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At that moment, Lucy, who was standing next to Jordan, spoke.

"I've never thought about sabotaging you two. All my thoughts and actions are based on the company's benefit. If you want to buy that house, you can always use your own money. However, if you're planning on using our company's fund to buy a private residence that you can't even develop for your vacation, I'm sorry, but I won't let that happen! I'm directly responsible to the Edwards Group board of directors and the shareholders meeting. What I'm doing is absolutely correct and I've already explained it to Dad."

Jordan nodded his head because he did not see anything wrong in her decision. Not only was the land forbidden for demolition and development, the value was also ridiculously expensive, which made it a terrible decision to purchase that property. Both the Edwards and the Yard Families had their own mansions for their people, so it was meaningless for them to buy such a house. If he was at the meeting, he would also reject it.

Henry knew that Lucy's intention of returning home this time was not simple. Even if she did not have any other intentions, they needed to accuse her of something unfavorable because she was the biggest hurdle to face if they planned to stage a takeover of the Edwards Group. We must kick her out of the company!

"Dad, you need to wake up. She helped Cooper to beat us and kick us. Look what we've become! She is taking revenge on us and you too!"

Upon hearing that, Jordan was even more enraged. What a bunch of morons. The Yard Group has long been a sensitive subject that the government in Bayside City are concerned with. They are a foreign investment company with previous convictions, so it's natural for the government to pay close attention to them. However, at such a critical moment, these two actually bribed government agencies to forge documents so that they could buy a first class national relic and turn it into an office building without authorization. Even though this seems to be nothing wrong during normal times because that's one of the perks of being rich, the timing is still wrong and they didn't find the right partner. They don't know the rules in Cethos at all. From a young age, they have always looked down on the law and acted recklessly without having any abilities themselves, which will ultimately cost them. I've taught them multiple times that the rich shouldn't be involved with politicians, but they still wouldn't listen. Luckily, Lucy's here to quickly settle everything. The house is returned to the Mitchell Family, calming them down, so they wouldn't make a big deal out of this, but the

consequences of this matter are severe. If it went drastically wrong, this might be the downfall of the Edwards Family.

As Lucy settled the situation in a fast and excellent manner by killing a huge trouble at its source, he was very pleased with her.

“Alright. Shut up!” Although they were his two favorite sons, he still could not help but speak harshly. “I want you two to stay at home and think about your mistakes! Stop wasting your time thinking about that house! If only you two are half as good as your brothers and sister, then I won’t have to worry about you so much!”

When he heard Jordan’s words, Henry was furious again as his eyes and nose were filled with rage. “What’s good about that b*tch? She has been concealing her evil intentions all along. Now that she is back, she will kill us all sooner or later. Dad, my brother and I won’t be able to live that long!”

Jordan was exasperated that he was rendered speechless, so he raised his hand and wanted to slap his son. However, Anna was there in the nick of time to separate the father and son. “Alright. Alright. Everyone, calm down. It’s just a house...”

Afterward, Jordan angrily left with Lucy following him. Before she left, she even heard Anna whispering to Henry while wiping his tears away. “My dear child, it’s fine. If your dad won’t buy it for you, then I’ll buy it. If the Edwards Family won’t provide the funds, the Yard Family has plenty of it...”

In Lucy’s ears, Anna’s words felt particularly strange. This isn’t some normal love. Anna’s practically raising troublemakers! Of course, she had no idea about Anna’s relationship with Cooper. She purely felt that if Anna continued to spoil them, the two brothers would cause trouble sooner or later. However, Lucy was looking forward to seeing something happen to them!

Sure enough, after Anna’s comforting, Henry and Ryan felt that they were unstoppable again.

What’s wrong with buying a house? We are the heirs to the Yard Group and Edwards Group, so we are worth billions. Not only will we be able to buy a palace in Bayside City, we can even turn the Forbidden City into our golf course. All of Bayside City, the Mitchell Family and Fass will be nothing to us! Who cares if Fass has nuclear weapons? We are now living in

Bayside City, so let's see if he dares to drop a nuclear bomb here. What does he think the Bayside City's national defense does for a living?

From a young age, she had brainwashed Henry and Ryan to the point where they thought they were specially chosen by the heavens. In their minds, the Yard Group and Edwards Group would be theirs sooner or later. As for Callum and Cade, they would only be worthy to work for Henry and Ryan because of their inabilities, so the position as heirs must be left to the latter. Under those circumstances, it was not a surprise that they had such personalities.

A few days after Jordan returned, something happened in Europe again, which forced him to leave for a while. However, his confidant remained in Bayside City to monitor Anna and her sons' whereabouts. Lately, he had been keeping a close eye on them.

