

Winters 1221

Chapter 1221

Duncan looked similar to Everett. The only difference was that Everett looked more introverted and subdued. As for Duncan, he gave off a really imposing feeling and made people feel pressured when they were around him.

Duncan took a glance at Ninian and Harold. He greeted them with a nod and asked, "Where's Everett?"

"He... He's at the hotel pavilion, fighting with Rowan. He challenged him..."

"What on earth is he doing?!" Duncan's expression was as cold as ice. He continued, "You're grounded in the forbidden room for three months!"

Zayn's face turned pale. Even so, he did not fight back. He said in a soft voice politely, "Yes, sir!"

As Duncan was about to head to the hotel, he stopped and turned to look at Ninian. Her face was pale.

"Do you want to come along?"

Harold's expression changed slightly, and before he could stop her, she said firmly, "Okay!"

Duncan looked impressed for a moment. He raised his hand. "Get down from there."

Ninian approached him, grabbed his hand, and hopped off the car. The two of them headed toward the banquet hall.

the people to clear the place. Not many people were at the

him, and, soon, they arrived at the small

it was empty. Everett and Rowan

was nearby, said, "Sir, we

after the tracks. They soon led Duncan and Ninian

hotel was very tall. It

the banquet hall was not located high up,

on the balcony. They were

while blood oozed out from Rowan's waist,

The scene looked horrifying.

tears welled up in

had an

else. If two people were indulged

was ruthless. His every move

Rowan had taught him to fight. So, he was very familiar with his fighting

Ninian dared to call out to Everett. They feared that they

glanced in their

left, defense,” Duncan said

did as

Chapter 1222

Everett’s face looked horrifying. His face was stained with blood and his eyes were bloodshot. There was no emotion in his murderous gaze.

He seemed to have lost his mind, with no glimmer of light in his eyes. His bloodthirsty gaze made him look like a vicious beast, who had been caged for days, and now only had one thing in mind: devour its prey.

Ninian was stunned. She was speechless.

‘This bloodthirsty and terrifying man looks nothing like the level-headed, shy boy I know.

‘I’ve always known that his illness is severe. But now, after watching him in this condition for the first time, I finally know how terrifying it is.

“That’s not normal at all.’

“Everett!” Duncan’s expression changed. He approached him cautiously and nervously as he said, “Put down the knife. Come here, and let me see your wound.”

At that moment, it did not matter if Rowan was dead or alive.

If Everett saw more blood, he would immediately kill Rowan. His condition could worsen, and he would ultimately lose his mind.

Even with Duncan calling out to him, he did not respond at all.

He was holding a knife in one hand, and grabbing Rowan’s neck tightly in the other hand.

was watch him with a pleading gaze. “Calm down. You can’t kill him. You shouldn’t dirty your hands care as much if it’s

just merely a life. I can handle

‘But not for Everett.

kills Rowan, he’ll spiral back into his dark age. He might not be able to come out of it again

who was standing beside him,

and walked towards him slowly but

you recognize

her, but
You always call me
to say that I'm
you told me that you'll stay by
gradually turned hazy.
instantly became overjoyed. "This is a herald
"This girl...'

His usual stern face revealed a
She bent down
my hand. Do you
there was an obvious sign of conflict in his
her gaze and looked at his long,
I'm scared. Can you

Chapter 1223

Everett looked timid and forlorn. It was as if he did not want the girl in front of him to get disappointed in him.

So, he cautiously stepped forward.

Ninian looked overjoyed.

Right at the moment before he held her hand, Duncan, who was standing at the side, yelled, "Everett, look out!"

Everett immediately turned, but before he could even see Rowan clearly, Rowan had already stood up and kicked him to the floor.

In the next second, he pounced at Ninian.

"Ninian!" Harold, who rushed over to the scene, shouted with a cracked voice.

Ninian watched as Rowan pounced at her. Her face turned pale, and she took a step back. However, there was no use.

He was too quick. Even Duncan, who had rushed over, could not stop him.

At that critical moment, Everett grabbed his waist. directly from behind at an unimaginable speed before he could stab Ninian.

He slammed him to the side ruthlessly.

landed on the

they were on the edge of the open-air balcony. They

“Everett!”

“Everett!”

people shrieked as they watched

to jump off the balcony too, but

He knelt on the floor and looked down. It was

“Everett... No...”

search for them! Rowan chose this place, he wouldn't

His subordinates rushed downstairs.

his face as his

out of hell back

be

who was beside him, burst into tears. She could no longer

“Hal... Let me go...”

were messy, and her eyes were red and swollen from crying. Her gaze

looked nothing like the little

he hugged her tightly and said,

want to see him... I want to

She kept reaching out.

Chapter 1224

“I-It's Sir Everett!”

“It's Sir Everett! Quick, someone, help him up!”

The subordinates of the Craig family exclaimed and
rushed to the edge of the balcony.

Duncan looked over and dropped the equipment in his hand to the floor.

“E-Everett?”

Everett was bleeding all over as he climbed up from the edge of the balcony.

With the quick help of the subordinate, he soon lay on the floor.

