity. Hence, Jasper asked back.

Machino suddenly became proud and said, "Yes, I am in charge of this street. You can call me Machino. You look very foreign. Are you from Sharp Promenade or Causeway Bay?"

"I'm from the Mainland," Jasper said with a smile.

"Mainland?" Machine's eyes lit up. He thought Jasper was also in a gang, but he did not expect him to just be a mainlander.

"Your guy hurt my men. Based on the rules of the gang, do you want to solve this civilly or with fists?"

"What do you mean by civilly or with fists?" Jasper asked curiously.

"You're indeed a mainlander. You don't even understand this."

Machino sneered and said more confidently, "If you want to solve this civilly, then it'll be the medical expenses of my men plus the cost of lost work and recuperation. It'll be fifty thousand bucks per person. But if you want to solve this by fist, then I'll pay you back double what you did to them."

“Sounds fair.” Jasper nodded.

Machino immediately became excited when he heard this.

This guy from the mainland did not understand the market at all. In normal fights like this, everyone would get a compensation of a few thousand bucks, and if their injury was severe, it would be about ten thousand bucks. After all, they were all thugs and they were very lowly.

As long as they did not lose their limbs or were severely injured, they did not even need to go to the hospital. They would be fine after buying some medicine.

When Machino thought about this, he rolled his eyes and smiled gloomily at Jasper. “Seeing that you are someone who plays by the rules, this will be easy. You only need to pay for the medical expenses of my men and I will forget this matter. If I report this to my boss, you will be in big trouble.”

“In this case, you should report to your boss,” Jasper said seriously.

Celine next to him burst out laughing.

Machino was stunned.

This was not right.

How come this guy from the mainland who had previously looked so gullible suddenly became so firm?

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Without giving him a chance to react, Jasper turned to Julian and said, “I will wait for you in the car.”

After speaking, Jasper left the scene with Celine.

“Hey! How dare you leave? You f*cking mainlander...”

Before Machino finished swearing, Julian’s big hand came down on him with an earth-shattering blow.

A cool man would never look back at an explosion. Jasper had never encountered an explosion before, but he would not look back at the cruel and bloody scene of Julian bullying these thugs.

It did not matter if it was Machino or a literal machine, for Jasper, they were not even qualified to occupy his time.

There was no reason other than the fact that they were in totally different social classes.

Even if the lion on the grassland wanted to have fun, it would go to the tiger in the jungle. It would be impossible for a lion to play with ants next to the ant hill.

This was the same concept.

After walking out of the alley, Jasper was about to speak when Celine shook the car key hanging on her finger. She said, "I will go back by myself. You don't have to send me."

"Is it inconvenient?" Jasper asked.

At this point, even if someone saw Celine with him, it would probably have negative repercussions on Celine.

Celine glared at Jasper and said bluntly, "I just don't want to have anything to do with a stubborn guy who is about to become a penniless fool!"

After speaking, Celine turned to walk toward a Porsche parked on the side of the road.

Well, this fitted action Celine's temperament very well. Jasper smiled bitterly and shook his head, knowing that he still could not make Celine understand his choice.

When she reached the car door, Celine pulled the door open and suddenly said to Jasper, "I will buy you as much time as possible. Just do what you have to as soon as possible."

After speaking, Celine did not wait for Jasper to answer and got straight into the car. After hearing the roar of the accelerator, only the two tail lights were left swaying in the darkening night.

Jasper breathed out softly. He figured that he would owe Celine a huge favor since she had confided the news to him and then tried her best to buy him time.

After he got in the car, it did not take long for Julian to walk out of the alley carefreely.

"Let's go back to Law Manor," Jasper said.

Julian responded and drove off.

As for the fate of Machino and his men, Jasper did not ask and Julian did not seem like he wanted to tell Jasper about it.

It was still the same concept their social classes were too different. Even if they wanted to seek revenge, it would be impossible for them to seek revenge against Jasper.

Inside the car, Jasper made consecutive calls to two important figures in the mainland and then tried to dial the number Conrad used to contact him privately.

As expected, it did not go through.

The corners of his mouth raised slightly. Jasper was smiling, but his eyes were a little gloomy.

He did not believe that Conrad would be unaware about this matter.

He learned that Conrad had left the country two days ago from the Laws' information source. In addition to that, it seemed that his destination was Sunrise Land.

However, Jasper was currently facing huge pressure and he had no time to care about what role Conrad played in this matter.

What he really needed to consider was how to deal with the situation over the next few days. If it was handled well, Conrad would not be a problem. If it was not handled well, everything would come to a sudden stop.

While he was thinking about this, the car steadily pulled to a stop at the entrance of Law Manor.