Amidst the pressure, she and her sons hardly interfered with the matters of Yard Group and Edwards Group. Every day, they remained in the Edwards residence to greet guests and drink some tea—there was nothing odd about them.

Henry and Ryan stayed at home to treat their injuries while Lucy obeyed Jordan's order to keep them at bay to prevent them from causing any more trouble. She was doing her job well, but in their eyes, her action was equivalent to house arrest. She won't even let us interfere with the Edwards Group's business. This is blatant oppression!

Since they were in house arrest and could not leave home, they became even more arrogant in the Edwards residence. Without their mother and Jordan there to control them, they were simply unbearable.

Both Henry and Ryan were maddened by the beating they received that night, so they went around the house to look for the culprit. They even preserved their clothes that night, which had a few shoe prints on it. With the logo and size of the shoe, they searched for the culprit based on the shoe prints. We must take our revenge!

A few days ago, they had caught two people and whacked them to death alive, but they were nobodies, so it did not cause a fuss. Today, they found another matching shoe print—the owner of the shoe was Ian Edwards. His shoe print was found on Henry's crotch, which meant that he almost rendered the latter impotent for the rest of his life.

Ian worked in the Edwards Group and lived in the Edwards residence. Therefore, Henry and Ryan pushed the door to his room open and hid inside to ambush him. However, Ian was not at home and his newly-wed wife returned home alone. When she opened the door, she

realized that the lock was broken, but she thought that it could have just been a coincidence. We are all living in the Edwards residence, so many members of the Edwards are here. Besides, it's open daylight and Ian is the family's direct line of descendant. Who would dare to pry open the door of our wedding room? Therefore, she opened the door and went in alone...

At the same time, at Pouri's store, Callum and Cade took the alpaca that they stole from Sophia's home to the store for a bath and makeover. Other than selling luxurious pet merchandise, the store also offered multiple pet services. While the alpaca was in the midst of undergoing the chosen services, Callum and Cade waited in the VIP lounge and listened to music while reading a magazine that was published by Pouri.

In the meantime, Anna had also brought her dog and cat for styling. A few people from the Edwards and Yard Family stared at them and did not let anything out of their sight. Anna carefully selected a few accessories for her pets such as nail polish, collars and vest. After that, she felt tired, so she went to have a full body massage next door and specifically reminded her bodyguard. "No matter what, do not interrupt me."

Callum and Cade also grew tired of waiting for the alpaca's services to be completed, so they lay down comfortably and enjoyed the music. With a fragrant scent in the air, they eventually took a nap while wearing an eye mask.

Just then, the bodyguard's phone continued to ring.

"Where are Mrs. Yard and the other two Young Masters? Quickly inform them to come back. Something big has happened!"

After answering the call, the bodyguard glanced at the three of them who were sound asleep, as if they were having a beautiful dream. They even specifically told me not to disturb them earlier...

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The bodyguard gritted his teeth and replied to the voice at the end of the line, "Madam and the Young Master are still busy. Try to hang in there first."

After that, a few of them returned to help while the rest continued to guard Anna and the two sons of the Yard Family. The three of them were sound asleep until night time, so they missed a lot of happenings.

At the Edwards residence, a tragic cry startled everyone in the house.

"Aaaah! Ian, helppp! Help meeee—"

Everyone was dumbfounded at the knowledge that Henry and Ryan actually broke into the room of Ian—the Young Master of the Edwards Family and its direct descendant. To make matters worse, the two brothers took turns to defile Ian's newlywed wife under everyone's nose and did it in the Edwards residence!

It was unprecedented and none of the Edwards could believe it!

When the Edwards arrived at the scene, they found Henry and Ryan's men blocking the door by forming many lines of human wall. Ian, who had learned of the news and hurried over, was continuously battered by the same group of people until he was covered in blood. He collapsed on the floor after being beaten, but continued to get up. Upon hearing his newlywed wife's tragic screams while looking at the wedding wreath that was hung on the door of his wedding room, his eyes became crimson.

As the legitimate Young Master of the Edwards Family, it was utterly unimaginable to him that his newlywed wife would be violated under his nose!

With red eyes, Ian was on his feet over and over again, but ended up being on the receiving end of repeated punches from them.

His wife's scream that came from within the room sounded like sharp claws that were tearing his heart!

The door was finally opened. Henry limped out from the room while lifting his pants up. While looking at Ian, who had already been beaten to a pulp, Henry guffawed. "Haha, weren't you strong when you were beating my brother and I back then..."

"You bunch of b*stards! B*stards!"

The elders arrived and saw what happened, which caused two of them to have heart attacks in extreme fury on the spot.

As the Edwards were no pushovers, they dashed forward in an attempt to fight with Henry and his groups. However, the other party suddenly drew their guns before dozens of the weapons were aimed at the Edwards Family, scaring them to the point where they started to flee. They actually have guns!