Duncan teared up as waves of emotions washed over him.

As he was about to approach Everett when another figure went to him faster than him. She had already passed him and plunged directly into his arms.

It was Ninian.

was not completely conscious yet, but he instinctively hugged her back so much.

was not jealous. Instead, he covered his face with

What a

touched Everett's face, as he did not look like he was in a good condition. His bloodshot eyes were had climbed up out of

danger, clambered on the wall in time, and climbed back

cold and hoarse as he said in a quivering voice, "Send him to the hospital first.

knew that Rowan had come to Cairnstan,

doctors from Ganstern were still on their way, but he had hired the top doctors in

willing to let him go. Harold pulled her aside, embraced

her teeth,

sent

follow him to the hospital. George called and forced her and Harold were forced to return to the Winters

in the Winters

of more than three years, the Winters family had launched the first-level defense again. Bodyguards dressed in black were positioned around the Winters family's mansion, and all

car passed through the gate of the mansion, to the open-air fountain, and finally stopped in front of

was pale. When he saw this, he knew that George was furious,

Chapter 1225

"Bring me the mace. I need to punish you according to our house rules."

Harold was stunned when he heard this. He lifted his head abruptly. "G-George..."

Colin brought out a quaint box and took out a huge mace. It was so huge that it looked like it could crush someone's bones.

“Harold, you disobeyed me, secretly brought Grapie back to Cairnstan, made Mel keep this a secret with you, got her involved with the Craig family, and got into such huge trouble. Tell me, do you deserve this punishment?”

George said each word with immense force. As he spoke, his voice became as cold as ice.

Harold shuddered as his face turned extremely pale.

This was his first time seeing George get so mad.

Currently, George held the most authority in the Winters family. He was the head of the Winters family.

Harold was unable to refute his words.

Even though his eyes were filled with fear, he gritted his teeth and said, “Yes, I do!”

strokes for

at him in resignation with a

barely alive

him coldly, scaring Colin so much that he

when he was angry.

Craig family stepped forward, picked

his eyes and gritted his

in the mansion looked away. They could not bear to see this

pain that he was prepared to

figure rushed in front

surprise, and his expression

desk, stood up

“Ahh!”

the mace as soon as it hit her flesh. The

mansion turned

She closed his eyes in

and half-knelt beside

“Doctor! Call the doctor!”

Chapter 1226

At that moment, the brothers sat on the couch while they waited for news from within the room.

George seldom smoked. The only time he had the urge to smoke was when Raina wanted to break up with him. After that, he did not touch cigarettes anymore.

Yet, at that very moment, a lit cigarette hung between his long fingers. It lit up, then was extinguished, but was lit up again, before it was extinguished again. The process repeated itself, casting him in a red glow.

He sucked in a breath and exhaled smoke before he looked at Harold.

Harold looked as if he had suffered a huge shock at that moment and was dejected. He was no longer as wild and lively as before.

George's heart clenched in pain.

He was the one who hoped that his siblings could be free and live as they wanted. He wanted them to not be shackled down by the responsibilities of the family.

But he seemed to have driven his brother into this state of depression.

harshly, would they not have done their best to hide the truth from him because they were worried his fingers together and started doubting

business trip right

of the cigarette was reduced to ash, he finally said

dragged Harold's thoughts back to the present. He looked up, and he seemed lost for a moment. He also appeared incredibly weak, making him look absolutely nothing

his daze and said slowly, "I'm not entirely sure. In the

Ufyra, we thought something was a little off. In fact, both you and AI told me

our project

manipulated my AI simulation. android. I went back to Mel and took part in the

sneaked back into the country in hopes to challenge Everett and see what sort of person he was that made my sister love

internal strife to break out so suddenly within

to punish me. I was remiss in my duties, and

the first time

could not,

finally taking up the responsibility of becoming a man and an

Chapter 1227

'Why would George... ask this kind of question?'

During this ordinary conversation, George did not give off the imposing aura unique to people who held superior positions anymore, and his expression was not calm either.

It was then that Harold realized how young his brother was. 'He... has a vulnerable side, too.'

George, Harold, Alden, and Melody all came from the same mother, and George was only born a few minutes before them.

But he assumed responsibility for everything.

Whenever the people important to him ran into trouble or caused trouble, he was always their guardian god and shield.

To his parents, he was their successor, the one his parents dared to entrust everything to.

To his younger siblings, he was like a deity in their hearts. They depended on him but were also afraid of him. Thus, there were many things they were afraid to share with him.

How sad would their big brother be if he found out about all those things?

"I'm sorry, George," said Harold with red-rimmed eyes. You did great. You're the best brother in the whole world! You're the person we depend on the most and are our pillar of strength."

shouldn't have kept it from you.

then punish me! I won't.

he saw the serious expression on his

George could

a sense of loss for

was not an ordinary person; he could process all

such considerate words, George, in all of his sternness and stoicism, could not help but that moment.

and said, Are you really willing to be

Harold

"You won't run away?"