After getting out of the car, Jasper greeted Henry who was approaching him, and then said, "Please make the necessary arrangements. I want to see your father and your grandfather right away."

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Jasper's words made Henry realize that something was not right. Normally, Jasper would only talk to his father. If he proposed meeting with the old master and his father, it meant that something major had happened.

Suddenly, Henry wiped the grin off his face and stopped his buffoonery. He said, "Come with me."

Jasper did not see Alex and others, so he asked, "Are the Jeans and the Bransons gone?"

Henry was stunned. “What’s the matter? Do you want to call them along too? If it’s really something that needs the old master’s attention, then Branson will be fine, but I don’t think the Jeans will have the balls to interfere.”

Jasper shook his head and said, “I’m just asking. It would not be right for them to participate anyway.”

That sentence sounded a little cheap, but Jasper was too embarrassed to say it out loud.

Henry took Jasper to the backyard and came to a stop in front of an ordinary bungalow.

While knocking on the door, Henry explained to Jasper, “The old master usually doesn’t live at home.

“He’s old, so it’s a little inconvenient for him to live in the house because of his legs. He doesn’t like going up the stairs, so we built a house specifically for him. It was built based on the old master’s preference. He’s old now, so he’s nostalgic.”

Jasper smiled and nodded.

Moments after knocking on the door, the old master's old yet vigorous voice came from inside.

"Is that you, Jasper? Come in and talk."

Henry opened the door and brought Jasper in. Then, he said unhappily, "Old master, I'm your grandson, why did you ask if it's Jasper and not me when I knocked on the door?"

Old Master Law happily got up and said, "Do you think I don't know you? If nothing is going on, would you dare to come and loiter around in front of me?"

Henry was quite embarrassed.

Although the old master was kind, this depended on the timing.

He had always been very strict, unreasonable even, when it came to educating his descendants. Therefore, Henry had been most afraid of the old master instead of Zachary since he was a child.

Since he was more mature now that he was grown, Henry understood that the old master was doing this for his own good. Even so, how could one just get rid of childhood traumas so easily?

“You should talk, I’ll get my father.” Henry found an excuse to escape.

Zachary was not here yet, so Jasper did not rush into discussion. Instead, he greeted the old master and exchanged courtesies with him, “Old Master, I’m so happy that you’re still so healthy and strong.”

“I can still light the way for you youngsters for a few more years. After some years, I might not have the energy for that even if I wanted to. I guess I have to admit that I’m getting old.”

“When I met you the first time earlier last year, I could still do some farm work, but now, I can’t do that anymore.”

Old Master Law was very open-minded about birth, old age, sickness, and death. After Jasper sat down, he said with a smile.

“You’re going to live a hundred years, Old Master. Otherwise, I don’t know how many trouble will occur, ” Jasper said after sitting down.

“No one can escape death, and no one can really live to a few hundred years old. I am so old now, and if it is not for youngsters, it would be worth it to just close my eyes right now.” Old Master Law laughed.

Jasper and Old Master Law would always chat like this.

Jasper did not say why he needed to visit the old master so late at night, and the old master did not ask either. They simply waited for Zachary's arrival in tacit understanding.

Zachary did not make them wait too long. Within ten minutes, he arrived in the small bungalow.

“What's the matter? Is it very important?”

Compared to the old master, Zachary was much more straightforward.

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He was still busy with work. Although Henry was out, the Atticus family would not let this matter go so easily. In fact, the fight between the two families had not stopped until today.

In a fight of this level, it did not matter how small the impact would be to the two sides, it might even have just been an argument between two small companies that did not care about each other, but it would still be immediately conveyed to the respective heads.

After all, although the matters were small, they were greatly symbolic. In such a situation, there were currently too many things that Zachary needed to deal with in person.

“I have reliable information that Wall Street and the Federal Reserve want to take action against me.”

Jasper’s words were concise as he went straight to the point.

As soon as he said this, Zachary’s expression changed.

Meanwhile, the old master also frowned.

“Jasper, you can’t joke around about this.” Zachary frowned.

Frankly speaking, if Jasper were not the one sitting here and saying this, Zachary would have turned around and left.

What a joke! That was Wall Street and the Federal Reserve. They were the two cores of the world’s most developed economy.

The economic policy of the Federal Reserve was the official economic policy of the United States, and even a single decimal point deviation in a report would affect the global economy.

Would such a godlike entity take action against an individual?

This was as funny and nonsensical as hitting a mosquito with a missile.

“Since I’m saying it now, I am 100% sure.”

“Of course, I am the cause of it this time. The first target is me, but they certainly won’t muster large forces to take care of just me. I’d be dead the moment Wall Street or the Federal Reserve makes an announcement. They don’t even need to lift a finger.