Henry yanked Ian's collar and lifted him. "Your wife is having a great time there. Listen to her moans—it sounds like your wife feels pleased since she makes such sexy moans! But, all you can do is watch!"

Ian glared at Henry and trembled in fury, but with the gun trained at his head, he would still be helpless—even if his hatred toward the latter made him shed tears of blood. If I have the chance, I will definitely make sure that these two sinful b*stards die by strangling them!

Henry intentionally called a few more people to enter the room, which resulted in the woman's shriek becoming more tragic—even her voice became hoarse.

"Ian, save meeeee—" As he listened to her cries, Ian glared at Henry in indignation with both blood and tears in his eyes.

All they could do was to watch helplessly when the Yards violated the Young Mistress of the Edwards Family in their territory.

"Where is Mrs. Yard? Quickly call Mrs. Yard over to control them!" The people of the Edwards Family shuddered at the guns being aimed at them and lacked the courage to approach.

"Elder, Mrs. Yard and the two Young Masters are busy with their business negotiations elsewhere. They can't make it here on time!"

"How about the Young Lady? Ask her to return to deal with this situation! The Edwards Family will be destroyed by these people from the Yard Family!" While the person spoke, another elder in his nineties suffered from a heart attack.

It was on that day when the entire Edwards Family had a taste of how extreme humiliation felt like.

Crack!

They suddenly heard the sound of glasses being shattered in the room followed by a large commotion in the room; the woman's scream was mixed with a man's roar before everything miraculously became quiet all of a sudden. Only the woman's cry was heard.

At the same time, sounds of footsteps, which were in an orderly manner, were heard from all directions. The security guards of the Edwards Family appeared in black and dragged away all the old and weak individuals as well as those who died from heart attacks. They cleaned the scene and, in the blink of an eye, completely surrounded the area where the incident happened.

Henry and Ryan, who still had their feet on Ian's face, had been asking him to listen to his wife's moans when they were suddenly surrounded by the security guards.

Looking at the Edwards Family surrounding them, the Yard brothers were still fearless. "We have guns! If you guys dare to come closer, do so at your own risk!"

Lucy scoffed. "What a coincidence. We have guns too."

Click!

It was the sound of bullets being loaded into the gun. Everyone from the Edwards Family held a gun in their hands—it was the Michel Industries' most recent product with great impact, high accuracy and zero rate of misfire.

At the same time, countless red dots appeared and were trained on Henry and Ryan's heads—snipers!

When more of Lucy's men appeared, it was only then were Henry and Ryan afraid.

Her men broke into the wedding room by breaking the window and saving Ian's newlywed wife. They even gained control of the room in an attempt to launch an attack from within, causing Henry to be surrounded from both directions.

Lucy saw that his subordinates had consisted of a number of people from the Edwards Family—they were Jordan's direct subordinates which he assigned to Henry

"Members of the Edwards Family, please come here. I cannot guarantee your safety if we have a fight in a moment." The few members of the Edwards Family opposite them exchanged glances with one another. However, as Jordan's subordinates, they now had to listen to his son, so they did not dare to easily rebel against Henry.

Henry laughed with arrogance. "Haha, they won't dare to go over because they listen to my orders!"

Lucy declared in a cold and merciless manner, "I'm counting from three to one and we will launch an attack after that." Before they managed to give any response, she started to count. "Three."

In fact, there were a few members of the Edwards Family who immediately ran over to Lucy, but the Yard brothers still did not budge. She cast a cold glance at Henry and Ryan as well as their people before turning to leave in a vigorous manner. She then made a turn and went downstairs while instructing, "Convey my orders—kill everyone besides Henry and Ryan."

Kill everyone. Henry and Ryan were dumbfounded by her words. Does Lucy really have the courage to launch a massacre in her own territory?

Unexpectedly, the moment her figure disappeared around the corner, the snipers immediately pulled the triggers, shooting many people down in that instant. At the same time, members of the Edwards Family started to open fire. In the blink of an eye, the Edwards residence became their battlefield.

Meanwhile, other members of the Edwards Family hid far away from the scene outside the residence as they heard gunshots from the building and saw reinforcements constantly entering. On top of that, the injured people were being carried out with blood all over them.

Again, everyone was dumbfounded—they were actually having a gunfight in their own house! This is something that the Edwards have never experienced before in our lives.

However, they were especially excited since they shared a common goal—take down every member of the Yards!

Amidst the hail of bullets, Henry and Ryan were practically stupefied as they never expected Lucy to mean what she said. She really ordered a massacre where real guns are being used to kill all of us and turning the Edwards residence into a bloody battlefield.