"I won't!"

thirty strikes from

thirty strikes a

Didn't you say you were willing to accept the punishment?" George said purposefully, "Come! It's

Harold was instantly terrified, and he clutched and wished he could scurry under the sofa.

snickered. He watched Harold and

big brother was only joking. He chuckled and shook his head, "Whether it's for real or for jokes, let's not

Chapter 1228

Harold immediately said, "Trauma caused this? Now that Everett is fine, will she recover?"

"Yes, Young Master Harold," said the family doctor, "What Young Lady Ninian is going through isn't a major problem. I will give her some medicine. During this period, keep her mood stable, and she'll recover slowly. But..."

The family doctor gave George a cautious glance, and said, "After that, Young Lady Ninian can never experience this kind of trauma again. Otherwise, she'll lose her ability to speak again, and, next time, it might be permanent."

George's expression turned gloomy.

Harold retreated a step and slumped lifelessly against the wall. "How could this be?" he muttered.

This was exactly what everyone in the mansion was thinking.

Their most optimistic, energetic, innocent, and lovely little lady of the family... Why did she have to suffer from such symptoms?

The servants, who had been working in the mansion for decades, knew that Young Lady Ninian, from the moment she was born, was separated from her mother, and she lived three hard years before she was found again.

But Ninian perfectly inherited the strong and independent character of her mother and lived a very optimistic life. She was a happy child and the pampered princess of the Winters family.

beloved princess of theirs... How did a trip to school end up with her returning in such a

George looked up

"Tell all the servants that no

want Mom and Dad to be worried sick

greatly before; all the blood in her body

her to travel abroad, he was also seeking to find a cure wherever

care of these matters at home. They

for why this matter could not be spread,

and soul must not be left to outsiders. Otherwise, Ninian would be exposed to more dangers and trauma in

housekeeper, acknowledged his orders and immediately passed them on to the

mansion was under lockdown, and no one dared to act however they

what has happened. As for Mel, don't let her worry about it." After George said this, he pushed the
He leaned against the wall, with only a few feet between him and Ninian, who was in
my fault. I wasn't alert enough. That's why something
sooner that she was being watched, and that it was a trap she was walking into, he would
for dinner with Everett after filming as usual and was sent back by him,

Chapter 1229

George handed her the phone, and she tapped on the screen. [Harold...]

This took a lot of effort from her, and it seemed that if
she was not careful, she would aggravate the injury on her back.

"George figured out what she meant and quickly said, Harold is fine. I won't punish him. I initially just
wanted him to suffer ten strikes to make sure he learns his lesson, but I think I'll just let it go."

George was not lying. He had been truly furious and wanted to teach Harold a lesson, but he only
intended to give him ten strikes.

He had planned to bear the remaining twenty strikes himself.

After all, George was supposed to be in charge while their father was away. His siblings had ended up
like this because he had not been strict enough with them, and he had the unavoidable responsibility of
supervising them.

But for the moment, in order to prevent Harold from getting punished, his sister would try to shield him,
even with her weak body. George could not bear it and was unwilling to complete the issue of Harold's
punishment.

Upon hearing his words, Ninian seemed rather relieved. She then pointed to the screen again with a
somewhat anxious expression.

in a stable mood for now. Maybe he feels a little embarrassed to come in

his hand, looking

patted her hand to reassure her

him and

Grapie can't

this,

Do you want

at first, but, when he heard this, he became angry and amused

person should say? Ninian's an adult now, and the injury is on her back. You want to kiss it? HOW are
you

look like you want to get beaten up instead. Shall I do it for you?" George said

Harold was instantly terrified.

swift movement, as though he had done this

side. He winked at her and begged her to help him

was so angry, he wanted to

not

in the room dissipated in

sigh of relief when he saw his baby sister smile

better. Her body should

Chapter 1230

There was one simple line on the screen.

[George, Harold, help me ask how Everett is doing.]

The word "Everett" promptly ticked the Winters brothers- off.

Ninian was like this because she was dragged into the Everett family's affairs this time.

By following the family doctor's advice that Ninian must not be traumatized anymore, everyone in the Winters family hoped that she would not contact Everett again.

The Craig family was still searching for Rowan's whereabouts, which proved that Rowan's influence was far greater than they had initially thought.

He could stay in hiding for many years and cause such a mess when he revealed himself. He could even completely disappear again.

He was not an easy target.

sister get involved in the Craig family's

when he lost control over himself. It was almost equivalent

to put his sister in the hands of such a

to have Ninian stay far away from Everett and cut off

face turned pale,

rattling sound in her

expressions and immediately said, "He's fine, absolutely fine! Don't get so worked

spoke as he leveled her with his gaze, "What you need to do now is to stabilize your emotions. You lost your ability to speak due to PTSD. At this point, it's still mild, and you can recover from it. But if you get too emotional, it'll be

cried Harold involuntarily. "How

ignored him and stared into Ninian's eyes. "I know you're strong, and you can bear it. Now, I need you to calm your emotions and

She pursed

Craig family and help you ask for any news, including updates about Rowan. I'll help in what manner I can. With the Craig and Winters families working together, Rowan can't

were red. She gestured a "thank you" with her hands, as well as typed

added. [I'll get better, don't worry, and