However, their real motive is to carry out a devastating attack on Somer's domestic finance through their attack on me."

Jasper sounded calm but it sounded as if he was using the mildest and calmest tone to say the most terrifying part.

Zachary's expression changed.

The old master also had an abnormal expression on his face.

"Jasper, speak slowly," the old master said.

Jasper nodded. Then, he told them his beef with Fabian and his fight with Fabian on the Dow Jones Index back then.

"Originally, the winner of this round was already determined. Fabian is already powerless to fight back, but what I didn't expect was that he would overturn the chessboard and take out a bomb directly from under his bottom to drag me to hell with him."

"Based on the information I have so far, Fabian instigated this incident."

“He worked with Layman, Colossal, and Quantum Fund, which all have beef with me, and united them. Then, they handed a butcher’s knife to the United States together. Coincidentally, the United States is desperate to find something to divert the attention of their people from the panic caused by the terrorist attack.”

After a pause, Jasper sighed, “Fabian’s meticulous thoughts, savage methods, and unique vision have indeed caused me huge trouble. I underestimated him.”

“The Atticus family birthed a formidable character indeed,” Zachary said in a deep voice.

Jasper nodded and continued, “This wouldn’t have worked if it happened at any other time. After all, no one on Earth could convince Wall Street and the Federal Reserve to do this, let alone the Atticus family.”

“It just so happened that Fabian was given this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity just as the United States needed an excuse to divert the attention of its people.”

“Hence, Fabian is taking advantage of the global climate, while I have to bear the punishment.”

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Zachary paced back and forth in the living room with his hands behind his back. This had become a habit of his whenever he needed to figure out something.

“This is difficult...”

After thinking for some time, Zachary turned his head to say to Jasper, “Because of our mutual ideology, it is difficult for the Easterners to penetrate the West, let alone the United States.”

“Although the Laws know a few members, they are all members of the senate. However, this is ultimately a matter for Congress, and they will be the ones who have any say. I am afraid it will be difficult for the Laws to do anything.”

Jasper smiled and said, “Uncle Law, I never wanted to avoid this catastrophe through lobbying.”

“It is possible that no amount of lobbying will work for this matter, especially since this is right up the United States’s alley. Even the stupid politicians won’t betray the majority to choose this very small profit that we’re able to provide.”

“What are you planning to do then?” Zachary lifted his eyebrow and asked.

Jasper turned his head to look at the old master.

Zachary was stunned. When he looked over to where Jasper was looking, he realized the old master was looking at him with a displeased look on his face.

Even though Zachary was already in his forties and near fifties and though he had taken charge of the Laws for many years, he would still feel like a guilty child who had made a mistake when the old master looked at him in dissatisfaction.

“Dad, why are you looking at me like that?”

The old master said angrily, “I regret handing the family to such a disappointment like you!”

“So what if they were from the United States? So what if they’re Wall Street? So what if they’re the Federal Reserve? They only have more brains and hands. Why are you being so cowardly after hearing their names?” Zachary felt ashamed when the old master criticized him.

“Dad, can’t you wait to scold me after? Jasper is still here. How am I going to get away from this embarrassing situation?” Zachary smiled bitterly and pleaded.

Zachary was only acting like this because he did not treat Jasper as an outsider anymore.

If it were somebody else, Zachary might consider killing them to preserve his prestige and image.

“You have to remember that you’re a descendant of the Law family. The others can surrender and run away when they’re faced with a powerful enemy, but you can’t!” The old master said in a deep voice.

Zachary lowered his head and said, “Yes, I understand.”

With a scoff, the old master continued, “The market crash of Harbor City is not even over yet, yet you’ve already forgotten your lesson. Why don’t you think about who caused the crash?”

“Even if we didn’t lose, we have to remember that we haven’t won yet!”

“As long as the enemy is still here and they’re still determined, we’ll have to defend against them. Defending is important, but if we have a chance, why don’t we break their hand and give them a lesson that they’ll never forget so that they won’t do it again?”

Zachary was stunned when he heard that. He was not enlightened with perfect wisdom. Instead, he simply felt that the old master’s age was getting to him.

They were talking about Wall Street and the Federal Reserve. This meant that anyone who was on the opposite side would have to face the raw power of the world's largest force, the United States.

This was like a three-year-old fighting a strong and burly man who was covered in muscles. Was he insane? When the old master saw Zachary's reaction, he knew what he was thinking.

"You fool!"

The old master scolded Zachary for failing to meet his expectations. Then, he added, "No wonder Henry is still a disappointment even though he's an adult now. How can the son achieve anything great when he has such a useless father?"

Zachary said angrily, "Dad, I'm also your son. If we're to look at things according to your logic, what does that make you?"