Henry immediately gave Jordan a ring. "Dad, help us! Lucy is going to kill us! Save us, Dad! We are at home, but Lucy is going to kill us!"

"What? What's going on! Don't be afraid; I will send someone over now!" Jordan knew that something went wrong when he heard the sound of gunshots.

Nevertheless, he was now abroad, so by the time he returned, even their corpses would have been frozen.

They rushed into a room to temporarily keep themselves alive, but it would not be long before her men barged in. Ryan hastily gave Anna a call. "Quickly ask my mother to answer the phone now! Help! Lucy is going to kill us!"

In Pouri, the bodyguard glanced at Anna, who was sound asleep, and the Yard twins.

The few bodyguards were reluctant to wake them up.

In the end, they played rock-paper-scissors to select the one with the worst luck. The person then mustered the courage to wake Anna up. "Mrs. Yard—"

Anna, who was suddenly woken up, had an unpleasant mood. She opened her eyes and gave that man a slap. "Get lost!"

That man ran away as he was frightened by her bad temper.

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"Young Master, Mrs. Yard is attending a conference. She really can't leave!"

The person's reply infuriated Ryan. Upon seeing that Lucy's men were about to barge into the room, he forced himself to call the cops.

As soon as the call was connected, he yelled, "F*ck you! I thought Cethos is a country that forbids the use of firearms! I have two gangs fighting with guns here! You f*cking police, why aren't you guys here to take care of this?"

The person on the other side of the phone immediately hung up on the call.

At the same time, the door was kicked down. Members of the Edwards Family burst in and caught Henry and Ryan while the rest of the Yard Family were killed.

That day, there was bloodshed in the Edward residence as both parties fought to their heart's content behind closed doors. The injured members of the Edwards Family were sent to the hospital for treatment while those from the Yard Family were carried to the side and given another bullet in their heads.

Those timid ones had all escaped. Lucy calmly sat at one side while drinking coffee and occasionally cast a glance at the piles of bodies with eyes that were void of emotions and colors.

The entire garden was soaked in blood as its stench shrouded the place. Under the nourishment of the blood, all the plants in the Edwards residence would produce beguiling fragrance for the next several years.

"Young lady, the cops are here." A subordinate came to report to Lucy.

She replied, "That's not an issue. Someone will help me to stop them."

The fight did not last for a long time. Henry and Ryan were covered in blood when they were taken out while dozens of their men, who emanated aggressive aura, all fell asleep at one side. If it was not for Lucy, who spared their lives, even the two brothers would have been killed too.

Everyone from the Edwards Family currently wished that they could kick the two of them. On the other hand, Lucy did not even look at the two pathetic guys and calmly instructed, "Remove the bodies and clean the floor. Send the Yard brothers to the Yard Residence."

Henry and Ryan were roughly thrown into the car. Before they left, Henry intractably threatened, "You killed members of the Yard Family. Dad will not let you off the hook!"

She was still impassive and unaffected by his threats.

After they were sent off, the enraged Edwards Family broke into their rooms and threw all of their belongings. They then kicked everyone with the family name of 'Yard' out of the Edwards residence, regardless of age and gender.

All the things in the rooms belonging to Anna and her two sons were also thrown out. It was a fortunate thing that she had taken her pets with her; otherwise, they would have been skinned alive!

From now on, the Edwards and the Yards were sworn enemies!

Anna, who woke up in the pet store, was informed of the shocking news the moment she opened her eyes. "What? Lucy actually launched a massacre in the Edwards residence and killed more than twenty people from the Yard Family? How dare she—"

While she was beyond furious, Callum pretended to be frightened as he stood on the side. "That's bad! She will definitely be coming to kill us! Mother, let's leave Bayside City for now!"

She carried the dog in her arms and agreed. "Let's go!"

The three of them took their cat, dog and alpacas and hurried to the airport to escape to the Ronney Group.

If the mother and her two sons continued to stay after the Edwards Family had killed many members of the Yard Family, they would probably be the next targets.

They hastily boarded their private plane and left overnight.

It was only when Anna's most trusted people were around her that she dropped her frantic expression and looked at the gradually fading land of Cethos outside the window with a stern look. She suddenly grinned. "Looks like I have underestimated Jordan's eldest daughter—she is surely courageous. I wonder how Jordan is going to handle this situation!"

It was indeed an impressive move by Lucy! By escalating the matter, it would cause the relationship between the Edwards and Yard Family to be completely broken and made it impossible for Anna and her two sons to be part of the Edwards. Lucy could establish her authority while severing all possibilities for the Yard Family to lay their hands on the Edwards Family. Her move has killed multiple birds with one stone!

Her marriage to Jordan would most likely be called off since the Yard Family was dissatisfied with the Edwards Family as well.

At the Imperial, Stanley said to Sophia the moment he entered, "Sophia, give me 100 and I'll tell you an extremely huge gossip! It's exciting! I promise to return you the money if it is not exciting!"

Michael would be returning from abroad today after finishing the scenes that he filmed abroad. The subsequent ones would be in Bayside City, enabling him to return home often.

They had made delicious food to welcome him home, so Stanley also popped by.

Sophia replied, "I will give you 5 at most!"

Stanley pleaded, "Come on! I think this news is worth at least 80!"

"10!"

"No, at least 50!"

"I'll give at most 20!"

"Fine! Give me the money!"

She gave him 20. He then took the money and announced, "Something big has happened in the Edwards Family!"

He dramatically explained about the incident in the Edwards residence that day. Although the news had been sealed and Lucy had done an awesome job in handling the aftermath of the matter, he still learned about it.

It would be impossible for the government to overlook the matter since an open gunfight happened in a country that forbade the use of firearms. They turned a blind eye to that incident since it was a fight that happened between their own family members and she managed to keep the situation under control without drawing the public's attention. However, the Fletcher Family were aware of the incident, but they ignored it since it was merely a fight within the Edwards Family, which posed no threat to the society.

As a matter of fact, Sophia had learned about the incident some time ago, but she still forced herself to listen to Stanley's explanation since he knew more of the inside story.

"After the incident that befell the Edwards Family, Anna and the others fled the country—I bet that they were frantic and panicked! I heard that the Edwards Family chased after them until the airport, but failed to catch them! If they actually managed to catch Anna and her folks, they might have lost their lives in Bayside City!"

Sophia chuckled. It is impossible for Anna not to be aware of what her sons did. She intentionally allowed them to have their way.

As Jordan had confined Anna in Bayside City, she would not have had a reason to return to Ronney City if her sons did not do something outrageous. It was perfect timing—she was able to return to Ronney City with her two sons and even took Sophia's alpacas with her.

Sophia initially worried that Lucy would not be able to handle Anna upon returning to the Edwards residence. Seems like I was overthinking the issue.

Theo lay on the couch after returning home today. After only being home for half a day, he felt bored.

He actually disliked the house—the vibes of capitalism and intellectualism made him feel suffocated.

It was impossible for him to live with Cooper because he found it unacceptable that an intellectual family under the influence of capitalism actually reared a pig in their house.

In fact, the pig that Carmen brought home last year was one that was bred for its meat and it had been neutered. As it was well-fed, it speedily grew. Now, the pig grew pudgy that it had long exceeded the optimum slaughter weight—it happened to weigh 300 pounds last week.

In the past when resources were scarce, the military troops could not eat meat even if they wanted to, so they had to rear the animals themselves. When Theo first joined the military, he was in charge of rearing pigs in the logistics unit.

At that time, he diligently learnt about 'Postpartum Care of Sows', 'Scientific Feed Mix for Piglets', and other subjects. After some hard work, he managed to rear four fat pigs with the average weight of 280 pounds, which earned him a Third-Class Meritorious Service Medal and a promotion.

Currently, the pig, which was nudging his trouser legs, was wearing a strange diaper, while she was chasing it from behind with excitement.

While looking at the pig's fat body, he gulped and wondered how the animal, which was kept as a pet, would taste like...

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After the pig nudged his pants for a while, it lay on the floor and fell asleep—probably due to the animal exercising too much. In fact, all it did in an entire day was sleeping and eating while living its best life. When it was a piglet, they would bring it out for walks every day. But now that the hog weighed more than 300 pounds, it could no longer go on walks and all it did was sleep at home, causing it to expand like a balloon.

Theo patted the pig's belly and pinched its ear while praising, "Look at this pig—the coat, skin color, body, meat..." Slaughtering this pig can definitely provide meat for the family for quite some time.

Before he could finish appraising the pig, a big rooster passed by him.

The rooster made Theo recall the days when resources were scarce and even government servants could only afford to eat steam cornbread. The military troops had to eat meat for combat, so they not only reared pigs, but many chickens.

Therefore, when he had to watch a live pork belly and chicken pot swaggering past him every day, he found it difficult to continue staying there and hoped to leave the house as soon as possible. I wonder if they will slaughter the pig during the New Year, but considering the fact that this pig is wearing a pink dress and living an enjoyable life, it seems like it won't be slaughtered any time soon.

Cooper, who was standing at one side, had long noticed Theo's hungry gaze. Although he also found the pig unbearable, he could not help but mutter when he saw Theo having the courage to blatantly stare at the pig, "It's vulgar."

Theo, who seemed to have ignored what Cooper said, continued to eagerly stare at the pig while contemplating the cooking methods for different parts of the animal.

He and Cooper, who had never been able to see eye to eye on matters, preferred not to speak or disturb each other.

The next day after Michael had returned, Stanley's cybercafé officially opened.

In the era where cybercafé business was sluggish with the risk of being bankrupt at any time and meeting real estate agents for the procedures to transfer estates, Stanley's action of investing loads of money to open a large cybercafé and even applying for Guinness World Records had started a trend, resulting in the non-gamers to join in the fun.

On the day that his cybercafé was opened, he managed to invite many famous celebrities of the esport industry and game production teams to his opening ceremony.

Michael naturally went and so did Sophia. Cooper, who was the founder of online games, also tagged along since he had to appear for the ribbon-cutting ceremony.

It was an incredibly lively and merry scene that day—the number of people who showed up on the opening day of the cybercafé was at an all-time high since there were gaming fans who intentionally flew in from abroad for the event.

The large cybercafé was not only equipped with computers, but also a gym, lounge, café, mall, and over a thousand employees as well as over 100 network administrators. There were even announcements that major esports events were scheduled to be held there.

Many members of the Fletcher Family also turned up at the venue—they stood together in a large group with shining eyes and scanned the place like searchlights. Suddenly, there was a commotion.

"She's here!"

"Over there!"

"Calm down and restrain yourselves. Don't let the girl notice us."

Sophia looked in the direction of their gazes—it turned out that Christine had arrived.

After she became the spokesperson for JNS Group's new line of products, her outstanding performance in the fashion week significantly increased her social status. She received a lot of gigs and accepted a few offers to be spokesperson for other companies. Thanks to that, she was finally able to throw out the replicas and appear in front of the public in a genuine Mori girl dress, looking like an eye-candy.

She happily greeted Stanley, "Mr. Snow Fox!"

"Chrissy, you are here. Have a seat anywhere you like. It's full house today, so pardon me for the poor hospitality." Stanley was on the go for the entire day, but he carved some time out to greet her.

"I understand. Just do what you need to do. I'll get myself a seat."

The two of them went their separate ways after greeting each other.

The Fletcher Family were excited—plenty of videos were taken from different angles and uploaded into their family group chat.

"Look at this—Stan is really in a relationship this time! Look at how sweet his smile was!"

"His girlfriend looks stunning! They look good together!"

"It seems like they might have kids next year!"

Christine saw Sophia, so she went over to greet, "Sophia!"

"Hello." Sophia subconsciously looked in the direction where Sean was and found him in the midst of greeting guests while keeping the scene under control.

The guests who were invited today were all from the same industry—big shots from the esports and gaming industries; they even made special arrangements to host an esports performance game to make the event more interesting. Therefore, he was extremely busy.

He most likely had given up on relationships since his unrequited love has caused him pain.

Sophia took the initiative to invite her to a match. "Let's have a match later!"

Christine was surprised. "Sure, I've always wanted to have a match with Sirius!"

Upon hearing that, Sophia felt extremely awkward. Ever since she learned about the dark history in her younger years, she wished the ground would bury her.

After the opening ceremony, the cybercafé officially began its operation.

The elated Stanley did not invite everyone to have fun in his cybercafé for the entire night, but rather for a meal instead. As he was usually stingy, he was generous enough to treat everyone to a feast that time. Those who were invited were his close friends, Sophia and her family, as well as Harry and his clan. Christine also came along.

That large group of people had reserved the entire restaurant.

After dinner, Stanley and his friends intended to head to the cybercafé with their arms on each other's shoulders to play games throughout the night. "Sophia, Uncle Michael, let's go! Let's play all night!"

Sophia was tempted by his offer, but her father was beside her, so she did not dare to agree— although she really wanted to experience the feeling of playing games in the cybercafé throughout the night!

Cooper glared at Stanley, which caused the latter to suddenly lose his courage to invite her and watched as they drove away.

After Sophia left, Stanley stopped Christine, who was also about to leave. "Chrissy, let's go. Let's play all night!"

She seemed to be in a dilemma. "Stan, I need to head to the dance room in the afternoon tomorrow. I think I'll have to pass."

He replied, "Hey, what are you afraid of? Let's go; don't worry, I'll bear the consequences if something really happens."

In the end, she was unable to resist the temptation and went to the cybercafé to play games all night long.

As Sophia's car had not driven far away, she saw the two of them entering the cybercafé together and thought, Stanley is rather smart to use the tactic of playing games as an excuse to bring himself closer to Christine.

A man and a woman, both in their prime of life, and the cybercafé had dedicated rooms for that...

However, when Sophia returned home with excitement, switched on the computer, and logged into the game, she realized that... They were really going to play games all night. They reserved a VIP room and Stanley had even defeated Christine in the game. This idiot fellow... Is he really dating Christine? Is this how he dates a lady? If he has even half of his uncle Michael's dating skills, he would have a kid old enough to attend elementary school now!

Sophia lazily killed mobs and gained experience together with them in the game. As she expected, playing games at home was not as fun as playing in the cybercafé. Something just doesn't feel right!

Sean also nonchalantly played video games while privately chatting with her.

She texted, 'Hey, do you think that idiot actually knows how to date someone? What kind of dating method is this?'

He replied, 'They are not in a relationship; they are occasionally playing video games together. That night during the fashion week when they did not return home, they spent the entire night playing video games. In his words, it was merely 'business games'—he played games with Christine for the whole night to convince her to promote the cybercafé for him. He managed to save a hefty amount of advertising fees through this method.'

She was rendered speechless; in fact, she was dumbfounded! A young man and woman went out just to play games for the whole night? This might sound unbelievable if it involves other people, but if Stanley is involved, it would definitely be possible.

Sean added, 'Sigh, with Stan's idiocy, I wonder how long I will have to wait for him to be in a relationship with someone.'

No, Stanley has actually once taken the initiative to chase a woman—Sophia. However, it turned out to be a mess since it's the reason why the punches that he has received from Michael is more than the amount of food he has ever eaten.

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After he failed to woo Sophia, it seemed like he lost the ability and instinct to fall in love with a woman.

As a result of the Fletcher Family's influence, she was incredibly concerned about Stanley's relationship matters. The idiot dog should get lost with another girl! If he is not going to date anyone for his entire life, Sean will stay by him for the rest of his life. Therefore, he should hurry up and date someone so that Sean can give up and take Maisie to a place far away. Christine seems like a good choice since there aren't many women who can get along well with him—it's now or never!

She replied, 'Christine is quite a good choice for him. She is Maddie's relative from her hometown. We know her background—she is quite hard working, which makes her a good match for that stupid dog.'

Sean fell silent for a moment, which made her think that she could have said something wrong as she thought, I knew that he... Sigh, relationships are not something easy to deal with.

He suddenly replied after a while, 'In that case, why don't you try to set them up? With his dense brain, I wonder when he will be able to have a partner.'

Meanwhile, in the game, Stanley threw Christine on the ground again and whacked her while arrogantly saying over the mic, "Hahaha, call me Daddy!"

Sophia hesitatingly replied, 'Sure... I'll give it a try.'

She thought that she should try to look for Maddie since after all, the latter was Christine's cousin and his elder. Maddie would be the perfect candidate to bring them together as a couple. It was a coincidence that she wanted to interview Linus, so Sophia intended to discuss with her in person.

After playing for the entire night, Christine ate her breakfast in the bistro of the internet café before sleepily heading home.

As a celebrity attached to an agency, she was spared from living in basements like other people who came to Bayside City to make a living. She was currently living in a considerably decent property at the heart of the city center—the company had rented a unit with two rooms and a living room for her.

She used to live alone in the two-room unit, but her cousin from her hometown recently arrived in Bayside City. So, she placed a bed in the extra room, which was modified into her closet, and asked her cousin to stay in it. She even arranged a job for her cousin, which was to do odd jobs in her agency.

Christine slept until noon and took a few sips of coffee, wore her makeup, and dressed before heading to the talent agency for an afternoon dance training in the dance room.

When she opened her closet, she discovered that her clothes and shoes were left in a mess. The clothes and shoes, which the brand company had given to her when she became the spokesperson for JNS Group's new line, were scattered on the bed. Even her two best outfits, which still had its price tags intact since she was saving for grandeur events due to her reluctance to wear them on normal days, were unexpectedly worn by her cousin, Tawny Bishop.

Christine felt that her heart ached. Tawny has her own clothes, so why did she wear mine? To make matters worse, they are my best clothes! I can't afford to buy such expensive clothes, so I wouldn't have owned them if the brand company didn't give them to me!

Tawny's job of doing odd tasks in the agency was the result of Christine's continuous effort of begging her company. Even though she was now 18 to 19 years old, Tawny, who dropped out of junior high school and started to work since then, still had accomplished nothing. She even underwent an abortion when she was still a minor, ruining her reputation in her hometown and unable to marry anyone.

When Christine's relatives from her hometown learned that she was quite successful in Bayside City, they hoped that she could take care of Tawny and make her a celebrity as well to enable her to marry into a rich family—since there were wealthy people in Bayside City—and follow in Christine's footsteps, which was to earn millions to support her family and helped her brothers to buy properties and settle down.

Christine and Maddie were both from a small county in the southwest; they were considered famous people in their hometown who successfully made it big as a celebrity.

One person's success could bring glory to the entire family.

Although Maddie's husband was poor, he was a permanent resident of Bayside City and Maddie was able to become a resident after her marriage. Even though their family was poor and unable to afford anything expensive, being a permanent resident of Bayside City in itself was already something to be proud of. Therefore, a lot of her relatives from her hometown would ask her to help them to look for jobs whenever they visited Bayside City.

However, those relatives would criticize her husband that he was merely a paratrooper when they returned home. As Maddie and her husband lived in a windowless basement unit, they did not have any extra rooms to accommodate her visiting relatives, who had to stay in hotels each time they came.

Nevertheless, a poor man like him was still able to earn money. He managed to earn more than 100,000 annually, so she was able to send tens of thousands to her family and even financially supported her younger brother's university studies.

Although she was not leading a successful life in Bayside City, she was an extremely filial daughter who would save all of her earnings and send it back to her family.

In comparison to Maddie, Christine was more successful. As a famous celebrity, she was able to make a few millions a year. As a result, her two elder brothers and younger brother could afford to purchase houses in Provincial City and ones that were the best high-rise properties in luxurious neighborhoods.

Therefore, her relatives from her hometown all swarmed into the city to earn money. When they arrived in the unfamiliar city, they would ask her to help them to look for jobs and even asked her to support their accommodation and food when they were unable to work.

Once Christine's relatives caught wind of her success, they came to visit her more often and she would try her best to assist them with securing jobs. Fortunately, she had already established connections in Bayside City. When she was playing games with Stanley last night, she told him that her uncle was looking for a job.

She grumbled as she tidied her clothes. After that, she picked her outfit and applied her makeup, but found that it was in a messy state as well. A few of her favorite lipsticks and foundations had been stolen. Needless to say, this must be Tawny's doing since she keeps using my foundation while wearing my clothes and shoes to work.

Christine knew what Tawny had in mind—there were celebrities, film producers, and famous directors walking in and out of the agency every day. Since Tawny did not want to do odd jobs for the rest of her life, she intended to look for an alternative—if she managed to catch a big shot’s attention, she would become as glamorous as Christine.

However, Tawny was unaware of where she currently stood—she physically lacked the condition to stand out and since the entertainment circle never lacked beauties of all shapes and sizes, it was rather impossible for things to work out as she wished.

Although she was merely doing odd jobs, her monthly salary was around six to seven thousand despite it being an easy job. It was way higher than the usual salary of two to three thousand per month that she would receive for jobs in her hometown. On top of that, based on her physical condition, it would be difficult for her to even get a job that paid two or three thousand per month.

A frustrated Christine, who had already done her makeup, made a call as she left home. “Hello? Uncle, I have a friend who has just opened an internet café. He is hiring someone to do some odd jobs. The pay is six thousand per month and is inclusive of food and accommodation... Sure, sure, I’ll go and pick you up at the hotel tomorrow.”

After making the call, she sighed. Her uncle had been staying in Bayside City for more than ten days. Not only was his hotel accommodation fees and food paid by her, she had to arrange for him to stay in luxurious hotels while ensuring that he was well-treated. If she did not treat him well, he would definitely complain about her when he returned to her hometown, humiliating her parents and brothers.

After all, she was the ‘hope of the family’, so she could not afford to disgrace her family.

Immediately after she left home, her father in her hometown gave her a ring. “Christine, your cousin’s flight is arriving tomorrow afternoon. Make arrangements for his accommodation and job.”

She felt so annoyed that she wanted to smash her phone, but she agreed in the end. “Alright, send me the flight details then. I will go and pick him up from the airport tomorrow.”

Mr. Bishop, who was on the other side of the phone, then added, “Your brother wishes to open a company in the city, but he lacks the capital. Transfer 1 million to him.”

1 million! Christine was shocked. When did I ever have 1 million?!

She had recently spent her entire savings for her brothers to purchase properties in Provincial City. Although the properties there were not as expensive as in Bayside City, it still exhausted the money that she had saved all those years. How on earth am I going to look for 1 million?

“Dad, I recently purchased a house for my brother, so I don’t have 1 million!”

Mr. Bishop’s tone instantly became stern. “You are a celebrity, so it’s easy for you to earn money. Even if you don’t have it now, you will have it in a couple of days’ time. Don’t worry; it’s not urgent. It’s merely a plan that your brother has, so just transfer to us when you have the 1 million. Christine, your brother is our family’s hope and image. If your brother wishes to start a business, our whole family has to try our best to help him!”

“But—” Christine felt anxious. My brother represents our family’s image, but what about me? On top of that, he wants 1 million? Where am I going to get 1 million from?

He was impatient. “Look at your cousin—Maddie from the Evans Family, who married a paratrooper. She only spent around 100,000 when her family purchased a house and it was not even enough to buy a toilet in Provincial City! As a result, she has become such a loser that she is embarrassed to return to her hometown. It serves her right!”